Africa FY15

Highlights & Achievements

Countries with WSP team presence

1.1B
Africa Population (2013 estimates)

13
Countries with WSP team presence (also receiving TA)

7
Countries receiving WSP technical assistance

30%
Sub-Saharan Africa sanitation coverage*

61%
Sub-Saharan Africa access to drinking water coverage*

115
People dying in Africa every hour from diseases linked to poor sanitation, poor hygiene and contaminated water*

Scaling up Rural Sanitation and Hygiene

KENYA

- Newly drafted policy, strategy and bill for sanitation in Kenya which reflects the changes to the constitution and the universal right to sanitation
- National improved sanitation launched
- Second benchmarking exercise reflects that 8 counties supported by WSP have improved more than all other counties (statistically significant) especially in terms of capacity building, and sanitation marketing.
- Reduction of cholera outbreak impact in Migori county due to Open Defecation Free (ODF) Community-led Total Sanitation (CLTS) capacity building activities undertaken with the county.

SENEGAL

- WSP support the Government of Senegal to conduct a country-wide household survey to assess hygiene and sanitation behavior as well as the willingness to pay in rural areas.
- The study is planned to be completed on August 2015 and the results will contribute to give evidences that will help in designing and developing a model of a sustainable sanitation market to serve the rural poor.

ETHIOPIA

- WSP helped the Government of Ethiopia to design a 5-year business plan from 2011-2015 to support sanitation initiatives in four regions (Amhara, Oromia, Tigray and SNNPR) which represent about 80% of the total population of Ethiopia. The sanitation tools and methods developed in Amhara were adapted by government and partners to design the national Community-Led Total Sanitation + Hygiene (CLTS-H) Implementation Guideline.

UGANDA

- Technical assistance to the sector to carry out a review of the 2006 strategy and practice of the water and sanitation for the poor and bottom 40% in Uganda.
- This is going to inform the next revision of the strategy.
- Technical assistance to the sector to develop a clustering model for fecal sludge management, especially for urban areas in the country.
- Technical assistance to the Ministry of Water and Environment on how to improve incentives for reinvesting revenue and attracting private finance for water supply systems in small towns in Uganda.

ZAMBIA

- Amount used to design a new World Bank investment project with other partners Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), Energy Industries Council (EIC) and African Development Bank), with WSP using its experience and knowledge to support the project.

NIGER

- Estimated beneficiaries served by schemes supported by the WSP as of December 2014, of which 123,476 are part of the bottom 40%. They are estimated to have generated revenues totaling to USD 637,000.

BENIN

- Government of Benin, WSP in partnership with the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and the Dutch Embassy in Benin initiated a pilot project seeking to implement innovative approaches to effectively engage the domestic private sector in the management of piped water systems (PWS).

TANZANIA

- Technical assistance to integrate and strengthen a monitoring system for Mainland Tanzania by aligning it to the MKUKUTA II monitoring framework. This will better support policy formulation and decision making in the sector and ultimately contribute to the achievement of the government’s objective of increasing access to improved sanitation (as spelled out in Mkaikali wa Kupunguza Umsaski Tanzania – MKUKUTA II Monitoring Master Plan/National Strategy for Growth and Poverty).

AFRICA

- WSP prepared a knowledge product that provides general principles and a robust set of guidelines to harness Information Communication Technology (ICT) for water and sanitation service delivery. This output will help practitioners, including but not limited to World Bank staff, operationalize ICT usage in their water and sanitation projects.

KENYA

- Global Water Practice in Kenya provided Technical Assistance to Ministry of Environment, Water and Natural Resources to support devolution process in the water sector, focusing on the transition process from the national to the county governments in line with the new Constitution of Kenya 2010.

MOZAMBIQUE

- Established a national Integrated Sanitation Program with the first ever national sanitation budget line across 6 ministries.
- Establishment of financially viable fecal sludge management services for 150,000 people in unplanned peri-urban settlements in Maputo.

REGIONAL

- An 8 city study in Africa showed the implications of prepaid meters for the poor, captured poor consumers’ perspectives on the technology, and offered lessons for service providers, with a focus on serving low income settlements. Research was used directly to advise World Bank teams and clients in Malawi and Zimbabwe, and Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) from the 8 participating utilities were involved in VCs to share knowledge.

KENYA

- (KES 375 Million) grant for subsidies for sewerage and water connections targeting urban low income population in Nairobi from the World Bank’s GPOBA program delivered.

- (KES 1.503 Billion) IDA funding for improved water and sanitation services in low income areas in 5 urban areas allocated and under implementation.

- People (2,300 plots/18 400 households) in Kayole Soweto have access to improved water supply through social connections approach in Nairobi.

NIGERIA

- WSP supported the benchmarking of utilities across 36 states and the Federal Capital Territory.
- Provided Technical Assistance to the Federal Ministry of Water Resources to carry out a national survey of water points.
Delivering WSS Services in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Situations


DRC
WSP completed a national mapping and evaluation of over 500 autonomous water systems and 5000 public stand-posts in DRC and has disseminated the study in Kinshasa and three provinces sparking a debate on the relationship between the State and non-State actors
WSP facilitated the preparation of a delegated management contract between REGIDESO and a local non-governmental organization (NGO) for the management of 150 stand-post in Kinshasa that were financed from the PEMU World Bank project.

SIERRA LEONE
In collaboration with Department for International Development (DFID), WSP supported the Freetown water utility (Guma Valley Water Company) to procure a new billing system and to complete a city-wide customer enumeration survey that has helped the utility maintain revenues and keep services running during the Ebola crisis
Completed a case study on integrated urban development for Freetown which has been an input to the World Bank financed Resilient Cities Project.

ZIMBABWE
In a third year of institutionalizing the service-level benchmarking in Zimbabwe, WSP has recorded a series of improvements in service delivery across the 32 towns sparked by the process including:

- Reduction in leakages - the municipality of Karoi increased production by 40% after repairing a reticulation line crossing the Karoi-Chirundu highway.
- Revenue collection improvement through property surveys – one town council reported discovering over 1000 customers that were not being billed.
- Transparency.

LIBERIA
Over 2,000 suspected illegal connections identified and over 5,000 existing customer profiles updated in utility enumeration project
Annual increase in billing collections since a new billing system recommended by WSP was adopted
Pilot program demonstrated method to double the rate of new customer connections.

SOMALIA
Through Technical Assistance, WSP has provided Hargeisa Water Agency (HWA) with options for corporate governance structures. Consequently, HWA is in the process of creating a board which will have members drawn from all five of Hargeisa’s districts, limited government membership, and other stakeholders who would provide a mix of skills and experience, including the private sector, etc.