## Solutions for Waste Treatment: Finding Better Technologies & Perception and Facts

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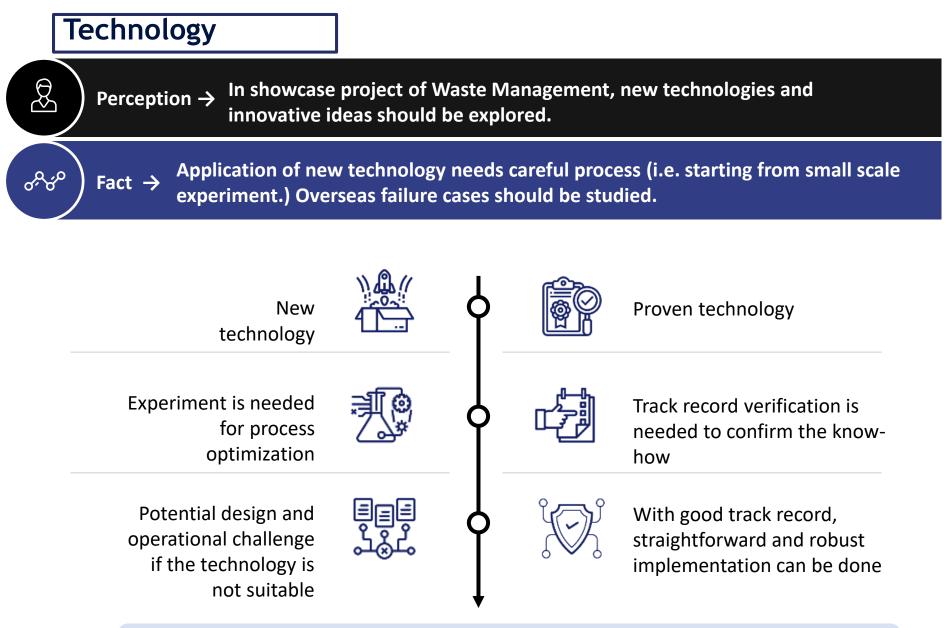
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Track record verification will be important to make sure that proposals have the capability to fulfill the project requirement

#### Landfilling

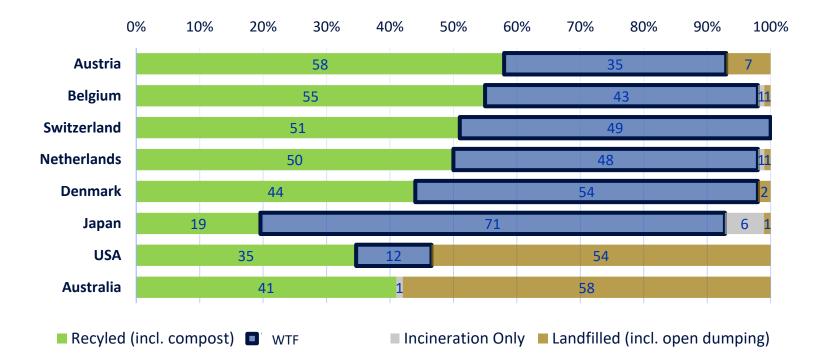
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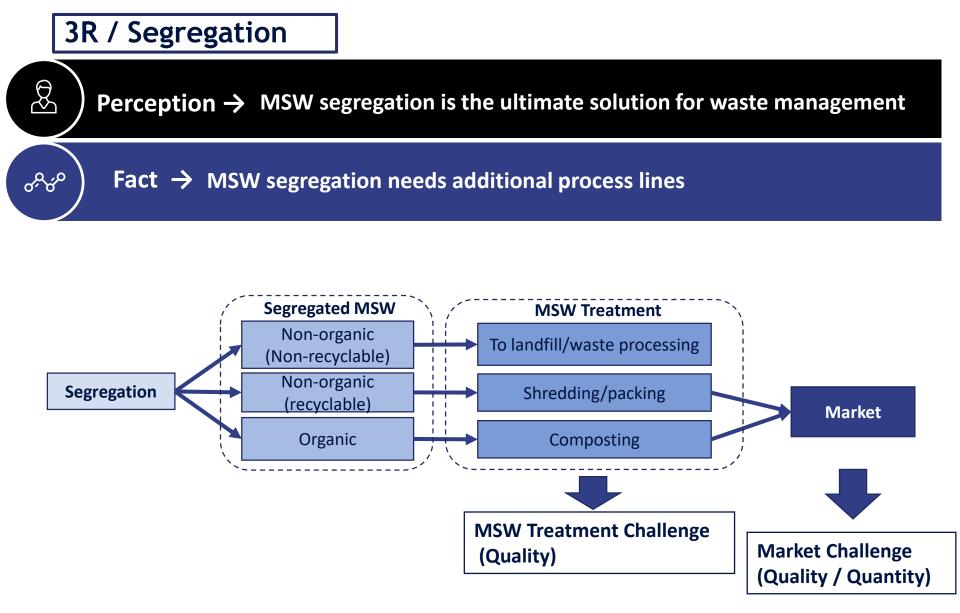
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## Perception → Controlled landfill is economically cheaper in comparison with Waste Treatment (WT) facility

Controlled landfill can be economically cheaper than waste treatment facility in a region with abundant land availability. For a region with land scarcity issue, cost to procure land will not be cheap and WT facility with significant waste volume reduction will be needed.



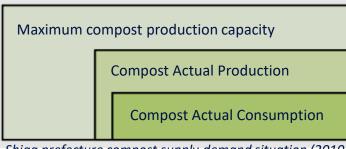


Those challenges need to be addressed appropriately, otherwise, processed/unprocessed MSW will pile up and introduce new problems



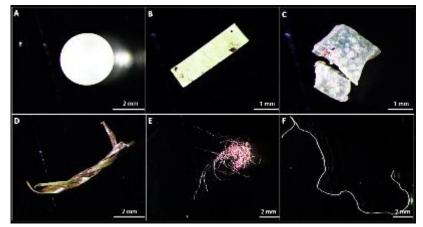
 There have been some cases of oversupplying compost (or compost manure) across Japan





Shiga prefecture compost supply-demand situation (2010)

- There are several factors that cause low compost demand
  - Research shows that compost from MSW often contain contaminants e.g. **heavy metal/microplastic** that is not desired for agriculture<sup>2)</sup>



Micro contaminant in composted MSW<sup>2</sup>

#### RDF Co-Firing

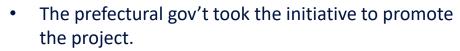
Θ	Perception $\rightarrow$ Storage and transportation of RDF is easy. Transportation efficiency is high due to compression.
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RDF tends to generate flammable gas during storage and may cause fire. Based on
Fact → value chain, it is necessary to install strict fire prevention facility in RDF plant and the co-firing power plant.

#### **Case: RDF Power Plant Heat Generation / Ignition / Explosion Accident**

- July 20, 2003: A large amount of RDF generated heat in the RDF storage tank of the RDF power plant.
- August 14: The first explosion occurred while August 14: The first explosion occurred while fire extinguishing.
- August 19: Two firefighters died in a second explosion. It took 47 days from the first explosion to completely extinguish the fire.

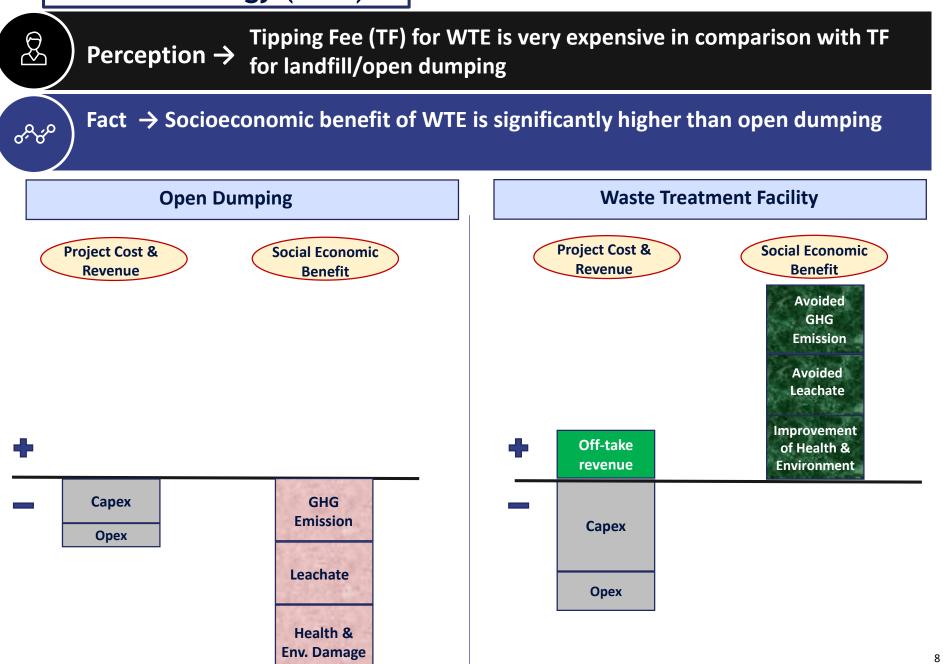




Prefectural role : RDF power generation plant Municipality role : RDF producing plant

- The business did not proceed according to the initial business plan, and all the business was finished.
- After this case ended, the concerned municipalities decided to take option to build new waste incineration facilities rather than RDF project.





#### Waste to Energy / Environment

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 $\begin{array}{c} \text{WtE is not environmentally friendly and is risking people's health (e.g.} \\ \textbf{Perception} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{WtE is not environmentally friendly and is risking people's health (e.g.} \\ \textbf{Cancer)} \\ \textbf{due to hazardous chemical substances such as dioxin and furan (DLC)} \end{array}$ 

It is proven by the other countries that WtE has no environmental and health hazard, as long as international environmental standard is complied.



#### Environment

#### On the other hand, the significant environmental and health issues caused by open dumping are regarded as serious concern internationally.



Environmental Extremes

#### The 'World's Largest Dump' Is in Indonesia and It's a Ticking Time Bomb

We take a closer look at that dumpsite reposted by Leonardo DiCaprio on Instagram





Waste pickers at risk of infectious disease contagion in open dumping area Health hazards and potential medical expenditure



TPA Leuwigajah, Cimahi, land slide incident in 2005

## Landfill incidents and casualties



Public strike in TPA Sarimukti Protesting stench and discomfort

## Social upheaval from residents nearby



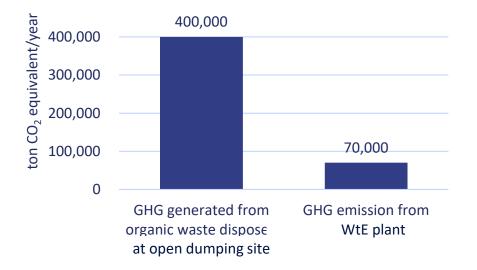
River contamination from open dumping accident in South Tagerang

#### **Polluted river**

#### Environment

# Open dumping is no longer recommended from environmental perspective

- Methane is roughly 30 times more potent as a heat-trapping gas, making it one of the worst greenhouse gases.
- The biggest man-made source of methane is from rotting waste in landfills.<sup>1</sup>





Collapsed garbage dump in Colombo (Sri Lanka), killed at least 30 people (2019)<sup>3</sup>

- 1. <u>http://apps.sepa.org.uk/spripa/Pages/SubstanceInformation.aspx?pid=65</u>
- 2. Consultant's analysis using 2,000 tpd of waste
- B. https://www.nytimes.com/2017/04/17/world/asia/sri-lanka-garbage-dump.html

#### Waste Treatment Sector



To obtain references on best practices, overseas benchmarking are essential

Thank you