

# Practical Action's Work in Urban Waste Management

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# Waste situation in slum areas

- Waste service do not reach slum areas  
Slums are considered illegal and access is not always possible
- Slum dwellers are not able to pay for the service
- Slum Dwellers Recycle Waste for the City
- Waste accumulates, burn, floods and slums are more effected
- Slum areas are more vulnerable for disease

# Social outcomes of waste related work

- Health Improvements
- A Cleaner Living Environment showing slums as part of the city
- Income generation, employment and business from waste

# Our Approach

Depends on the Country Situation,  
Staff Interest and Skills, Donors  
Preference etc.

- Promoting better access to the service
- Supporting employment and income generation
- Encouraging planning, participation, knowledge and communication
- Advocacy for wider up-take

# Can waste trucks enter this?





# Composting, Bangladesh





# Collection system, Bangladesh









technology challenging poverty



# Waste pickers Nakuru









# Waste Paper Co-op Nairobi















# Zimbabwe: Collect, recycle





