"WATER PAANI" SONG

WHY A SONG ABOUT WATER?

WATER PAANI is a social awareness song created by Monica Sans Duran, architect and singer-songwriter. Unsafe water is one of the main problems people face in remote rural areas of Nepal. It causes many types of waterborne diseases, some of them being fatal. Taking individual preventive measures is simple and inexpensive. However, to make this happen, people need to be informed to become fully aware of it. This song is about the importance of treating water before drinking it. It was written with the sole aim of spreading this important health message in a fun and entertaining way. Music is a very powerful tool that connects humans, transcending age, race or culture. That's why a song is one of the most effective awareness materials to be used, as it touches people in a deeper way than anything else. The song was structured in different parts , each of them explaining different topics related to water. Then a visual presentation was created after each song-part, which can be seen in the following pages.

The song was recorded in Catalonia and Nepal, along with KJC, Kathmandu Jazz Conservatory. The video was sponsored by Tarannà Viatges Amb Sentit and the song dissemination is done through Awasuka Program, a Habitat Improvement Program developed by the catalan organizations: Amics del Nepal NGO, Base-A NGO and CCD-UPC University.



BARCELONA & MADRID MUSICIANS

Voice: Monica Sans Duran | Acoustic Guitar: Luís Morate | Background Vocals: Laia Porta | Percussion & Water: Dani Forcada | Double Bass: Pere Loewe

KATHMANDU MUSICIANS

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WATER PAANI song is available in all digital distribution platforms around the world. Water Paani video is available in Youtube. Water Paani awareness material is available in Awasuka's website in downloadable format.

1. WATER CYCLE & HUMAN BODY

"WATER PAANI" SONG LYRICS

1st VERSE:

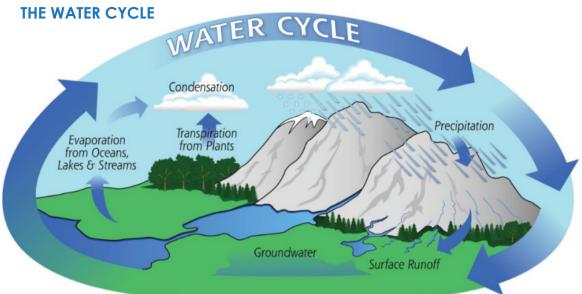
Water is something that we need for **living**, It's good for our **body**, it's good for our soul, Water starts flowing when the **skies** do their draining, And runs **through the valleys** like fresh liquid gold.

"WATER PAANI" ACTIVITY

The social mobilizer shows a slide with the **1**st **verse** of *Water Paani* lyrics and plays it - he has separate audio files for each part of the song. Then he talks about the two main topics mentioned this verse: the benefits of water in human body and the water cycle. Following, he organizes interactive activities and games related to these topics, with the help of slides and cardboards where all the information is displayed. At the end he plays the 1st verse again and they sing it all together. This time, the audience relates the lyrics of the song to this recently acquired knowledge. It will remain fixed in their minds.







70%

water

WATER BENEFITS IN THE HUMAN BODY

Needed by the brain to manufacture hormones & neurotransmitters Acts as a shock absorber for brain and spinal cord Forms Saliva (digestion) Regulates body temperature (sweating & transpiration) Converts food for survival (digestion) Flushes Body waste, mainly urine Lubricates Joints

Water is the major component of most body parts:

- Helps deliver oxygen all over the body
- Allows body's cells to grow, reproduce and survive
- Keeps mucosal membranes moist

2. WATER CONTAMINATION

"WATER PAANI" SONG LYRICS

2nd VERSE:

Water is something that can be corrupted It's bad for our **body**, it's bad for our soul, Water gets grimy when the people neglect it, Not burying their *wastes* in appropriate holes.

"WATER PAANI" ACTIVITY

The social mobilizer repeats exactly the same operations, but this time with the 2nd verse. He talks about the three types of water contamination and explains that the most important one in Nepal rural areas is the biological one. Following, he explains how water from rivers and streams can get easily contaminated by the lack of "appropriate holes" or latrines.



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BIOLOGICAL POLLUTION

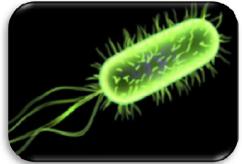
Meena Cartoon, UNICEF

PHYSICAL POLLUTION



Suspended Solids like: Clay, Dust, Small Pieces of Leaves...

BIOLOGICAL POLLUTION



Invisible bacteria, viruses, parasites only visible by microscope

CHEMICAL POLLUTION



Dangerous leakages from industries, toxic metals, pesticides...



3. WATERBORNE DISEASES

"WATER PAANI" SONG LYRICS

3rd VERSE:

Water is something that can cause *infections* It harms all our *body*, it harms all our *soul*, *Germs* are inside it, and we must take some action, by *treating* the water the way we were told:

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The social mobilizer repeats the strategy, this time with the **3**rd **verse**. When focusing in biological pollution, he talks about the three main bacteria present in contaminated water and the diseases they cause. He also emphasizes that having regular gastric problems, diarrea and thyphoid fever is not normal, as many people living in rural areas tend to think they are common sufferings.



Gastric, Diarrhea & Typhoid Fever Are Not Normal !!!

All these diseases are produced by contaminated water

Water Bacteria, only visible through microscope:

Sterichia Coli (E. Coli)

Nausea, **vomiting**, abdominal pain ("**gastric**"), diarrhea, fever, pneumonia, urinary tract infection (UTI).

Salmonella Typhir

Salmonella infection (or salmonellosis), abdominal pain ("gastric"), diarrhea, typhoid fever, headache, vomiting.

Vibrio Cholerae

Severe diarrhea, causes death if totally dehydrated. Caused by drinking water infected with Vibrio Cholerae.

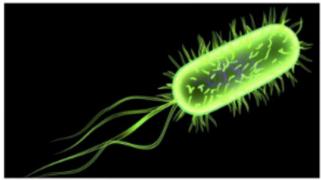


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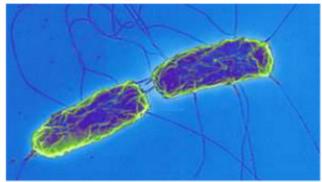
- - Diarrhea

SALMONELLA TYPHR



Typhoid

VIBRIO CHOLERAE



Cholera

4. WATER TREATMENT SOLUTIONS

"WATER PAANI" SONG LYRICS

BRIDGE:

Water must be disinfected, If you really wanna be well hydrated! Filter, boil or chlorinate it, If you don't wanna be intoxicated!!

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The social mobilizer plays the **bridge** of the song and repeats the same operations. He explains the type of treatment needed for each type of pollution, clarifying that chemical pollution is not common in Nepal rural areas. Hence, everybody must focus in filtration and disinfection, as water cannot be disinfected if it hasn't been filtrated first. Disinfection can be done either boiling (which takes up too much fuel) or chlorinating (which is simple, fast and cost-effective).



Water Paani_04-Cut.mp3

Not treated: Enjoy & Drink it! Don't drink it!



FILTER, BOIL or CHLORINATE

Unsafe Water





Treated:





Chlorine: 2-3 Drops per Liter Wait: **30 Minutes** before Drinking

CHLORINATION



FILTRATION

3. Chlorinate !

DISINFECTION



PLANT TREATMENT



5. WATER AWARENESS MESSAGE

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CHORUS:

Water, Paani! Don't drink water if you don't know it's safe! Water, Paani! Don't drink water if you don't know it's safe!

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The social mobilizer finally plays the **chorus** of the song, which summarizes the awareness message in one single concept: don't drink unsafe water. During this section, the chlorination process is explained a second time, as it is the most important information we are willing to convey: how to obtain safe water in a simple, fast and cost-effective way. And once this is fully understood, then he talks about safety packages, as they are essential to preserve disinfected water for a long time.



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DON'T DRINK UNSAFE WATER

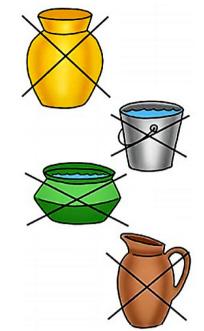








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