

TRADITIONAL WISDOM OF RAINWATER HARVESTING: AN OVERVIEW FROM SOUTH ASIA

Wisdom of Tradition- An Overview from South Asia has attempted at providing a synthesis of the historical and present systems of rainwater harvesting practices in India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka. Each country situation enables comparison among the different situations and understanding of regional variations with respect to the different aspects of rainwater harvesting.



This paper is a synthesis of the following three country papers:

"Wisdom of Tradition- Rainwater Harvesting for Domestic Use in Sri Lanka" by R. de S. Ariyabandu.

"Traditional Wisdom -Rainwater Harvesting in deserts of India" by Arvind Patel, Mumtaz Baloch, Bharatkumar Bhati and Rashidkhan Baloch

'Wisdom of Tradition - Rainwater Harvesting for Domestic and Agricultural Purposes in Pakistan" by Amjad Farooque.

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