

National Faecal Sludge and Septage Management (NFSSM) Alliance was convened in January 2016 with the support of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to build national consensus around faecal sludge and septage management. The Alliance works in close collaboration with the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs and comprises of numerous national organizations across the country working towards sanitation solutions for India.



### Announcements

#### Telangana

Telangana has issued directive for engaging Self-Help Groups and specially-abled groups for operations and maintenance of public toilets.

#### Odisha

The state has engaged transgender and women's groups to manage septage treatment plants in Odisha.

#### Madhya Pradesh

KPMG-WASHi has supported city of Bhopal in starting co-treatment in 7 existing STPs.

### Milestones Achieved

Wai FSTP has achieved a major milestone of treating **10 million litres** of septage within 2 years of being operationalized

The FSTP at Coimbatore (Periyanaicken Palayam) has successfully treated **1 million litres** of septage safely till June

Warangal FSTP has treated **3.6 million litres** till July 2020 and Narsapur FSTP has treated **1.3 million litres** till July 2020



Malasur (demon of defeca) Toolkit launched in 11 languages by Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs, Hardeep Singh Puri, on World Environment Day

KPMG-WASHi national PMU supported CPHEEO, MoHUA in developing advisories on sewage management practices, safety of sanitation workers and safe disposal of waste from households in view of Covid-19.

### New FSTPs

40 KLD FSTP inaugurated in Nalgonda, *Telangana*. FSTPs in three more towns ready for inauguration in August 2020  
Siddipet, Nirmal, Kamareddy.

15 KLD FSTP inaugurated in Rajam, *Andhra Pradesh*. FSTPs in three more towns ready for Vinukonda, Dhone, Palamneru.

As on July 2020, 74 city-level FSTPs have been constructed and 94 city-level FSTPs are at various stages of construction in *Maharashtra*.



### Work Order Issued

Warangal, *Telangana* issued work order for O&M of community toilets and construction of PTs to SHG and transgender SHGs.



Guidelines for safety of sanitation workers under Covid-19 were prepared and disseminated by IIHS in Tamil Nadu.

[Watch video here](#)

[Access documents here](#)



### Webinars

#### April 2020

Dialogues with sanitation workers as a part of 'COVID-19 Pandemic Voices from Margins Webinar series', based on rapid study conducted among 45 sanitation workers.  
[Recording of the webinar can be accessed here](#)

#### May 2020

Impacts of COVID-19:  
Gender inequities in WASH  
[Recording of the webinar can be accessed here](#)  
[Summary of the webinar can be accessed here](#)

#### June 2020

NIUA in collaboration with Smart Cities Mission hosted a series of webinars on challenges due to Covid-19 in urban sanitation.  
[Recording of the webinars can be accessed here](#)

#### July 2020

Informal Settlements and COVID-19:  
Water and Sanitation as a Frontline Response  
[Recording of the webinar can be accessed here](#)

[Opportunities for Co-Treatment of Septage at Sewage Treatment Plants.](#)  
[Recording of the webinar can be accessed here](#)



## Training Programmes

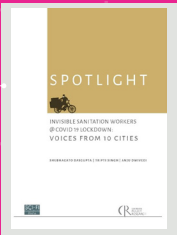
..... SCBP conducted its first online capacity building course on Advanced Treatment Technologies for FSSM. It was successfully completed over a course of 10 days by about 50 participants representing government and non-government stakeholders in the WASH sector. Development of the next course in the series is in progress.

To enable dialogue in engaging private entities in the WASH sector, a national capacity building workshop was organised by KPMG-WASHi to bring together representatives from government, donor agencies, entrepreneurs and other organisations.



## Select Publications

**Invisible Sanitation Workers @ Covid-19 Lockdown: Voices From 10 Cities**  
By Shubhagato Dasgupta, Tripti Singh, and Anju Dwivedi  
The full report can be accessed [here](#)



**Reuse and Recycling of Faecal Sludge-derived Biosolids in Agriculture**  
by Neha Agarwal, Ambarish Karunanithi, and Anju Dwivedi  
The guidance note can be accessed [here](#)

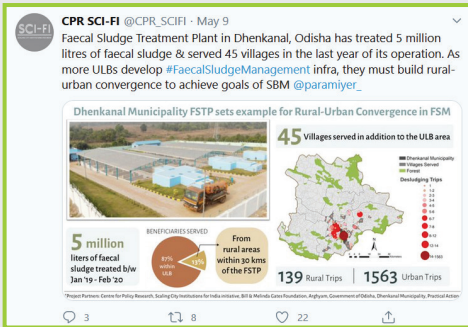


**To control Covid-19, address water, sanitation, hygiene and waste issues**  
Aditya Bhöl, Hindustan Times

**COVID-19 lockdown: supporting Trichy's daily wage sanitation workers**  
IIHS team, CitizenMatters.in



## Twitter Speaks



**Tweet chat with Urban Management Centre(UMC) on the critical role of communities in ensuring safe sanitation**  
[This can be viewed here](#)

**Tweet chat with Janaagraha and Centre for Water and Sanitation (CWAS) on the role of municipal strengthening to enable better sanitation practices**  
[This can be viewed here](#)