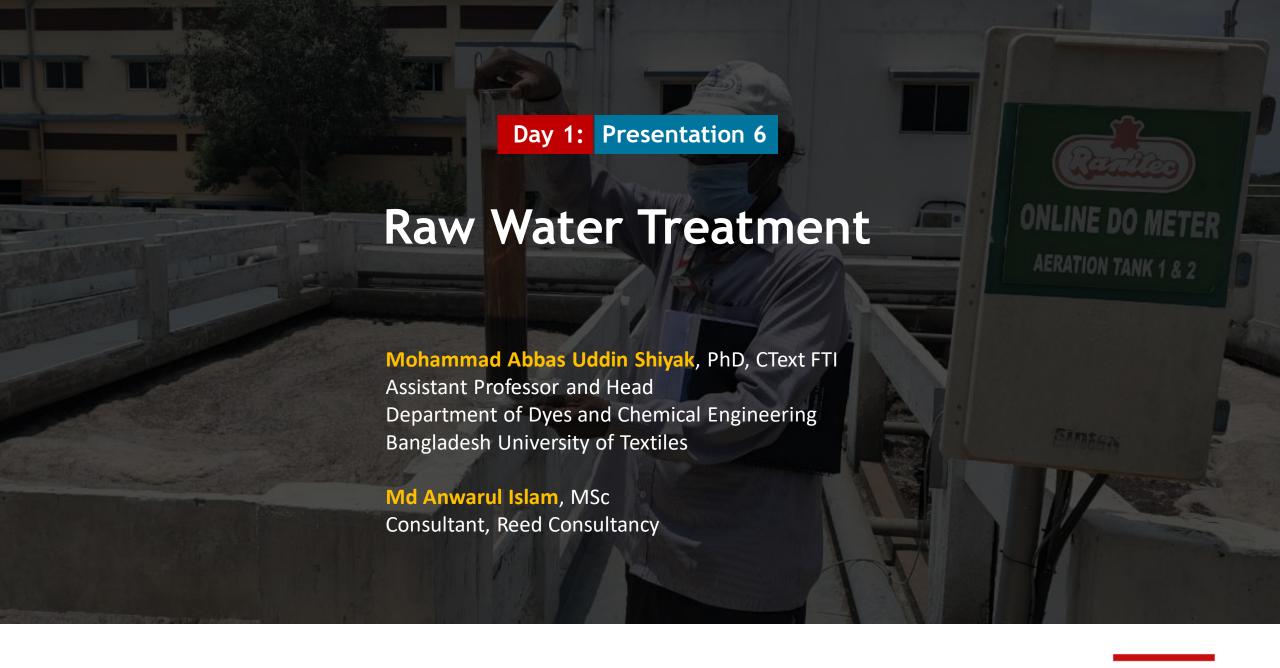


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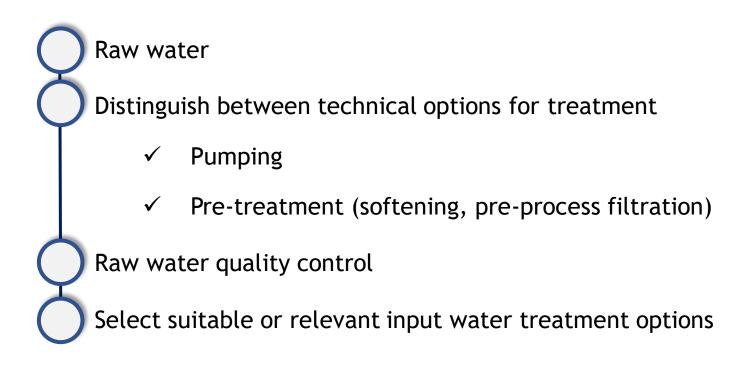




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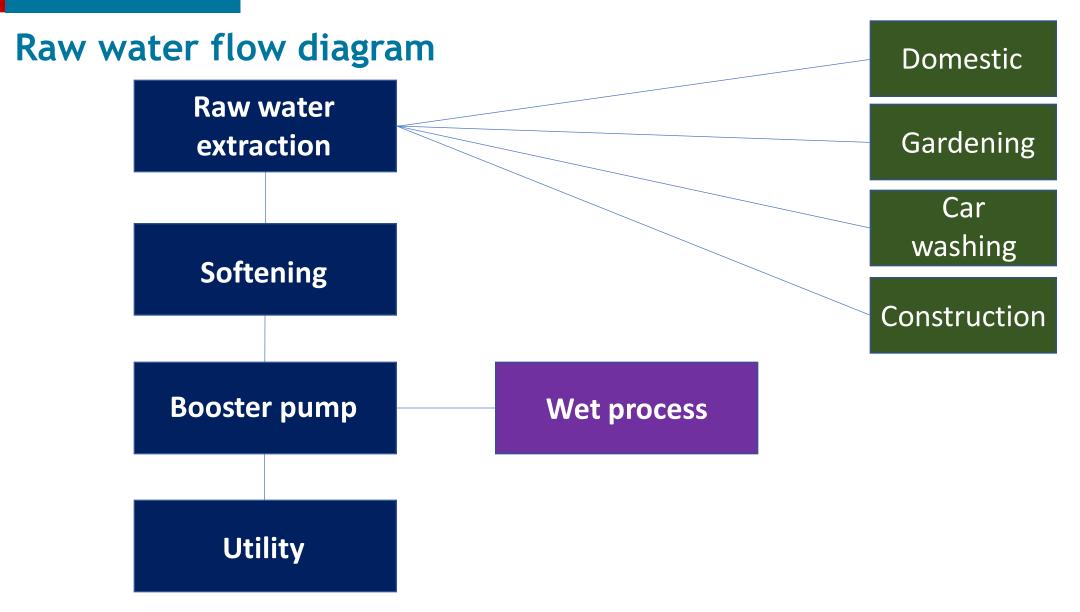
#### Raw water



- Green water: Rainwater
- Blue water: Groundwater and surface water
- Grey water: Polluted water

## Raw water distribution points

- Extraction
- Softening (if necessary)
- Pumping
- Distribution
- Process water
- Utility
- Domestic
- Others



## Raw water quality

### Hardness: Prohibit to produce lather or foam

### **Temporary Hardness**

Due to the presence of bicarbonates of Ca and Mg Can be easily removed simply by boiling

#### Permanent hardness

Due to the presence of chlorides and sulphates of Ca and Mg cannot be easily removed

#### Hardness varies from place to pace

#### Classification of water hardness

Classification	mg/L or ppm (hardness as calcium carbonate)
Soft	0-17
Slightly hard	17-60
Moderately hard	60-120
Hard	120-180
Very hard	180 & over

Hardness needs to be removed based on process requirement

#### Problem associated with hardness

- Form scale in the boilers, pipelines
- Cause corrosion
- Reduce dye pickup
- Cause fabric defects
- Required extra soaping agent
- Waste energy and resources

#### Hardness: removal

- Inorganic ion exchange (permutit) method Sodium aluminium silicate (Na<sub>2</sub>Al<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub>.x.H<sub>2</sub>O) are known as zeolites or permutit
- 2. Organic ion exchangers (ion exchange resins) Organic polymers having -COOH or -SO<sub>3</sub>H or-NH<sup>3+</sup> OH<sup>-</sup> groups act as ion exchange resins
  - Cation ion exchange resin (Resin-H)
  - Anion ion exchange resin (Resin -OH)



Hardness: removal



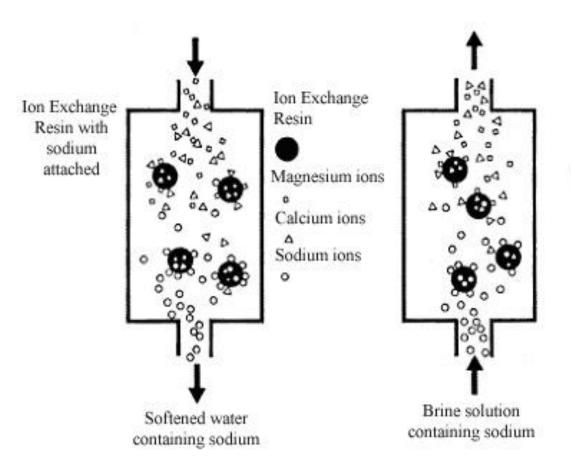
#### **Softening process**

#### Softening Process

Hard water containing calcium and magnesium

#### Recharge Process

Waste water calcium and magnesium



#### Regeneration/backwash process

Ion Exchange Resin saturated with calcium and magnesium

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# Select suitable water treatment options

## Select suitable or relevant input water treatment options

#### Depends on:

- Degree of raw water hardness
- Hardness type: anions, cations
- Required process parameters: dyeing, steam etc.



