

A black and white portrait of Anil Agarwal, a man with glasses, resting his chin on his hand in a thoughtful pose. The image is positioned on the left side of the slide, with a thin green vertical bar to its right.

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- **Annual Dialogue**
- Will bring together all sections; practitioners, experts; activists and academics
- Will discuss, deliberate and find solutions
- Will be strong on content; **drive change**



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- **Challenge:** reinvent growth without pollution
- **Challenge:** sustainable affordable urbanisation
- **Challenge:** clean water, sanitation for all
- **Challenge:** clean flowing rivers



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71 city data analyzed
City water-waste
profiles
Where does water
come?
Where does waste go?
Simple questions
But not asked
Never answered



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- Our conclusions
- **Rework** water supply; focus on distribution to all; cut costs; recognize groundwater; recharge; invest in local water system;
- **Rework** sewage management; don't wait to build networks; intercept sewage locally; treat; recycle and reuse
- **Rework** river cleaning; connect our flush with the river;



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12th Plan includes this reform

- Plan to supply water at affordable costs to all
- Invest in protection and management of local water systems
- Reduce water demand and intra-city inequity in water supply and sanitation
- Invest on sewage first and water supply next
- Reduce costs on sewage systems so that investment can reach all
- Reinvent sewage management and treatment systems for sustainability
- Plan to recycle and reuse every drop of water and waste



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- Lots to do and fast
- Old cities are growing; imploding
- Small cities becoming big
- Opportunity to reinvent
- **Will have to learn and re-learn new ideas**
- No 'role model'; no easy-tested answers
- But must get it right; water-waste is the story of the future