

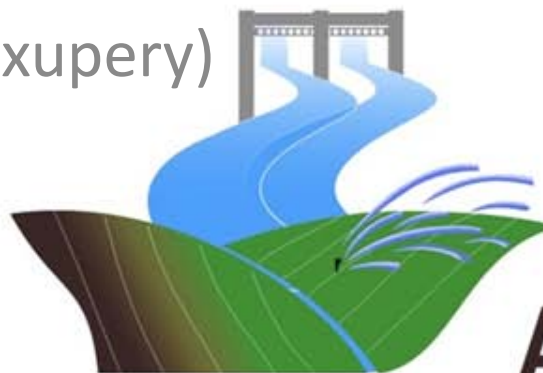
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40 years of irrigation and drainage system performance

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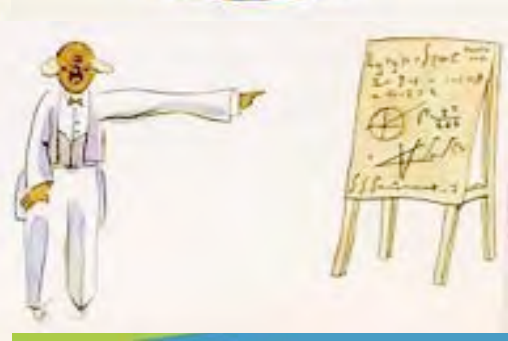
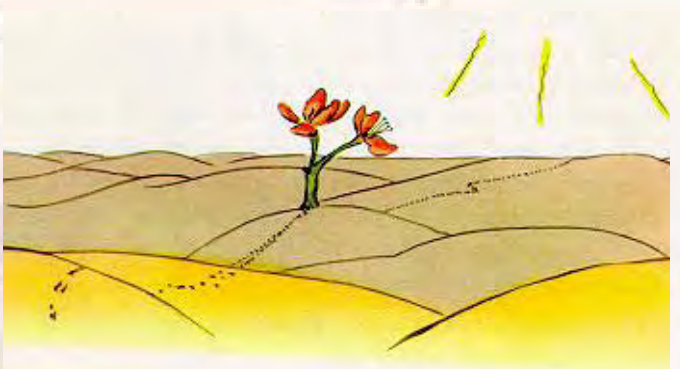
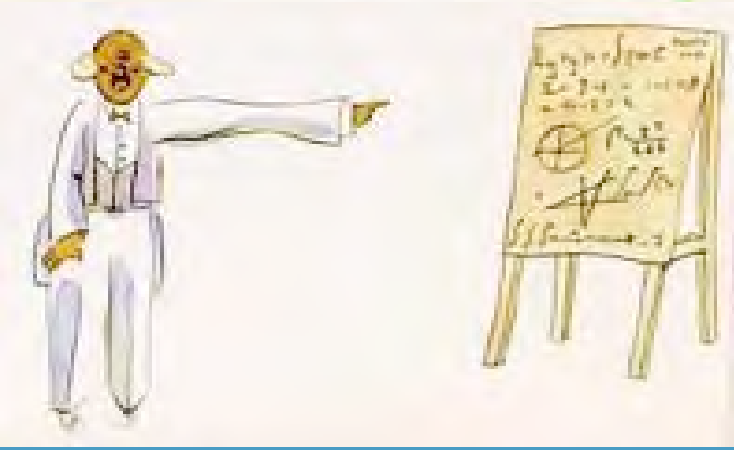
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Questions

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- If not, is it a problem of implementation?
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- What are the implications if renewed investment in irrigation and drainage systems is to be effective?

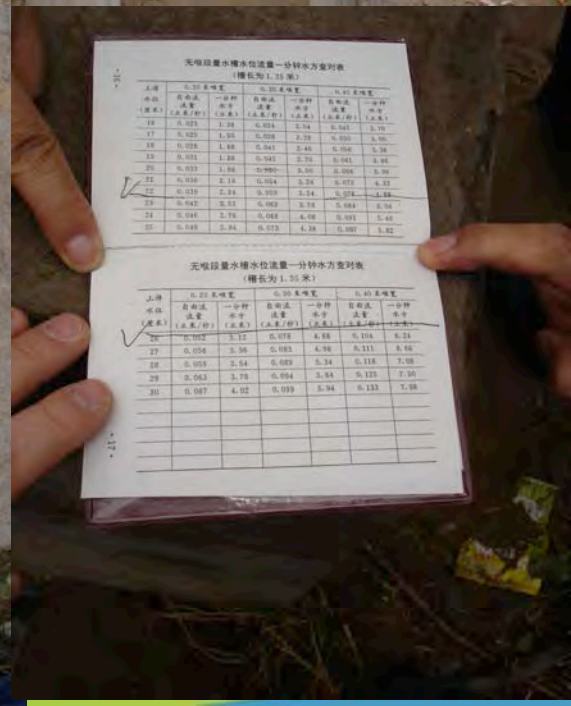














Questions / Answers

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NO

- If not, is it a problem of implementation?

Yes/NO

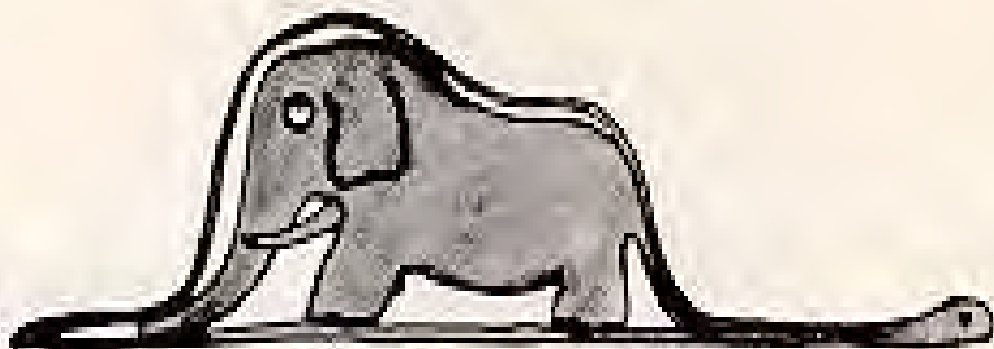
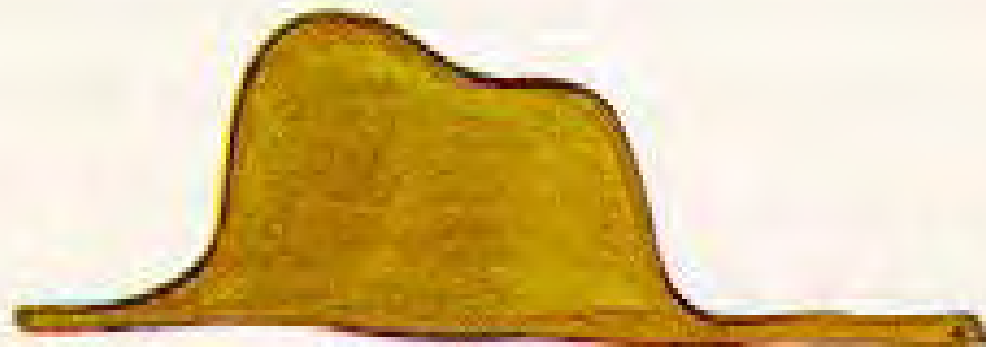
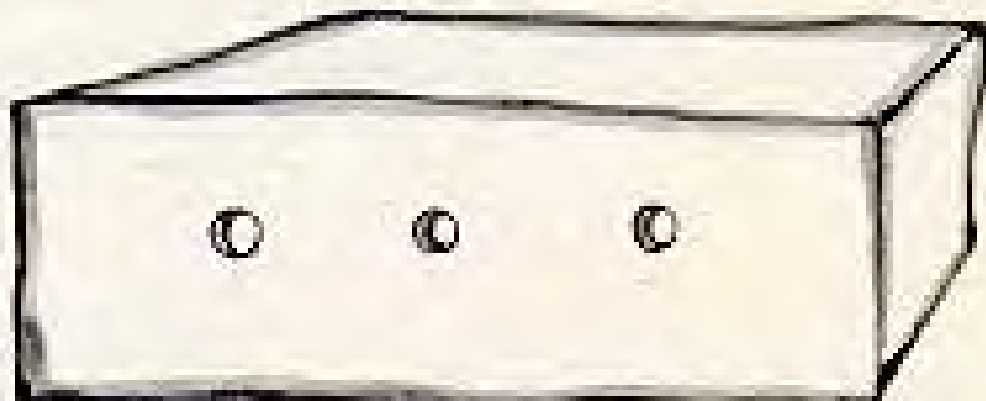
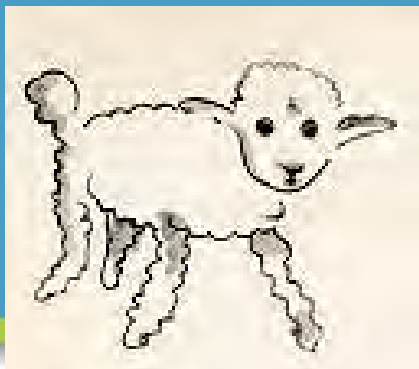
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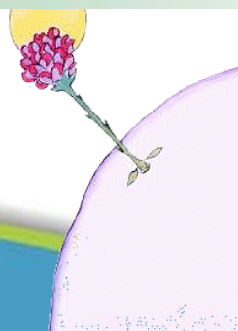
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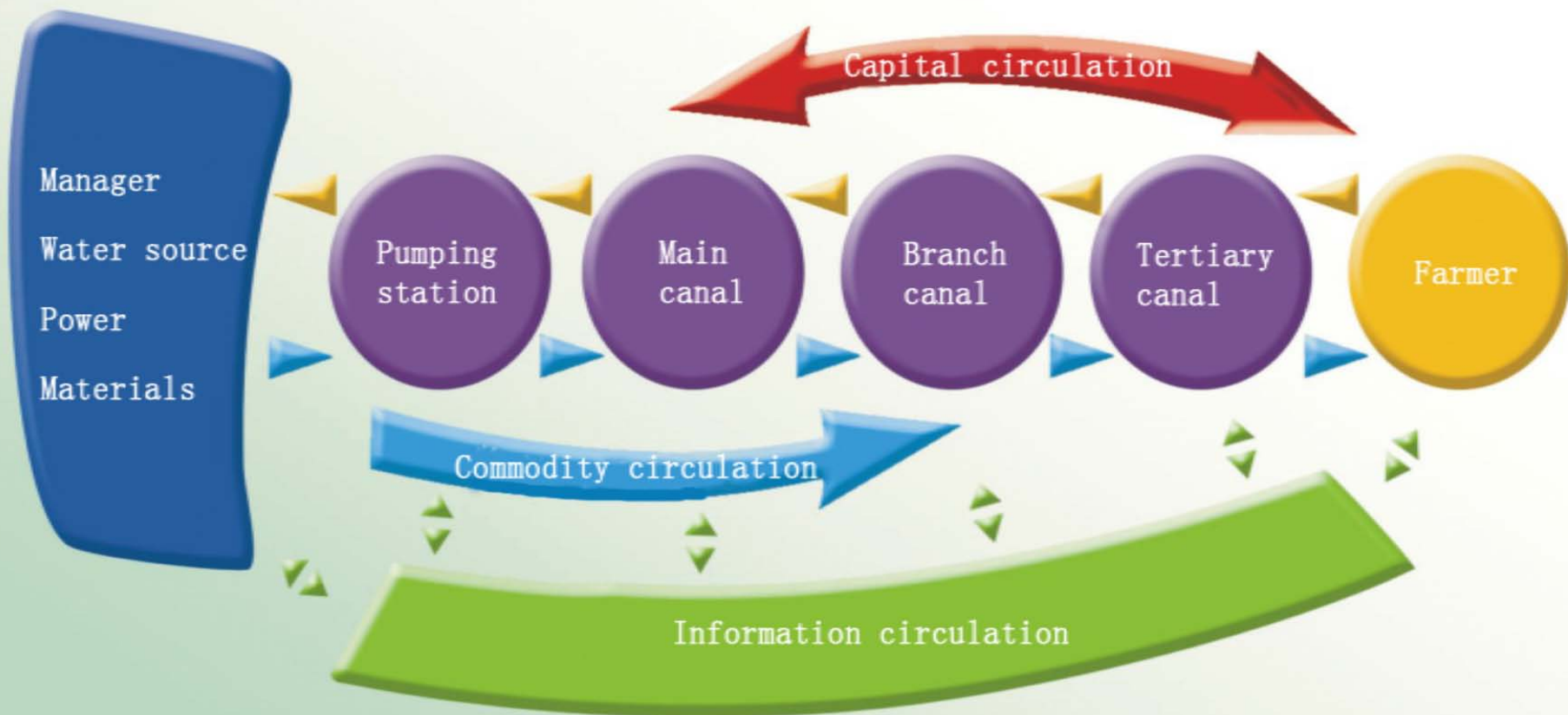
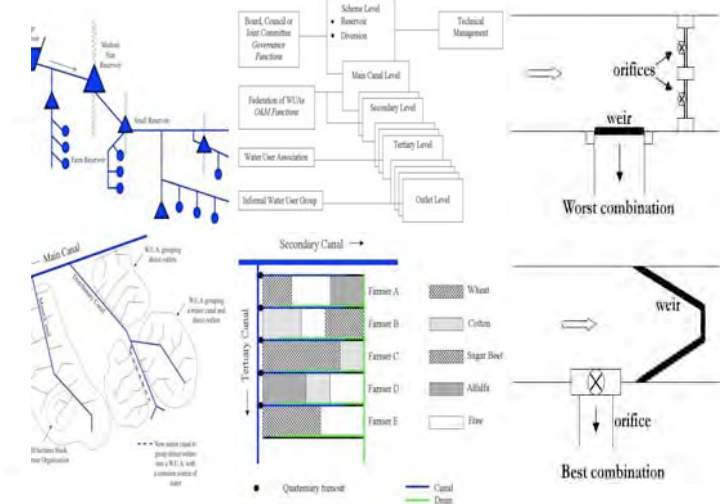
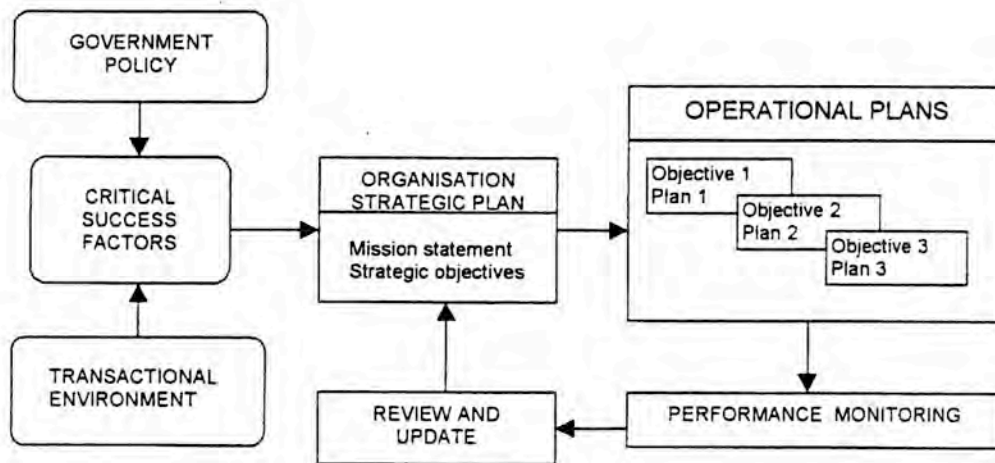
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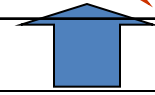
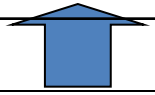
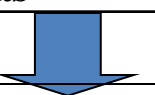

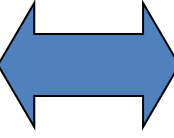
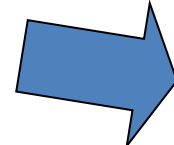
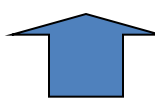
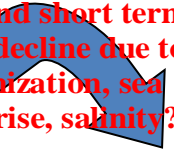

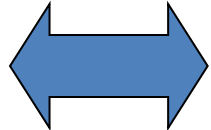

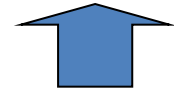

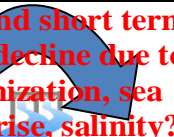
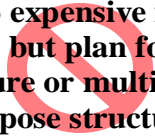

yes/NO

- What are the implications if renewed investment in irrigation and drainage systems is to be effective?







National and Sub-national stage	Type 1: Reservoir gravity	Type 2: Off-river gravity	Type 3: Off-river pump	Type 4: Conjunctive	Type 5: Integrated management deltas
Post-agriculture	0 	- 	+ 	+ 	- 
	Optimizing multiple use economically justified; limited number of sites available for new systems	Reduce. Merge or neglect due to low reliability Convert to type 3 or 4 Convert to different crops/land use	Increasing energy costs Crop diversification Rice phases out economically justified; limited number of sites available for new systems	Highly flexible Farmers decide Market rules (export possibilities) (many farmers use pumps)	urbanizationOptimizing multiple use (environment, drainage issues, peri-urban agriculture, urbanization) ; more crop diversification
Agricultural Export	not economically justified by agriculture alone but may expand; 	0 	0/- 	+ 	Expand short term then decline due to urbanization, sea level rise, salinity? 
	Anticipate on multiple uses 	Improve, modernize (endless) Inherent limitations of supply	Likely reduction due to energy costs (for paddy)	Highly flexible Farmers decide Market rules (export possibilities) (several farmers use pumps)	Optimize multiple use Expensive drainage (environment, drainage issues, peri-urban agriculture, urbanization)
Agriculture focus	0 	+ 	+ 	+ 	Expand short term then decline due to urbanization, sea level rise, salinity? 
	Too expensive for rice but plan for future or multi-purpose structure 	low costs Comparative advantage (compared with other options)	Affordable investment Subsidized O&M	Highly flexible Farmers decide Market rules (export possibilities) (some rich farmers use pumps)	Developing paddy systems Not yet irrigation Asian Irrigation Forum 

Outlining key strategies

Revitalizing Asia's Irrigation:

To sustainably meet tomorrow's food needs



Productivity // Service

1. Modernise yesteryears' schemes for tomorrow's needs
2. Go with the flow by supporting farmers' initiatives
3. Look beyond conventional PIM/IMT recipes
4. Build for the future: Expand capacity and knowledge
5. Look beyond irrigation: Invest outside the water sector

How to make change happen?



Modernizing irrigation management – the MASSCOTE approach

Winning System and Strategy for Land Operations Management



PLAN FOR MODERNIZATION MONITORING & EVALUATION

(10) INTEGRATING
SOM OPTIONS

(9) OPERATION
IMPROVEMENTS/UNITS

(8) DEMAND for
OPERATION

(7) MANAGEMENT
UNITS

(6) SERVICE TO
USERS

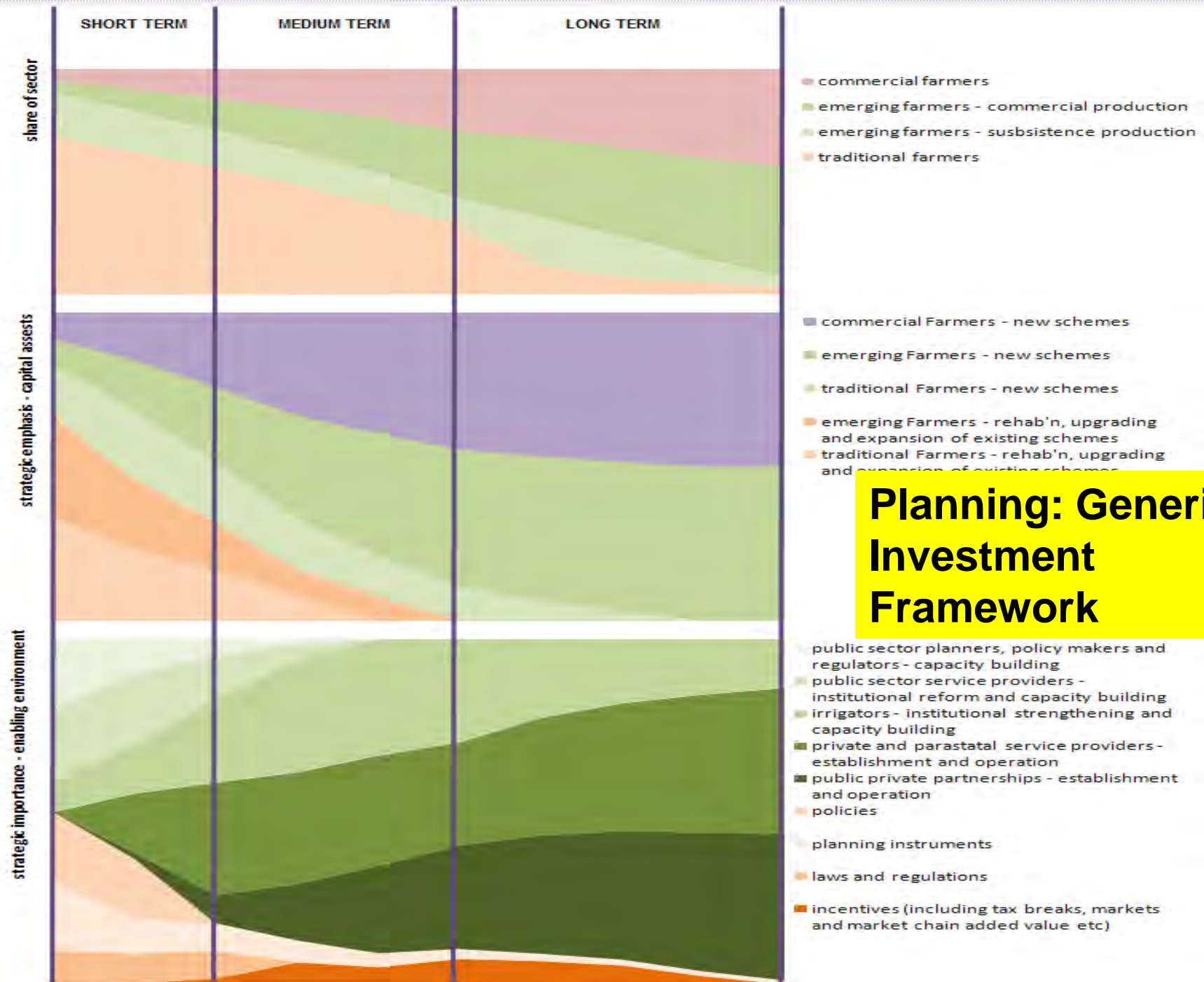
(1) RAPID APPRAISAL
PROCEDURE

(2) CAPACITY &
SENSITIVITY

(3) PERTURBATIONS

(4) WATER ACCOUNTING

(5) COST of OPERATION



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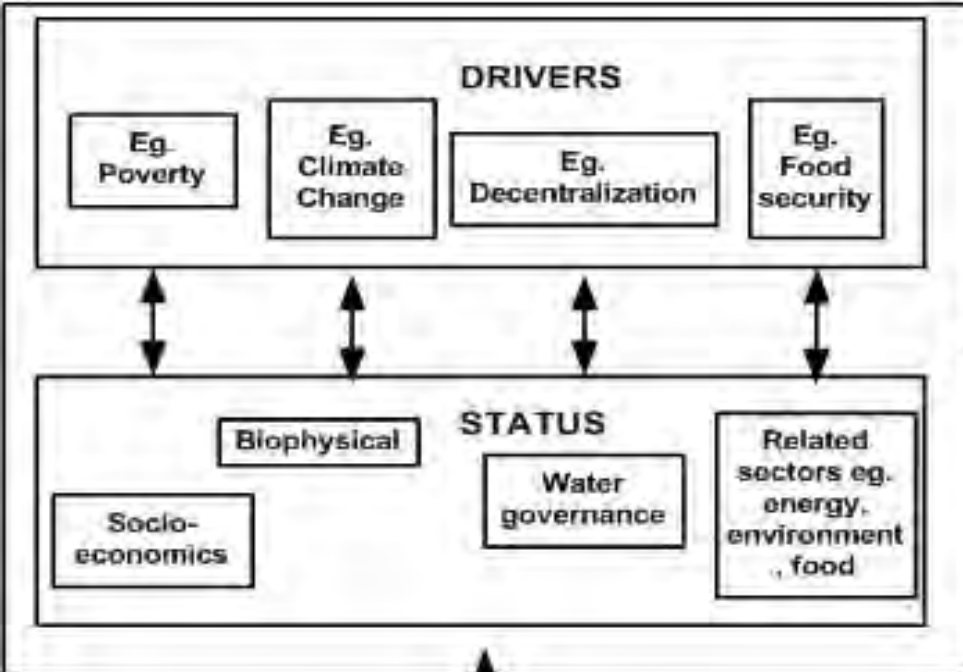
share of sub-sector costs

SHORT TERM

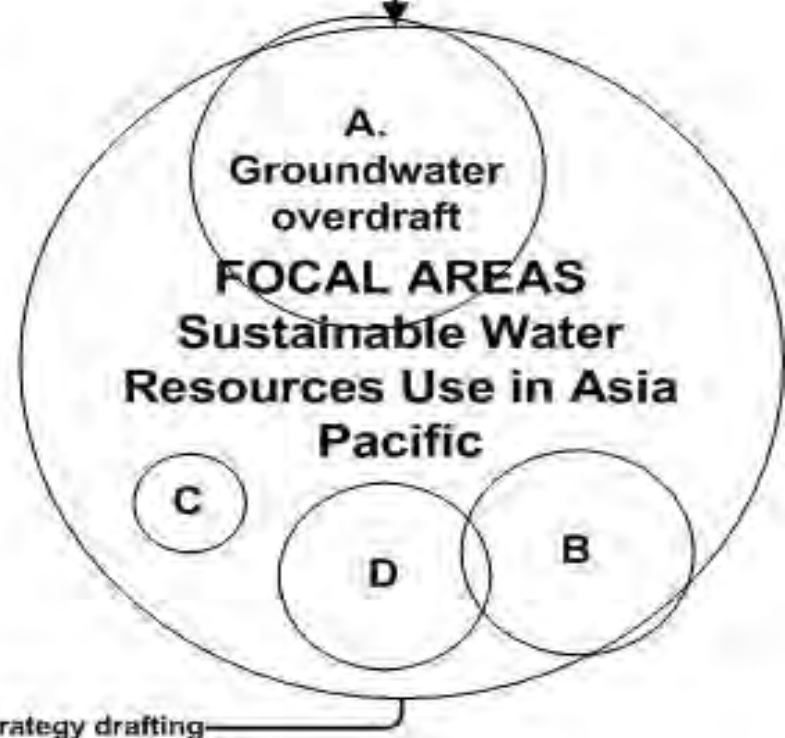
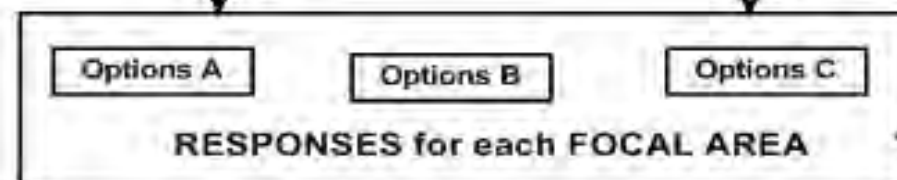
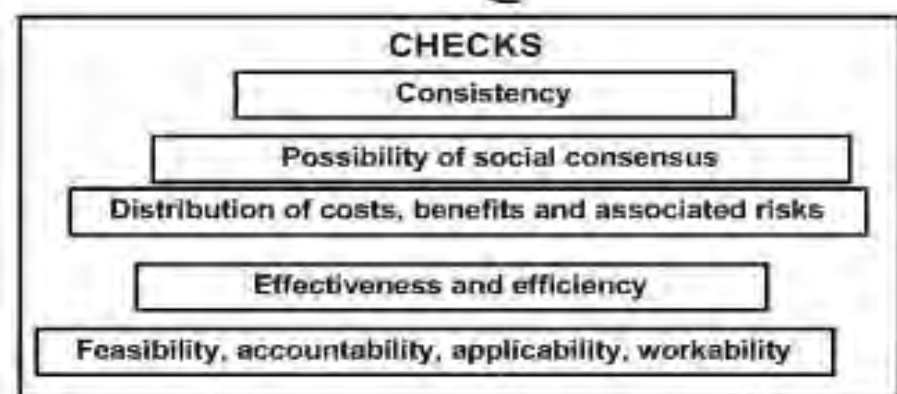
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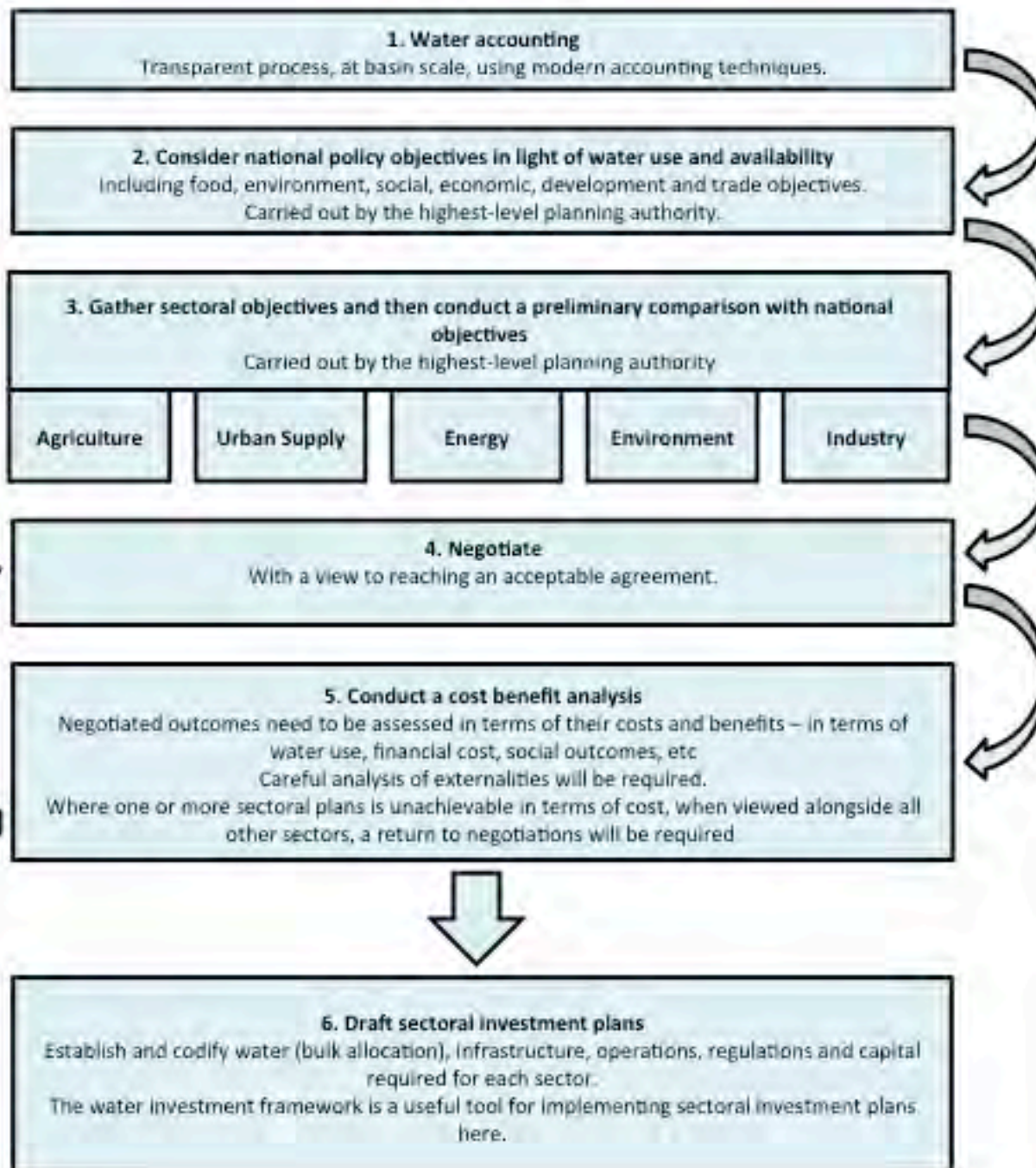
LONG TERM

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- Private Sector Recurring
 - Beneficiaries Recurring
 - Government Recurring
 - Private Sector Capital (including NGOs)
 - Beneficiaries Capital
 - Government Capital (all sources, including river basin authorities)



Synthesis:
Requires knowledge
and judgement, deliberation etc..







Evolving a coherent, effective and feasible set of policies, strategies and interventions

- Solid water accounting foundation;
- Improved processes for decision-making and negotiation among stakeholders;
- Addressing the Water, Food, Energy and Climate nexus in an integrated approach;
- Risk management strategies for national food security policies;
- Progress on monitoring of investment and results.



Explicitly addressing policy dilemmas, trade-offs and difficulties

- Managing transitions: resilience, transformation or exit strategies?
- Managing the informality of the water economies
- Economic water productivity vs. equity and other strategic goals
- National vs. local and river basin objectives
- “ideal” vs. Plan B and second-best options
- Realistic financial arrangements for water operators: smart subsidies?

