



# Project Overview GoG-UNICEF Urban Sanitation Project 2015-2019

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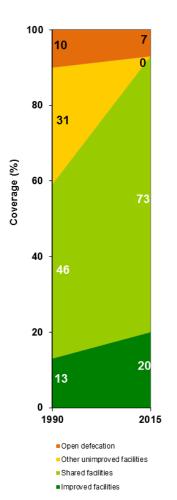


## **Background and Context**





#### **Urban sanitation trends**







#### **Project Overview**

- Project focusing in three urban MMAs Ashaiman,
   Tamale and Ho
- Started in 2015 and will conclude at the end of 2018
- Project aims help 300,000 people use improved toilets, increase access to WASH services in 30 schools, and improve the enabling environment for urban sanitation
- Enabling environment and knowledge management support
- Key outcome of the programme will be the development of the urban sanitation strategy, in collaboration with partners





#### Key Implementation Methods

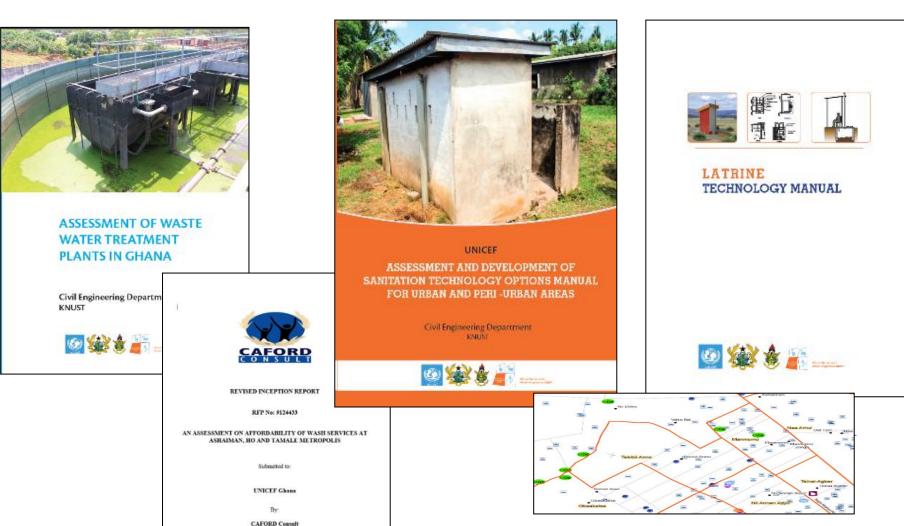
- Formative Research
- Demand Creation
- Local Government
- Civil Society
- Private Sector
- Law Enforcement
- National Strategy Development
- Financing







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### Behaviour Change Approaches

- Project focused on trialing three demand creation approaches – urban-CLTS (Tamale), CLUES (Ashaiman), CDH (Ho)
- Social Norms campaign
- Relative success in terms of increasing demand but supply issues?





# Sanitation and Treatment Technologies

- Support given to number of artisans/entrepreneurs on business plan development, and training on technology
- Technology handbook developed via KNUST partnership
- Trial of digester model with multiple connections
- Promoting existing brands such as Sama-Sama (Tamale)
- Challenge remains around the cost of sanitation options, compared with affordability study findings
- Considering service based model options that fit with households existing payment patterns for public toilets





# Business Development and Financing

- Business development worked with trained artisans/ entrepreneurs who have developed 15 business plans
- Technology work collaborating WASHKING and Eco-Safe
- Financing has linked with P2P project, but also finalizing agreement with APEX Bank to work with Rural Banks
- APEX Bank partnership aims to overcome the challenge of high interest rates AND strict lending criteria
- Targeting of poor households in urban areas is a challenge for pro-poor support, continuing efforts



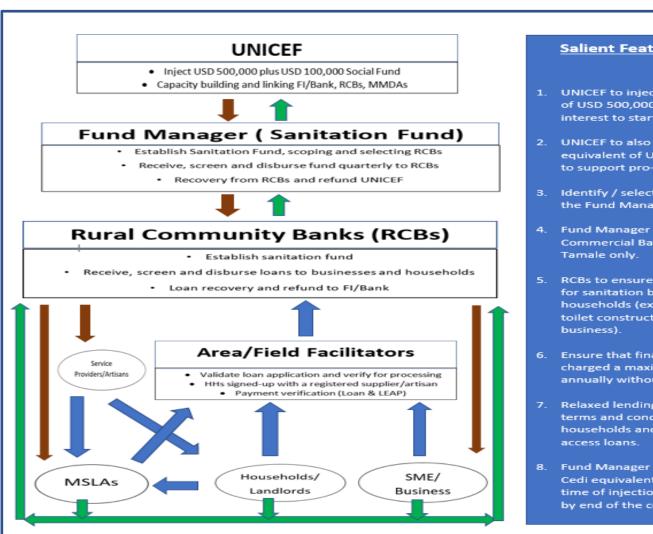


#### WASH Governance and Regulation

- Support on reviewing and monitoring the MESSAP documents for the three MMAs
- Additional support to MMAs via deployment of resource persons as additional technical support
- Support of key research to increase knowledge base
- Training in Feb/Mar on technology includes PPP methods
- Urban Sanitation Strategy development
- Supported development of urban ODF protocol
- Challenge remains with lack of clear policies around key issues such as subsidies, public toilets and ODF status

#### Proposed Finance Arrangement

Loan repayment: HHs/MSLAs/ businesses repay RCBs, RCB to Fund Manager and finally to UNICEF.



Flow of services — loan processing, constructions, etc.

Access to Fund/Loan: Flow of cash/loan.

#### Salient Features of the Fund

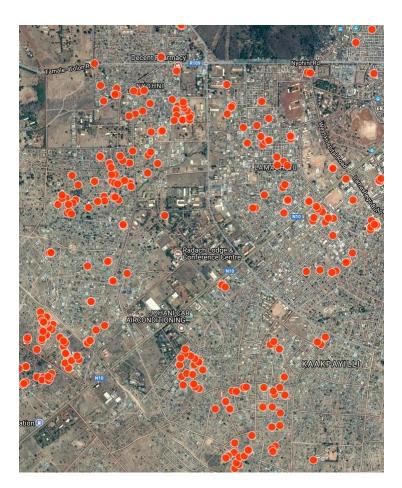
- UNICEF to inject Ghana Cedi equivalent of USD 500,000 as seed money at 0% interest to start the Sanitation Fund.
- UNICEF to also transfer Ghana Cedi equivalent of USD 100,000 to the Fund to support pro-poor mechanism.
- Identify / select a national FI/Bank as the Fund Manager
- Fund Manager to further lend to Rural Commercial Banks at Ashaiman, Ho and Tamale only.
- RCBs to ensure that on-lending is only for sanitation businesses and households (exclusively for household toilet construction and related business).
- Ensure that final consumers are charged a maximum of 12% interest annually without any add-ons.
- Relaxed lending and flexible repayment terms and conditions to enable households and new businesses to access loans.
- Fund Manager to ensure that Ghana Cedi equivalent of USD 500,000 at a time of injection is refunded to UNICEF by end of the contract period.





#### Monitoring and Evaluation

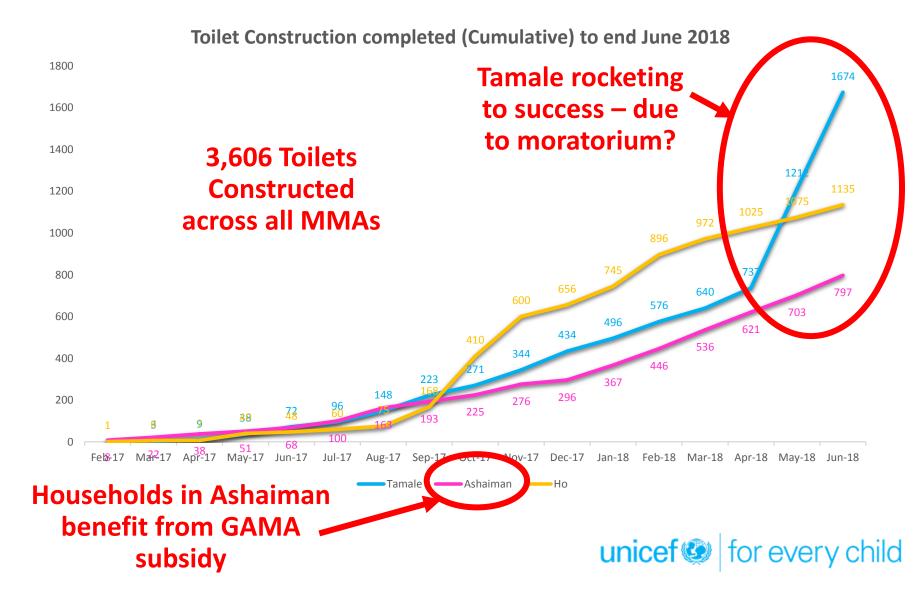
- Development of monthly monitoring systems for project
- Use of Kobo Collect to track constructed toilet facilities
- GIS support has helped to map out zones and other boundaries
- Challenge is systems are project based
- Requirement for better tracking at sub-MMA level





#### Results







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Daily Graphic, Wednesday, June 6, 2018.



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# TaMA to enforce sanitation by-laws

By Mohammed Fugu, TAMALE

HE Tamale
Metropolitan
Assembly (Tama)
has constituted a
task force to
enforce
sanitation by-laws in the
metropolis.

The task force, to be deployed on the streets, communities and in all homes, is expected to work day and night to arrest and impose spot fines on people who defecate in the open, as well as landlords who failed to construct toilet facilities in their homes after the end of a

the end of a moratorium declared by the assembly. Persons who

Persons who are found culpable and fail to pay the spot fine will be processed for court.

#### Extension of moratorium

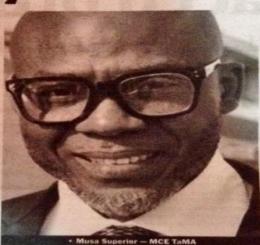
The assembly has also extended its four-month moratorium which was declared for landlords to construct household toilets by the end of May 2018; it has given an additional two weeks to those who could not construct within the period to do so.

The acting Coordinating Director of the TaMA, Mr Abdul-Rahaman B. Ahmed, disclosed this at a press conference in Tamale last Friday.

He said the extension of the moratorium was due to the numerous concerns received by the assembly and the low enthusiasm and interest for some landlords to construct toilet facilities.

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assembly has noted some minimal level of enthusiasm and interest on the part of some landlords to construct toilets in their homes, for which reason the assembly will allow two weeks grace period beginning from June 1

to June 14, 2018 as a last opportunity for those who could not construct within the period to do so," he stated.

Mr Ahmed urged all landlords in the metropolis to comply with the directive or risk being fined and processed for court by the task force.

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#### Sensitisation

Mr Ahmed indicated that the assembly would embark on a sensitisation programme on various media platforms within the two weeks period to educate residents on the relevance on the by-laws on sanitation and household tollets.

It is also expected to further whip up public interest and enthusiasm for the construction of household toilets in the metropolis.

He has, therefore, appealed to the chiefs, clergy and other relevant stakeholders to support the assembly to improve on sanitation in the metropolis.

#### Public toilets

Touching on the construction of public toilets, the Public Relations Officer of the Assembly, Mr Issuh Salifu Musah, said the assembly had stopped constructing toilet facilities for residents per the new directive by the government, but it would rehabilitate all existing ones in the metropolia for public

He stressed that the assembly's enforcement drive had no political colour and would be enforced to the letter, as the sanitation issues in the metropolis were mainly an attitudinal problem.



# Challenges



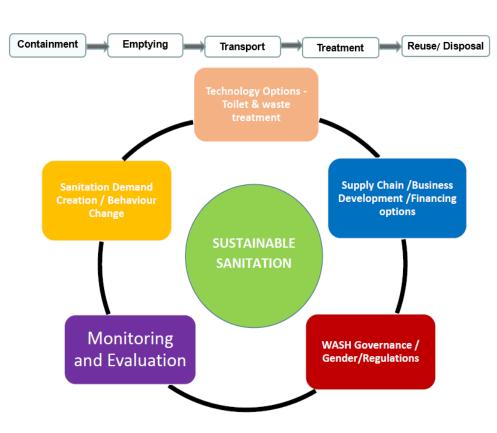
- Lack of affordable financing options
- Lack of supplier capacity to deliver on project targets
- High cost of approved technology options
- Suitable post moratorium mechanisms
- Affordability assumption questioned by MTR
- Political will crucial to success
- Requirement for more QA from MMAs
- High water bill is posing a challenge for schools
- High project targets (later revised down)



## **Next Steps**



- Project ends Dec 2019
- Finalise national model/strategy
- Achieve revised household toilet target
- Monitor financing (+)
- Continue to maintain momentum
- Document learning and successful approaches







# Questions?

