

Community-Led Total Sanitation



Welcome to the **May 2011 CLTS Update**

A warm welcome to those who have recently joined the mailing list!

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New CLTS publications

NEW [Si la merde m'était contée- l'Assainissement total piloté par la communauté en Afrique \(PLA Notes in French\)](#)

Où chiez-vous ? Dans les pays en développement, la réponse à cette question peut décider de votre vie ou votre mort. Quelque 2,6 milliards de gens n'ont pas accès à des toilettes. Au lieu de cela, ils pratiquent la défécation à l'air libre – dans la brousse, la forêt, sur les berges des lacs et des rivières, le long de la voie ferrée ou au bord de la route. Les conséquences sont désastreuses. La merde est un vecteur de maladie et c'est un tueur impitoyable. Le manque d'assainissement a aussi des répercussions sur le bien-être en général, la dignité humaine et la liberté individuelle. Malgré cela, nombreux sont les programmes d'assainissement qui n'ont pas réussi à convaincre les communautés rurales des avantages offerts par une bonne hygiène.

Pourtant, ces dernières années, la situation a commencé à évoluer avec l'apparition d'une approche participative radicale baptisée Assainissement total piloté par la communauté (ATPC). L'ATPC a encouragé des millions de personnes à travers le monde à considérer, évoquer et résoudre les problèmes provoqués par la défécation à l'air libre. Ce numéro spécial de Participatory Learning and Action s'appuie sur un vaste vivier d'expériences avec l'ATPC en Afrique qui ne cesse de grandir. Il pourra intéresser les nombreuses personnes et organisations

impliquées dans la mise en œuvre et le passage à l'échelle de l'ATPC en Afrique et ailleurs.

Version française disponible seulement online/French version available online only.
The [English version](#) is available online and in print

We are also excited to announce that a multimedia bilingual (English/French) DVD-ROM including videos and other additional resources forthcoming in June 2011

Nous sommes également heureux d'annoncer une multimedia DVD/CD-Rom bilingue (Anglais/Français) avec les videos et d'autres ressources à venir en Juin 2011

NEW [Handbook in Bahasa](#)

The CLTS Handbook is now available in Bahasa Indonesia thanks to Plan Indonesia.

NEW [CLTS Training Manual for Natural Leaders](#)

A new guide designed by Sierra Leone's Ministry of Health and Sanitation (MoHS), UNICEF and GOAL to help support Natural Leaders during the pre-triggering, triggering and follow-up of CLTS communities. The manual includes great examples and guidance for all the stages of CLTS.

NEW [Shit Matters: The Potential of Community-led Total Sanitation](#)

This book looks at the potential and challenges of CLTS by drawing on research in Bangladesh, India and Indonesia, as well as experiences in Africa. It includes chapters by leading scholars and practitioners in sanitation policy and practice as well as critical reflections from key players in CLTS. Shit Matters considers CLTS in terms of the social, ecological, technological, financial, and institutional dynamics and draws out wider lessons for sanitation policy and practice.

Please note, this book is not available for download from the CLTS website but can be bought from the [Development Bookshop website](#) or via the [ordering form](#).

NEW [Pan Africa Project: Empowering self-help sanitation of rural and peri-urban communities and schools in Africa](#)

In this exciting five year programme, Plan Nederland, Plan West Africa Regional Office, Plan East and Southern Africa Region, IRC and IDS will work on expanding Plan's CLTS activities in 8 countries: [Ethiopia](#), [Ghana](#), [Kenya](#), [Malawi](#), [Niger](#), [Sierra Leone](#), [Uganda](#) and [Zambia](#). In addition to the ongoing work in work on sanitation and hygiene practices in rural communities, the project also looks at peri-urban communities and schools.

You can also [read about the project's annual review meeting](#) which took place in Ethiopia in February 2011.

[New one pagers](#)

One pagers are useful short documents written by practitioners that describe innovations, experiences and ways in which particular challenges have been overcome. There are ten new one pagers on the website now:

NEW [Integrating CLTS with water and livelihood activities](#) (Zambia)

NEW [Monitoring and sustainability](#) (Ethiopia)

NEW [Exploring media opportunities to highlight CLTS](#) (Kenya)

NEW [Collective support to marginalised groups](#) (Uganda)

NEW [Natural Leader's Networking](#) (Kenya)

NEW [Managing communal latrines](#) (Ethiopia)

NEW [JMP Standards vis-a-vis CLTS experiences](#) (global)

NEW [Termite-proofing wood used for latrine construction](#) (Niger)

NEW [Informal Networking](#) (UK)

NEW [Linking Participatory Monitoring with Mobile Communication Technology to Monitor Rural Sanitation Progress in East Java](#) (Indonesia)

If you have an idea for a one pager, have a look at the [proposed format](#) and [contact us](#).

[CLTS at AfricaSan 2011 in Kigali, Rwanda](#)

The third African Conference on Sanitation and Hygiene will be taking place in Kigali, Rwanda from the 19th to the 21st July 2011. CLTS will be well represented at the conference. Dr Kamal Kar will give a lead address, there will be a thematic session on CLTS and an exhibition stall with relevant publications, films and practitioners available for conversation. IDS will also co-convene a Sharing and Learning workshop on the 18th July, the day before the main conference opens. To find out more and register your interest, please contact Petra Bongartz (P.Bongartz@ids.ac.uk) and [keep checking this page for more information](#).

[Kamal Kar: Champion of Reform](#)

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) featured Kamal Kar as a [Champion of Reform](#) in their April 2011 Newsletter [Water for All](#). The article features an interview with Kamal Kar, background information on CLTS as well as links to many CLTS-related resources.

[Updated country overviews](#)

Want to find out what progress different countries are making with CLTS? Then visit the [Where](#) page and select the country you are interested in from the list. The following overview country pages have recently been updated: [Kenya](#), [Uganda](#), [Mozambique](#), [Malawi](#), [Vietnam](#), [Côte d'Ivoire](#), and [Sierra Leone](#). Updates for other country pages are in progress.

[New videos on CLTS](#)

On the [video page](#), we have the following new films:

NEW **British Medical Journal: Shit Matters**

NEW **UNICEF Angola: The awareness for an open defecation free province**

NEW **UNICEF Mali: CLTS in Fadieda**

NEW **Acción contra el Hambre, Bolivia: Implementación Metodología Santolic en el Chaco Boliviano (Implementation of CLTS in the Chaco Region of Bolivia)**

You may need to scroll down the page to see the films mentioned above.

There are also several other new video clips on the website

NEW [Interview with Kamal Kar at Stockholm World Water Week 2010](#)

Short video interview with Kamal Kar, filmed in the Water Cube at the 2010 Stockholm World Water Week.

NEW [CLTS training in Desa Batu Putih \(video\)](#)

Slideshow video (in English and Bahasa) that shows the training process of local change agents in Desa Batu Putih by the NGO Live and Learn.

NEW Interviews filmed at the STEPS Centre's Water & Sanitation Symposium in Brighton, 22 March 2011

- [Kamal Kar on the scope and challenges of CLTS.](#)
- [Louisa Gosling \(WaterAid\) on reaching marginalised groups \(video\)](#)
- [Jon Lane \(WSSCC\) on barriers to the progress of sanitation and water for all \(video\)](#)

Other new resources on the website

Africa

NEW [Promoting Hygiene and Sanitation in Africa \(Soul Beat #171\)](#)

The latest issue of *The Soul Beat* (an online magazine on communication) looks at how communication can contribute to the health of communities by supporting activities that address hygiene and sanitation.

Chad

NEW [A whole community having toilets in one month!](#)

CLTS is ridding the village of Gamé in central Chad from open defecation.

Ethiopia

NEW [School-Led Total Sanitation: Reflections on the Potential of the Shebedino Pilot](#)

Note by Robert Chambers on a new model of School-led Total Sanitation piloted by Plan Ethiopia and the Local Administration in Shebedino.

Ghana

NEW [Ghana 'likely' to miss sanitation target](#)

At a meeting in Accra, The Deputy Minister of Local Government and Rural Development, Elvis Afriyie Ankrah, stated that Ghana is likely to miss the Millennium Development Goal (MDG) on sanitation and called for stringent actions and commitments.

NEW [Ghana can exceed MDG target on sanitation – Dr Kar](#)

During a high-level meeting in Accra, Dr Kamal Kar expressed his belief that CLTS could improve Ghana's progress towards the sanitation MDG.

NEW [CLTS to eliminate open defecation in Ghana](#)

Article about a recent national training of trainer's workshop on CLTS facilitated by Kamal Kar and organised by government, Plan, UNICEF and WaterAid.

NEW [Girls as Natural Leaders in School](#)

Girls become champions of sanitation and hygiene in their school in Sissala West District of the Upper West Region in Ghana.

Kenya

NEW [SNV Kenya joins hands with CLTS Pioneer Kamal Kar during Easter Holidays](#)

During a long visit to Kenya, Kamal Kar discussed issues around taking CLTS to scale with SNV Kenya.

NEW [BBC Health Check: Building Latrines in Kenya](#)

The popular radio programme looks at sanitation in Kenya and talks to CLTS experts and practitioners in Kilifi.

NEW [Two new entries on the Kenya blog](#) (28th April and 16th May entries)

Read the latest on urban and rural CLTS in Kenya, including the launch of a national campaign for ODF Kenya by 2013, the creation of a CLTS Knowledge hub by the government, an update on progress in Mathare 10 and much more.

Malawi

NEW [UNICEF promoting use of toilets in Nkhata Bay \(Malawi\)](#)

News article about UNICEF's CLTS programme in Malawi.

NEW [S.H.I.T.S. Issue 9 Jan-April 2011](#)

Latest instalment of the popular newsletter from Malawi, including an article of the role of traditional leaders in CLTS.

Niger

NEW [Sanitation: Making toilets the norm in rural Niger](#)

CLTS is starting to change sanitation and hygiene behaviour in Niger.

Nigeria

NEW [NGO trains 70 residents of Karu, Jikwoyi communities](#)

Community Emergency Response Initiative (CERI), an Abuja-based NGO, has trained more than 70 residents of Karu and Jikwoyi communities on Community-led Total Sanitation (CLTS) approach and effective management of solid waste.

NEW [Sanitation: Stakeholders want increased men participation](#)

Men's participation in sanitation and CLTS activities can be a challenge according to some stakeholders in the sector in Nigeria.

Sierra Leone

NEW [Traditional leaders in Sierra Leone undergo training on CLTS](#)

A two-day intensive training for 30 traditional leaders took place in Henai town in Malen chiefdom, Pujehun district in April.

Asia

Afghanistan

NEW [Verification form \(Pashtu\)](#)

Verification form in Pashtu, submitted by HealthNet TPO (HNTPO) Laghman Province.

India

NEW [State Level Sensitization on Community Led Total Sanitation in Patna](#)

In January 2011, [a one-day orientation workshop on CLTS](#) was held in Patna, Bihar to explore the possibility of introducing CLTS in Bihar.

Indonesia

NEW [Igniting changes: the journey of CLTS in Dompu](#)

Short write up of Plan's CLTS activities, experiences, results and lessons learned in Dompu district, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia.

Laos

NEW [Community-Led Total Sanitation Lessons Incorporated into Lao Strategy](#)

The lessons learned from the CLTS pilot in Lao PDR will feed into the National Strategy for Rural Water Supply and Environmental Health Sector and is expected to pave the way for the adoption of CLTS approaches for nationwide sanitation promotion.

And finally: The funniest/dirtiest/cleanest/weirdest toilet...

Check out the World Toilet Organisation's [Toilets Around the World Photo Competition](#). You can [upload your own photos here!](#) Enjoy!

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... the [CLTS handbook](#) is available in six languages on the website and is the most downloaded document!

Many good wishes,

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