# Water - A Natural Resource

# **LESSON PLAN**

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES	_	_	_	_ ,
The students will learn about				1
importance and uses of water				ı
water cycle				
forms of water				
<ul><li>distribution of water on the earth</li></ul>				ı
water scarcity				
groundwater – an important source of water				
♦ water management				J

#### **TEACHING AIDS**

Pictures/charts/models/animations on people fetching water from a river; water cycle; drawing water from a tubewell and a handpump; water table and aquifer, irrigation by tubewell; rainwater harvesting; children planting saplings.

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- ♦ Teacher will start the chapter by going through the points given in 'Know these points before you start' section.
- ♦ Now, teacher will discuss the importance and uses of water.
- ♦ Teacher will define the phenomenon of water cycle.
- ♦ Teacher will discuss the three states of water.
- ♦ Now, teacher will explain the distribution of water on the earth in all three forms.
- ♦ Teacher will discuss the causes of water scarcity.
- ♦ Teacher will discuss the sources of water, i.e., rainwater, surface water, groundwater (infiltration, aquifer and water table).
- ♦ Now, teacher will elaborate depletion of groundwater, importance of groundwater and need to conserve it.
- ♦ Teacher will ask students to solve Check Point 1.

- Now, teacher will discuss water management explaining the daily uses of water, water harvesting, conservation of water and awareness programmes to save water.
- ♦ Teacher will ask students to solve Check Point 2.
- ♦ Teacher will make students revise the new terms given under the head 'Know These Terms'.
- Finally, teacher will help students to solve the questions given in exercises under the head 'Practice Time' and 'Think Zone'.

#### **BOOST UP**

- ♦ Teacher should demonstrate and explain activities given in the chapter.
- ♦ Teacher should discuss the information given under the head 'Something More'.
- ♦ Teacher should discuss the conversation of Annu and Mannu given in between the topics.
- Teacher should ask each student to participate in a debate on 'Importance of water' and suggest some ways to remove scarcity of water.
- Teacher may also encourage students to make an 'Environment Club' at school to create awareness among school students for managing water resources.

#### **EXPECTED LEARNING OUTCOMES**

The students know about

- necessity of water.
- problems faced by people when there is no availability of water.
- solid, liquid and gaseous states of water.
- importance of groundwater and its depletion.
- water management.

### **EVALUATIVE QUESTIONS**

The teacher may ask the following questions for evaluating the understanding of students.

- **1.** Mention importance of water.
- 2. Explain the adverse effects due to scarcity of water.
- **3.** Write the three states of water.
- 4. What is meant by water table?
- **5.** In which forms is the surface water found?
- **6.** Mention the major causes of water depletion.
- 7. What is rainwater harvesting?