





# **Growing tomato with urban sewage water**

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## Introduction of waste water

- Practiced since centuries.
- Oldest e.g. in Melbourne Australia established 1897.
- In Pak 30% for irrigation 64% in rivers.
- It consist of 96% of water .
- 20 million ha area in 50 countries is irrigated.

# Why waste water?

- In Pakistan shortage of irrigation water
- Mainly two sources
- Canal water and Ground water
- Scarcity of canal water dependency on ground water
- Ground water expensive, unaffordable, also inferior quality.
- Alternate solution is waste water

# Pros of waste water



- All N, much of P and K required for crop production
- Reduces pollution of rivers, canals etc.
- Conserve nutrients & water.
- Provide micronutrients , organic matter.
- Reduce cost of production 10-20%.

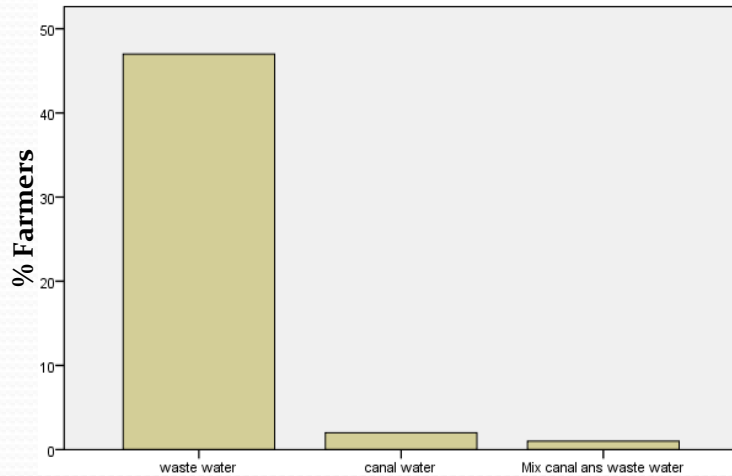
## Cons of waste water

- Contamination of Ground water
- Build up of chemicals (Heavy metals)
- Creation of habitat for microorganisms

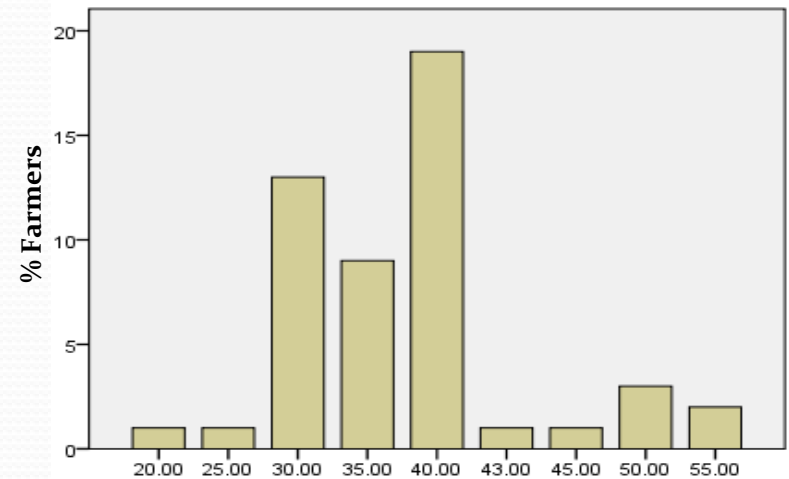
# Objectives

- Base line survey in peri-urban area to know farmers perceptions about waste water perceptions
- To find out variability among different crops for heavy metals uptake & accumulation
- Determination of variability among different tomato genotypes for heavy metals uptake & accumulation in different plant.
- Determination of the genetic and molecular basis of heavy metal tolerance

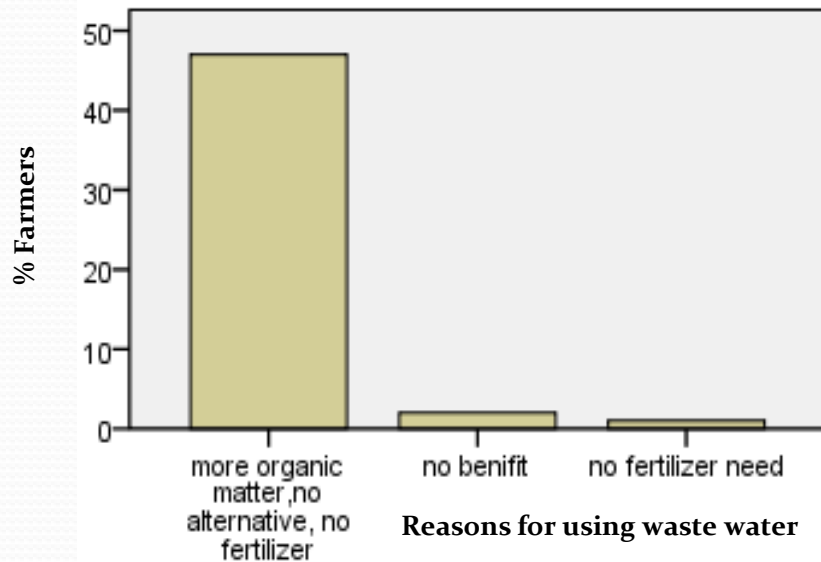
# Base line Survey from peri-urban area of Faisalabad using waste water for irrigation purpose :-



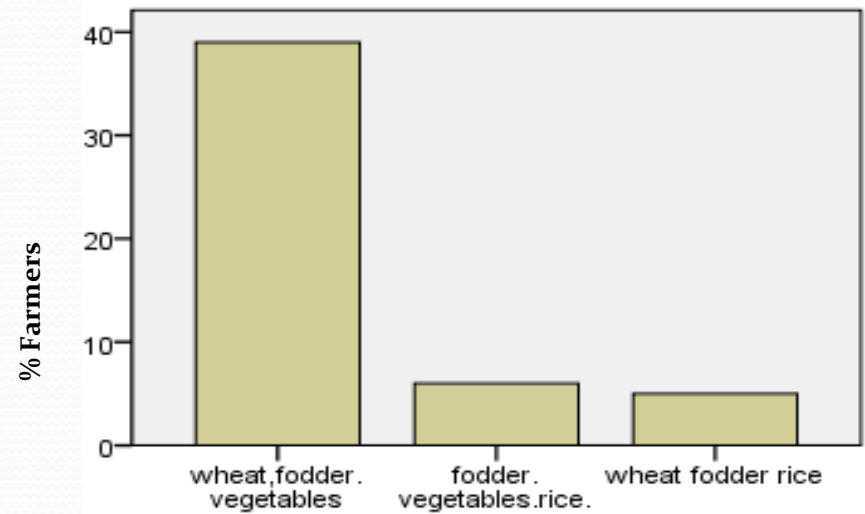
Irrigation water



Years using waste water

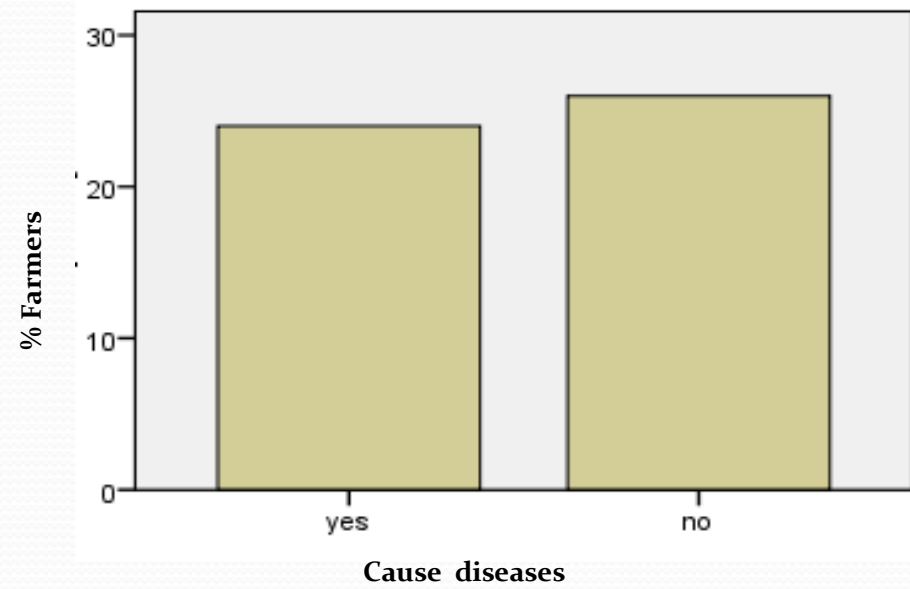
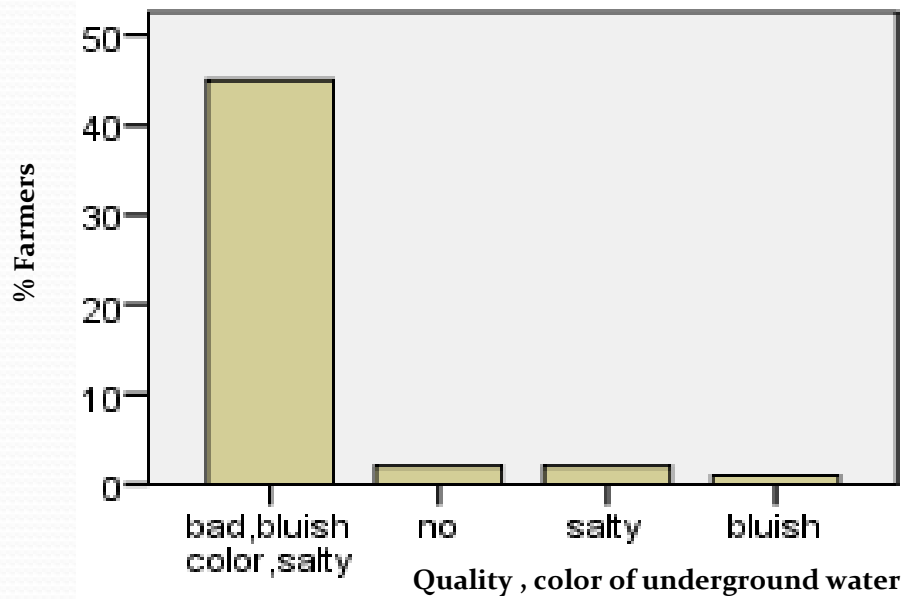
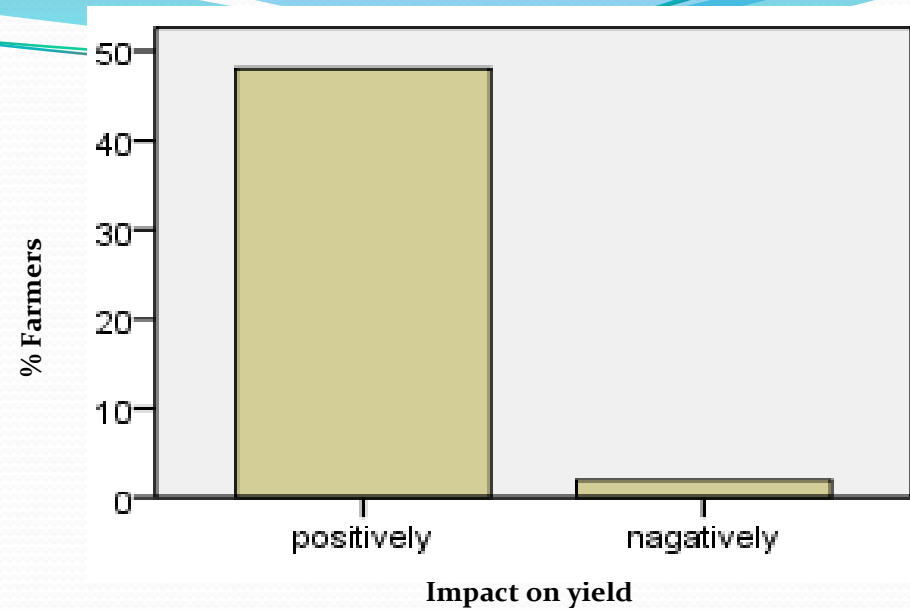
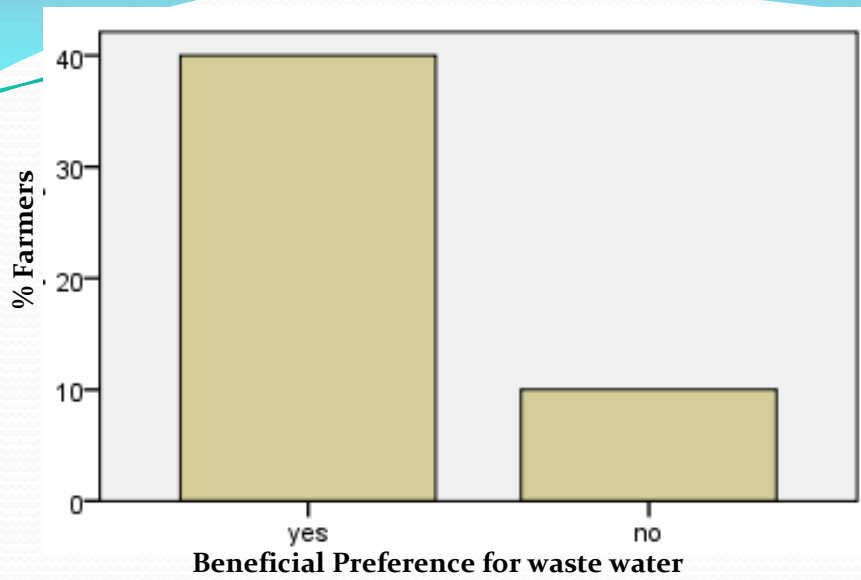


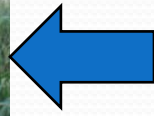
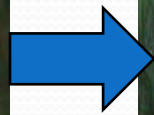
Reasons for using waste water



Major crops grown









# You have two options?

- Barren land?
- Crop Cultivation?

Because farmers have no alternative for irrigation  
all their lands converted into barren lands



# Objective # 2

## Methodology

Atomic absorption spectrophotometer for heavy metals determination

Plant sample



Dried  
Powdered



Acids  
addition



Digestion



# Results:

Genotypes	Ni ppm	Zn ppm	Pb ppm	Cr ppm	Mn ppm
S.cane	3.00	10.5	1.00	18.45	10
Lucern	3.00	40.5	2.00	21.3	33.5
Luttec	3.00	53	0.00	20.5	18.5
Cabbage	3.00	23.5	0.00	16	20
G.sarso	2.50	42.5	1.00	10.65	41.5
G.sarso	3.00	65.5	1.00		68
wheat	0.00	34	1.00	9.45	27
Desi sarso	2.50	65.5	0.00	12.7	27.5
Tendian	2.50	37	0.00	11.5	8
Cabbage	4.00	63.5	1.50	18.45	17
Desi sarso	3.50	32.5	2.00	42.6	49
Lucern	3.00	45.5	2.50	18.05	40

# Objective # 4

## Methodology

Germplasm collection & Sowing

Nursery preparation and transplanting

Two treatments after Transplanting

- 1) Waste water
- 2) Normal water

# Field Screening:

- 44 Genotypes screened out for yield related traits and heavy metals accumulation.
- Morphological, physiological & chemical parameters
- Heavy metals uptake in fruits , shoots , leaves & roots
- No of fruits/cluster/plant , flowers/cluster
- pH, TDS , EC



# Results:

PB-3 have highest yield & PB-65 have the lowest yield.

While PB-34 was highly tolerant & HT-9076-08 was highly susceptible genotypes for heavy metals accumulation.



## Future Goals:

- Contrasting genotypes will be crossed
- Characterization of genotypes using genes related to heavy metals tolerance in highly tolerant and susceptible genotypes.
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