

WATER IS ESSENTIAL TO LIFE



2.2 billion
PEOPLE GLOBALLY
(30% of the world's population)
LACK SAFE WATER
AT HOME¹



206 million
PEOPLE SPEND
MORE THAN 30 MINUTES
PER ROUND TRIP
COLLECTING WATER¹

144 million
PEOPLE DRINK WATER
DIRECTLY FROM A **RIVER,**
DAM, LAKE, POND,
STREAM, CANAL, OR
IRRIGATION CANAL¹



IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA,
49% OF HEALTH CARE
FACILITIES
DO NOT HAVE BASIC
WATER SERVICES²

1.98 billion
PEOPLE GLOBALLY DO NOT HAVE
BASIC WATER SERVICES AT THEIR
HEALTH CARE FACILITY²



17 million
WOMEN IN
LEAST DEVELOPED
COUNTRIES GIVE
BIRTH IN HEALTH
CARE FACILITIES **WITH**
INADEQUATE WATER,
SANITATION, AND
HYGIENE EVERY YEAR³





6 million
DEATHS ARE
CAUSED BY SEPSIS
EVERY YEAR⁴

On average

1 in 10
PATIENTS IS AFFECTED BY
HEALTH CARE-ASSOCIATED
INFECTIONS WORLDWIDE⁵



IMPROVING HAND
HYGIENE MAY
REDUCE PATHOGEN
TRANSMISSION IN
HEALTH CARE BY
50%⁵



Hygiene matters not only for health—good hygiene removes barriers to **education, nutrition, economic opportunity, and equity**⁵



55% OF THE WORLD'S
POPULATION
HAVE NO TOILETS AT HOME
THAT SAFELY MANAGE EXCRETA¹



1.37 billion
PEOPLE GLOBALLY
(18% of the world's population)
LACK HANDWASHING
FACILITIES AT HOME¹

2 billion

PEOPLE GLOBALLY
(27% of the world's population)
DO NOT HAVE
BASIC SANITATION
SERVICES. ONE
QUARTER OF THEM
ARE IN INDIA¹



This affects **women and girls disproportionately** as it hinders their safety and ability to manage their menstrual hygiene with ease and dignity⁶



Our mission—to ensure sustainable access to safe water, sanitation and hygiene for some of the world's most vulnerable communities—is essential for global health, dignity and well-being.

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