Research Paper on Treatment of Grey Water using Low Cost Technology For Kushvarta Kund Water

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Abstract - Water is one of the most abundant resources. India is suffering from the worst water crisis in its history and around 700 million people face problem of water shortage, approximately 200000 people die every year due to inadequate access to clear water. As due to increase in population, water demand has also increase which has led to the idea of using grey water as a source of water. Grey water is a waste water generated from household, office buildings and streams. This includes water from kitchen, showers, sinks etc. the best alternative and cost effective process in rural areas is the reuse of grey water. With the help of proper treatment grey water can be put to good use. By applying proper treatment grey water can be reused for other purposes. As there are some low cost technologies which will help to treat the grey water. This paper presents a review of existing low cost technologies for treatment of grey water.

Keywords - grey water, reuse of grey water, low cost technology

1. INTRODUCTION

Water is becoming a rare resource in the world. As per the international water management institute in India by 2025 one person in three will live in condition of water scarcity. With increasing population, the gap in between the supply and demand for water is increasing. The low cost technology would definitely save huge quantity of water by reusing the treated water. In many developing countries access to clean and safe water is a major problem. Poor water quality is a cause of livelihood and poor health with 80% of all diseases in developing countries. Grey water is slowly gaining importance in the management of water resource. Grey water contains chemical contaminants, physical contaminants and microorganisms. Grey water may contain chemicals from soap, dyes, and bleaches. It may also contain bacteria, viruses, protozoa. So it is very important to treat grey water by using low cost technologies. There are some low cost technologies like stabilization tank, filtration tank and root zone technologies. Stabilization tank is a cheap alternative. Stabilization tank work well in nearly all environments and can treat most type of waste water. Then root zone waste water treatment system makes use of biological and physical treatment process to remove pollutants from the waste water.

2. LITERATURE REVIEW

The literature mentioned in papers collect information of treatment using different low cost technologies for greywater treatment and the most important aspect in protecting and improving the health of the people with safe and clean water.

1. A.D. Mande et. al.,(2018) this review paper did the detailed study on low cost household water treatment methods. In this review paper there are various low cost households water treatment methods are there like ceramic candle filter, silver impregnated pot filter and bio sand filter. In this there are various media used in this treatment methods like resin, activated carbon etc.

2. IndranilGuinet. al.,(2017) Introducing the application of filtration process, victimization low price natural absorbent for domestic waste water treatment. In this they have given the main advantage of filtration process is that the maintain high concentration of micro-organisms in high removal rate.

3. S Gautamet. al.,(2017) this paper discuss cost effective waste water treatment technologies for small size sewage treatment plant in India. It also provides an analysis of technologies used commonly in this sector in terms of cost assessment and foot print requirement for selecting its suitability in Indian climate.

4. Elzein. Z. et. al.,(2016) This research paper explains the use of constructed way plan as a sustainable waste water treatment method in urban area, it also gives the uses of analytical approach by studying some examples that have used constructed wet lands for waste water treatment.

5. KarnapaAjit.(2016) This research paper explains about the grey water characteristics, proper guidelines for reuse of grey water depending upon socio economic conditions of country. Various biological techniques with disinfection units like MBR gives 100% removal of TSS, BOD, COD, etc.

6. Sameer S Shastri (2014) This paper defines about the approval of system for implementation create lots of
7. Mahamood Farahani et al., (2015) This research paper did the detailed study of grey water and from where the greywater is generated. Grey water is originating from showers bathrooms sinks and kitchen sinks. The Hazrat-e-masoumeh university explains the use of trickling filter with suspended plastic media. In this trickling filter method the waste particles are removed by mesh screen of 1 cm and then the greywater is conducted to buried septic tank and water is pumped to the trickling filter containing plastic media and sludge.

8. Sandhyapuskarsinghet al., (2015) This paper reviews on grey water treatment by using technologies. Bioremediation, sand filter and simple technologies have been shown to have limited effect on grey water. The treated grey water can be used for irrigation gardening and construction purpose.

9. K.D. Bhuyaret al., (2015) Conducted study on treatment of waste water by using membrane biological reactor. The industrial waste water can be treated by using membrane bio reactor. The result is a dramatic increase in the number of new commercial system. Membrane bioreactor is becoming one of such flourishing technology in water and wastewater treatment field.

10. Vijaya V Shegokar et al., (2015) In this review paper they have mentioned about low cost treatments systems recycling, reuse, low cost materials.

11. AMR M. Abdel-kader et al., (2013) Introducing rotating biological contactors system to study the efficiency of greywater treatment. RBC plant is composed of three parts first is RBC tank unit, second is settling tank unit, & third is disinfection tank unit. This model was verified by using data from RBC experimental pilot plant. Result of this study showed that the treatment efficiency of RBC system based on BOD removal ranged between 93% to 96% and also based on TSS removal ranged between 84% to 95%.

12. Dilip M. Ghati et al., (2013) This paper explains about variation in generation of characteristics of greywater, the technologies develop to check the efficiency of a particular systems.

13. Shankar dhone et al., (2011) This paper tells about water conservation due grey water treatment and reusing urban setting with specific context to developing country, it describes about design aspect, performance evaluation, water conservation and profit of greywater collection, treatment and reused system in Nagpur in urban household.

14. Saroj B. Parjaneet. al., (2011) In this paper the performance of grey water treatment plant by economical way for Indian rural development is mentioned. In this report they have mentioned the design of laboratory scale grey water treatment plant, which is the mixture of physical and natural operation.

15. Francis W. Kariuki et.al (2011) This paper describes about reuse of greywater for landscape irrigation the low cost technology for GWT was found to disinfect salmonella sp in grey water, improve the turbidity and significantly reduce the total and fecal coli forms, flocculation and disinfection units requires to be improved to achieve complete removal of all coli forms. Lemon juice which is routinely used in the households was found to be an effective disinfectant.

16. Fangyue Li et al., (2009) The literature review shows that all types of greywater have good biodegradable. The bathroom and laundry are deficient in both nitrogen and phosphor. The physical process are not sufficient to work and reduction of organic nutrients.

17. Robert E. Eden et al., (1996) An investigation into greywater reused for urban residential property. This explains the greywater testing, result of filtration, filter design, appropriate disinfectant and physical to date.  

3. Methodology

3.1. Stabilization Tank-

Stabilization tank is one of the low cost treatment used to treat grey water .water stabilization tank designed to treat the wastewater and to reduce the organic content, pathogens from waste water.

Stabilization tank is a natural process which takes time because Removal rates are slow. Stabilization tank work well nearly in all environment and can treat most type of wastewater. It is basically a tank in which greywater is allow to pass, at the end the particle's will settle down at the bottom and we will get the treated water at the end .Stabilization tank is a cheap alternative. It requires large space as compare to other process.

3.2. Root zone wastewater treatment-

Fig No.1 Root zone wastewater treatment
In this Rootzone method cover all the biological activities among different types of microbes, water soil and sun Rootzone. The Rootzone wastewater system makes use of biological and physical treatment processes to remove pollutants from wastewater. It is a natural process, there is no need to add any chemicals, mechanical pumps or any external energy. Rootzone wastewater treatment also reduces the maintenance cost. It is also one of the low cost technology to treat grey water.

3.4. Filtration through winnowing sieve-
This type of filtration is used when the water source is populated by wind borne impurities such as dry leaves, stalks and course particles. The raw water is passed through the winnowing sieve and the impurities are filtered. This type of filter is widely used in villages of the Bamaka area.

3.5. Jempeng stone filter method-
This is one of the water filtration method developed in Bali, Indonesia, a small artificial pond is cut by the side to an irrigation canal which carries muddy water. In this jempeng stone filter unit is carved out of a porous material called cadas. This unit has an average height of 60 cm, dia of 50 cm and wall with a thickness of 10-12 cm. This unit is placed on the top of a stone supporting gravel bed. This method can even treat highly turbid water.

3.6. Horizontal flow course media filter-
Horizontal flow course media filter technique uses coarse gravel or crushed stones as filter media and is very fitted to turbid waters with turbidities larger than fifty NTU. A combination of filtration and sedimentation of suspended solids occurs throughout the horizontal passage of water through the filter. At the same time, biological mechanisms similar to those in slow sand filtration help to get rid of pathogens, although in restricted manner. Research at Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand.

3.7. Biological treatment
Biological treatment techniques like Membrane Bio Reactor (MBR), Rotating Biological Contactor and sequential batch reactors to be effective grey waste water.

3.8. Membrane bio reactor-
Membrane bio reactor is used when the treatment efficiency is important consideration and they are available in two configurations: “external” or “submerged”. In the external configuration the sludge is recirculated from aeration basin to pressure driven membrane system and the suspended solids are recycled back into the bioreactor and effluent passes through membrane.

Membrane bioreactor is the modification of activated sludge process in which membrane filtration units are placed by secondary settler.

3.9. Rotating Biological Contactor
It is a biological treatment process in which biological medium remove pollutants in wastewater before disposed treated water to the environment (river, lake or ocean). Rotating Biological Contactor consists of closely spaced parallel discs mounted on rotating shaft above surface of waste water on the surface of the disc microorganisms grow and biological degradation of wastewater pollutants takes place.

The discs consist of plastic sheets ranging 2 to 4 m in diameter are up to 10 mm thick, modules have arranged in parallel and in series to meet the flow and treatment requirements. The discs are submerged in waste water about 40% of their diameter and 95% of the surface area is thus submerged in waste water and exposed to the atmosphere above the liquid. Carbonaceous substrate of RBC is removed in the initial stage. Carbon conversion completed in the first stage of a series of modules, with nitrification being completed after the 5th stage.

Grey water management required thing now a days so we need to perform live case study for effective execution.
and validation of the concept of our project. From this we finalised the Trimbakeshwar village where there are lots of amount of grey water available.

Kushavarta is 24.68 x 22.55 m (81'x74') and has three Dharmashalas on three of its sides. It is stone lined and has fifteen steps on each of its four sides leading to the water. Platforms have been provided where people can take advantage of the holy bath. It was built by Ravji Mahadev Parnerkar, the Phadanavis of the Holkar in 1768 at a considerable cost. Every Monday a silver facial plaque of Trimbakeshwar Mahadev is brought here in palanquin procession for bath.

Kushavarta Kund

The tank is currently being augmented by an external water source due to low water levels and an increasing number of visitors. A fountain has been constructed in the tank’s centre and a heavy M.S. Railing with signage around its periphery. Roof extensions in G.I. sheets have also been added as extra protection from the sun. Later additions, though added for public convenience, are incompatible with the heritage nature of the structure. The true source of the tank needs to be found and an attempt made to recharge it. If not possible, the external pumping can be done in on a stand-alone basis or in a concealed manner. All later additions need to be removed or rebuilt in natural materials like Cast Iron, wood or stoner.

Planning and Development of Model:

Stabilization tank

As per our study stabilization tank can be implemented for the treatment of Kund water, stabilization tank is the low cost technology which gives the effective results.

Working Of Stabilization Tank

Schematic View

Actual Model

In this the stabilization tank is divided into the compartments with the help of baffle walls. The entered water is allowed to pass through the holes made in the walls at the upside and downside located diagonally opposite to each other. After certain duration the impurities of water will get settle down at the bottom surface and the filtrated water will be passed out through the outlet pipe. The results of the stabilization tank process to be very effective as compare to the conventional methods. This stabilization tank is also economical than other treatment available.

Proposed Pavitra Snangruha

We are also planning for making the separate compartments for bathing near the Kund in which we will use sprinkles for the bathing and the filtered water from that stabilization tank will be further used by this sprinklers. Then the water which is used for the bathing purpose will get collected and from collection pipe the water is again send back to the stabilization tank for the purification. By implementing this system devotees can also take bath and the Kund water will not get polluted.
Proposed Pavitra Snangruha

VERMICOMPOSTING

Solid Waste Management by Vermicomposting

The Vermicomposting process is traditional composting, in that organic waste is broken down through biological decomposition in an aerobic environment to produce Stabilized organic fertilizer. Unlike composting however, Vermicomposting includes action by earthworms as well as microorganisms, which acts to biodegrade organic waste at a faster rate. As the Trimbkeshwar is the holy place where the solid waste generation is high in which the flower offer in a temple contributes 70% - 80% generation, vermicomposting is a process in which different types of earthworms are used the process of organic waste conversion and produce better end product.

By taking this into consideration we have planning the Vermicomposting system for the Trimbkeshwar temple so that solid waste management will be achieved and also good quality of compost will available.

Working of our model:

We have taken the box which contains some organic waste material and 1kg of earthworms we divided that box into 3 compartments, and we kept that box under observation. After 4 days we have observed the end products produced by the earthworm through their digestive system that end product is 100% organic and can use that end product for the agriculture use, in this way plant will not get affected by the chemical fertilizer. This end product will help plants for better growth and nutrition.

4. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Result of Grey Water from Kushavarta Kund

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Above are the major parameters to be consider for treatment of grey water

RESULTS OF WORKING OF STABILIZATION TANK

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Discussion

As per the discussion with Mrs. Chetana Kerure who is the Chief Officer at Municipal Council Nasik. There is already the water purification system implemented that is the pumping system. They have told us that they made the use of bio-sanitizer to clean the water, as bio-sanitizer helps to settle down all the impurities present in Kund water, but it is the costlier method and not that much effective, they have also discussed this issue with NEERI. Now they are looking for the low cost system which can be implementing and can give more effective result then these systems.

The method of stabilization tank which is one of the treatments of low cost technologies. Stabilization tank is more effective than other treatment methods.

CONCLUSIONS

From the above contents we have come to know that stabilization tank, root zone method are proved to be very effective for treatment of grey water, the results of stabilization tank are effective and similar to the results of IS specifications

The stabilization tank is the low cost method so it is economical with better results from the above all methods.

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