

# OPINIONS ON THE WORK PLAN OF AWAP

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#### **COMMENTS ON WORK PLAN**

Objective 1. Raising Awareness on Wastewater Management

Regarding to the point "1.2. Understandings of the Importance of "Wastewater Management" at citizens/official level is deepened - Output from the Activities", it should be considered to add the content: enhancing the capacity on drainage and wastewater management for managers/officials at local level.

Local managers/officials are the persons who directly work and communicate with the community, on the other sides, raising public awareness includes the involvement of the community in wastewater management and monitoring, therefore, capacity enhancement for managers/officials at local level are very important.

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### Objective 2. Monitoring of Wastewater Management

- \*Comparing each countries' efforts with <u>unified indicators</u> is beneficial from the viewpoint of <u>objectively grasping our country's progress</u> of policy on wastewater management.
- ❖ The indicators should be <u>simple enough to easily collect data</u> for them and <u>clear enough for residents to understand</u>.
- ❖ In addition to comparing output data of each country, we can learn more deeply by <u>analyzing the process of Good practices</u>.

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## Objective 3. Resolving Common Challenges

- ❖ Apart from Japan, partner countries of AWaP are developing nations, so the challenges in wastewater management are similar and not difficult to be specified. Therefore, it seems not so reasonable to start the fomulation of co-projects by 2020, it should be promoted sooner.
- ❖ It would be effective to gather experiences of <u>similar projects</u> from each partner country and to compare and analyze advantages and issues of them.
  - ex) Pipe jacking method, pipe rehabilitation method, etc.