# Waste Management/Handling CDM Project

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### 1. Waste Management and GHGs Emission





**Domestic Wastewater** 

**Agricultural Wastewater** 

| GHG emission | Emission Reduction Methods                      |                        |  |
|--------------|---|------------------------|--|
| source       |   |                        |  |
|              | Flaring (Burning)                               |                        |  |
| Solid Waste/ | CH <sub>4</sub> Capture                         | Direct heat use        |  |
| Wastewater   |   | Electricity generation |  |
|              | CH <sub>4</sub> Emission Avoidance/Reduction by |                        |  |
|              | Aerobic Treatment of Organic Matter             |                        |  |

Including composting

Applicable GHGs emission reduction methods are basically same for solid waste and wastewater treatment.



#### (2) Methane capture from anaerobic wastewater treatment (Type A)



#### (3) Methane capture from anaerobic wastewater treatment (Type B)



#### (4) Methane avoidance by composting of organic matter in solid waste



#### Wacto

CH<sub>4</sub> emission from waste

- ■CH<sub>4</sub> is generated as a result of <u>degradation of organic materials</u> under <u>anaerobic conditions</u>.
  - The time required for the waste to decay (half-life) is different among the types of waste.
  - Part of CH<sub>4</sub> generated is oxidized in the cover of solid waste

disposal ( $CH_4$  oxidation by methanotrophic micro-organisms in cover soils).

Key Parameter in  $CH_4$  emission

- Degradable organic materials (Degradable Organic Carbon: DOC) in waste.
- Degree of anaerobic condition in waste (Methane Correction Factor: MCF).
- The time required for the waste to decay (decay rate)

#### Wacto

#### (1) Content of DOC by types of waste

| Type of Waste                       | DOC content (% on weight basis) |           |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
|                                     | Wet waste                       | Dry waste |  |  |
| Paper/cardboard                     | 40                              | 44        |  |  |
| Textiles                            | 24                              | 30        |  |  |
| Food waste                          | 15                              | 38        |  |  |
| Wood                                | 43                              | 50        |  |  |
| Garden and park waste               | 20                              | 49        |  |  |
| Nappies                             | 24                              | 60        |  |  |
| Rubber and leather                  | 39                              | 47        |  |  |
| Inert waste (plastic, metal, glass) | -                               | -         |  |  |
|                                     |                                 |           |  |  |

<u>Content of organic waste is the key to amount of CH<sub>4</sub> emission.</u>

(2) Degree of anaerobic condition (Methane Correction Factor)

| Type of Waste disposal (Landfill)                     | Methane Correction Factor (MCF) |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Managed – anaerobic                                   | 1.0                             |
| Managed – semi-aerobic                                | 0.5                             |
| Unmanaged – deep (>5 m waste) and/or high water table | 0.8                             |
| Unmanaged – Shallow (<5 m waste)                      | 0.4                             |
| Uncategorised waste disposal                          | 0.6                             |

The intensity of methane emission is considerably influenced by the anaerobic condition of waste varying with types of final disposal practices.
The more anaerobic the condition of waste, the more CH<sub>4</sub> is generated.

#### (2) Degree of anaerobic condition (Methane Correction Factor)

| Type of Waste disposal<br>(Landfill)                        | Definition  |
|---|---|
| Managed – anaerobic   | The landfills which have controlled placement of waste (i.e. waste directed to specific deposition areas, a degree of control of scavenging and a degree of control of fires) and include at least one of the following: (i) cover material; (ii) mechanical compacting; or (iii) levelling of the waste. |
| Managed – semi-aerobic                                      | The landfills which have controlled placement of waste<br>and include all of the following structures for introducing<br>air to waste layer: (i) permeable cover material; (ii)<br>leachate drainage system; (iii) regulating pondage; and (iv)<br>gas ventilation system.                                |
| Unmanaged – deep (>5 m<br>waste) and/or high water<br>table | All landfills not meeting the criteria of managed landfill s<br>above and which have depths of greater than or equal to 5<br>meters and/or high water table at near ground level.   |
| Unmanaged – Shallow (<5<br>m waste)                         | All landfills not meeting the criteria of managed landfills above and which have depths of less than 5 meters.  |

#### (3) Time required for the waste to decay (Decay rate of waste)

| Type of Waste              |   | Tropical Climate (MAT >20°C) |                                 |  |
|----------------------------|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
|                            |   | Dry<br>(MAP<1,000mm)         | Moist and Wet<br>(MAP>=1,000mm) |  |
| Slowly degrading waste     | Paper/textiles waste  | 0.045                        | 0.07                            |  |
|                            | Wood/straw waste  | 0.025                        | 0.035                           |  |
| Moderately degrading waste | Other (non-food)<br>organic<br>putrescible/Garden<br>and park waste | 0.065                        | 0.17                            |  |
| Rapidly degrading waste    | Food<br>waste/sewerage<br>sludge                                    | 0.085                        | 0.4                             |  |

Decay rate of waste is given as a constant by types of waste based on the time required to decay.

### 5. Estimation of CH<sub>4</sub> from Waste Disposal Site

### Equation

$$BE_{CH4,SWDS,y} = \varphi \cdot (1-f) \cdot GWP_{CH4} \cdot (1-OX) \cdot \frac{16}{12} \cdot F \cdot DOC_{f} \cdot MCF \cdot \sum_{x=1}^{y} \sum_{j} W_{j,x} \cdot DOC_{j} \cdot e^{-k_{j} \cdot (y-x)} \cdot (1-e^{-k_{j}})$$

| BE <sub>CH4, SWDS,y</sub> | Methane emissions during the year y from waste disposal at the solid waste disposal site (SWDS) during the period from the start of waste disposal activity to the end of the year y (tCO <sub>2</sub> e) |
|---------------------------|---|
| φ                         | Model correction factor to account for model uncertainties (0.9)  |
| f                         | Fraction of methane captured at the SWDS and flared, combusted or used in another manner (in this case 0)   |
| GWP <sub>CH4</sub>        | Global Warming Potential (GWP) of methane, valid for commitment (21)  |
| OX                        | Oxidation factor (reflecting the amount of methane from SWDS that is oxidized in the soil or other material covering the waste (default value: 0.1)   |
| F                         | Fraction of methane in the SWDS gas (volume fraction) (default value:0.5)   |
| DOC <sub>f</sub>          | Fraction of degradable organic carbon (DOC) that can decompose (default value:0.5)  |

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| MCF              | Methane correction factor (determined by types of SWDS)   |
|------------------|---|
| $W_{j,x}$        | Amount of organic waste type j disposed at the SWDS in the year x (tons)  |
| DOC <sub>j</sub> | Fraction of degradable organic carbon (by weight) in the waste type j   |
| k <sub>j</sub>   | Decay rate for the waste type j   |
| j                | Waste type category   |
| e                | The base of natural logarithm (Napier's number: 2.718)  |
| Х                | Year during the crediting period: x runs from the first year of the first crediting period $(x=1)$ to the year y for which avoided emissions are calculated $(x=y)$ |
| Y                | Year for which methane emissions are calculated.  |

# 6. Case Example: Estimation CH<sub>4</sub> emission from SWDS in Sri Lanka

#### 1. Preconditions

| Items                                    | Preconditions        |                       |
|--|----------------------|-----------------------|
| The amount of waste disposed             |                      | 6,400 tons/day (2008) |
| Waste composition by types (% by weight) | Bio-degradable waste | 62.0%                 |
|  | Paper                | 6.5%                  |
|  | Plastic              | 6.0%                  |
|  | Wooden               | 6.0%                  |
|  | Glass                | 2.0%                  |
|  | Other waste          | 17.5%                 |
|  |                      |                       |

Type of Waste Disposal Landfill Unmanaged –deep (>5m) landfill

(Source: National Policy on SWM in Sri Lanka, MENR)

Assumption: All the above waste are directly brought to the landfill above in Sri Lanka.

### **6**. Exercise: Estimation $CH_4$ emission from SWDS



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$$\sum_{x=1}^{y} \sum_{j} W_{j,x} \cdot \text{DOC}_{j} \cdot e^{-k_{j} \cdot (y-x)} \cdot (1 - e^{-k_{j}})$$

Total amount of DOCs (Degradable Organic Carbons) decayed in the year

| Amount of Waste A | ] × | DOC content of A | × | Decay rate of DOC A |
|-------------------|-----|------------------|---|---------------------|
| Amount of Waste B | ] × | DOC content of B | × | Decay rate of DOC B |
| Amount of Waste C | ] × | DOC content of C | × | Decay rate of DOC C |
| Amount of Waste D | ] × | DOC content of D | × | Decay rate of DOC D |

### 6. Exercise: Estimation CH<sub>4</sub> emission from SWDS

| Step 1: Tota | l amount of waste | disposed per year |
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|

| Amount of waste disposed (tons/day) | Amount of waste disposed (tons/year) |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| 6,400                               | 2,336,000                            |  |

| Step 2: Amount of waste disposed by type of waste |                                |      |  |  |
|---|--------------------------------|------|--|--|
| Amount of waste<br>disposed<br>(tons/year)        | Waste composition by ty<br>(%) | pes  | Amount of<br>Waste by types<br>(tons/year) |  |
| 2,336,000   | Bio-degradable waste           | 62.0 | 1,448,320                                  |  |
|   | Papers                         | 6.5  | 151,840                                    |  |
|   | Plastic                        | 6.0  | 140,160                                    |  |
|   | Wooden                         | 6.0  | 140,160                                    |  |
|   | Glass                          | 2.0  | 46,720                                     |  |
|   | Other wastes                   | 17.5 | 408,800                                    |  |

### **6**. Exercise: Estimation $CH_4$ emission from SWDS

#### Step 3: Total amount of DOCs

| Amount of Waste by types<br>(tons/year) |             |         | Content of DOC<br>(% on weight<br>basis) | Total amount of<br>DOCs<br>(tons/year) |
|---|-------------|---------|--|--|
| Bio-degradable<br>waste                 | Food        | 724,160 | 15                                       | 108,624                                |
|   | Garden/Park | 724,160 | 20                                       | 144,832                                |
| Papers                                  |             | 151,840 | 40                                       | 60,736                                 |
| Plastic                                 |             | 140,160 | 0  | 0                                      |
| Wooden                                  |             | 140,160 | 43                                       | 60,268                                 |
| Glass                                   |             | 46,720  | 0  | 0                                      |
| Other wastes                            |             | 408,800 | 0  | 0                                      |
|   | 374,460     |         |  |  |

Remark: The percentage of food and garden/park waste in bio-degradable waste is assumed at 50% for each.

### 6. Exercise: Estimation CH<sub>4</sub> emission from SWDS

#### Step 3: Total amount of DOCs

| Amount of Waste by types<br>(tons/year) |             | Amount of DOCs<br>(tons/year) | Fraction of DOCs<br>decayed in 10<br>years<br>(tons/year) | Amount of DOCs<br>decayed in 10<br>years (tons/year) |
|---|-------------|-------------------------------|---|--|
| Bio-degradable<br>waste                 | Food        | 108,624                       | 57.3  | 62,241   |
|   | Garden/Park | 144,832                       | 47.8  | 69,229   |
| Papers                                  |             | 60,736                        | 36.2  | 21,986   |
| Plastic                                 |             | 0                             | 0   |  |
| Wooden                                  |             | 60,268                        | 22.1  | 13,319   |
| Glass                                   |             | 0                             | 0   |  |
| Other wastes                            |             | 0                             | 0   |  |
|   |             |                               | Total   | 166,775  |

### **6**. Exercise: Estimation $CH_4$ emission from SWDS





Remark: The above calculation assumes that the amount and composition of solid waste generation will not change in 10 years.