

Water Pollution and treatment-A Review

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Abstract: Water pollution is a problem of serious environmental issue in India as its 70 percent surface and groundwater resources contaminated by various pollutants such as biological, toxic, organic, and inorganic. Among all the largest source of water pollution in India is untreated sewage. Agricultural runoff and unregulated small-scale industry are the other sources of pollution. Most of the rivers, lakes and surface water in our country are polluted due to industries, untreated sewage and solid wastes. The outcome of this mammoth problem is the rising socio-economic cost of poor water quality. Almost 40 million litres of wastewater enters rivers and other water bodies every day with a very small fraction of it being adequately treated. The most badly hit class due to water pollution is the weaker sections of the society as these people mostly resides near main water bodies in India. According to the World Bank report such releases of pollution in the up streams reduces the economic growth in the downstream areas, which reduces the growth of GDP in these regions which create a downward impact on the overall GDP of the country. Almost half of the GDP is lost. Due to the polluted stretches in India the agricultural revenues decreases to 9% and also a 16% fall in agricultural yields downstream areas. Some remedial measures should be adopted to protect the poor masses of the country. Water pollution near oceans, rivers, lakes should be controlled. Waste ingredients should not be disposed in oceans, rivers, lakes and ground water. Controlled use of pesticides and fertilisers should be done as this will prevent runoffs of the material into nearby water sources. Clean water bodies will result in the sustained development of the country particularly the vulnerable sections of the society. It is the dire need of the hour to control water pollution to achieve the vision of the 'healthy nation'.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Water contamination is the sulling of water bodies, ordinarily as a consequences of human exercises. Water bodies incorporate for example lakes, streams, seas, springs and groundwater. There are part of things causing the contamination like synthetic substances like rough oils of fossil oil item, Fertilizers, Chlorinated solvents, anti-microbials, trihalomethanes, metals and so forth the technique for evacuating unfortunate synthetic substances, natural contaminants, suspended solids and gases from sullied water is named as water sanitization.

Climate change

Climate change is characterized as the adjustment in normal climatic condition. It's typically brought about by the issue, for example, natural wonder technique variety in radiation, release. Certain human exercises are known as an essential explanation for worldwide Climate change. Worldwide environmental change conjointly will expand the presence of a ton of savage climate wonders, dry spell, fires, the demise of creature and plant species, flooding from streams and lakes, the making of atmosphere outcasts and devastation of the natural pecking order and monetary assets, especially in creating nations

Pollution Control Technologies and Devices

Pollution control advances are utilized to control the contamination causes by characteristic and human made sources. Contamination control is required to protect the important natural assets to help ecological quality. The different advances that control the sulling region unit laser strategies, compound techniques, applied science and so forth. The Pollution control hardware will decrease surges by cleanup drop and messy air. There are differed advancements utilized in modern procedures and transportation to control contamination

Pollution and Health Effects

Pollution can make extreme unfavorable impacts environment Pollution will build the opportunity of lung and heart infections. Toxins with the most grounded verification for general wellbeing concern incorporate particulate issue (PM), ozone (O3), nitrogen dioxide (NO2) and poison (SO2). When people are being presented to extra unsafe UV beams that have duplicated the occurrence of distortion among people. Over the

long haul, it might likewise make people get lung malignant growth, skin disease and so on some of the biggest reasons for contamination are autos, engine vehicles, businesses, and so on

Wastewater

Wastewater is any water that has been affected by human use. Wastewater is used water from any combination of domestic, industrial, commercial or agricultural activities, surface runoff or storm water, and any sewer inflow or sewer infiltration.

Ground Water

Groundwater is the water present beneath Earth's surface in soil pore spaces and in the fractures of rock formations. A unit of rock or an unconsolidated deposit is called an aquifer when it can yield a usable quantity of water. The depth at which soil pore spaces or fractures and voids in rock become completely saturated with water is called the water table.

Greywater

Greywater or sullage is all wastewater generated in households or office buildings from streams without fecal contamination, i.e. all streams except for the wastewater from toilets. Sources of greywater include, sinks, showers, baths, clothes washing machines or dish washers. As greywater contains fewer pathogens than domestic wastewater, it is generally safer to handle and easier to treat and reuse onsite for toilet flushing, landscape or crop irrigation, and other non-potable uses.

Hydrology

Hydrology is the scientific study of the movement, distribution, and quality of water on Earth and other planets, including the hydrologic cycle, water resources and environmental watershed sustainability. Hydrology subdivides into surface water hydrology, groundwater hydrology (hydrogeology), and marine hydrology. Domains of hydrology include hydrometeorology, surface hydrology, hydrogeology, drainage-basin management and water quality, where water plays theHistorically,sewage discharge was the most known contributor for water contamination. In 1872 the state of Massachusetts began to lead enquiries by the state board of health to try and investigate:

“the sanitary effect of draining sewage into the waters of the commonwealth," (Abbott, 1887)

The report initially rendered that the rivers of the Massachusetts were not polluted as to cause concern. However, in later reports proceeding this enquiry, the literature conducts other methods of identification rather than relying solely on chemical analysis deeming the Blackstone river in need of relief enacting that “no sewage or refuse should impair domestic water from a stream or pond (Abbott, 1887)”. Likewise, other early literature mentions the discharge of sewage from several cities into the same river, from which other users depend upon downstream as correlating with increased occurrences of typhoid (Hering, 1887).

Proceeding this, the literature began reviewing the pollution of water supplies by Algae and various other biological means. A study conducted in New England began registering the effects of organisms such as Uroglena (a form of colonial plant like flagellates) which releases toxic oil globules spoiling the taste of the neighbouring water supply (Moore 1899), though this study did not conclude the overall difficulty of managing such organisms. Progressing into the 20th century, the use of fertilizers and synthetic pesticides from the expansion of industrial/agricultural sectors had become more widespread, thus shifting the literature to focus on nonpoint sources of pollution. In 1927, the ‘British Water Pollution Research Board’ had formalised, first investigating the effects of beet factory effluence, establishing that ‘the fluming and washing water carries soil and beet debris and contains small amounts of dissolved organic and inorganic substances’, further identifying that small sugar compounds ‘deplete the rivers of oxygen’ (Parker, 1932). From analysis of the River Tee, the report also addresses that industrial effluent derived from coke ovens containing tar acids, naphthalene and cyanide had reduced salmon populations, though there is no mention as to what concentrations were found and to what threshold was deemed harmful. Meanwhile during this period, mining activities had been identified as potential sources of pollution. Mary J

Rees established that high concentrations of lead sulphate impregnated into drainage water caused a decline of fish life in the rivers of North Cardiganshire (Reese, 1937). Additionally, other reports condone heavy metals such as Cadmium to have contaminated mine surface runoff bioaccumulating into rice paddy fields supplied by Jinzu River basin; causing Itai-itai disease (Kasuya et al., 1992). During the late 20th century, persistent detail was placed on the plausibility for Volatile Organic Compounds as potential contaminants. After Rachel Carson’s publishing’s, depicting a world in which the rivers and streams were void of all life, a surge of literature reviewed effects of the pesticide ‘DDT’. (Harrison et al., 1970) reported on the potential for DDT to become biomagnified from aquatic systems up to higher trophic levels, considering apex predators such as Heron to have absorbed 10 6 times higher than that of the local environment. (Bouwman et al., 2013) observes

the use of DDT as a Malaria control as a cause for eggshell thinning in aquatic systems in South Africa. It's seemingly apparent that a consensus on this matter has been achieved by a large body of researchers provoking the ban of DDT by the US in 1972. Other more recent research draws focus to the health ramifications caused by heavy metals associated with the amplified usage of synthetic fertilisers. (McArthur et al., 2001) queries the use of phosphate fertilisers enduring the possibility for displacement of arsenic from sorption sites on aquifer minerals, identifying the opportunity to infiltrate 1,000,000 wells and put 20 million Bangladeshi at risk. (Dey and Islam, 2015) extends this research finding a huge variation of pH due to textile processes in low income countries (Bangladesh – 3-14 pH) though more emphasis is placed from the surrounding literature on the effects to human health than merely the surrounding environment probably. It's indicative that most of the contemporary evidence base for studies of heavy metal pollution, emerge from the global south, with focus on parts of Asia such as Bangladesh and India who cannot afford the same preventative measures as other western countries for their industrialisation.

As modern extraction methods become more effective at recovering heavy metals, a transition to reports on less amendable sources of pollution continue. (Gregory, 1996) identifies small fragments of plastic derived from hand cleaners and cosmetic preparations alongside air blasting cleaning media as sources of waste entering marine waters. (Eriksen et al., 2013) provides evidence for the existence of plastic aggregations zones in the South Pacific southern subtropical gyre.

Components of polluted water:

Temperature

Disturbances of temperature, largely due to the disposal of hot water into adjoining water supplies can disrupt the local aquatic ecosystems. Typically, such action is derived from nuclear power and other power generation processes as they require intensive water coolant systems. Little is discussed of thermal pollution before the 1900's, though since world war 2, electric utility requirements have raised considerably in demand and nuclear power stations had started to become viable sources drawing more attention to such issues. (Lemke, Brown and Leff, 1997) investigated the disturbances between polluted and unpolluted streams by thermal pollution – establishing a decrease in bacterial colony forming units. Furthermore, the effects of temperature on zinc and cadmium absorption by aquatic mosses had reviewed the capacity of zinc increasing with temperature (Martins, Pardo and Boaventura, 2004) though no follow up studies addressed as to what effect this had on plant health. A recent trend is for papers to pose the effects of temperature on water pollution in the context of global warming. (Schwarzenbach et al., 2010) emphasises the possibility for increased water temperatures to influence the spreading patterns and frequency of infectious disease outbreaks. Whilst other studies focus on the enhancement of eutrophication by temperature increase in great lakes (Matzinger et al., 2007).

During the era situated around the great world wars, the research basis has seemingly devoted itself to investigating the health effects of water contamination associated with the production of atomic weapons.

II. Conclusions:

A general pattern emerges across the literature pertaining to the work being mostly application based and less theoretical. This is probably due to the applications for water pollution research being withheld under the theoretical outputs from disciplines of biology and chemistry which provide practical applications whereby knowledge is applied to address water pollution. Because of this, the literature surrounding this topic would seem to focus on informing policy makers and business leaders on the grounds of moving towards better practices rather than other academics. A lot of the early literature was dominated by government departments, further validating this claim. Water pollution as a grounds for concern had been stagnant till the end of great wars when acts such the 'Local Government (Water Pollution) Act 1977 IR', 'Clean Water Act 1977 US' and 'Water Resources Act 1991' which attracted a lot of funding towards a progression in the literature whereby heavy interest starts to emerge. Recently now, its notable that the funding led by the WHO and over global investors has caused concern for the less economically developed countries who take the brunt of the worlds industrial processes whereby the consensus of literature is having a profound effect upon health. As stricter regulations come into force and better filtration systems become available, one might postulate a shifting of focus towards a global outlook as the changing composition of our atmosphere (particulates, microplastic powder, dust particles) or ozone deterioration from the use of fertilisers produce direct and indirect effects on our oceans, lakes and aquatic ecosystems. Lastly, one can concur that there is an evident transition of typhoid initially being studied from a Eurocentric perspective to recently being assessed by universities of the East. This is largely parallel to the now developed countries 100 years ago as a new cycle emerges in the global south whereby industrial and societal growth outpaces the rate of managing proper waste streams that pollute neighbouring water supplies.

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