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Key Issues in Urban Sector

A. Water Security

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**< 80% population
access to piped water**

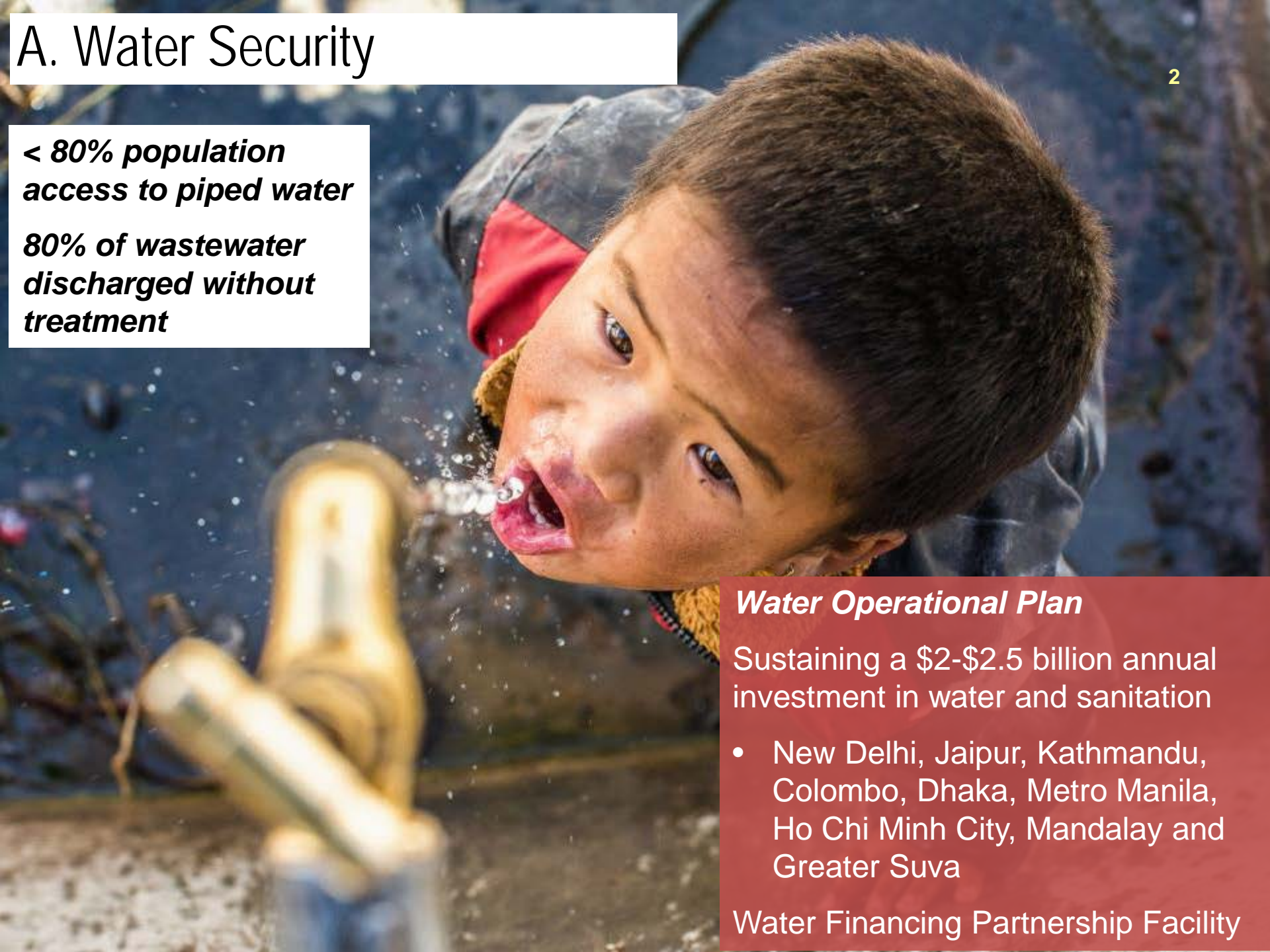
**80% of wastewater
discharged without
treatment**

Water Operational Plan

Sustaining a \$2-\$2.5 billion annual investment in water and sanitation

- New Delhi, Jaipur, Kathmandu, Colombo, Dhaka, Metro Manila, Ho Chi Minh City, Mandalay and Greater Suva

Water Financing Partnership Facility



B. Climate Change

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Currently, 300 million people are at risk of coastal flooding

Expected to reach 400 million by 2025



Urban Operational Plan

Strategic thrust on ensuring environmental sustainability

Urban climate change resilience:

- Pakistan, India, Vietnam, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Myanmar, Fiji

C. Urban Mobility

Road congestion costs Asian economies 2-5% of GDP each year due to lost time and higher transport costs



Sustainable Transport Initiative Operational Plan

Develop accessible, safe, environment-friendly, and affordable transport systems

- Tbilisi, Ha Noi, Ho Chi Minh City, Jaipur, Dhaka, Shandong

D. Institutional Effectiveness

Strengthen project delivery and governance systems in cities and utilities

Focus on financial management to improve credit worthiness

Key issues with urban local bodies:

- (i) their absorptive capacity and ability to deliver urban services;
- (ii) credit worthiness (as in ability to mobilize own sources of revenue for infrastructure improvement)

Urban and Water Operational Plans

Local government institutions

Cities Development Initiative Asia

Water Operators Partnership