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# CAMBODIA WATSAN COUNTRY PRESENTATION

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# Basic Country Data - Cambodia

Variable	Cambodia
Population	
Total population (Millions)	14.5 (2011)
Rural population (%)	80
Urban population (%)	20
Urban population growth rate	2.21
Poverty rate	26.1
<b>MDG Statistics on Sanitation (JMP. 2010)</b>	
Access to sanitation (urban)	67%
Access to sanitation (rural)	18%
Urban sewage connection treated	28.9%

# Overview of Sanitation in Cambodia

- **Urbanisation occurring rapidly, with the main cities facing flooding and the peri- urban facing problem of SWM and wastewater management**
- **Limited human resource capacity in the water and sanitation sector, and Lack of accurate data;**
- **Low coverage for access to clean and safe water and adequate sanitation, including lack of awareness on sanitation issues;**
- **Access to water and sanitation is linked to poverty;**
- **Availability of financial resources of the sector is still low.**
- **The economic losses stemming from poor sanitation and hygiene has been estimated to almost USD500 million.**
- **The water and sanitation sector faces constraints with regard to raising needed investment capital.**
- **Lack of clear responsibilities in Urban sanitation – currently 2 Ministries as well as local authorities involved.**

# MEK-WATSAN In Cambodia

2008

- Community-based Project in Kampot Town, and then in towns of Prek Thmei and Snoul as part of the quick-win/fast track phase

2009

- Now a roll-out phase I in 4 towns: Kampong Thom, Kampong Cham, Pursat and Svay Rieng.

**Objectives:**

- Expansion of the water supply system, establishment of revolving funds to promote private connections among poor households and hygiene and sanitation education (through HVWSHE approach).

# Location of UN-HABITAT Watsan Projects in Cambodia



14 latrine options developed;  
Currently 100,000 people with access to sanitation services from MEK-WATSAN projects  
in 7 urban settlements.

# Needs:

## Capacity building

Project  
Management

Water Demand  
Management

## Continued Provision of watsan infrastructure

School and  
community  
watsan services

Drainage,  
wastewater (incl.  
promotion of  
DEWATS), solid  
waste  
management

## Policy support

Development of  
strategies and polices  
to support sanitation  
issues in Cambodia,  
including  
Environmental  
sanitation, and  
involvement of private  
sector in watsan  
issues.

# Thank You

