

Initiated by six Dutch NGOs in 2010, the WASH Alliance International is an international network that works towards a society in which everybody has sustainable access to and makes hygienic use of safe water and sanitation services. The WASH Alliance International is active in 8 countries in Africa and Asia.

SUSTAINABLE WASH FOR ALL

# BENEFITS OF THE WASH ALLIANCE PROGRAMME

## THE FACTS



748 million

people lack access to improved drinking water

1.8 billion

people use a source of drinking water that is faecally contaminated



2.5 billion

people lack access to improved sanitation

1.0 billion

people practice open defecation

## IMPACT WASH ALLIANCE PROGRAMME

Because of our WASH programmes worldwide:



887.139

people use improved water

&



1.033.514

people use improved sanitation facilities



100.000 people

## BENEFITS OF INVESTING IN WASH

1 Since Ada and her family have access to clean drinking water and sanitation, their health improved remarkably. As has their feeling of privacy, safety and dignity.



2 They don't have to go to the river anymore to get water and wash themselves. Now Ada has the time to go to school and her parents to work.



3 Ada becomes a healthy woman, who starts to go to work. She doesn't worry about water, hygiene and her healthcare costs. This makes her happy and productive.



4 Ada builds up a happy life and starts a family of her own. She's confident about her future and that of her children.



CLEAN DRINKING WATER & SANITATION PROVIDE LIFE AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY FOR MILLIONS OF FAMILIES LIKE ADA'S



### Health benefits

71%

drop in child deaths from 1990 to 2012

10%

of the global disease burden prevented by WASH improvement

70%

reduced cases of diarrheal diseases



### Productivity benefits



hour a day less spend on searching for water

this means:



days per year less spend on searching for water



### Economic benefits

1,5% GDP

overall gain in global GDP due to WASH

\$1 → \$19

every dollar invested in WASH gives 19 dollar return

\$260 billion

global economic gains per year due to WASH

#### Work days loss avoided

global annual value gained by households due to less time spent ill

\$293 million

\$1,056 million

#### Time savings

global annual value gained by households due to savings in time

\$2,503 million

\$31,320 million

#### Saved lives

global annual value gained by households due to less premature death

\$739 million

\$1,718 million