

Review of Biogas Plant Proposals for Different villages with different Population sizes within Obafemi Owode Local Government, Ogun State, Nigeria

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ABSTRACT

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INTRODUCTION

Abatan {Abata} is a populated place—a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in Obafemi Owode, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. It is on latitude 7° 4' 59" N, longitude 3° 40' 59" E, lat/long (dec) 7.08333, 3.68333 with tropical savanna climate type (source : Mindat.org) and is situated nearby to the villages Isagolu and Owojo.

The village has a population of 716 people with 172 households spread across the village and at least 142 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 70 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are

involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

SOLUTION

Installation of a biogas settler with a toilet facility feed has been proposed in order to reduce or terminate some of this unsustainable and dangerous practice. The proposed system collects and converts waste from both human and animal faeces to energy and fertilizer.

USES AND IMPLEMENTATION

This study aims to provide a solution to the current waste problem in Abatan village where waste is being left in the open increasing the chance of disease. Currently human faeces are deposited behind the houses along with livestock manure where they are left unburied and untreated. These unsanitary conditions can lead to the build-up of bacteria seeing the community susceptible to disease. The proper implementation of a biogas digester would solve this problem while also taking the load off the local power problem by providing the community with another energy source in the form of biogas. They would be able to use the biogas for a number of things but primarily in biogas stoves for cooking which are quite efficient. The other product made from the bio-digester is fertilization water. This water when implemented into the local irrigation systems and farming areas would benefit the crops and agricultural yield that they are producing.

The Position of Bio-digester in relation to the town is dependent on the size and how the waste is being collected. Our proposal also includes the construction of central village latrines and animal manure collection points. The actual implementation into the community of the bio-digesters would require the education of how all processes or at least primary functions of

the unit would entail, the precautions needed with the use of the biogas and possibilities of infection with them is used and storage of the fertigation water. The way this water can be incorporated into the village is by adding it to the existing irrigation system which would enrich the towns.

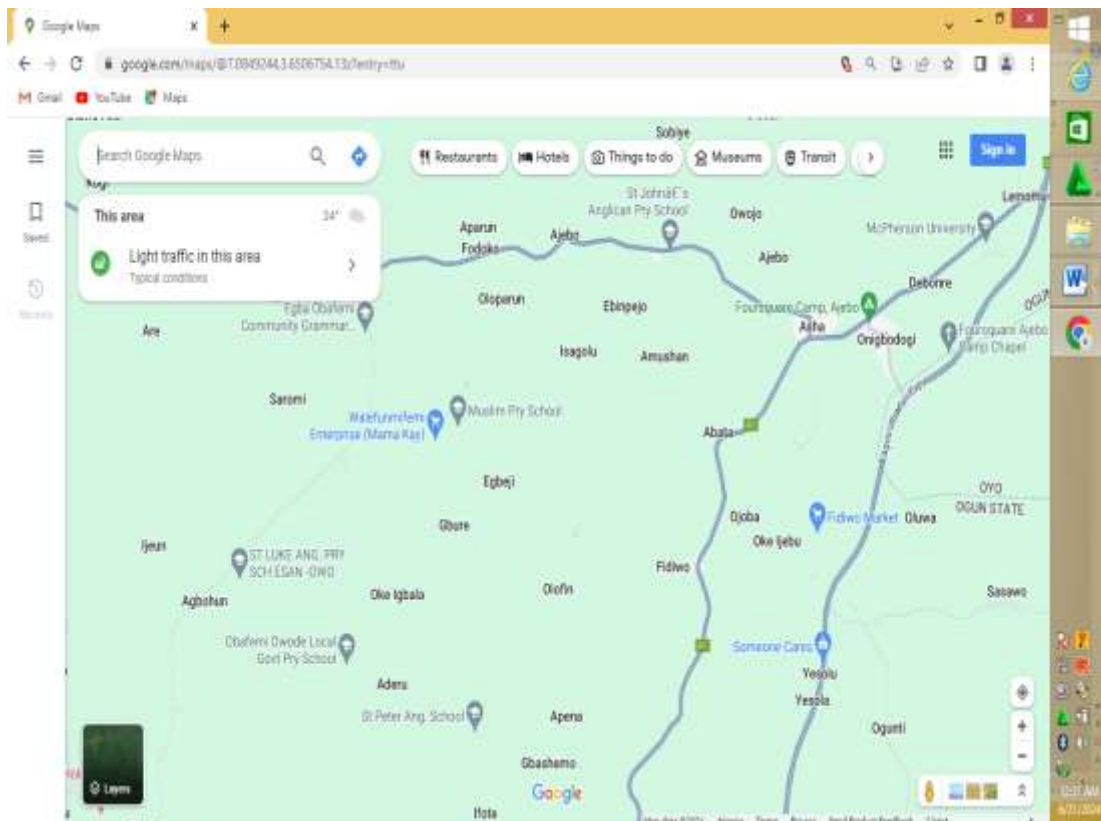


Figure 1–Map of Abatan (Abatan) village with position of digester and latrines indicated

Biogas digesters setup away from the main village roughly one hundred metres minimum with a fertigation water storage tank which links to the villager's irrigation and watering systems once implemented properly.

CONCEPT

The concept of a biogas settler is to treat the waste product entering it to create a usable gas and a safe product to be used for fertilisation. The design of a biogas settler is similar to that of a septic tank, however, the design incorporates the ability of biogas to be harnessed and stored. The by-products of the fertilisation and biogas are possible through a process called anaerobic digestion. The airtight chamber develops sludge

at its bottom and with the lack of oxygen in the chamber a chemical reaction takes place that creates a methane rich biogas that is able to be used in household gas appliances such as stoves and lamps. With the lack of oxygen in the chamber, and as the influent may take 60-80 days to pass through the system, most harmful pathogens are destroyed and the effluent liquid and slurry are able to be used for fertilisation of the surrounding farmland, reducing the waste and increasing the sanitation of the area. The use of a biogas settler is ideal in this situation as the initial cost of the unit is relatively low, it requires little maintenance, has no energy consumption as opposed to many similar

design that may be affected by flood, the biogas settler will not be affected by its location in such a wet area. The advantages of the settler far outweigh its negatives, one of which being the removal of the sludge; approximately every 5 years the sludge will accumulate to a level at which it will need to be removed and whilst many of the harmful pathogens have been removed by this stage, it is required to be done by skilled personnel. This sludge will usually then be placed in a drying bed before it is used for fertilisation. Larger retention times on the influent and warmer temperatures of the chamber are ideal in the treatment of the effluent to increase the effectiveness of the removal of harmful products, resulting in by-products higher nutrients and more suitable for uses as fertilisation. Ideally the hydraulic retention time (HRT) would be close to 100 days and chamber temperature would be close to 55°C to ensure pathogens are destroyed. By placing the chamber below ground, the temperature can be regulated much more easily with the chemical reactions inside creating its own heat within the chamber. An expert design is then required to ensure the HRT is as large as possible whilst still producing a consistent amount of biogas for the colony's demands.

Once biogas is initiated, the pressure level within the main chamber is increased, for this reason a compensation tank is needed. Connected to the lower of the main chamber, as pressure increases, the sludge is then forced through a pipe into the compensation chamber, thus reducing the absolute pressure in the main chamber and preventing fractures in the frame. This compensation tank is then open to atmosphere as the sludge stored within it is practically harmless and can be placed within the drying beds. The benefits of a biogas plant seem endless - low construction costs, low running costs and a clean source of energy. However the system can have some downsides, such as gas loss if a chamber suffers a fracture and the dependence on the community to participate in the use and production of the biogas plant.

DESIGN

Biogas settlers involve the construction of carefully calculated chambers in order for them to produce the biogas efficiently. The following diagram shows a good representation of the system and how it is hoped to be implemented.

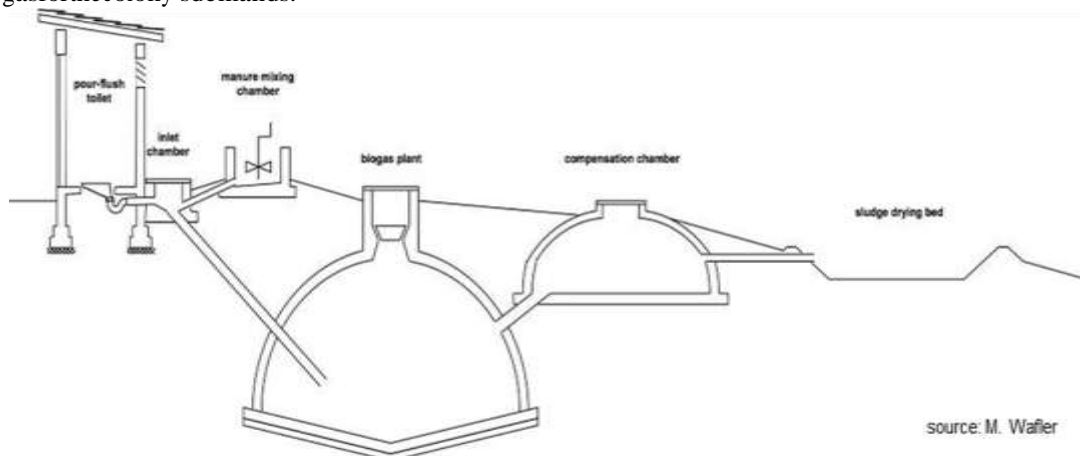


Figure 2-
 The initial design of a biogas plant, including all aspects - latrines, animal waste entry and chambers

The toilets will be placed in latrines near the villages for which people can use to contribute to the production of the biogas and the manure mixing chamber allows for farmers and villagers to dispose of their livestock waste into the biogas plant. Once gas begins to be produced, the sludge can then flow into the compensation chamber and eventually into the drying bed, where now almost all pathogen-free is harmless to humans. Once

left in the drying bed for approximately a month, it is then able to be used as a nutrient-rich fertilizer. Many areas are involved in the calculation that make for an effective system, including usage and production of the biogas itself, as well as the time the waste will spend in the chamber. The following table outlines the values of which I will be using to develop a suitable chamber.

Animal species/ feed material	Daily manure yield		Fresh-manure solids			Liveweight C/N	Gas yield			
	manure	urine	DM	ODM	[%]		[%]	range average		
	[kg/d]	[%lw]	[%lw]	[%]	[%]	[kg]	[-]	[l/kg ODM]		
cow manure	16	8	4-5	18	13	110-300	10-25	100-250	175	
buffalo manure	12	6	4-5	15	12	140-320	20			
pig manure	3	3	3	18	12	20-65	9-13	140-360	250	
sheep/goat droppings	2	4	1-2	33	20	30-100	30	125-175	150	
chicken manure	0.08	6.5	-	27	17	1.5-2	5-8	300-560	430	
human excreta	0.75	2	2.5	25	15	30-60	10	10-50	30	
corn straw	0.02	-	-	78	70	-	30-55	350-480	410	
water	0.5	-	-	6	4	-		25-35	250-300	275
hyacinths vegetable residues	0.5	-	-	11	9	-	25	350-450	400	
fresh grass	-0.2	-	-	22	24	-	18	480-620	550	

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In order to fulfill the need of the Abatano community by reducing harmful pathogens in the air, increasing sanitation and providing a cleaner source of energy, the production of the biogas in the plant must be greater (but only slightly) to that being consumed, to avoid a potential build-up of gas. Luckily though, due to the current nature of the Abatano community, we can expect some villagers may refuse to alter their current ways. In this way, the following calculations have taken into account the likelihood of only 85% of the community embracing the new biogas production plant. This also allows for flexibility in the biogas plant's production - should gas

usage be higher than first anticipated, villagers will still be able to use previous methods for cooking etc. to allow the biogas level to increase again. The plant must also be able to cater for demand when gas is not being produced and will consequently need storage room for the gas.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 716 People
- 172 households in village, 54 in bottom colony and 46 in top colony

- 3goatsperhouseholdintopandbottomcolonies(85% ofhouseholds)
 - 3cowsperhouseholdintopandbottomcolonies(85% ofhouseholds)
 - 1goatperhouseholdinvillage(15%ofhouseholds)
 - 1cowperhouseholdinvillage(15%ofhouseholds)
- Thesevalueswillform thebasisofallfollowingcalculations

Gasproduction

$\Sigma\text{goats} = \# \text{colonyhouseholds} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{goats} + \# \text{villagehouseholds} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{goat}$
 $= (54+46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1$
 $= 513 \text{goats}$
 $\Sigma\text{cows} = \# \text{colonyhouseholds} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{cows} + \# \text{villagehouseholds} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{cow}$
 $= (54+46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1$
 $= 513 \text{cows}$
 Cowsyield175Lperheadperdayofgas.(Fig1)
 $\text{Yield}(\text{cows}) = \Sigma\text{cows} \times 175$
 $= 513 \times 175$
 $= 89,775 \text{L/d}$
 Goats yield 150Lperheadperdayofgas.(Fig1)
 $\text{Yield}(\text{goats}) = \Sigma\text{goats} \times 150$
 $= 513 \times 150$
 $= 76,950 \text{L/d}$
 Humansyield 30Lperheadperday ofgas.(Fig1)
 $\text{Yield}(\text{humans}) = \Sigma\text{humans} \times 30$
 $= 513 \times 30$
 $= 15,390 \text{L/d}$
 $\text{Yield}(\text{total}) = 89,775 + 76,950 + 15,390$
 $= 182,115 \text{L/d}$
 $\approx 7588 \text{L/hr}$

GasUsage

(Duetotheunpredictablenature oftheenergyusageofthevillage(notknowingcooking habitsetc.),acasestudyhasbeenadaptedforthe purposes)
 Acommunityconsistingof30peoplesimilartotheAbatancommunity conditionsuseda total of 3000L/dof gasintheirdailydutiesincludingcooking,makingteand usinggaslamps [NETSSAF].
 Bydividing thisby30 wecangettheaverageusageperperson,butmultiplyingthisby716willprovide adecentestimation totheenergyconsumption of theentire village community.
 $\text{Usage}(\text{perperson}) = 3000 \div 30 = 100 \text{L/d}$
 $\text{Usage}(\text{total}) = 716 \times 100$
 $= 71600 \text{L/d}$
 $\approx 2983 \text{L/hr}$

This proposal is effective since the estimatedgasproductionis greater than estimatedgasusage.

GasStorageCapacity

Usingtheabovecasesstudy,themaximumgasconsumptionforthesmallcommunitywas 500L/h,byadaptingthisvaluefortheconsumptionoftheAbatancommunityusingthesametechiniquesabove:
 $\text{Consumption}(\text{max}) = 500 \div 30 \times 716 = 11933 \text{L/h}$
 However,biogas isstillbeingproduced asthis isbeingused, therefore the maximum decreasein gasisthemaximumusageminusproduction
 $\text{Consumption} - \text{Yield} = 11933 - 7588 = 4345 \text{L/h}$
 Asthecasesstudycommunityconsumedthegasatthisratefor5hoursthetotalstorage requiredwillbetherateatwhichitsbeingconsumedmultipliedbythetime
 $\text{Volume}(\text{gasstorage}) = 4345 \times 5 = 21725 \text{L}$
 Andinordertoaccountforfluctuationsinthis,itisthen multipliedbyasafetyfactorof 1.35,toensureadequategasshouldconsumptionincreaseby35%.
 $\text{Volume}(\text{gas}) = 21725 \times 1.35 = 29328.75 \text{L}$

SludgeStorageCapacity

Inordertocopewiththeamount ofwastecomingintothechamberandtheamount of timeitstaysthere beforeitleavestothecompensationtankandfinallytheryingbed,it hastobeofsufficientsize.Inordertocalculatethis,thevolumeofwastegoinginneedsto beestimatedandthehydraulicretentiontime(HRT)needstobedecided. Thehigherthe HRT, the greater efficiency ofthe biogassetler,however the volumeisthen increased resultinginalargerarearequiredandincreased costs.Ideally,theHRTwouldbeover100 days,butanythingover50daysisacceptable,forthiscaseaHRTof70dayswillbeused.
 Thequantityofmanure(slurry) willbemeasuredasfollows:
 Cowsproduce16kgperheadperday ofmanure.(Table1)
 $\text{Quantity}(\text{cows}) = \Sigma\text{cows} \times 16 \text{kg}$
 $= 513 \times 16$
 $= 8208 \text{L/d}$
 Goatsproduce 2 kgperheadperday ofmanure.(Table1)
 $\text{Quantity}(\text{goats}) = \Sigma\text{goats} \times 2 \text{kg}$
 $= 513 \times 2$
 $= 1026 \text{L/d}$
 Humansproduce0.75kgperheadperdayofmanure.(Table1)
 $\text{Quantity}(\text{humans}) = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 0.75 \text{kg}$

= 716 * 0.75
 = 537L/d
 Quantity(total) = 8208 + 1026 + 537
 = 9771L/d
 Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days,
 this will need to be multiplied
 by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.
 Volume(sludge) = 9771 x 70
 = 683970L

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge
 are known, these can simply be
 added together to determine the volume of the chamber
 Volume(total) = Volume(gas) + Volume(sludge)
 = 65,000 + 136,000
 ≈ 200,000L
 As we do not expect the whole of the Abatan community to
 embrace the new system,
 we will then need to multiply this number by
 0.6, for the 60% of villagers that will end up
 using this system
 Volume(adjusted) = 200,000 x 0.6

= 120,000L
 By using the formula for the
 volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that
 the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85m
 $120,000 = 120 \text{ m}^3$
 $120 = (2 * R^3 * \pi) / 3$
 $R^3 = 57.27 \text{ m}^3$
 $R \approx 3.8545 \text{ m}$

Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)

The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of
 the volume of the gas in the main
 chamber, in order to allow for an excess of gas being prod
 uced without excessive pressure in the chamber.
 Volume(gas) = 65,000L = Volume(CT)
 $\therefore \text{Volume(CT)} = 65,000 \text{ L} \times 60\%$
 $\therefore \text{Volume(CT)} \approx 39,000 \text{ L} = 39 \text{ m}^3$
 $39 = (2 * R^3 * \pi) / 3$
 $R \approx 2.65 \text{ m}$

FINAL DESIGN
 Main Chamber Compensation Tank

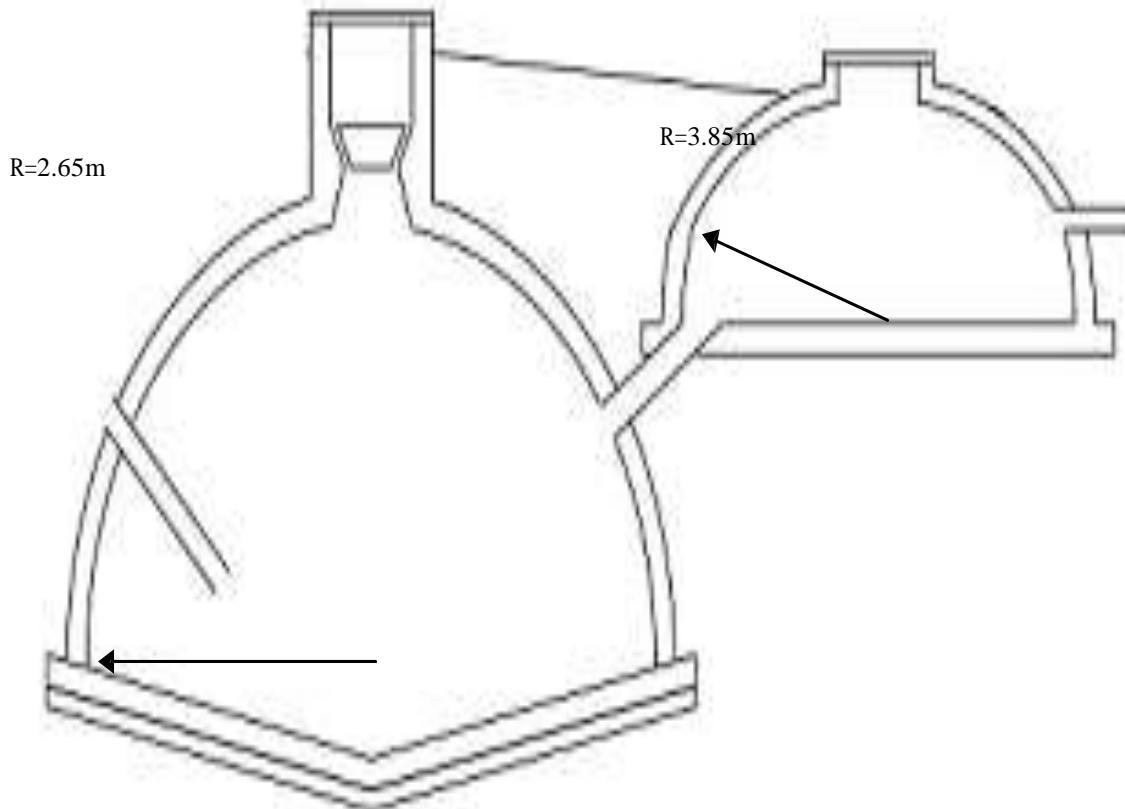
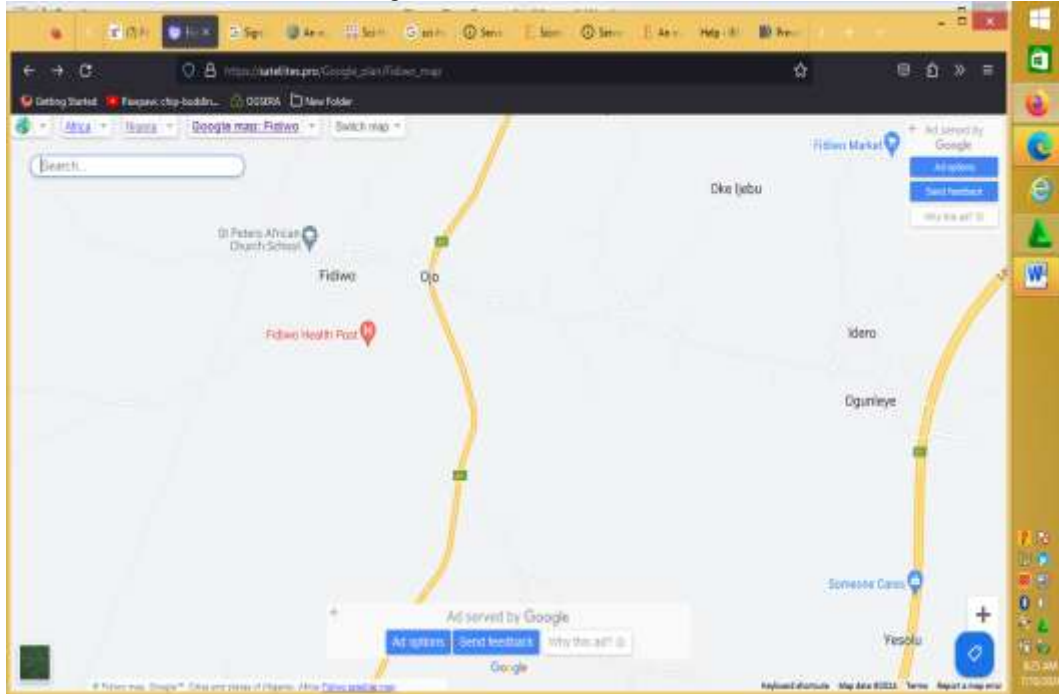


Figure 3-Final design of the biogas chambers including the radius in order for it to be effective

INTRODUCTION

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The village has a population of 1680 people with 228 households spread across the village and at least 187 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 108 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 1680 People
 - 228 households in village, 30 in bottom colony and 25 in top colony
 - 2 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (75% of households)
 - 2 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (75% of households)
 - 1 goat per household in village (25% of households)
 - 1 cow per household in village (25% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 75\% \times 2 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 25\% \times 1 \text{ goat} \\ &= (30+25) \times 0.75 \times 2 + 228 \times 0.25 \times 1 \\ &= 139.5 \text{ goats} \\ \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 75\% \times 2 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 25\% \times 1 \text{ cow} \\ &= ((30+25) \times 0.75 \times 2 + 228 \times 0.25 \times 1) \\ &= 139.5 \text{ cows} \\ \text{Cows yield} &= 175 \text{ L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)} \\ \text{Yield (cows)} &= \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175 \\ &= 139.5 \times 175 \\ &= 24412.5 \text{ L/d} \end{aligned}$$

Goats yield 150Lperheadperdayofgas.(Fig1)

Yield(goats) = Σ goatsx150

=139.5* 150

=20925L/d

Humansyield 30Lperheadperday ofgas.(Fig1)

Yield(humans)= Σ humansx30

=139.5*30

=4185L/d

Yield(total)=24412.5L/d+20925L/d +4185L/d

=49522.5L/d

≈2063.4L/hr

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit setc.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Fidiwo community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying this by 1680 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

Usage(per person) = $3000 \div 30 = 100L/d$

Usage(total) = 1680×100

=168000L/d

≈7000L/hr

This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Fidiwo community using the same technique as above:

Consumption(max) = $500 \div 30 \times 1680 = 28000L/h$

However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

Consumption - Yield = $28000 - 49522.5 = -21522.5L/h$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

Volume(gas storage) = $21522.5 \times 5 = 107612.5L$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of

1.25, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 25%.

Volume(gas) = $107612.5L \times 1.25 = 134515.625L$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it

has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needs to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater

efficiency of the biogas settler, however the volume is then increased resulting in larger areas required and increased

costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100

days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case a HRT of 70 days will be used.

The quantity of manure (slurry)

will be measured as follows:

Cows produce 16kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

Quantity(cows) = Σ cows x 16kg

= 139.5×16

= 2232L/d

Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

Quantity(goats) = Σ goats x 2kg

= 139.5×2

= 279L/d

Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)

Quantity(humans) = Σ humans x 0.75kg

= 1680×0.75

= 1260L/d

Quantity(total) = $2232L/d + 279L/d + 1260L/d$

= 23863L/d

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied

by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

Volume(sludge) = 23863×70

= 1670410L

Volume of Tank

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added together to determine the volume of the chamber

Volume(total) = Volume(gas) + Volume(sludge)

= $65,000 + 136,000$

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Volume(gas)=65,000L=Volume(CT)

$$\therefore \text{Volume(CT)} = 65,000 \text{ L} \times 60\%$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume(CT)} \approx 39,000 \text{ L} = 39 \text{ m}^3$$

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Biogas Plant Proposal

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CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 893 People
 - 85 households in village, 15 in bottom colony and 10 in top colony
 - 2 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 2 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 2 goats per household in village (15% of households)
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- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 2 \text{ goats} \\ &= (15+10) \times 0.85 \times 2 + 85 \times 0.15 \times 2 \\ &= 68 \text{ goats} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 2 \text{ cows} \\ &= (15+10) \times 0.85 \times 2 + 85 \times 0.15 \times 2 \\ &= 68 \text{ cows} \end{aligned}$$

Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$$

$$= 68 \times 175$$

$$= 11900 \text{ L/d}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$$

$$= 68 \times 150$$

$$= 10200 \text{ L/d}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)
 $Yield(humans) = \sum humans \times 30$
 $= 68 \times 30$
 $= 2040L/d$
 $Yield(total) = 11900 + 10200 + 2040$
 $= 24140L/d$
 $\approx 1005.83L/hr$
Gas Usage

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 By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying this by 839 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.
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 $Usage(total) = 839 \times 100$
 $= 83900L/d$
 $\approx 3496L/hr$
 This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Gbure community using the same technique as above:
 $Consumption(max) = 500 \div 30 \times 839 = 13983L/h$
 However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production
 $Consumption - Yield = 13983 - 24140 = -10157L/h$
 As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time
 $Volume(gas\ storage) = 10157 \times 5 = 50785L$
 And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of 1.25, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 25%.
 $Volume(gas) = 50785L \times 1.25 = 63481.25L$

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 $= 68 \times 16$
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 Goats produce 2kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
 $Quantity(goats) = \sum goats \times 2kg$
 $= 68 \times 2$
 $= 136L/d$
 Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)
 $Quantity(humans) = \sum humans \times 0.75kg$
 $= 839 \times 0.75$
 $= 629.25L/d$
 $Quantity(total) = 1088L/d + 136L/d + 629.25L/d$
 $= 1853.25L/d$
 Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.
 $Volume(sludge) = 1853.25L/d \times 70$
 $= 129727.5L$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be added together to determine the volume of the chamber
 $Volume(total) = Volume(gas) + Volume(sludge)$
 $= 65,000 + 136,000$
 $\approx 200,000L$
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 $Volume(adjusted) = 200,000 \times 0.6$
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 By using the formula for the volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85m

$$120,000 = 120 \text{ m}^3$$

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INTRODUCTION

Ebinpejo is a populated place—a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in Obafemi Owoode, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. It is on latitude 7° 4' 59" N, longitude 3° 40' 59" E, lat/long (dec) 7.08333, 3.68333 with tropical savanna climate type (source : Mindat.org) and is situated nearby to the villages Isagolu and Owojo.

The village has a population of 500 people with 45 households spread across the village and at least 350 live

below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 5 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated—

- 500 People
- 45 households in village, 10 in bottom colony and 5 in top colony
- 2 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
- 2 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
- 1 goat per household in village (15% of households)
- 1 cow per household in village (15% of households)

These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\Sigma \text{goats} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ goat}$$

$$= (10+5) \cdot 0.85 \cdot 2 + 45 \cdot 0.15 \cdot 1$$

$$= 32.5 \text{ goats}$$

$$\Sigma \text{cows} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ cow}$$

$$(10+5) \cdot 0.85 \cdot 2 + 45 \cdot 0.15 \cdot 1$$

$$= 32.5 \text{ cows}$$

Cows yield 175 L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$$

$$= 32.5 \cdot 175$$

$$= 5687.5 \text{ L/d}$$

Goats yield 150 L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$$

$$= 32.5 \cdot 150$$

$$= 4875 \text{ L/d}$$

Humans yield 30 L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$$

$$= 32.5 \cdot 30$$

$$= 975 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\text{Yield(total)} = 5687.5 + 4875 + 975$$

$$= 11537.5 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\approx 480.73 \text{ /hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit setc.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Ebinpejo community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying it by 500 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

Usage(per person) = $3000 \div 30 = 100\text{L/d}$
 Usage(total) = $500 * 100 = 50000\text{L/d}$
 $\approx 2083.3\text{L/hr}$

This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Ebinpejo community using the same techniques as above:

Consumption(max) = $500 \div 30 * 500 = 8333.3\text{L/h}$

However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

Consumption - Yield = $8333.3 - 11537.5 = 3202.4\text{L/h}$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

Volume(gas storage) = $3202.4\text{L/h} * 5 = 16012\text{L}$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of 1.25, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 25%.

Volume(gas) = $16012 * 1.25 = 20015\text{L}$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needed

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The quantity of manure (slurry) will be measured as follows:

Cows produce 16kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
 Quantity(cows) = $\Sigma \text{cows} * 16\text{kg}$
 $= 32.25 * 16 = 520\text{L/d}$

Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
 Quantity(goats) = $\Sigma \text{goats} * 2\text{kg}$
 $= 32.5 * 2 = 65\text{L/d}$

Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)
 Quantity(humans) = $\Sigma \text{humans} * 0.75\text{kg}$
 $= 32.5 * 0.75 = 24.375\text{L/d}$

Quantity(total) = $520 + 65 + 24.375 = 609.375\text{L/d}$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

Volume(sludge) = $609.375\text{L/d} * 70 = 42656.25\text{L}$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be added together to determine the volume of the chamber

Volume(total) = Volume(gas) + Volume(sludge) = $65,000 + 136,000 \approx 200,000\text{L}$

As we do not expect the whole of the Ebinpejo community to embrace the new system, we will then need to multiply this number by 0.6, for the 60% of villagers that will end up using this system,

Volume(adjusted) = $200,000 * 0.6 = 120,000\text{L}$

By using the formula for the volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85m

$120,000 = 120\text{m}^3$
 $120 = (2 * R^3 * \pi) / 3$
 $R^3 = 57.27\text{m}^3$
 $R \approx 3.8545\text{m}$

Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)

The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of the volume of the gas in the main chamber, in order to allow for an excess of gas being produced without excessive pressure in the chamber.

Volume(gas)=65,000L=Volume(CT)
∴Volume(CT)=65,000Lx60%
∴Volume(CT)≈39,000L=39m³, 39=(2*R³*π)/3
R≈2.65m

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INTRODUCTION

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. The village has a population of 716 people with 172 households spread across the village and at least 142 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

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CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 716 People
 - 172 households in village, 54 in bottom colony and 46 in top colony
 - 3 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 3 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 1 goat per household in village (15% of households)
 - 1 cow per household in village (15% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$\Sigma \text{goats} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ goat}$

$$= (54+46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1$$

$$= 513 \text{ goats}$$

$\Sigma \text{cows} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ cow}$

$$= (54+46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1$$

$$= 513 \text{ cows}$$

Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

Yield(cows) = $\Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$

$$= 513 \times 175$$

$$= 89,775 \text{ L/d}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

Yield(goats) = $\Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$

$$= 513 \times 150$$

$$= 76,950 \text{ L/d}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

Yield(humans) = $\Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$

$$= 513 \times 30$$

$$= 15,390 \text{ L/d}$$

Yield(total) = 89,775 + 76,950 + 15,390

$$= 182,115 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\approx 7588 \text{ L/hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit set.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Oloparun community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

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to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

$$\text{Usage(per person)} = 3000 \div 30 = 100\text{L/d}$$

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$$= 71600\text{L/d}$$

$$\approx 2983\text{L/hr}$$

This proposal is effective since the estimated gas production is greater than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Oloparun community using the same technique as above:

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However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

$$\text{Consumption - Yield} = 11933 - 7588 = 4345\text{L/h}$$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

$$\text{Volume(gas storage)} = 4345 * 5 = 21725\text{L}$$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of

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$$\text{Volume(gas)} = 21725 * 1.35 = 29328.75\text{L}$$

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$$= 513 * 16$$

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Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

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$$= 513 * 2$$

$$= 1026\text{L/d}$$

Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity(humans)} = \sum \text{humans} * 0.75\text{kg}$$

$$= 716 * 0.75$$

$$= 537\text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Quantity(total)} = 8208 + 1026 + 537$$

$$= 9771\text{L/d}$$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied

by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

$$\text{Volume(sludge)} = 9771 * 70$$

$$= 683970\text{L}$$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be

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$$\approx 200,000\text{L}$$

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INTRODUCTION

Debonre is a populated place—a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in ObafemiOwode, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. It is on latitude 7° 4' 00" N, longitude 3° 40' 59" E, lat/long (dec) 7.08333,3.68333 with tropical savanna climate type (source : Mindat.org) and is situated nearby to the villages Isagolu and Owojo.

The village has a population of 1680 people with 228 households spread across the village and at least 187 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 108 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated—

- 1680 People
 - 228 households in village, 30 in bottom colony and 25 in top colony
 - 2 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (75% of households)
 - 2 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (75% of households)
 - 1 goat per household in village (25% of households)
 - 1 cow per household in village (25% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 75\% \times 2 \text{goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 25\% \times 1 \text{goat} \\ &= (30+25) \times 0.75 \times 2 + 228 \times 0.25 \times 1 \\ &= 139.5 \text{goats} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 75\% \times 2 \text{cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 25\% \times 1 \text{cow} \\ &= ((30+25) \times 0.75 \times 2 + 228 \times 0.25 \times 1) \\ &= 139.5 \text{cows} \end{aligned}$$

Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig1)

$$\text{Yield(cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$$

$$= 139.5 \times 175$$

$$= 24412.5 \text{L/d}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig1)

$$\text{Yield(goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$$

$$= 139.5 \times 150$$

$$= 20925 \text{L/d}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig1)

$$\text{Yield(humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$$

$$= 139.5 \times 30$$

$$= 4185 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Yield(total)} = 24412.5 \text{L/d} + 20925 \text{L/d} + 4185 \text{L/d}$$

$$= 49522.5 \text{L/d}$$

$$\approx 2063.4 \text{L/hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit set.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Debonre community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of

gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying it his by 1680 will provide a decent estimation

to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

$$\text{Usage(per person)} = 3000 \div 30 = 100\text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Usage(total)} = 1680 \times 100$$

$$= 168000\text{L/d}$$

$$\approx 7000\text{L/hr}$$

This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was

500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Debonre community using the same technique as above:

$$\text{Consumption(max)} = 500 \div 30 \times 1680 = 28000\text{L/h}$$

However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

$$\text{Consumption - Yield} = 28000 - 49522.5 = -21522.5\text{L/h}$$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage

required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

$$\text{Volume(gas storage)} = 21522.5 \times 5 = 107612.5\text{L}$$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of

1.25, to ensure adequate gas should be consumed increase by 25%.

$$\text{Volume(gas)} = 107612.5 \times 1.25 = 134515.625\text{L}$$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there

before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it

has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in need to

be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) need to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater efficiency of the biogas settler, however the volume is then increased

resulting in larger areas required and increased

costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100

days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case a HRT of 70 days will be used.

The quantity of manure (slurry)

will be measured as follows:

Cows produce 16kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity(cows)} = \sum \text{cows} \times 16\text{kg}$$

$$= 139.5 \times 16$$

$$= 2232\text{L/d}$$

Goats produce 2kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity(goats)} = \sum \text{goats} \times 2\text{kg}$$

$$= 139.5 \times 2$$

$$= 279\text{L/d}$$

Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity(humans)} = \sum \text{humans} \times 0.75\text{kg}$$

$$= 1680 \times 0.75$$

$$= 1260\text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Quantity(total)} = 2232\text{L/d} + 279\text{L/d} + 1260\text{L/d}$$

$$= 23863\text{L/d}$$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied

by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

$$\text{Volume(sludge)} = 23863 \times 70$$

$$= 1670410\text{L}$$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be

added together to determine the volume of the chamber

$$\text{Volume(total)} = \text{Volume(gas)} + \text{Volume(sludge)}$$

$$= 65,000 + 136,000$$

$$\approx 200,000\text{L}$$

As we do not expect the whole of the Debonre community to embrace the new system,

we will then need to multiply this number by

0.6, for the 60% of villagers that will end up

using this system

$$\text{Volume(adjusted)} = 200,000 \times 0.6$$

$$= 120,000\text{L}$$

By using the formula for the

volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85m

$$120,000 = 120\text{m}^3$$

$$120 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$$

$$R^3 = 57.27\text{m}^3$$

$$R \approx 3.8545\text{m}$$

Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)

The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of the volume of the gas in the main

chamber, in order to allow for an excess of gas being produced without excessive pressure in the chamber.

$$\text{Volume(gas)} = 65,000\text{L} = \text{Volume(CT)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume(CT)} = 65,000\text{L} \times 60\%$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume(CT)} \approx 39,000\text{L} = 39\text{m}^3$$

$$39 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$$

$$R \approx 2.65\text{m}$$

Biogas Plant Proposal

For

Onigbodogi, a village in ObafemiOwode, Ogun State, Nigeria

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INTRODUCTION

Onigbodogi is a populated place-a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in ObafemiOwode, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. It is on latitude 7° 4' 59" N, longitude 3° 37' 59" E, lat/long (dec) 7.08333,3.68333 with tropical savanna climate type (source : Mindat.org) and is situated nearby to the villages Isagolu and Owojo.

The village has a population of 839 people with 85 households spread across the village and at least 480 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 15 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 893 People
 - 85 households in village, 15 in bottom colony and 10 in top colony
 - 2 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 2 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 2 goats per household in village (15% of households)
 - 2 cows per household in village (15% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 2 \text{goats} \\ &= (15+10) \times 0.85 \times 2 + 85 \times 0.15 \times 2 \\ &= 68 \text{goats} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 2 \text{cows} \\ &= (15+10) \times 0.85 \times 2 + 85 \times 0.15 \times 2 \\ &= 68 \text{cows} \end{aligned}$$

Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (cows)} &= \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175 \\ &= 68 \times 175 \\ &= 11900 \text{L/d} \end{aligned}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (goats)} &= \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150 \\ &= 68 \times 150 \\ &= 10200 \text{L/d} \end{aligned}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (humans)} &= \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30 \\ &= 68 \times 30 \\ &= 2040 \text{L/d} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (total)} &= 11900 + 10200 + 2040 \\ &= 24140 \text{L/d} \\ &\approx 1005.83 \text{L/hr} \end{aligned}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit set.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Onigbodogi community conditions used a total of 3000L of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying his by 839 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

Usage(perperson)=3000÷30=100L/d
Usage(total)=839*100
=83900L/d
≈3496L/hr
This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Onigbodogic community using the same technique as above:
Consumption(max) = 500 ÷ 30 x 839 = 13983L/h
However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production
Consumption - Yield = 13983 - 24140 = -10157L/h
As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time
Volume(gas storage) = 10157 x 5 = 50785L
And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of 1.25, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 25%.
Volume(gas) = 50785L x 1.35 = 263481.25L

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needs to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater efficiency of the biogas settler, however the volume is then increased resulting in larger areas required and increased costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100 days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case a HRT of 70 days will be used.
The quantity of manure (slurry) will be measured as follows:
Cows produce 16kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
Quantity(cows) = Σ cows x 16kg
= 68 * 16
= 1088L/d

Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
Quantity(goats) = Σ goats x 2kg
= 68 * 2
= 136L/d
Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)
Quantity(humans) = Σ humans x 0.75kg
= 839 * 0.75
= 629.25L/d
Quantity(total) = 1088L/d + 136L/d + 629.25L/d
= 1853.25L/d
Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.
Volume(sludge) = 1853.2L/d x 70
= 129727.5L

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be added together to determine the volume of the chamber
Volume(total) = Volume(gas) + Volume(sludge)
= 65,000 + 136,000
≈ 200,000L
As we do not expect the whole of the Onigbodogic community to embrace the new system, we will then need to multiply this number by 0.6, for the 60% of villagers that will end up using this system
Volume(adjusted) = 200,000 x 0.6
= 120,000L
By using the formula for the volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85m
120,000 = 120³
120 = (2 * R³ * π) / 3
R³ = 57.27m³
R ≈ 3.8545 m
Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)
The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of the volume of the gas in the main chamber, in order to allow for an excess of gas being produced without excessive pressure in the chamber.
Volume(gas) = 65,000L = Volume(CT)
∴ Volume(CT) = 65,000L x 60%
∴ Volume(CT) ≈ 39,000L = 39m³
39 = (2 * R³ * π) / 3, R ≈ 2.65m

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INTRODUCTION

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. The village has a populationof500people with 45householdsspread acrosssthevillage and atleast 350live belowthepovertyline.Themajorityofthepopulationis agriculturalworkersand every householdowns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 5 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 500 People

- 45 households in village, 10 in bottom colony and 5 in top colony
 - 2 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 2 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 1 goat per household in village (15% of households)
 - 1 cow per household in village (15% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\Sigma \text{goats} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{goat}$$

$$= (10+5) \times 0.85 \times 2 + 45 \times 0.15 \times 1$$

$$= 32.5 \text{goats}$$

$$\Sigma \text{cows} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 2 \text{cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{cow}$$

$$(10+5) \times 0.85 \times 2 + 45 \times 0.15 \times 1$$

$$= 32.5 \text{cows}$$

$$\text{Cows yield } 175 \text{L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)}$$

$$\text{Yield (cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$$

$$= 32.5 \times 175$$

$$= 5687.5 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Goats yield } 150 \text{L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)}$$

$$\text{Yield (goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$$

$$= 32.5 \times 150$$

$$= 4875 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Humans yield } 30 \text{L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)}$$

$$\text{Yield (humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$$

$$= 32.5 \times 30$$

$$= 975 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Yield (total)} = 5687.5 + 4875 + 975$$

$$= 11537.5 \text{L/d}$$

$$\approx 480.73 \text{/hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habits etc.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Aberuagba community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of

gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30

we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying

this by 500 will provide a decent estimation

to the energy consumption of the entire

village community.

$$\text{Usage (per person)} = 3000 \div 30 = 100 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Usage (total)} = 500 \times 100$$

= 5000L/d
 $\approx 2083.3\text{L/hr}$
 This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Aberuagba, community using the same technique as above:
 Consumption (max) = $500 \div 30 \times 500 = 8333.3\text{L/h}$
 However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production
 Consumption - Yield = $8333.3 - 11537.5 = 3202.4\text{L/h}$
 As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time
 Volume (gas storage) = $3202.4\text{L/h} \times 5 = 16012\text{L}$
 And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of 1.25, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 25%.
 Volume (gas) = $16012 \times 1.25 = 75262.5\text{L}$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needs to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater efficiency of the biogas settler, however the volume is then increased resulting in larger areas required and increased costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100 days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case a HRT of 70 days will be used.
 The quantity of manure (slurry) will be measured as follows:
 Cows produce 16kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
 Quantity (cows) = $\sum \text{cows} \times 16\text{kg}$
 $= 32.25 \times 16$
 $= 520\text{L/d}$
 Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)
 Quantity (goats) = $\sum \text{goats} \times 2\text{kg}$
 $= 325 \times 2$

= 65L/d
 Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)
 Quantity (humans) = $\sum \text{humans} \times 0.75\text{kg}$
 $= 325 \times 0.75$
 $= 24.375\text{L/d}$
 Quantity (total) = $520 + 65 + 24.375$
 $= 609.375\text{L/d}$
 Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.
 Volume (sludge) = $609.375\text{L/d} \times 70$
 $= 42656.25\text{L}$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be added together to determine the volume of the chamber
 Volume (total) = Volume (gas) + Volume (sludge) = $65,000 + 136,000 \approx 200,000\text{L}$
 As we do not expect the whole of the Aberuagba, community to embrace the new system, we will then need to multiply this number by 0.6, for the 60% of villagers that will end up using this system.
 Volume (adjusted) = $200,000 \times 0.6 = 120,000\text{L}$
 By using the formula for the volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85m
 $120,000 = 120\text{m}^3$
 $120 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$
 $R^3 = 57.27\text{m}^3$
 $R \approx 3.8545\text{m}$
Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)
 The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of the volume of the gas in the main chamber, in order to allow for an excess of gas being produced without excessive pressure in the chamber.
 Volume (gas) = 65,000L = Volume (CT)
 $\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} = 65,000\text{L} \times 60\%$
 $\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} \approx 39,000\text{L} = 39\text{m}^3$, $39 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$
 $R \approx 2.65\text{m}$

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INTRODUCTION

Saromi, is a populated place—a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in Obafemi Owo, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. It is on latitude 7° 4' 59" N, longitude 3° 40' 59" E, lat/long (dec) 7.08333, 3.68333 with tropical savanna climate type (source : Mindat.org) and is situated nearby to the villages Isagolu and Owojo.

The village has a population of 716 people with 172 households spread across the village and at least 142 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 70 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 716 People
- 172 households in village, 54 in bottom colony and 46 in top colony
- 3 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)

- 3 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 1 goat per household in village (15% of households)
 - 1 cow per household in village (15% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ goat} \\ &= (54 + 46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1 \\ &= 513 \text{ goats} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ cow} \\ &= (54 + 46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1 \\ &= 513 \text{ cows} \end{aligned}$$

Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (cows)} &= \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175 \\ &= 513 \times 175 \\ &= 89,775 \text{ L/d} \end{aligned}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (goats)} &= \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150 \\ &= 513 \times 150 \\ &= 76,950 \text{ L/d} \end{aligned}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (humans)} &= \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30 \\ &= 716 \times 30 \\ &= 21,480 \text{ L/d} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Yield (total)} &= 89,775 + 76,950 + 21,480 \\ &= 188,205 \text{ L/d} \\ &\approx 7588 \text{ L/hr} \end{aligned}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit set c.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Saromi, community conditions used a total of 3000L of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying this by 716 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

$$\text{Usage (per person)} = 3000 \div 30 = 100 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Usage (total)} &= 716 \times 100 \\ &= 71,600 \text{ L/d} \\ &\approx 2983 \text{ L/hr} \end{aligned}$$

This proposal is effective since the estimated gas production is greater than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Saromi, community using the same technique as above:

$$\text{Consumption (max)} = 500 \div 30 \times 716 = 11933 \text{L/h}$$

However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

$$\text{Consumption - Yield} = 11933 - 7588 = 4345 \text{L/h}$$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

$$\text{Volume (gas storage)} = 4345 \times 5 = 21725 \text{L}$$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of

1.35, to ensure adequate gas should be consumed increase by 35%.

$$\text{Volume (gas)} = 21725 \times 1.35 = 29328.75 \text{L}$$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it

has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needs to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater the efficiency of the biogas settler, however the volume is then increased resulting in larger are required and increased costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100 days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case a HRT of 70 days will be used.

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$$= 513 \times 16$$

$$= 8208 \text{L/d}$$

Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

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$$= 513 \times 2$$

$$= 1026 \text{L/d}$$

Humans produce 0.75 kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity (humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 0.75 \text{kg}$$

$$= 716 \times 0.75$$

$$= 537 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Quantity (total)} = 8208 + 1026 + 537$$

$$= 9771 \text{L/d}$$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied

by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

$$\text{Volume (sludge)} = 9771 \times 70$$

$$= 683970 \text{L}$$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be

added together to determine the volume of the chamber

$$\text{Volume (total)} = \text{Volume (gas)} + \text{Volume (sludge)}$$

$$= 65,000 + 136,000$$

$$\approx 200,000 \text{L}$$

As we do not expect the whole of the Saromi,

community to embrace the new system,

we will then need to multiply this number by

0.6, for the 60% of villagers that will end up

using this system

$$\text{Volume (adjusted)} = 200,000 \times 0.6$$

$$= 120,000 \text{L}$$

By using the formula for the

volume of a hemisphere, it can then be calculated that the radius of the chamber will be in the vicinity of 3.85 m

$$120,000 = 120 \text{ m}^3$$

$$120 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$$

$$R^3 = 57.27 \text{m}^3$$

$$R \approx 3.8545 \text{ m}$$

Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)

The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of the volume of the gas in the main

chamber, in order to allow for an excess of gas being produced without excessive pressure in the chamber.

$$\text{Volume (gas)} = 65,000 \text{L} = \text{Volume (CT)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} = 65,000 \text{L} \times 60\%$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} \approx 39,000 \text{L} = 39 \text{m}^3$$

$$39 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$$

$$R \approx 2.65 \text{m}$$

Biogas Plant Proposal

For

Amushan, a village in Obafemi Owoode, Ogun State, Nigeria

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sanitation. The biogas plants would use animal and human waste as feedstock to produce methane gas for fuel. Calculations estimate the plants could produce enough gas to meet the villages' energy needs. Benefits include reducing disease, generating renewable energy without external inputs, creating local jobs, and helping alleviate poverty in the communities.

INTRODUCTION

Amushan, is a populated place—a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in ObafemiOwode, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. It is on latitude 7° 4' 59" N, longitude 3° 40' 59" E, lat/long (dec) 7.08333,3.68333 with tropical savanna climate type (source : Mindat.org) and is situated nearby to the villages Isagolu and Owojo.

. The village has a population of 716 people with 172 households spread across the village and at least 142 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 70 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 716 People
- 172 households in village, 54 in bottom colony and 46 in top colony
- 3 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
- 3 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
- 1 goat per household in village (15% of households)

- 1 cow per household in village (15% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ goat} \\ &= (54+46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1 \\ &= 513 \text{ goats} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ cow} \\ &= (54+46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1 \\ &= 513 \text{ cows} \end{aligned}$$

Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$$

$$= 513 \times 175$$

$$= 89,775 \text{ L/d}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$$

$$= 513 \times 150$$

$$= 76,950 \text{ L/d}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)

$$\text{Yield(humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$$

$$= 513 \times 30$$

$$= 15,390 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\text{Yield(total)} = 89,775 + 76,950 + 15,390$$

$$= 182,115 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\approx 7588 \text{ L/hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit set.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Amushan community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of

gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying his by 716 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

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Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was

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$$\text{Consumption - Yield} = 11933 - 7588 = 4345 \text{ L/h}$$

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$$\text{Volume (gas storage)} = 4345 \times 5 = 21725 \text{ L}$$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of 1.35, to ensure adequate gas should be consumed in case by 35%.

$$\text{Volume (gas)} = 21725 \times 1.35 = 29328.75 \text{ L}$$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needs to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater efficiency of the biogas settler, however the volume is then increased resulting in larger areas required and increased costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100 days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case an HRT of 70 days will be used.

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Quantity (humans) = $\Sigma \text{humans} \times 0.75 \text{ kg}$
 $= 716 \times 0.75$
 $= 537 \text{ L/d}$

Quantity (total) = $8208 + 1026 + 537$
 $= 9771 \text{ L/d}$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

$$\text{Volume (sludge)} = 9771 \times 70 = 683970 \text{ L}$$

Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be added together to determine the volume of the chamber

$$\text{Volume (total)} = \text{Volume (gas)} + \text{Volume (sludge)}$$

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Volume (gas) = 65,000 L = Volume (CT)

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$$\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} \approx 39,000 \text{ L} = 39 \text{ m}^3$$

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INTRODUCTION

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NEED

It has been reported that only 70 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting in widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in, likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

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Gas production

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$$\text{Yield (humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$$

$$= 716 \times 30$$

$$= 21,480 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\text{Yield (total)} = 89,775 + 76,950 + 21,480$$

$$= 188,205 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\approx 7588 \text{ L/hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habits etc.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 300 people similar to the Egbeji community conditions used a total of 3000L of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying his by 716 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

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Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was

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However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

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As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

$$\text{Volume (gas storage)} = 4345 \times 5 = 21725 \text{ L}$$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of 1.35, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 35%.

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Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

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$$= 513 \times 2$$

$$= 1026 \text{ L/d}$$

Humans produce 0.75 kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity (humans)} = \sum \text{humans} \times 0.75 \text{ kg}$$

$$= 716 \times 0.75$$

$$= 537 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\text{Quantity (total)} = 8208 + 1026 + 537$$

$$= 9771 \text{ L/d}$$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

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Volume of Tank

Now that the volume required for gas and that for sludge are known, these can simply be added together to determine the volume of the chamber

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Volume of Compensation Tank (CT)

The volume of the compensation tank is equal to that of the volume of the gas in the main

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$$\text{Volume (gas)} = 65,000 \text{ L} = \text{Volume (CT)}$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} = 65,000 \text{ L} \times 60\%$$

$$\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} \approx 39,000 \text{ L} = 39 \text{ m}^3$$

$$39 = (2 \times R^3 \times \pi) / 3$$

$$R \approx 2.65 \text{ m}$$

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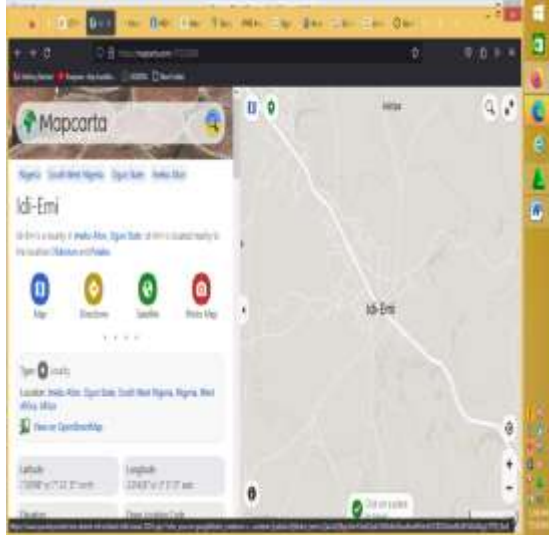
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INTRODUCTION

Idi Emi, ImekoAfon, Ogun State, Nigeria. Type: Populated place - a city ... Region: ImekoAfon, Ogun State, Nigeria. Latitude: 7° 24' 0" N. Longitude: 3 ...very close to Olodo cow market. The village has a population of 880 people with 55 households spread across the village and at least 565 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is cattle-rearing and selling while few are also engaged in agricultural farming sometimes as workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 15 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood

or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated-

- 880 People
 - 55 households in village, 15 in bottom colony and 10 in top colony
 - 5 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 5 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 3 goats per household in village (15% of households)
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- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma \text{goats} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 5 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 3 \text{ goats} \\ &= (15+10) \times 0.85 \times 5 + 55 \times 0.15 \times 3 \\ &= 131 \text{ goats} \\ \Sigma \text{cows} &= \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ cows} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 3 \text{ cows} \\ &= (15+10) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 55 \times 0.15 \times 3 \\ &= 131 \text{ cows} \\ \text{Cows yield} &= 175 \text{ L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)} \\ \text{Yield (cows)} &= \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175 \\ &= 131 \times 175 \\ &= 22925 \text{ L/d} \\ \text{Goats yield} &= 150 \text{ L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)} \\ \text{Yield (goats)} &= \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150 \\ &= 131 \times 150 \\ &= 19650 \text{ L/d} \\ \text{Humans yield} &= 30 \text{ L per head per day of gas. (Fig 1)} \\ \text{Yield (humans)} &= \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30 \\ &= 131 \times 30 \\ &= 3930 \text{ L/d} \\ \text{Yield (total)} &= 22925 + 19650 + 3930 \\ &= 46505 \text{ L/d} \\ &\approx 1938 \text{ L/hr} \end{aligned}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit set.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Olodo/ Idi-Emi cow market community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying this by 880 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

$$\text{Usage (per person)} = 3000 \div 30 = 100 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Usage (total)} = 880 * 100$$

$$= 88000 \text{L/d}$$

$$\approx 3667 \text{L/hr}$$

This proposal is not effective since the estimated gas production is lesser than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was

500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Olodo/ Idi-Emi cow market community using the same technique as above:

$$\text{Consumption (max)} = 500 \div 30 * 880 = 14667 \text{L/h}$$

However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

$$\text{Consumption - Yield} = 14667 - 4650 = 10017 \text{L/h}$$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage

required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

$$\text{Volume (gas storage)} = 10017 * 5 = 50085 \text{L}$$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of

1.25, to ensure adequate gas should consumption increase by 25%.

$$\text{Volume (gas)} = 50085 * 1.25 = 62606 \text{L}$$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there

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will be measured as follows:

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$$\text{Quantity (cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} * 16 \text{kg}$$

$$= 131 * 16$$

$$= 2096 \text{L/d}$$

Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity (goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} * 2 \text{kg}$$

$$= 131 * 2$$

$$= 262 \text{L/d}$$

Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)

$$\text{Quantity (humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} * 0.75 \text{kg}$$

$$= 131 * 0.75$$

$$= 98.25 \text{L/d}$$

$$\text{Quantity (total)} = 2096 + 262 + 98.25$$

$$= 2456.25 \text{L/d}$$

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied

by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

$$\text{Volume (sludge)} = 2456.25 \text{L/d} * 70$$

$$= 171937.5 \text{L}$$

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$$\therefore \text{Volume (CT)} \approx 39,000 \text{L} = 39 \text{m}^3$$

$$39=(2 \cdot R^3 \cdot \pi) / 3$$

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Biogas Plant Proposal

For

Timirin, a village in Obafemi Owoode, Ogun State, Nigeria

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Abstract

This proposal suggests installing biogas plants in villages to provide sustainable energy and improve sanitation. The biogas plants would use animal and human waste as feedstock to produce methane gas for fuel. Calculations estimate the plants could produce enough gas to meet the villages' energy needs. Benefits include reducing disease, generating renewable energy without external inputs, creating local jobs, and helping alleviate poverty in the communities.

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INTRODUCTION

Timirin is a populated place—a village, city, town, or other agglomeration of buildings where people live and work in Obafemi Owoode, Ogun State, South West Nigeria, West Africa. A visit to TIMIRIN village! Imagine a school where all is free..... Food, clothes, tuition fee. All these happening in a village in the city of Abeokuta!

A village has a population of 716 people with 172 households spread across the village and at least 142 live below the poverty line. The majority of the population is agricultural workers and every household owns livestock.

NEED

It has been reported that only 70 households have access to a decent toilet each resulting into widespread practice of open defecation behind homes as a norm. This system brings about a health risk scenario. Sources of water are contaminated when deposits are washed in likely causing diseases spreading in the village. Most of the villagers living below the poverty line are involved in everyday practice of using firewood or kerosene fuelled stoves indoors bringing detrimental health effects.

CALCULATIONS

From the information given by the EWB challenge, the following population statistics can be estimated—

- 716 People
 - 172 households in village, 54 in bottom colony and 46 in top colony
 - 3 goats per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 3 cows per household in top and bottom colonies (85% of households)
 - 1 goat per household in village (15% of households)
 - 1 cow per household in village (15% of households)
- These values will form the basis of all following calculations

Gas production

$$\Sigma \text{goats} = \# \text{colony households} \times 85\% \times 3 \text{ goats} + \# \text{village households} \times 15\% \times 1 \text{ goat}$$

$$= (54 + 46) \times 0.85 \times 3 + 172 \times 0.15 \times 1$$

$$= 513 \text{ goats}$$

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Cows yield 175L per head per day of gas. (Fig1)

$$\text{Yield(cows)} = \Sigma \text{cows} \times 175$$

$$= 513 \times 175$$

$$= 89,775 \text{ L/d}$$

Goats yield 150L per head per day of gas. (Fig1)

$$\text{Yield(goats)} = \Sigma \text{goats} \times 150$$

$$= 513 \times 150$$

$$= 76,950 \text{ L/d}$$

Humans yield 30L per head per day of gas. (Fig1)

$$\text{Yield(humans)} = \Sigma \text{humans} \times 30$$

$$= 513 \times 30$$

$$= 15,390 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\text{Yield(total)} = 89,775 + 76,950 + 15,390$$

$$= 182,115 \text{ L/d}$$

$$\approx 7588 \text{ L/hr}$$

Gas Usage

(Due to the unpredictable nature of the energy usage of the village (not knowing cooking habit setc.), a case study has been adapted for the purposes)

A community consisting of 30 people similar to the Timirin community conditions used a total of 3000L/d of gas in their daily duties including cooking, making tea and using gas lamps [NETSSAF].

By dividing this by 30 we can get the average usage per person, but multiplying it by 716 will provide a decent estimation to the energy consumption of the entire village community.

Usage (per person) = $3000 \div 30 = 100 \text{L/d}$

Usage (total) = $716 * 100$

= 71600L/d

$\approx 2983 \text{L/hr}$

This proposal is effective since the estimated gas production is greater than estimated gas usage.

Gas Storage Capacity

Using the above case study, the maximum gas consumption for the small community was 500L/h, by adapting this value for the consumption of the Timirin community using the same technique as above:

Consumption (max) = $500 \div 30 * 716 = 11933 \text{L/h}$

However, biogas is still being produced as this is being used, therefore the maximum decrease in gas is the maximum usage minus production

Consumption - Yield = $11933 - 7588 = 4345 \text{L/h}$

As the case study community consumed the gas at this rate for 5 hours the total storage required will be the rate at which it is being consumed multiplied by the time

Volume (gas storage) = $4345 * 5 = 21725 \text{L}$

And in order to account for fluctuations in this, it is then multiplied by a safety factor of

1.35, to ensure adequate gas should be consumed increase by 35%.

Volume (gas) = $21725 * 1.35 = 29328.75 \text{L}$

Sludge Storage Capacity

In order to cope with the amount of waste coming into the chamber and the amount of time it stays there before it leaves to the compensation tank and finally the rying bed, it

has to be of sufficient size. In order to calculate this, the volume of waste going in needs to

be estimated and the hydraulic retention time (HRT) needs to be decided. The higher the HRT, the greater efficiency of the biogas settler, however the

volume is then increased resulting in larger areas required and increased costs. Ideally, the HRT would be over 100 days, but anything over 50 days is acceptable, for this case an HRT of 70 days will be used.

The quantity of manure (slurry)

will be measured as follows:

Cows produce 16kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

Quantity (cows) = $\Sigma \text{cows} * 16 \text{kg}$

= $513 * 16$

= 8208L/d

Goats produce 2 kg per head per day of manure. (Table 1)

Quantity (goats) = $\Sigma \text{goats} * 2 \text{kg}$

= $513 * 2$

= 1026L/d

Humans produce 0.75kg per head per day of manure (Table 1)

Quantity (humans) = $\Sigma \text{humans} * 0.75 \text{kg}$

= $716 * 0.75$

= 537L/d

Quantity (total) = $8208 + 1026 + 537$

= 9771L/d

Now as this will be stored in the tank for the HRT of 70 days, this will need to be multiplied

by 80 to get the final volume of sludge in the tank.

Volume (sludge) = $9771 * 70$

= 683970L

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TRANSPORTATION OF MATERIALS

To implement this project, we must first transport all necessary goods to the site of location. Pondicherry possesses all necessary resources to do so. However, road conditions leading into Abatan are very poor, especially in wet season and the roads are rather narrow. This affects the size of the trucks meaning they would have to be smaller therefore either

more trucks will have to be hired or the trucks would have to make more rounds. In order to limit the impact of the trucks on the environment, it will be better if more trucks were used rather than making more than one round. Once materials have reached the village, wheel barrels and possibly ox carts or something similar would be used to transport the materials to the main site where it will all be build. A one way trip to the village will take approximately 1 hour at minimum. However travel time may vary depending on factors such as weather, state of road and frequency of people using it. The total distance of Idi Emifrom the city of Pondicherry is approximately 50 kilometres. A map with a suggested route to take has been provided below.

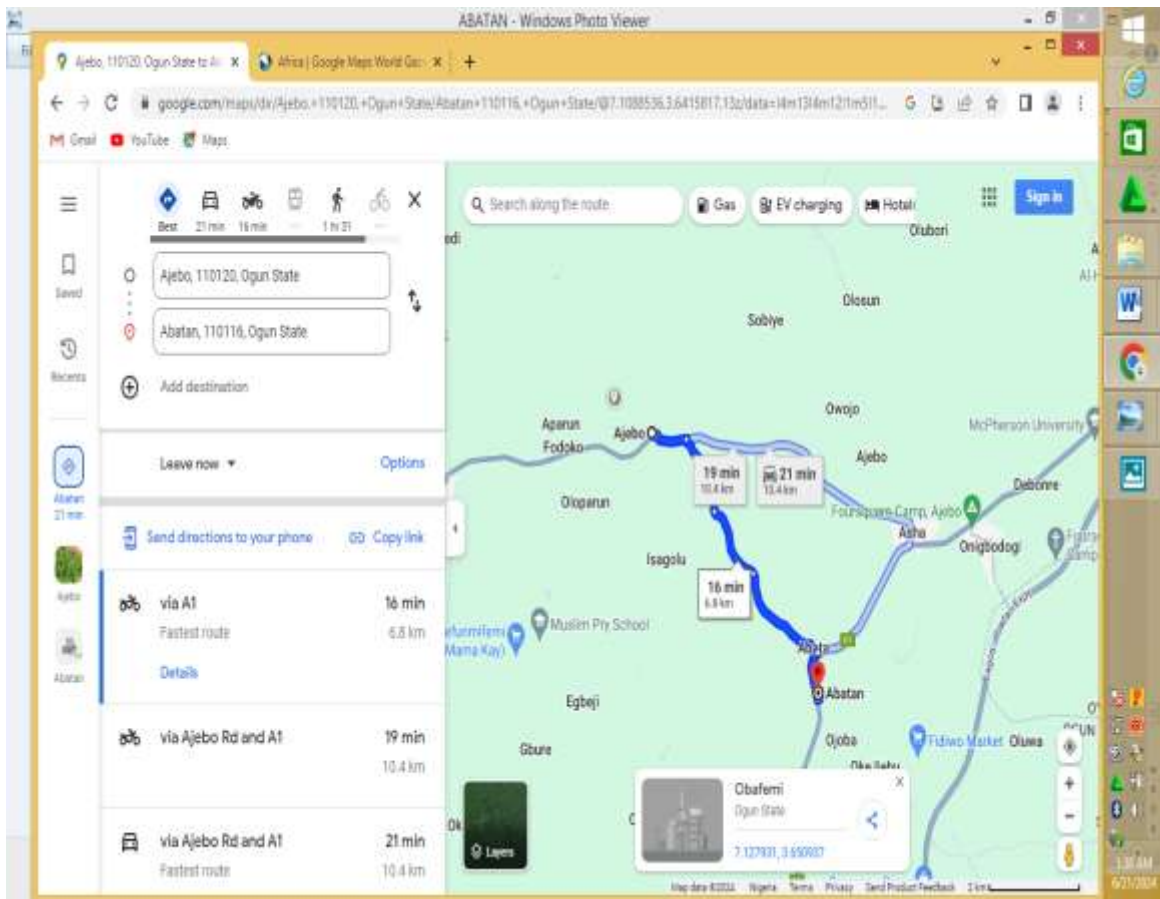


Figure 2-Suggested route (Google Maps, 2024)

REASON FOR DESIGN

In order to accommodate the entire village, a 200000 litre tank is required. However, it is expected that not all the villages will fully cooperate with the idea. Therefore the tank has been reduced in size by 40% to a 120000 litre tank. People in the village who have lived without using toilets ever since were born will require time and education in order for them to accept the new plan. This can be done by teaching the villagers the many possible benefits that the plan may provide and that there is nothing wrong with using a toilet.

COST

PARTS

Biogas Digester: Concrete:

-Base: 56x 0.4mx #50perm (cubed)
#11200

-Walls:(4/3πr cubed/2-inside)x#50
#23200

-Base (small tank) 28m (sqrd)x.4x#50
#5600

-Walls (small tank) (1/2)4/3πr cubed-inside #71300

-Corrugated Iron: 50msqrdx #4000/msqrd.
#200,000

Gas Pipes: 3000mx#700m#210,000

Toilet Room:
#30000

DELIVERY

Transportation: #25,500

SETUP

Installation: #200,000

Connection to Homes: homes 38x#5000
#190000

LABOUR

Onsite engineer: #200000

Hourly rate x # of labourers: #300 x 10x 40 hours
#120,000

MAINTENANCE

Labour

#100,000/year Allowance for damages:

#50000/year SAVINGS

Gas:

#200,000/year

#200000/year

#1,836,800

Fertilizer:

TOTAL COST:

SOCIAL IMPLEMENTATION

For any new program or service to work successfully in rural community it is important that the entire community is on board. Forcing a scheme upon a group will result in resistance and see the scheme fail due to lack of use and support. To ensure that the biogas settler is used to its full potential a well-developed behaviour change program must be created with the views and values of the community kept in mind.

The stage which calls for the development of tools to overcome possible change barriers will be priceless in preventing participant resistance and hopefully provide options for

addressing such issues. The key steps in this process are;

- Identification of the behaviours to change
- Brainstorming of barriers and drivers
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Development of tools to overcome barriers and reinforcement drivers

- Piloting and implementation of the program
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Evaluation of the program and adjustment to fit running accordingly

There are a number of factors that may hinder the effectiveness or success of this initiative from technical, cultural and economic standpoints. The first hurdle that must be overcome

pertains to the design of the plant. It is important that the plant is not too large or too small

as both errors will result in underfeeding of the system and consequential failure. Projected participation rates of householders and the waste they contribute must be accurate so to ensure

that the most efficient sized digester is built. Unexpected events such as drought,

flood and alike must also be factored into the design as they will all affect the unit directly

as well as the biomass sources.

Construction is also a very

important issue to consider. It has been reported in other cases across India that prudence

when it comes to finding, employing or training skilled workers has seen the failure of a number of systems

Government support for such programs can be very difficult to secure and can be unreliable once secured. This

further highlights the need for true support of the community of Abatan themselves.

Persuading the citizens to approve of as well as actively engage in the biogas settler initiative will be pivotal to the program's success. It is important that the unique concern of

the population are understood and addressed as well as any other barriers to this change. In a town where only twenty five houses own fridges, the installation of a large 'machine' maybe proved daunting (Engineers Without Borders, 2011). There is also the possibility of religious or cultural beliefs reducing the use and acceptance of the unit. The following plan has been developed in an attempt to avoid or overcome some of these barriers and support a successful innovation;

- **Education** – the citizens must be schooled in how the innovation works in simple terms that all of them can comprehend and appreciate. This will be most effective if done by a person who speaks the local language and is from an nearby area as there may be a better sense of trust between them and more chance of the citizens asking questions and alike. This education should include the inputs into the system, how the system converts these products and most importantly the resulting products of the system and the advantages of using them.

- **Involvement in planning and construction** – as the citizens will have to 'feed' the system it is vital that they are satisfied with placement, layout and construction plans for it. Comments and concerns of citizens should be taken onboard when finalising the planning stage. Implementing the construction of the system as a town project and getting as many people as possible involved in some part of the construction and logistic surrounding it will help to create a sense of ownership over the system and hopefully increase the chance of take up.

- **Post installation jobs** – there will be need for a small amount of citizen to be employed to maintain the system as well as engage in the desludging process. This task will provide jobs for the community or could even be based on a rotational timetable system.

- **Examples from other villages** – the voice of other locals who have had biogas settlers installed in their villages will work wonders in villages. These examples can demonstrate how successful and fruitful the scheme can be and also help to dampen any concern the citizens have.

- **Cultural** – there is a concern that cultural values and beliefs may conflict with the use of this system. This issue has been dealt with in other communities by reinforcing

the vision of the revered Mahatma Gandhi and his belief that one day Indians would live in self-sufficient communities obtaining their needs from the local environment and generating income and benefits from cooperative structures (Lawbury, J)

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

As previously mentioned, present day waste management and energy sources in Abatan are substandard. This project will have many positive environmental effects seeing a sustainable shift in the area, these include;

- Lower odour due to reduction in open defecation
- Reduction in spread of disease due to less waste left openly across the town
- Reduction of greenhouse gas emissions of present fuel/energy sources
- No external energy source required
- Generation of sustainable and cleaner biogas
- Generation of sustainable natural fertiliser
- Reduced demand on electricity grid

SOCIAL IMPACT

There are a total of 716 people (172 families) living in Abatan (2010). The Abatan household occupancy is generally between 3-8 people per family. There houses are mostly hut styles built with either cement or mud floors, walls are usually made from mud or burnt brick with a thatched roof or one that is made from palm leaf and this is a clear reflection of their low social status. Most of the houses generally have thatched bathrooms without a toilet most community members rely on open defecation as the common practice, which poses a lot of health issues to the whole community. According to Nag and Vizayakumar (2005)

'solid waste provides an attractive habitat to disease vectors' such as flies or rodents. These are some of the health hazards that could be reduced if the biogas settler project were to be implemented successfully. Most households own some livestock with a variation from cattle, goats or chickens and in most cases ownership of such animals could be a measure of wealth within their households, meaning the more livestock you have the more capable you are of feeding your family. The main form of employment for the people of Abatan is limited to farming and

agricultural labour, practiced mainly within their communities. A few lucky people are employed as prawn farming labourers in surrounding farms or by the local fishing industry. Again this is a reflection of their low social status which in turn determines limited access to healthcare. With the introduction of the biogas settler it is anticipated that disease prevalence will be lower and the community would improve their health status. Poor communities like Abatan are always faced with health and environmental issues such as the problem of waste disposal and the lack of sustainable energy source like most developing countries in the third world. In most cases such communities discharge untreated waste or rely on untreated water for their daily consumption according to Amuda and Ibrahim, (2006). Lack of infrastructure facilities, such as the simple biogas project, poses a lot of health and wellbeing challenges and often leave these communities exposed diseases. If successfully implemented, the biogas settler project as the potential to improve the quality of air in the atmosphere, particularly around Abatan, by eliminating godours from waste that is dumped everywhere. There is anticipation for an increased demand for a variety of agricultural products arising from increased use of fertilizer that is a by-product of the whole process. This will in turn make more food available to the community and with a wide choice than the present state. As a result of the project there is a likelihood of social issues such as the creation of employment opportunities for those who would be in charge of the project maintenance. The expansion of agricultural activities could result in increased food production and most importantly improved health and wellbeing. The biogas settler project would enhance Abatan people's ability to develop sustainable economic activities that are designed in such a way that it could reduce poverty in their community.

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