



# Wash in School – is the Education Sector ready?

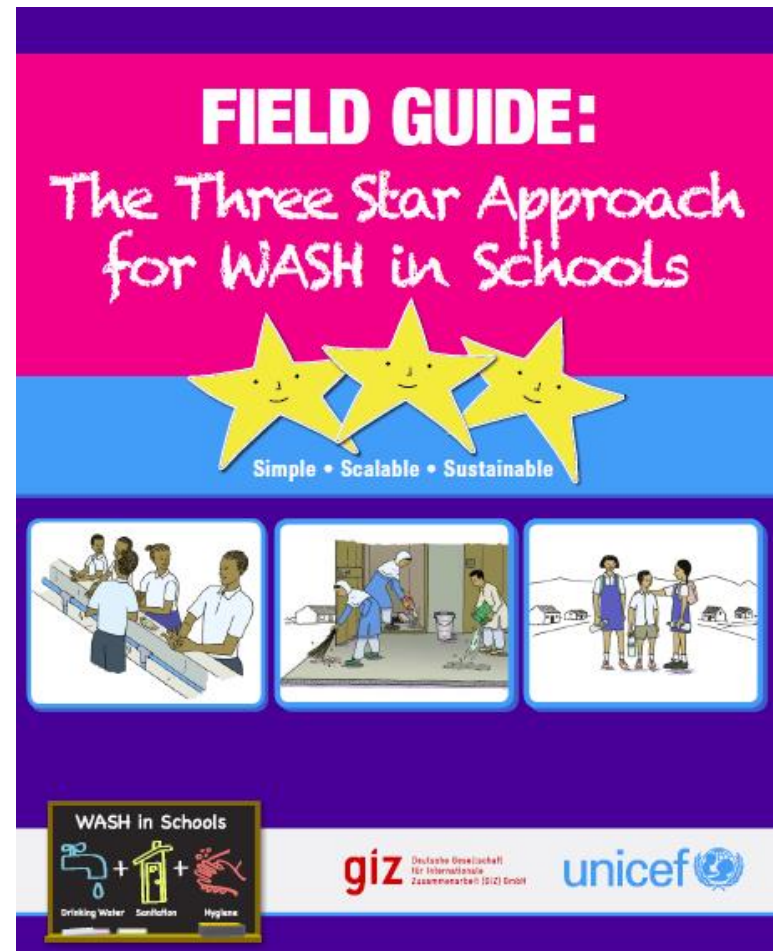
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# The Three Star Approach for WASH in Schools with new focus

Alignment of stakeholders to support governments efforts:

- Hand washing with soap
- Functional toilets
- Cleaning and Maintenance
- Menstrual Hygiene Management



# How to manage hygiene behavior for many children at the same time?

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# Modeling phase in partner countries:

## Cambodia

- Program coverage: 10 model schools & 7,564 children

## Lao PDR

- Program coverage: 22 model schools & 4,758 children

## Philippines

- Program implemented by DepED in 7,000 schools targeting about 2.3 M children
- Regional Office based in the PH

## Indonesia (West Java)

- Program coverage: 10 model schools & 7,063 children

# Fit for School Approach

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- Improved water and sanitation facilities
- Daily supervised hand washing with soap
- Daily supervised tooth brushing with fluoride toothpaste
- Bi-annual de-worming of all children

# Culture of cleanliness

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# Regional WASH Survey Results

## Handwashing Norms Interview

| Indicator                                       | FIT        | Control   |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Children who reported they always wash hands    | 44%        | 40%       |
| Children who reported soap is very important    | 67%        | 74%       |
| Children who reported all classmates wash hands | <b>20%</b> | <b>7%</b> |



These findings suggest

- Gaps between knowledge and practice of hygiene activities
- Seeing peers wash hands with soap also encourages children to wash themselves
- Access to water and soap encourages children to wash at critical times

# Support government partners to scale up national WinS programs

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