Pilot project on textile industry wastewater treatment technology (combination of ABR and DHS) in Citarum river basin



Implementation systems

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Background

- The water resources of the rivers and groundwater systems in the Citarum River Basin are critical to social and economic development of the country.
- In recent years, water pollution problem has occurred in accordance with rapid growth of economy and population, especially around Bandung in upper Citarum river basin.
- Indonesian government has strengthen law regulation to prevent water pollution since 2017 and 2018.
- However, appropriate wastewater treatment technology that can comply with law regulation has not been disseminated. It is necessary to develop and disseminate energy-saving and low running cost technology.



 This project aims to disseminate energy-saving and low running cost wastewater treatment technology, combination of ABR (Anaerobic Baffled Reactor) and DHS (Down-flow Hanging Sponge) system, for textile industry in Citarum river basin. The effectiveness of the ABR and DHS system has been already demonstrated in Japan by Nagaoka University of Technology.

Location

Textile industry in Cimahi city (factory C with a capacity of 3,000 m³/day)

Outline of technology

<ABR>

 Chemical compounds of color contained in specific dye stuff can be biodegraded in ABR reactor, and ABR enables stable treatment even if flow rate and loadings fluctuated.

<DHS>

- No need of machinery aeration(i.e., energy-saving technology).
- Sponge can contain highly concentrated sludge (20~40 kg-DS/m³-sponge) and amount of excessive sludge is small.
- Easy maintenance



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Expected results and business prospects

- Improvement of water quality in Citarum river and sub river that connects to Citarum river.
- About 240 textile industries are located in upper Citarum river basin.
- Construction of wastewater treatment plant for textile industry will be implemented cooperating with EPC companies in Indonesia. Sponge for DHS rector will be transported from Japan to Indonesia.