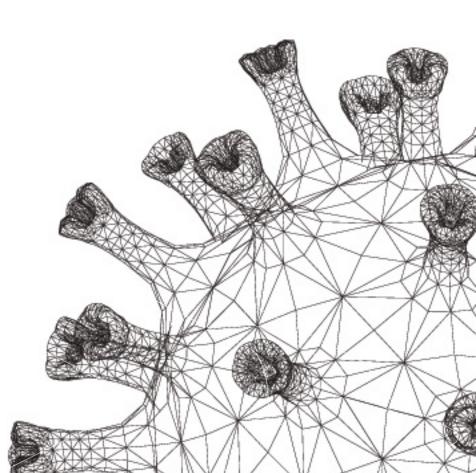
Session 2: Response of water, sanitation and hygiene to Covid-19

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WASH and COVID-19

Access to hand hygiene facilities products

using multimodal approaches (e.g. social media, creative arts, etc.)

Water source protection

Safe water treatment

At points of distribution, collection or consumption

Safe water storage at home

Sanitation treatment and disposal safety standard practice

Medical waste disposal



WASH, COVID and Role of ADB

Regional Knowledge Hub

• Collect information from think tanks, NGOs and other IOs (WHO, UNICEF)

Disseminator of information

• Communicate standards, best practices across DMCs

Facilitator of action

• Use ADB resources to help governments identify and finance key actions



WASH, COVID and Role of ADB

ADB Working Group for WASH+Health

- Guidance to integrate WASH+Health into ADB operations, knowledge products and capacity building activities
- Knowledge and Support Technical Assistance to Support WASH+Health

Operational Integration

- Support to DMC counterparts
- Incorporate WASH+Health elements into project design

Learning and knowledge sharing

- Online knowledge hub
- Use ADB resources to help governments identify and finance key actions



ADB's Action, COVID and beyond



Leaving no one behind

• Targeting the poor and vulnerable communities, providing water supply and hygiene services to informal settlements, ongoing discussions with NGOs



Managing Infectious Medical Waste

 A brief that provides governments with essential information to support their efforts to manage an increase in infectious medical waste due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Resource Mobilization

 Support from the Japanese Government for Technical Assistance to upscale WASH+Health response to COVID and other water-related diseases.



ADB's Action, COVID and beyond



Knowledge and developments

• COVID-19 monitoring and detection: raw water, untreated and treated wastewater for developing early warning systems and capacity building needs



Partnerships and collaboration

• ADB is actively reaching out to development partners, NGOs, CSOs and various other organizations to discuss and streamline responses to COVID-19



Water safety planning and utility support

 review of specific COVID-19 emergency responses of public health and water sector entities in different DMCs, including regulators and utilities, and support them in water safety and resilience planning



Current Central West Project Intervention

KGZ Enhancement of rural water supply and sanitation

• 13 village schools and/or kindergartens and 8 health facilities are served by improved gender-sensitive water and sanitation facilities

TAJ Dushanbe Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Project

• Behavior Change component which includes community awareness on water conservation, smart metering, sanitation

PAK Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Cities Improvement Project

- Hospital waste management
- Equipment, including PPE
- Life skill education and communication

GEO Water Sector Development Program

- Budgetary support / policy development
- Sustainability and resilience

