

# Creating Demand for Sanitation and FSM through Exposure Evidence from Bihar, India

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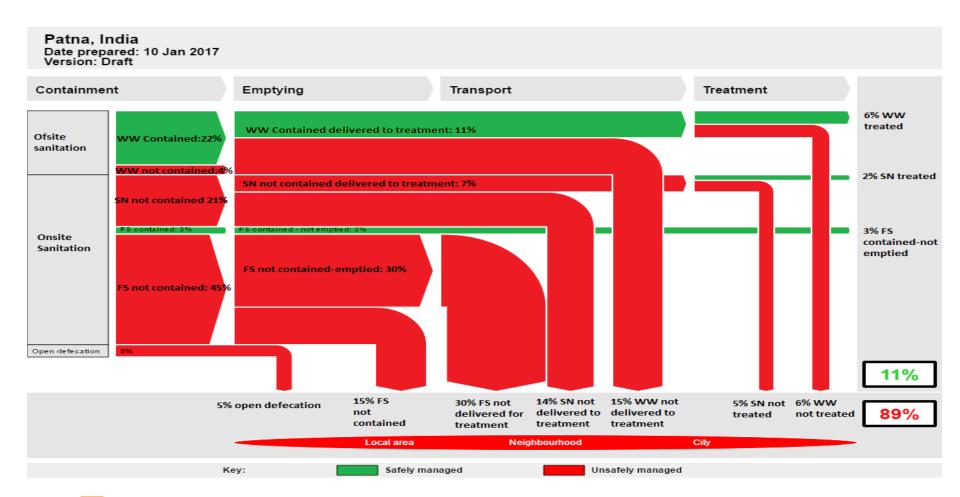
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# The Problem Context A shit flow diagram for Patna (\*Draft Version)







### **Barriers**

#### **Uptake (construction/Purchase) Usage Insights from** Recent Evidence - What do we know MORE about the target audience? dipstick study- 'men 3SI Landscape Study /SQUAT/ Desk review not using toilets' WANTS a toilet at home. Hypothesis: Exposure to 'good/positive' toilet use experience would lead to higher uptake and consistent use of toilets per cent based on But WANT doesn't translate to action. Barriers to action. reporting by neighbours ATTITUDES AND BELIEFS SOCIAL NORMS Liquidity and Irrational preference for expensive toilets Everyone has been doing Comes last on list of priorities/expenses; can wait OD for generations; have **Economic rationale** Believes it is government's responsibility and had no problems therefore, not willing to spend feel that the pit will Land/ space for toilet fill up early Postpone decision of a toilet at home. Continues OD. psi





### **PSI** Response

THE PORTABLE TOILET CABIN (PTC) MODEL

"Prasaadhan," (funded by BMGF)
Aims: to increase access and use
of quality sanitation and FSM
services by:

- facilitating linkages between a local sewage treatment plant, tanker operators and households
- creating demand for sanitation and fecal sludge services by exposing households to quality, portable toilets cabins (PTCs) and regular emptying services













# Testing the hypothesis

#### IMPLEMENTATION GEOGRAPHY (PERI-URBAN)



Block	Village	Number of PTCs installed
Phulwari	6	14
Naubatpur	1	2
Paliganj	1	1

- Monthly rental of Rs.500 ( $\sim$ 10 USD) by HHs for using PTC
- Cleaning and emptying of pit taken care by Saraplast

#### **METHOD**

In Depth Interviews (N=17)

MIS Data Calculation of odds ratio is measure of association between an exposure and an outcome (Using data from the 6 villages in Phulwari block (N=2830)





# Testing the hypothesis

	Toilet Constructe d	Toilet not constructed	Total
PTCs given for usage (Exposed)	6	129	136
Not given (non- exposed)	23	2671	2694

Odds ratio	5.40
95 % CI:	2.1618 to 13.4956
Significance level	P = 0.0003

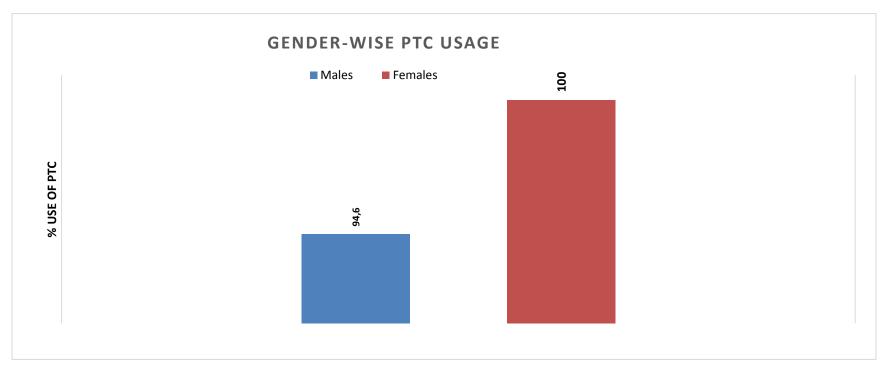
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INSIGHT1: Directly exposed users, i.e. households that had the free trial PTC and emptying services, were five times more likely to construct a toilet (p<0.05).





# INSIGHT2: PTCs are used consistently, by all members (men and women) of the household

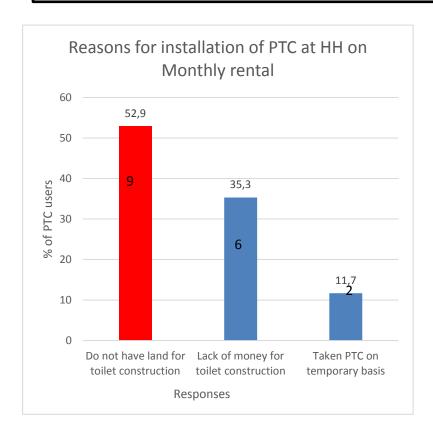


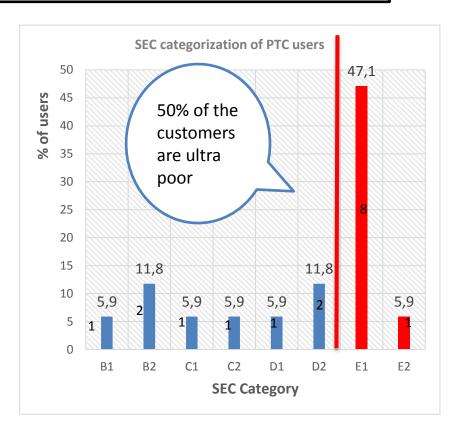
N=17 Source: PSI Study





# INSIGHT 3: Land/Space is a key barrier in peri-urban areas towards construction of toilets





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### Reflections

- The experience of the PTC trials underway provide promising initial results that exposure to positive use of toilet, can be potentially an effective approach to overcome demand-side barriers to toilet uptake
- To tap this demand innovative business models are required to incentivize private sector engagement
- Demonstration of availability of cleaning services is critical for uptake of both toilets and safe FSM services
- Land/space remains a key barrier to toilet uptake





# **Thank You**



