

# Rural Sanitation Operational Research



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# Why Operational Research

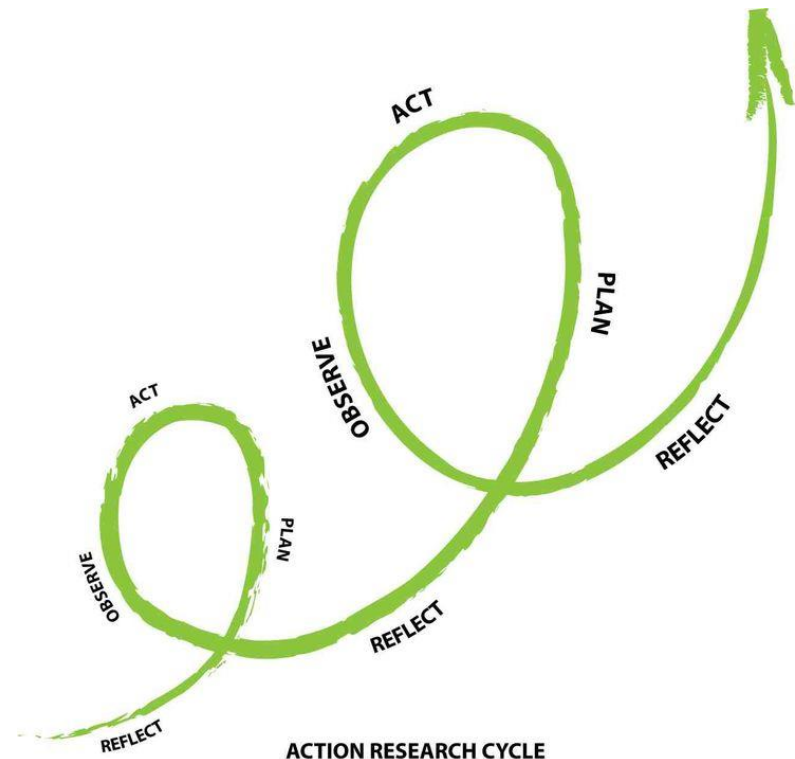
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Joint sectoral focus on answering the key research questions

Action research intended to guide implementation

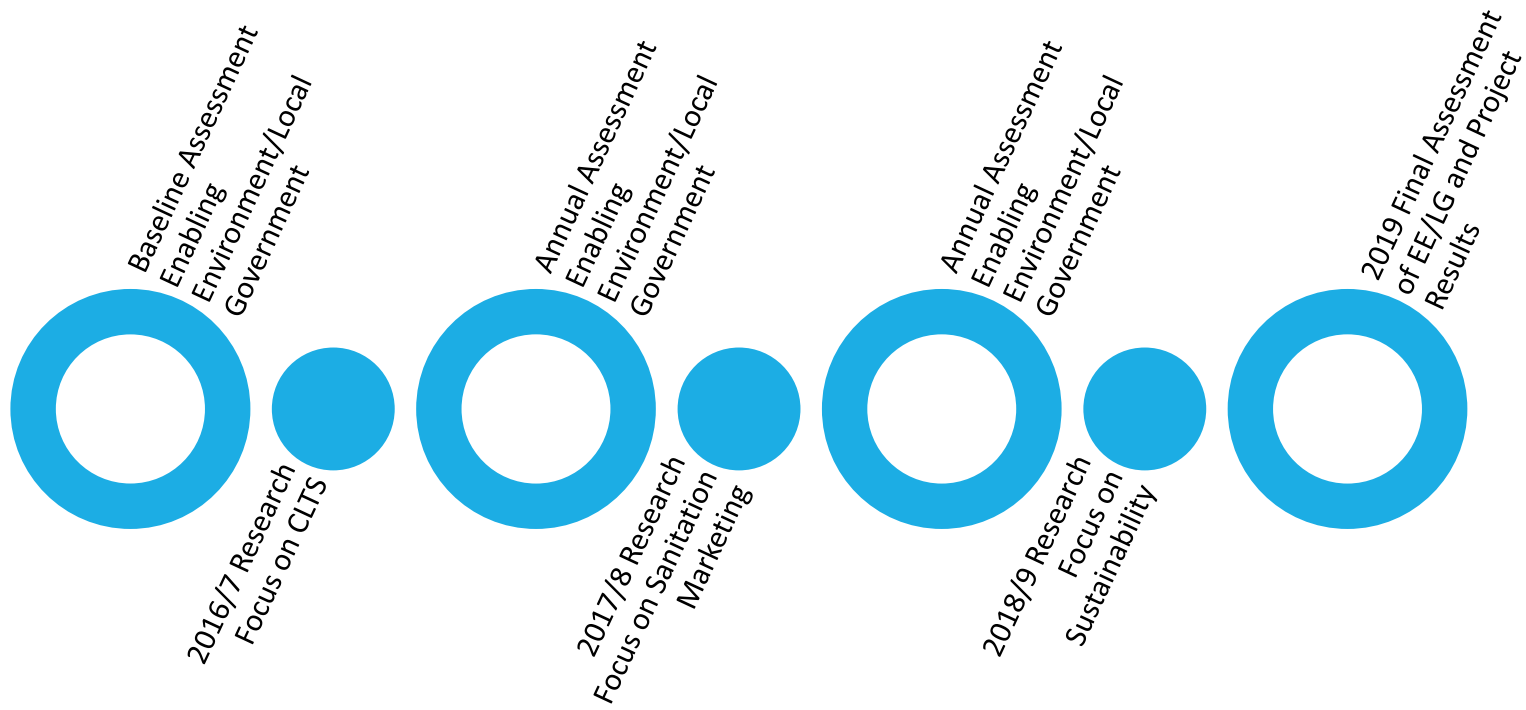
Questions raised on appropriateness of zero-subsidies to households

Collective investigation into effective actions



# Research Focus

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# Results to Measure

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Sanitation enterprises are actively selling products to householders

% of households with HWWS facility at the household

% of households using an improved latrine at the household level

Results are sustained over research period

District declared ODF

Households have sanitation financing options



# Research Questions

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How effectively have past rural sanitation approaches achieved their intended outcomes?

How can CLTS be made more effective? What are the critical components to success?

To what extent does an improved enabling environment lead to achievement of rural sanitation results?

How best can sanitation marketing and associated household financing mechanisms be optimized to the Ghanaian context?

Is local government enabled to fulfil role and complete assigned tasks?

How sustainable are achieved results?

# Who?

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Oxford Policy Management (OPM)

Maple Consult

IRC

Working under NTWGS steering committee

# What?

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Bottleneck Analysis in all six districts (with focus on enabling environment/local government factors)

Monthly Review of all CLTS data from GoG/UNICEF project database (not just six target districts)

In-depth FGDs with communities in six target districts

Recommendations for alterations to implementation to be incorporated into programming

Increased technical support; development of key documentation

Two years of research agreed to date

# Where are we now?

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Completed inception activities (inception workshop/report, methodology report, literature review)

Bi-lateral discussions on current approaches to develop (final publication pending)

Completed six regional enabling environment workshops in six research target districts (draft report submitted)

Completed FGDs with communities in six districts (report pending)

Review of monthly data on GoG-UNICEF project implementation

First quarterly report submitted



# What next?

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Finalisation of research reports and briefing notes

NLLAP session to be held in Tamale

Side event at CLTS Stocktaking Forum

Recommendations following year 1 of research to be published

GoG-UNICEF to adopt agreed recommendations and technical support provided in implementation of them

Continued programme monitoring

# Involvement

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Please contact UNICEF/GoG/Researchers if you have interesting cases to present

Research should be bringing in collective experience of the sector

Potential still to be involved in year 2 of research

# Questions?

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