

Improving watershed stewardship in India's urban peripheries through collective action

WHY?

As urban peripheries experience rapid growth, competition for limited water resources intensifies. Production facilities are now crucial participants alongside industrial users, agriculture and households. Combined with climate change, this can lead to a lack of safe water for those whom need it most.

WHAT?

The project is conducting water use mapping combining surveys, public data, and satellite observations. This provides insights into current allocations and supports better decision making. Through our Water Stewardship Coalition we shall develop procedures and protocols for stakeholders to work together collectively and projectise the most effective interventions for safe, sustainable, just access to water.

WHERE?

Anekal close to the city of Bengaluru and Sriperumbudur, Chennai.

WHO?

The project is led by Frank Water, a safe water and sanitation charity based in the UK and working in India and Nepal, and a group of partners.



THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF OUR APPROACH

1. HYDROLOGICAL MODELLING

Building local watershed models on open platforms by combining earth observation and survey data.

2. GOVERNANCE MAPPING

Working with civil society to map and understand how decisions are taken in their local watersheds.

4. STEWARDSHIP

Creating a coalition to upskill corporates for long-term collective action with government and society.

3. SOLUTIONS

Analysing, costing, funding, monitoring and building local stakeholder networks for effective watershed interventions.





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Agricultural workers in Sriperumbudur, one of our project locations