4. Empirical Cases and Business Models in FSM (I) Miriam Otoo

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Learning Objectives

This component will allow you to:

- Be conversant with real-life FSM business case examples
- Be conversant with FSM business model covering:
 - Toilet access and in-situ energy recovery
 - Emptying and transport of fecal sludge



Session structure

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Intro to business in sanitation

Part 1 introduces the concept, challenges and need for business in FSM. Business model generation

Part 2 introduces the concept and business model canvas. Feasibility of sanitation businesses

Part 3 provides insights into the different components needed for feasibility assessment of FSM businesses. Empirical cases and business models for FSM

(I) Part 4 provides insights into empirical cases and BMs for containment to treatment.

Empirical cases and business models for FSM (II)

Part 5 provides insights into empirical cases and BMs for reuse & along entire sanitation value chain.

Business planning

Part 6 covers aspects of strategic mgmt., ranging from market positioning over risks to planning.



MODELS EMPHASIZING REUSE AT THE END OF THE SERVICE CHAIN

- Farmer-truck operator partnership
- Co-composting
 - Town cluster approach
 - Pull-push

MODELS COVERING THE ENTIRE SANITATION SERVICE CHAIN FROM TOILET ACCESS TO REUSE

- Non-movable UDDT installation
- Container-based sanitation (CBS)

Fecal Sludge Management



Access, Emptying, Transport and Treatment Model



"Business Model Canvas"

Extended business model canvas

Key partners Who are your key partners? Which key resources are you acquiring from partners? Which key activities do partners perform?	Key activities Which key activities do your value propositions require? Your channels? Customer relationships? Revenue streams? Key resources do your value propositions require? Your channels? Customer relationships? Revenue streams?	Value propositions 🔆		Customer relationships What type of relationships does each of your customer segments expect you to establish and maintain with them? How are they integrated with the rest of your business model? Channels Oyour customer segments want to be reached? How are you integrating them with customer routines?	Customer segments For whom are you creating value? Which jobs do they really want to get done? Who are your most important customers?
Cost structure What are the most important costs inherent in your business mode Which key elements drive your costs? How much does each cost item contribute to overall costs?			Revenue streams For what value are your customers willing to pay? For what do they currently pay? How are they currently paying? How much does each revenue stream contribute to overall revenues?		
Social and environmental costs What are the potential environmental risks of the business? What are the potential health risks for workers and the wider so			Social and environmental benefits What potential benefits could the business model bring to the environment? Can the business model improve health/reduce hazards? Does it provide jobs?		

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Institutional linkages and partnership models – key to business analysis!





Elements of the Business Models for FSM

Description of the business model using the sanitation service chain to depict **key stakeholders** across each component of the chain, and the **mode of interaction** between these stakeholders.

- Service flow: depicts the type of service rendered by one stakeholder to another.
- Financial flow: indicates the (contractually agreed) exchange of money between the stakeholders. Typically, a service rendered has a corresponding financial transaction.
- Institutional relationships: Typically, it is a regulatory measure that influences the operations of the business model, for example, issuing license permits and monitoring to ensure regulatory compliance, issuing contracts, etc.



Common elements of the business model for FSM



Business Model 1: Access to toilets

Case Examples from Kenya and India





1.1 Public Toilet with Energy Recovery Model



Umande Trust, Kenya



- Gap in sanitation value chain for **urban migrant community**, **low-income areas**.
- Umande Trust, civil society organization (CSO) runs 57 bio-centers (public toilets) across Nairobi's informal settlements with NWSC.
- **Mobilizes local communities** to form CBOs that operate and manage bio-centers.
- Provides technical **guidance** and appropriate training to the CBO to operate and manage.
- Multi-revenue: (1° revenue source (88%) toilet services, 2° from rental space for shops, biogas treated FS); 1,000 daily users
- Construction cost = USD22,500, community mobilization, campaigns and training = USD10,000





Umande Trust Bio-center

Sulabh International Social Service Organization, India

- Gap in sanitation value chain for **low-income areas**.
- Sulabh (non-profit) built 7,500 public pay-and-use toilet complexes (200 linked to biogas systems).
- Partnership with government for financing: capital cost covered by central government, state government and local community at a ratio of 60:30:10.
- Toilet complex cost = USD 4,000. Sulabh charges 20% of total cost spent on consultation and implementation fees, maintains for a period of 30 years.
- Typical toilet complex = 2,000 users; annual revenue = USD10,800; operating costs USD10,320
- 50% of 7,500 toilets generate enough revenue to be **self-sustaining and profitable**.



1.2 Residential-institutional Biogas Model



ICRC – Prison biogas systems in Rwanda, Nepal, Philippines

- Gap in collection and treatment of waste in prisons (applicable to other large institutions).
- ICRC implemented institutional biogas sanitation systems across prisons in several countries
- Biogas systems consist of fixed dome digesters of varying sizes (from 10 to 500 m3) depending on number of detainees in prisons range from 100 to 5,000.
- Depending on size and region, capital cost ranges from USD13,000 -74,000.
- Average cost of a biogas plant in Philippines US\$ 230/ m³, Nepal 250/ m³, Rwanda 300/ m³.
- <u>**O&M costs**</u> are 2% of the total investment cost.
- Savings from biogas -reduced consumption of firewood: USD26-53/day Rwanda; Philippines -5%, Nepal - 17% to 41%.





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Business Model 2: Emptying & Transport Models

Case Examples from Africa and Asia





2.1 Typical Private Sector Emptying Model



Cases from Ghana, Benin, Senegal



- Gap in sanitation value chain for emptying and transportation, especially in **low-income areas**.
- Private truck emptying <u>associations</u>: lobby, demarcate geographical boundaries of operations, develop informal rules for truck operations, including fixing tariffs.
- Accra, Ghana: Cesspool Services Association, sets a tariff for emptying, monitors truck movements (times of entry to and exit from disposal sites) inform Waste Management Department; capacity to influence policy.
- **Cotonou, Benin**: Union des Structures de Vidange formed to monitor indiscriminate dumping, assist fellow truck operators, and engage with city authorities to regulate desludging tariffs
- Dakar, Senegal: Association of Senegalese Sanitation Workers (47 companies and 200 trucks) centralizes resources, register and map domestic sanitation, consumer database, map desludging services, manage fecal sludge. ONAS engages the association to monitor FS emptying, planning of treatment plants, and call center operations

2.2 Private Sector Emptying and Transport Franchise Model



Amanz' abantu Services Ltd, South Africa

- Gap in sanitation value chain for emptying and transportation, especially in **low-income areas**.
- Subsidiary Impilo Yabantu Services: is franchisor responsible for manual emptying of pit latrines from 1,300 schools and 4,000 households.
- Micro-entrepreneurs trained and contracted as franchisees.
- Services provided by franchisees: (i) cleaning sanitation facilities, education and awareness-raising on hygiene among the community; and (ii) emptying pits and septic tanks.
- **Payment**: % of revenues & system loyalty (brand name franchisor)
- Franchisor support functions: management, administration, marketing, procurement, operational support, safety, health and environment, and training (technical support to franchisees on appropriate methods for emptying latrines, servicing strategy.





Source: https://www.aserve.co.za/



2.3 Non-Profit Model



Sup & Uaiene Gama de Serviçosde Maputo, Mozambique

- WSUP, developing commercially viable models to support water utilities and municipal authorities deliver improved water and sanitation services.
- Partnership with local private enterprise, Uaiene Gama de Serviçosde Maputo (UGSM), for providing emptying services, based on existing market network.
- UGSM provides primary refuse collection services to residents in Maputo.
- WSUP provides hand-operated gulper pumps with a system of carts to transport waste to strategically stationed vacuum trucks operated by UGSM →treatment plant.
- WSUP provided US\$ 20,000 interest free loan to UGSM for equipment.
- USGM charges US\$ 20 -60 per emptying session





2.4 Transfer Station Model



Cases from Ghana* and Malaysia

Ghana:

- Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) and Waste Management Department (WMD) installed 60 UHTs with a capacity of 23 m³ each to serve private emptying operators (contracted by WMD), who emptied on-site sanitation systems inaccessible to vacuum trucks.
- Institutional challenge: Limited engagement of informal manual emptying operators (illegal disposal of sludge into UHTs, resulting in increased frequency and cost of UHT cleaning.
- **Technology:** not user-friendly, especially when waste was drier (sludge from pit latrines), and when FS stored over relatively long periods resulted in siltation of the sludge. Sludge extraction infeasible, and operations became too expensive and time consuming.





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