

Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) FAQ

Q. 1) What is Rainwater Harvesting (RWH)?

RWH is the technique of collecting, storing and distributing rainwater for multiple uses. The collected water can be stored for direct use or diverted for bore well/ groundwater recharge. In simple terms it is a way to capture the rainwater when it rains, for later use.

Q.2) Who can practice RWH?

You, me and everybody! It will not only provide you with water in times of acute water shortage, but will also recharge the groundwater and increase its level.

Q.3) Why should I implement RWH?

Rainwater is the ultimate source of all the fresh water that we use. In India, rainfall occurs in short periods of high intensity, allowing the rain falling on the surface to flow away fast. This leaves little scope for recharging the groundwater, which results in water scarcity in most parts of the country. Through RWH, this erratic rainfall can be conserved, stored & used as per convenience, either directly or for recharging groundwater.

Q.4) Is RWH only feasible for new buildings?

No, existing buildings can also implement RWH by modifying the existing plumbing and making additions, if necessary.

Q.5) Can existing structures be used for RWH?

Existing unused structures like dried open wells, sumps etc can be used for RWH as also defunct borewells, instead of constructing recharge structures. This will also reduce the total cost.

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