

WATER NEWS IN BRIEF



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"ULAANBAATAR WATER-CLEAN ENVIRONMENT 2021" ONLINE ACADEMIC CONFERENCE WAS HELD

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"ULAANBAATAR WATER - CLEAN ENVIRONMENT" annual academic conference organized by the Ministry of Construction and Urban Development, the Ministry of Environment and Tourism, the Capital City Governor's Office, and the School of Construction and Architecture of the University of Science and Technology was successfully held online on May 5, 2021. The conference was attended by over 100 representatives from government and non-government organizations, scientists, and researchers from the water supply, sanitation, and environmental

sectors. The main focus of the conference was on wastewater treatment and wastewater recycling. The participants stressed the need to create a favorable legal environment to encourage recycled water use. In addition to water-related issues, presentations were made on other topics such as urban planning, architecture, air pollution, heating, road conditions, and the challenges of the pandemic. The MCA-Mongolia delegation also introduced Ulaanbaatar water supply projects under the Mongolia Water Compact and their contribution to the future social and economic development of the capital city during the conference.

Source: Millennium Challenge Account - Mongolia

CENTRAL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT RECEIVES EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF FACE MASK WASTE



Along with the increased use of masks and disposable gloves, the CWWTP is receiving an excessive amount of hard waste composed of masks, gloves, and wet tissue which pressures its daily activities according to the Mongolian National Television's "Tsagiin Khurd" news program. The CWWTP receives 160,000 cubic meters of wastewater per day and emits 1.5-2 tons of solid waste. Citizens are urged to dispose of their masks and protective accessories in dedicated trash bins.

Source: MNB, Tsagiin Khurd program

WATER LINES DAMAGED DURING AN EXCAVATION WORK TO BUILD A VACCINE STORAGE WAS REPAIRED IN TIME

The USUG has repaired a water supply line that was damaged during excavation work to build a vaccine storage facility. On May 2nd and 3rd, Moncom Construction LLC caused a serious breach in the National Center for Communicable Diseases by damaging 150 and 200 diameter water mains. The company had not specified whether there was an engineering network or construction permission in the area. The company has caused serious violations by cutting the water supply of the country's most important facilities during the pandemic. Fortunately, the damage was promptly repaired by the USUG staff.

Source: gogo.mn

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- UNESCO has published a book entitled "Engineering Advances in Sustainable Development". The chapter on "Clean Water and Human Health" was co-authored by Dr. S. Sarantuya, a UNESCO Water Science Program Specialist. The entire book can be downloaded and read at this link.
- D.Oyundelger, a student of the "Oyunii Ireedui Complex School" of Darkhan-Uul aimag, won first place in the essay competition of the Young Environmental Reporter program organized by the Center for Freshwater Resources and Environmental Protection and the Environmental Training and Information Center NGO with his essay titled "The Value of water in the eyes of a curious student". The winner will compete in an international competition for young environmental reporters organized by the World Environmental Education Foundation.

Source: Freshwater Resources Conservation Center

WATER RELATED VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

• The International Water Association is organizing the World Water Congress virtually for the first time from May 24 to June 4, 2021. The conference will cover all aspects of the water sector under six topics, including water management, wastewater treatment and resource recovery, drinking water and recycled water use for drinking, urban planning and operation of water supply and sewerage systems, stakeholder relations, cooperation, and partnerships, water resources and large-scale water resources management. You can register for the conference by following this link, and you can view the detailed conference program here.

Source: International Water Association