Introduction to Nexus Approaches for Sustainable Use of Environmental Resources

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Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

















Beyond 2015



































8 Goals, 18 Targets and 48 Indicators

Implementation was donor aiding dependent

monitoring, evaluation and accountability was not well addressed in MDGs

Complexity of sustainable global development was not fully represented in MDGs.

THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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17 Goals, 169 Targets, and 230 Indicators

Applicable to every country

Importance of data revolution is well recognised for SDGs

Comprehensive set of goals has been adopted towards Sustainable development

Three shocking statistics for Asia and Pacific Region



512 million undernourished live in Asia (FAO, 2014)



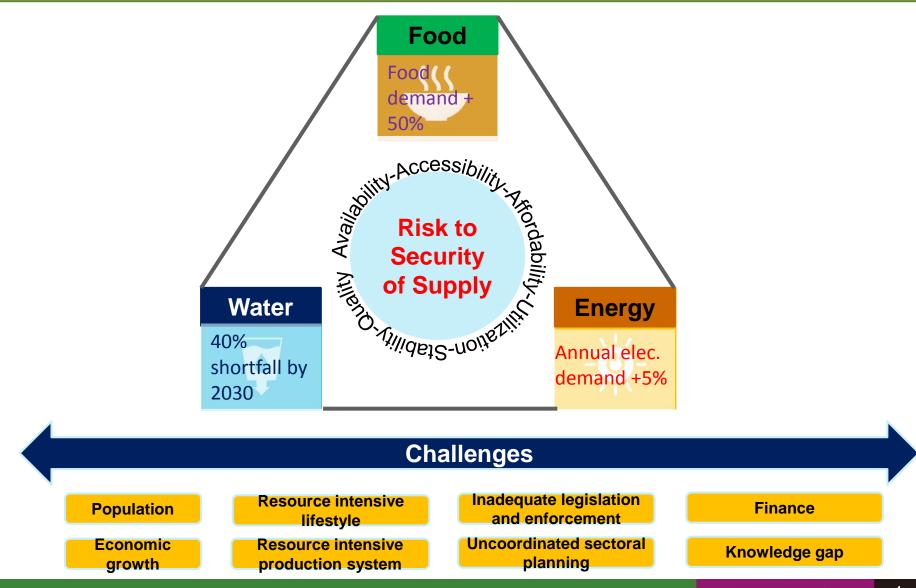
Nearly 1.7 billion people in the Asia and Pacific region do not have access to improved drinking water (UNESCAP, 2015)



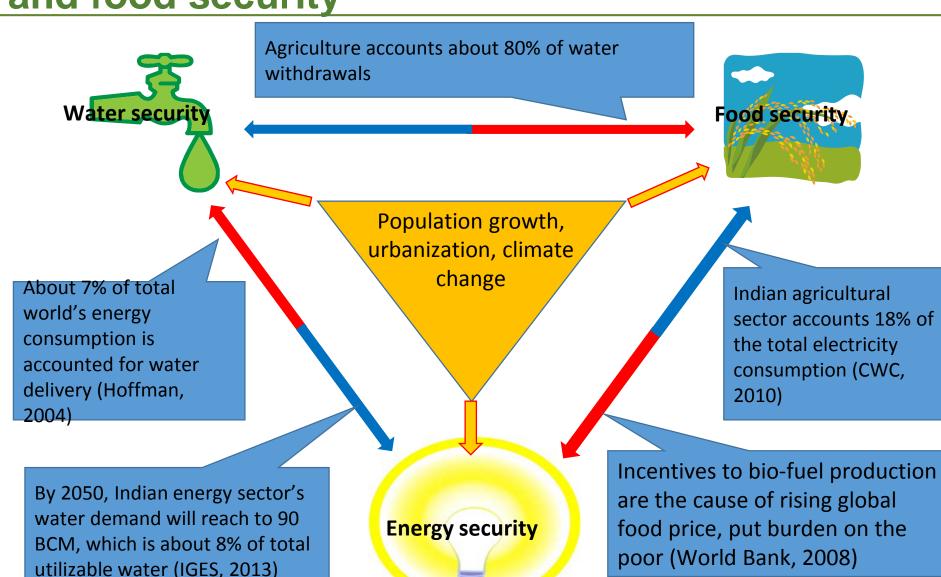
Nearly 350 million people have no access to modern form of energy (IEA, 2011)

where we are heading for?

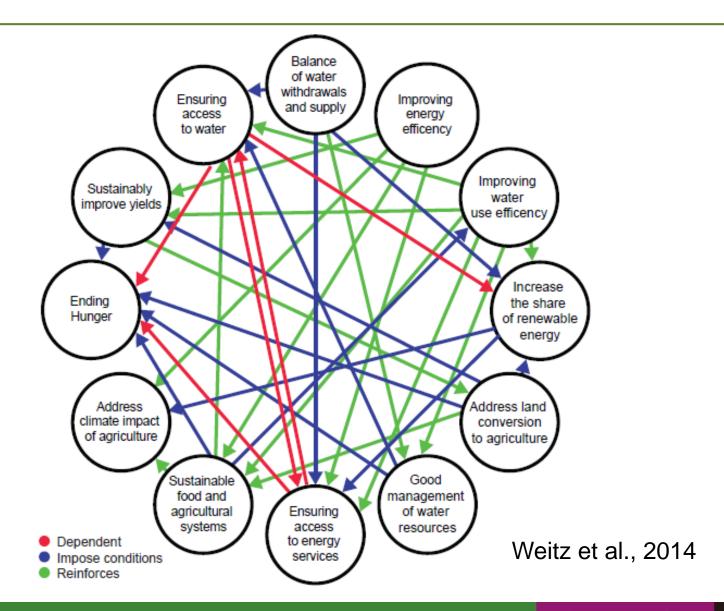
Food, water and energy security are not going to be ensured in Asia



Inherent interdependent nature of water energy and food security



Network of Interlinkage of FWE Targets in SDGs



WEF Nexus Opportunity Areas

Increase policy coherence

Create more with less

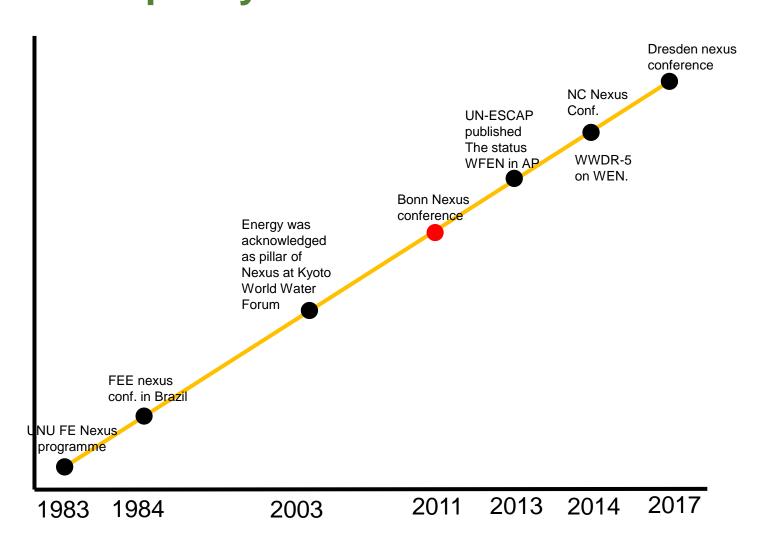
Value natural infrastructure

Accelerate access

End waste minimize losses

Mobilize consumer influence

Nexus thinking and nexus debate are gaining attention in policy and academic circles



How is the nexus approach different from IWRM

	WEF Nexus	IWRM
Priority	Equal priority to all sectors	Tends to prioritize a particular sector, i.e. water
Principle	Integrated policy solutions principle	Good governance principle
Participation	Promote collaboration through multi-stakeholder platform	Stakeholder involvement in decision making
Decision making	Environmentally and economically rational decision making	Efficient allocation and equitable access
Sustainable development	Resource security	Demand management

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Nexus is not explicitly reflected the major agreements, but critical for country actions

- Each country is primarily responsible to make implementation plan of sustainable development
- Current unilateral sectoral approach, causes unintended trade-offs and conflicts among relevant sectors or areas, will hindering sustainable development
- The country will be the main sufferer, if it fails to address how the efforts to attain sectoral goal and targets would effect each other

Conflict of interest over water (Case of India)

In Madhay Pradesh, power cuts was made to alleviate the water shortage in the region in 2006 (Source: The Hindustan Times, 2006)

Parli thermal power plant in Maharashtra were shut down because of severe water shortage in the Marathwada region (NDTV, 2013)

In Kerala, power cuts ordered to deal with water scarcity in 2008 when monsoon rainfall was 65% less than normal (Source: Thaindian News, 2008) In Orissa State, farmers protested the increasing rate of water allocation for thermal power and industrial use (UNEP Finance Initiative, 2010)

Opposition to Adani power

of India, 2011)

projects is growing in local

community due to threats to

drinking water and irrigation

water availability (The Times

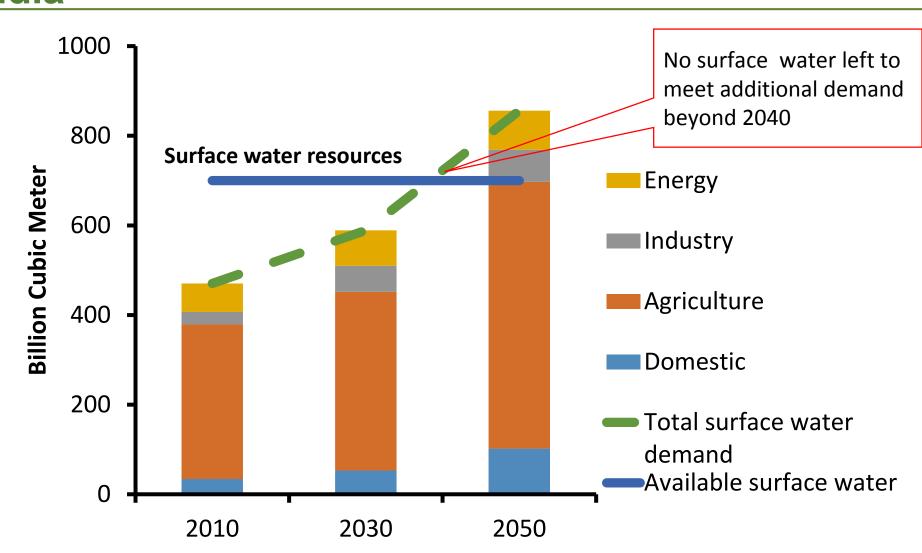
Water stress level

Water scarce

Water stressed

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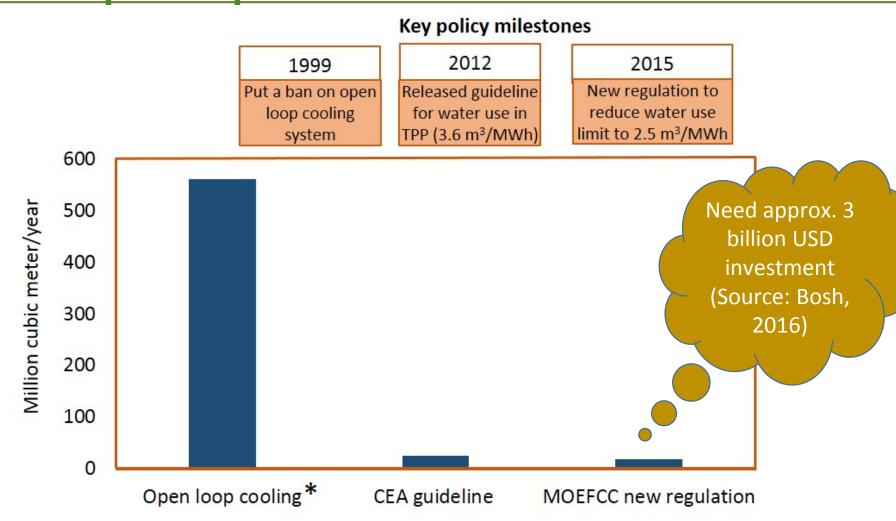
Water supply-demand gap scenario- case of India



Note: Generally, Thermal power plants use surface water for its cooling

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Policy intervention to restrict water use for thermal power plants-Case of India

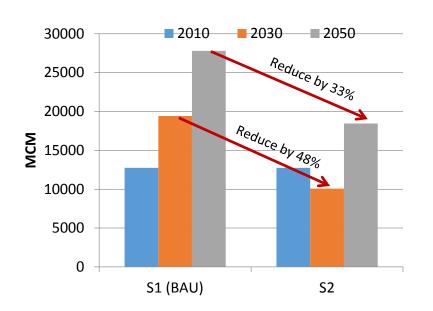


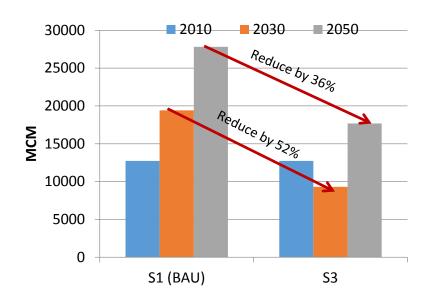
^{*}Water use intensity in open loop cooling system 80m³/MWh

Source: Mitra et al., 2016

Water scarcity mitigation options in energy sector

Gradual transition to more water efficient cooling technology options



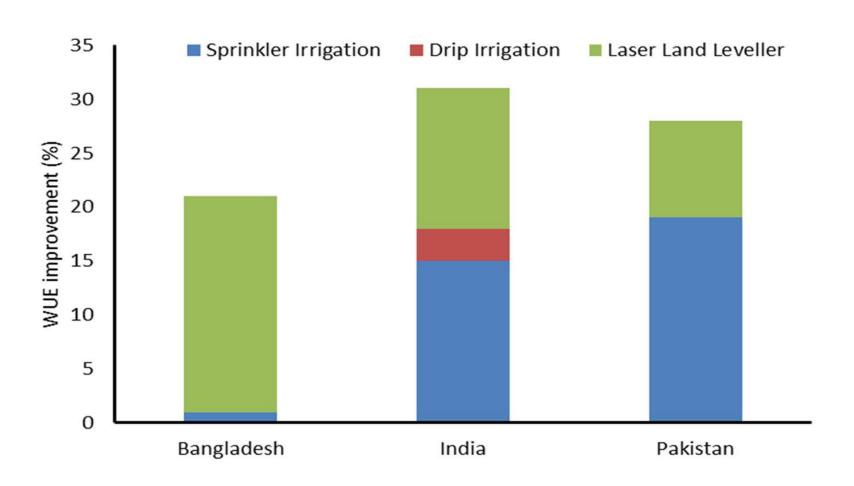


S1:25% of the thermal power capacity will continue with open loop cooling system

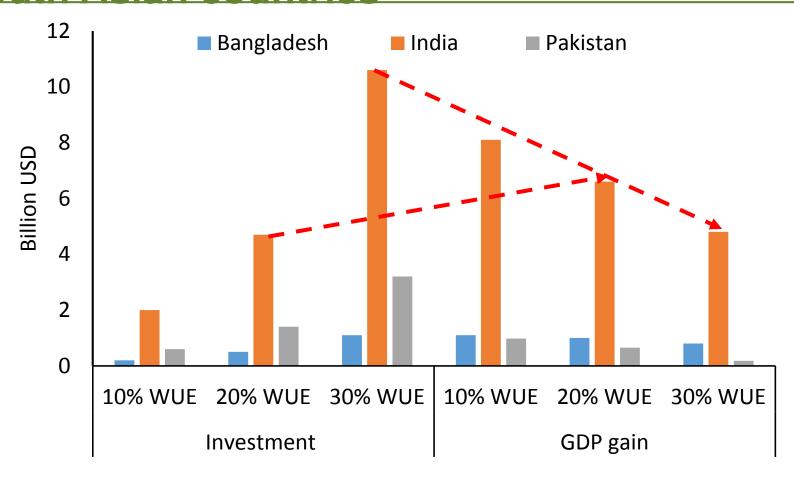
S2: All open loop system will be phase out by 2030

S3: open loop cooling system will be replaced by dry cooling system by 2030

Potential of irrigation WUE improvement in India



Economic implication of WUE improvement in South Asian countries



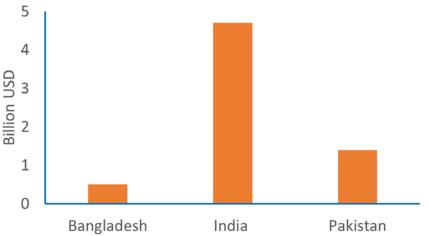
Source: Prepared based on Taheripuri et al. 2016

Required billions dollars investment for 20%

irrigation WUE in South Asia



Save 102 BCM water





Save 82000 GWh electricity

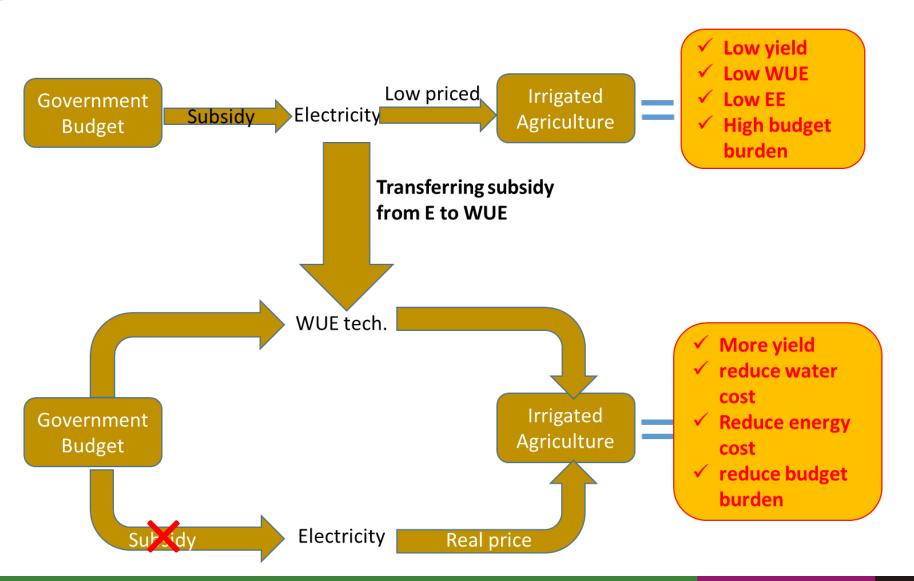


Reduce CO2 emission by 72 million tons

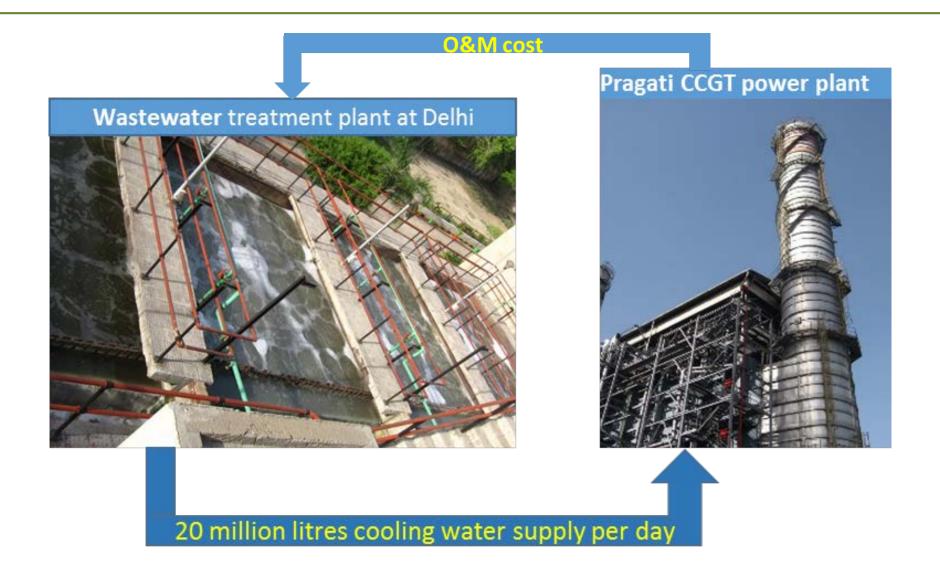


GDP gain by 6.6 billion USD

Rearrangement of agricultural subsidies can generate necessary investment cost



Build up partnership can promote positive nexus



Enabling Framework for Operationalization of "Nexus Approach"

