# Tata – IFC – Water Footprint Network Partnership for Corporate Water Sustainability











# Water Stewardship Maturity Progression









# Water Footprint

The *'water footprint'* is a measure of human's appropriation of freshwater resources.

► Water use is measured in terms of water volumes consumed (evaporated or otherwise not returned) or polluted per unit of time.

► The water footprint is a **geographically** & **temporally** explicit indicator.

► The WF is an indicator of water use that looks at **both direct** & **indirect** water use of a consumer or producer.

► A water footprint can be calculated for a process, a product, a consumer, group of consumers (e.g. municipality, province, state or nation) or a producer (e.g. a public organization, private enterprise).

[Hoekstra et al., 2011]







# Water Footprint Components

#### **Green water footprint**

volume of rainwater evaporated or incorporated into product

#### **Blue water footprint**

volume of surface or groundwater evaporated or incorporated into product, lost return flow

#### **Grey water footprint**

volume of water needed to assimilate pollutants [Hoekstra et al., 2011]









## Water Footprint Assessment



[Hoekstra et al., 2011]







# Tata Water Footprint Assessment









### Scope of Water Footprint Project



WF is a multi-dimensional indicator focused on fresh water consumption

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#### Summary Results – Within Fence

Name of Company	Comparative water consumption (m <sup>3</sup> per unit)	Specific water consumption (m <sup>3</sup> per unit)	Abatement opportunity % of current consumption
Tata Power	1.8	3.0	15%
Tata Steel	3.0	5.84	33%
Tata Motors	1.7	4.7	50%
Tata Chemicals			
Soda Ash	2.5-3.6	0.15-0.5*	1.0%
Urea	4.0-4.5	4.85	10%
SPS	0.2-1	0.33	20%

Reduction of WF by 10 to 33 % is possible by closed loop configuration and efficient operation of cooling towers

#### Water Footprint Assessment: Highlights

Priority focus Secondary focus Other focus

	Tata Steel	Tata Motors	Tata Chemicals	Tata Power
Operational water footprint	Dominant water user in watershed	Low direct blue water footprint	Water-use efficient	Footprint highly dependent on fuel
Supply chain water footprint	Simple supply chain	Indirect blue water footprint 85% of total	Raw material and energy significant contributors	Variation across facilities on share of supplier water footprint
Sustainability Assessment	Sustainability of water use at risk due to new agricultural water canal	Need for water use efficiency due to competing claims across all stakeholders	Participatory watershed management	Risk to water availability due to Mumbai water requirements
Response Strategy Formulation	Investments for zero water discharge by 2013	Low-hanging fruits implemented; need for technology investments	Investments for zero discharge &promotion of sustainable practices by farmers	Desalination plant

PHASE 1 Completed	PHASE 2 In Progress	
	1. TGB	7. TRL K
1. Chemicals	2. Coffee	8. Titan
2. Steel		
3. Motors		
4. Power	5. Sponge	11.Housing
	6. Trent	12.Realty

#### Water Footprint Assessment

- 60 Water Champions
- CEOs Water Stewardship Program

## **Comprehensive Environmental Sustainability**



- Carbon Footprint and Management in Tata Companies
- 350 Climate
  Change
  Champions
- Communication on Green Economy

Climate Change



Attended by 50+
 CEOs/Sr Executives





# Thank You!







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