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DISCUSSION GROUP REPORT

Low-cost technology other than latrines and hand pumps

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Discussion of the paper suggested that although the cost appeared relatively small and, once installed, the hydrocyclone, was maintenance free, water for domestic consumption would still need treatment. In addition further research and field testing was necessary to determine in-performance running and maintenance costs. It was, therefore, not easy to conclude that this particular technology was suitable for rural areas.