



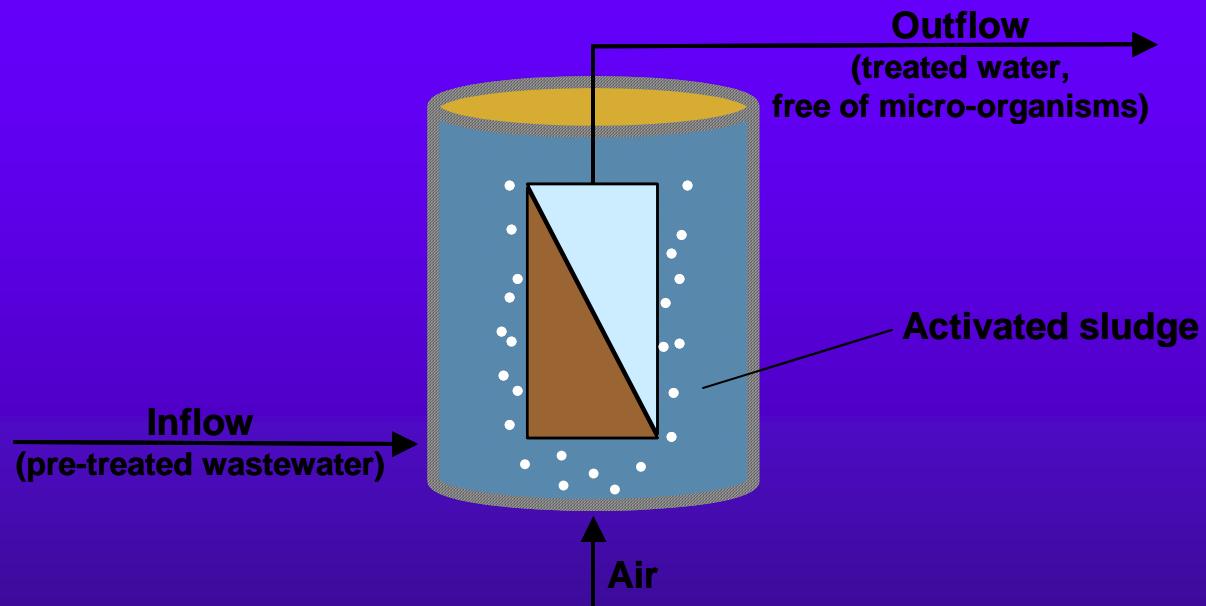
# Wastewater Treatment and Reuse by Submerged Membrane Bioreactor (SMBR)

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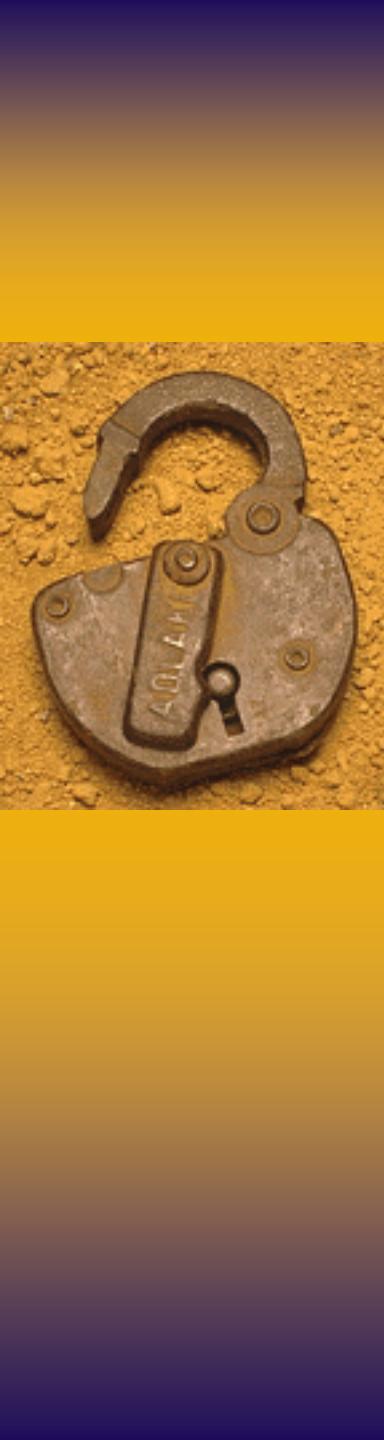
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# Principle of MBR Technology



MBR plants need little space and allow compact construction. Due to the direct retention of the micro-organisms, high efficiency is possible and excess sludge can be reduced compared to conventional plants



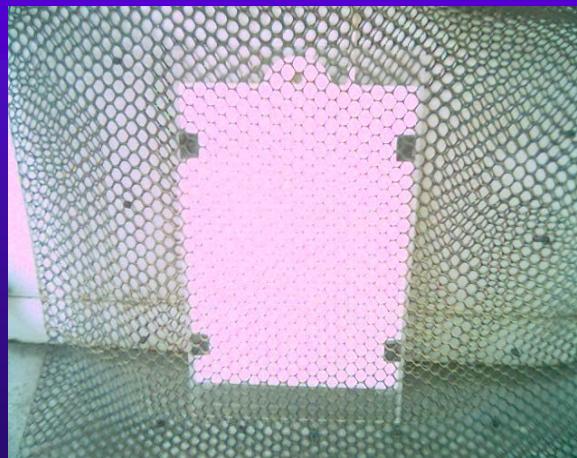
# **Performance of SMBR for Treatment of Textile Wastewater**

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# Pilot-scale MBR in Textile Industry



# FLAT SHEET MF MEMBRANE

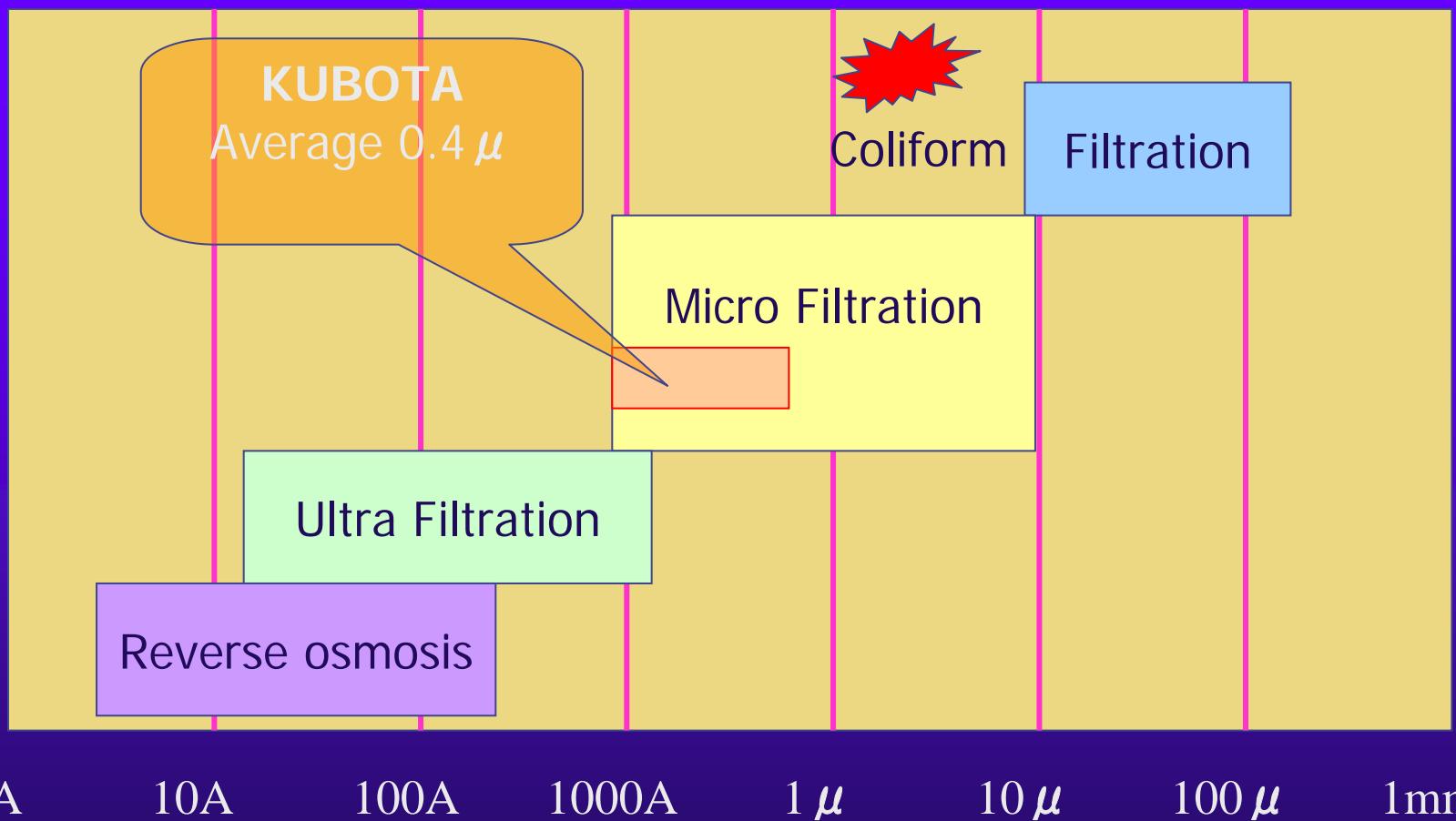


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Type

(0.1m<sup>2</sup>)

200mm × 300mm

# Pore size of Membrane used in this study



# Membrane Bioreactor



# Implemented membrane rack inside the MBR tank





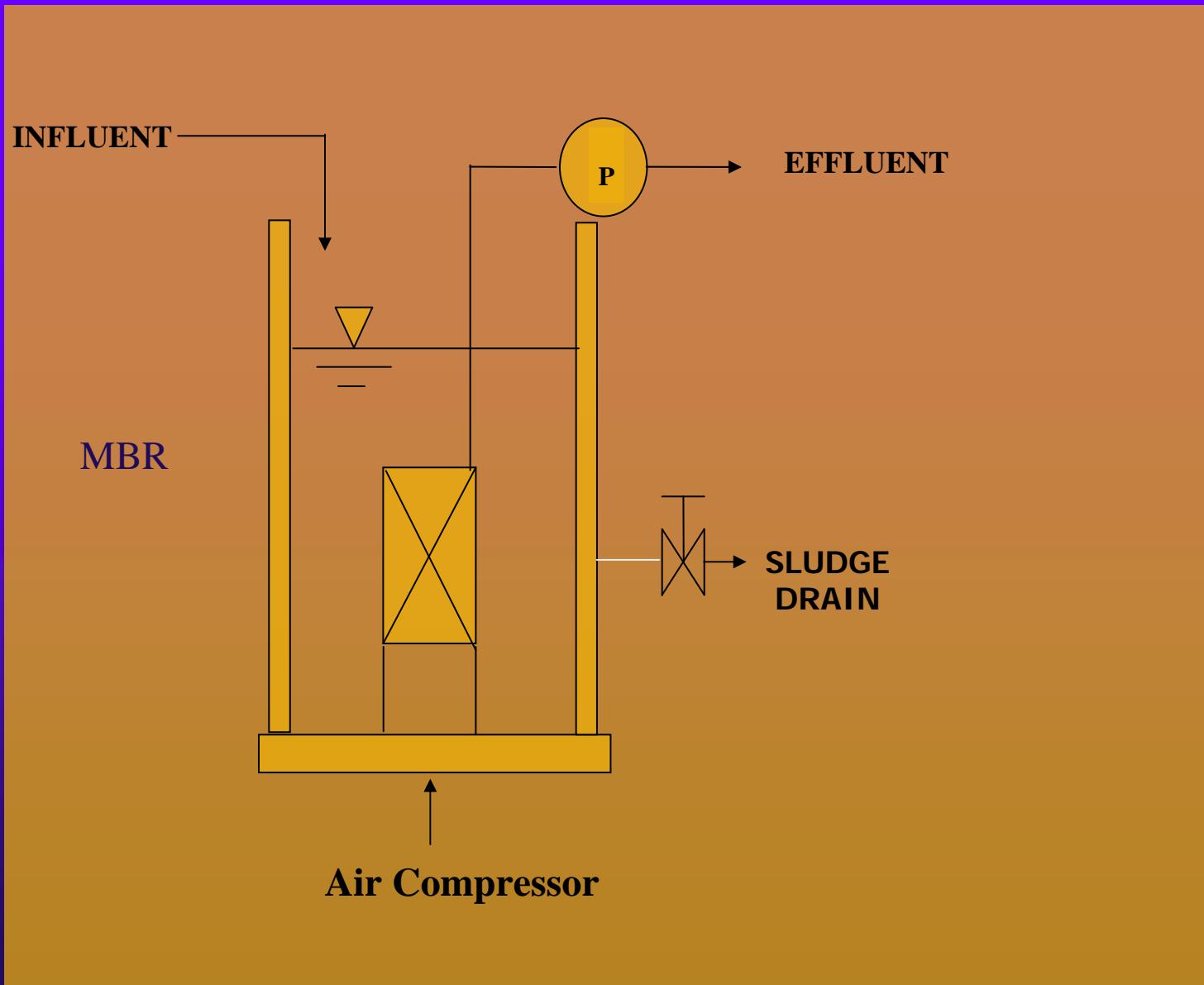
# Investigation Condition

- ◆ Flat sheet MF membrane with pore size of 0.4 micron, submerged in MBR
- ◆ Raw wastewater from Textile Industry in eastern part of Thailand. The raw wastewater has been neutralized and then sent to pilot MBR plant.
- ◆ Investigate on effects of sludge age and intermittent aeration time on MBR performance for treatment of textile wastewater

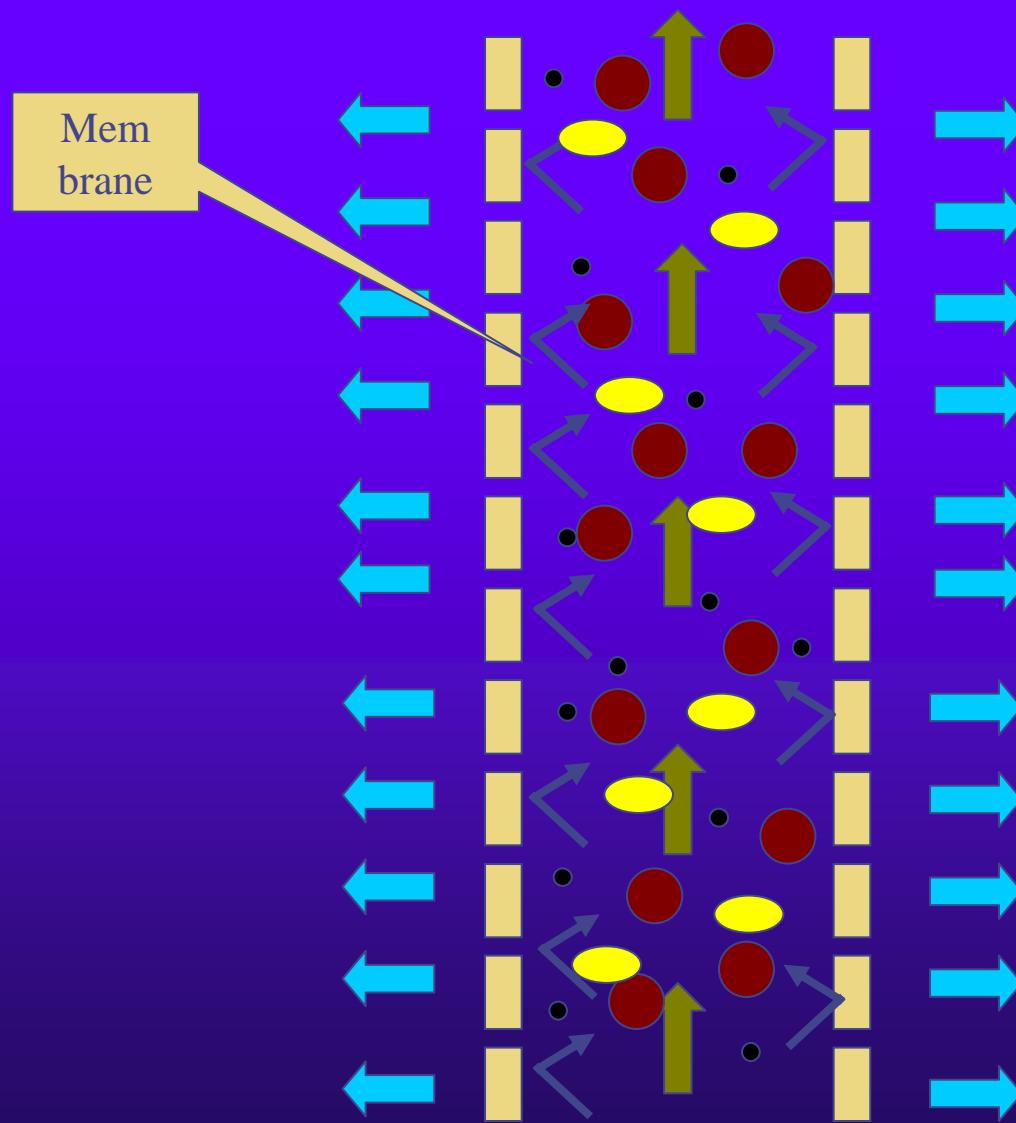
# Wastewater characteristics of Textile wastewater

PARAMETERS	UNIT	VALUE
BOD <sub>5</sub>	mg/l	98.4
COD	mg/l	349.9
Color	SU	66.06
TKN	mg / l as NH <sub>3</sub>	10.35
EC	µS / cm	1432
pH	-	10.2
SS	mg/l	44.5

# Schematic diagram in Membrane bioreactor



# Membrane backwashing





## INVESTIGATION CONDITION

Compare: 1. SLUDGE AGE 20 DAYS

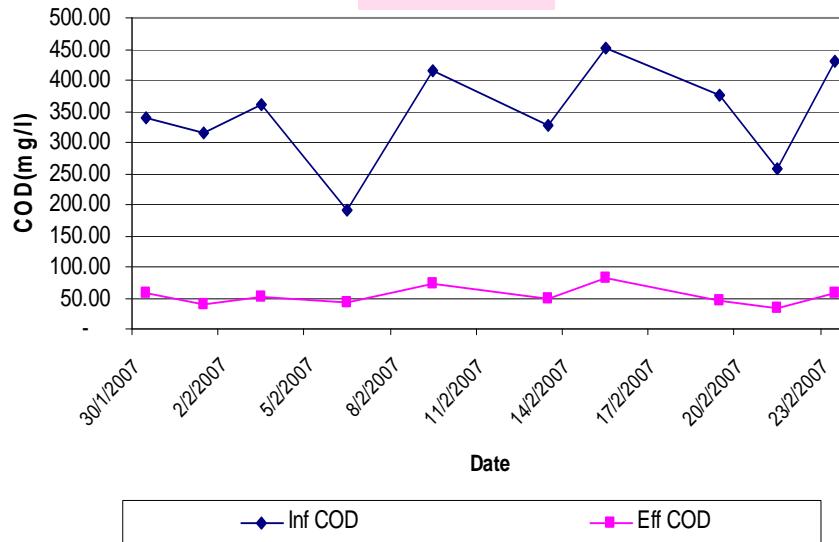
- ◆ 2. SLUDGE AGE 30 DAYS
- ◆ 3. SLUDGE AGE 60 DAYS

→ Compare Continuous aeration mode  
and intermittent aeration mode at 30/30,  
45/45, 60/60 minutes

→ DO in aeration tank is maintained higher  
than 4.0 mg/l during aeration period

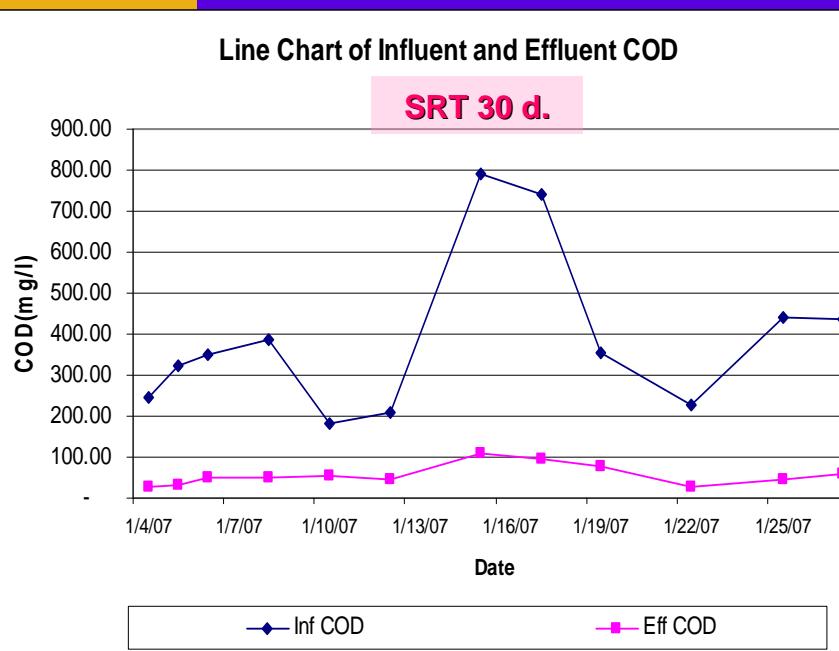
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SRT 20 d.



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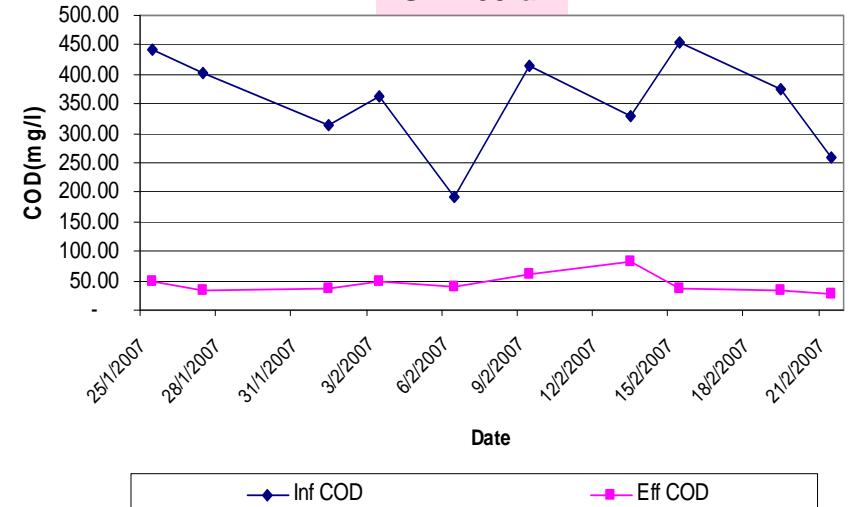
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# PERFORMANCE OF MBR FOR COD REMOVAL

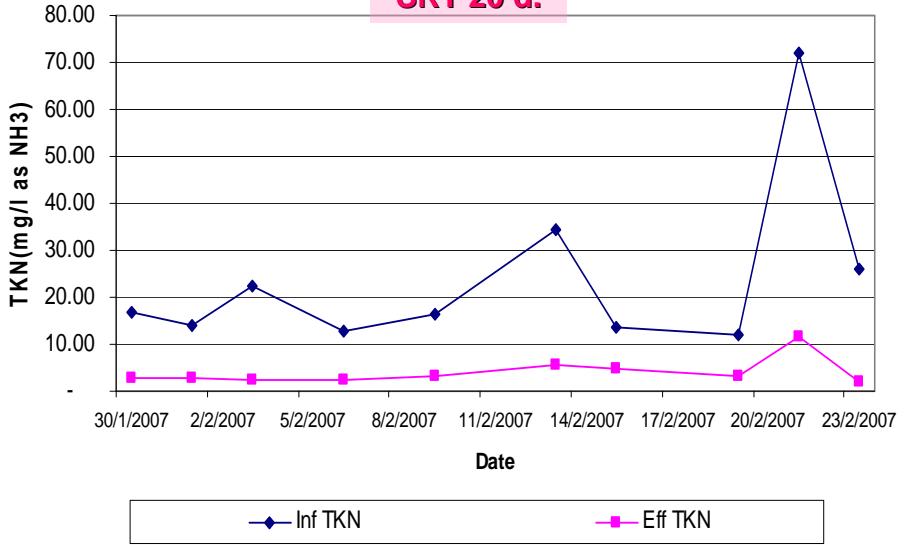
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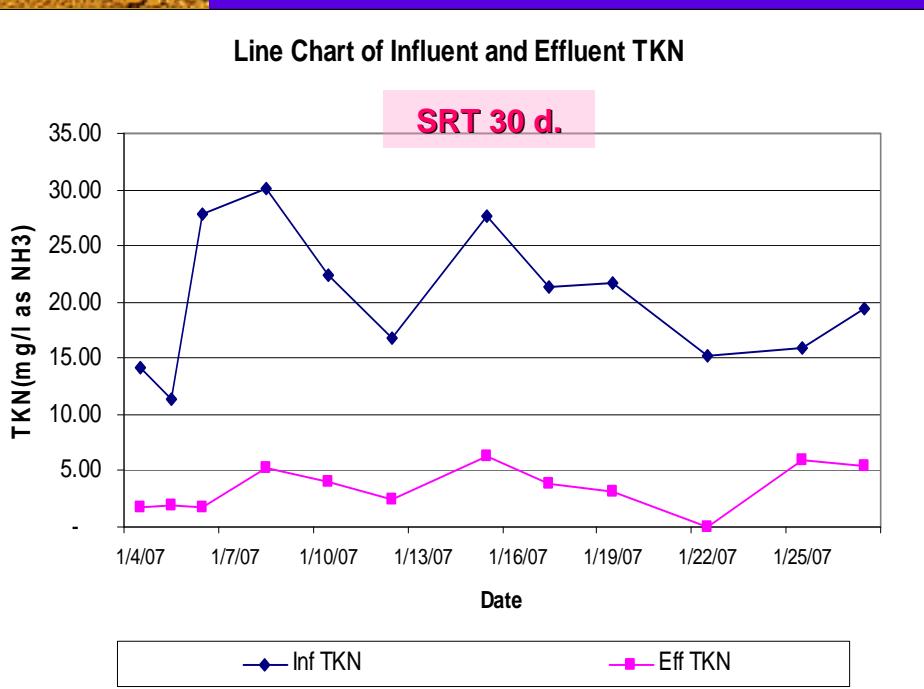
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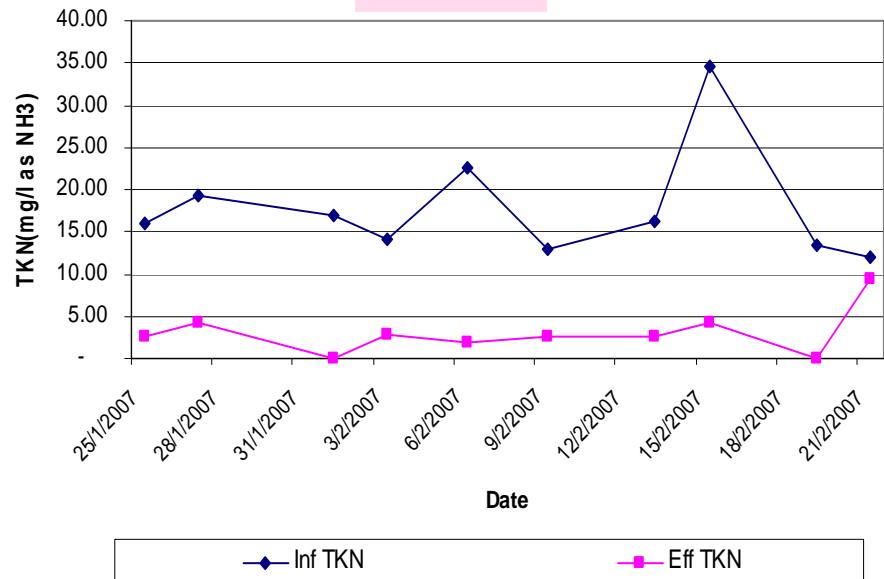
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# Performance of MBR for TKN Removal

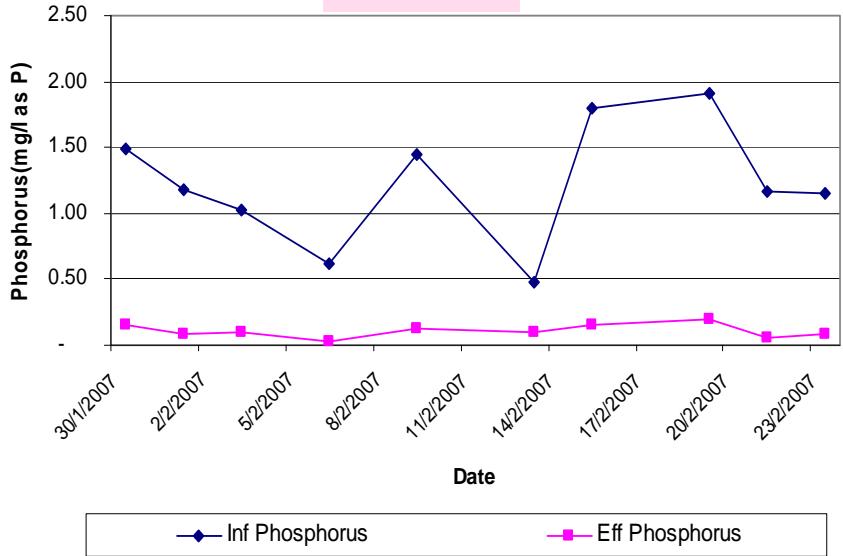
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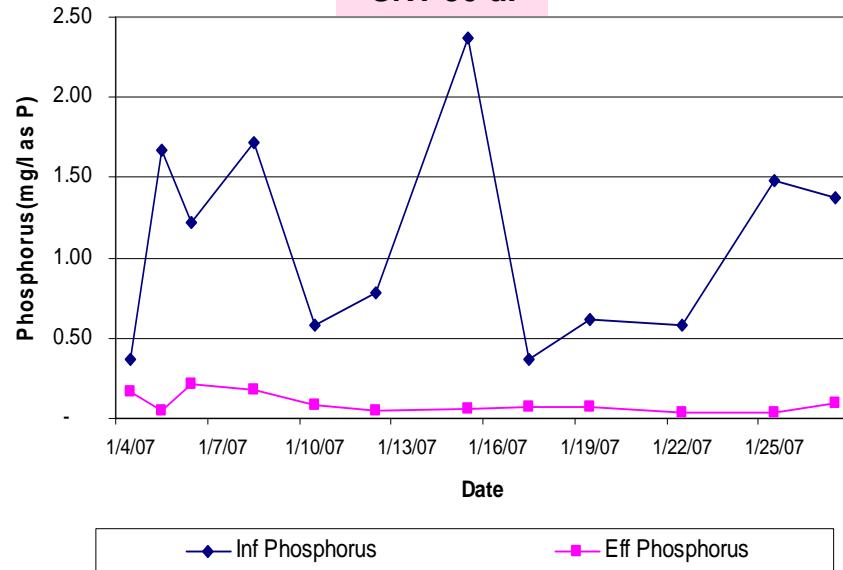
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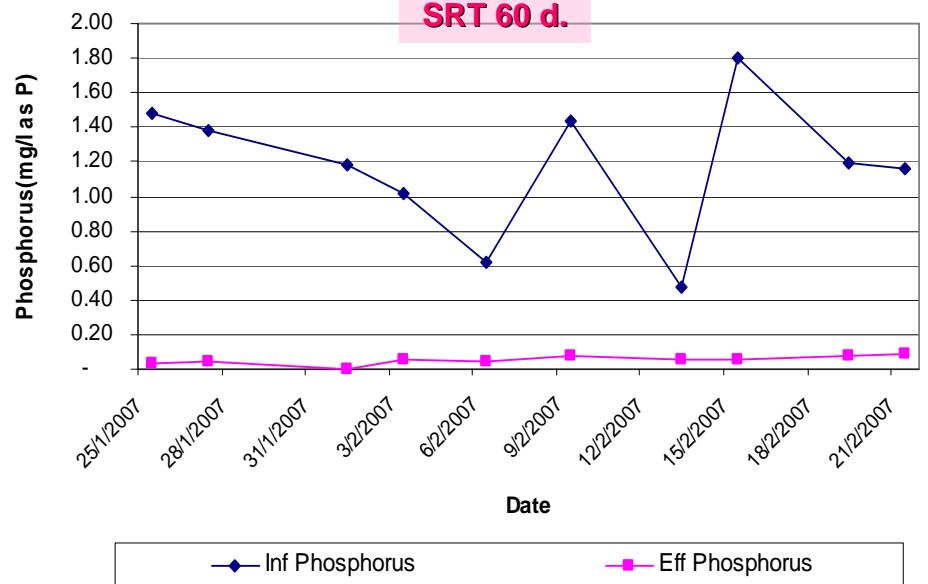
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# Performance of MBR for Phosphorus Removal

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# Color Removal



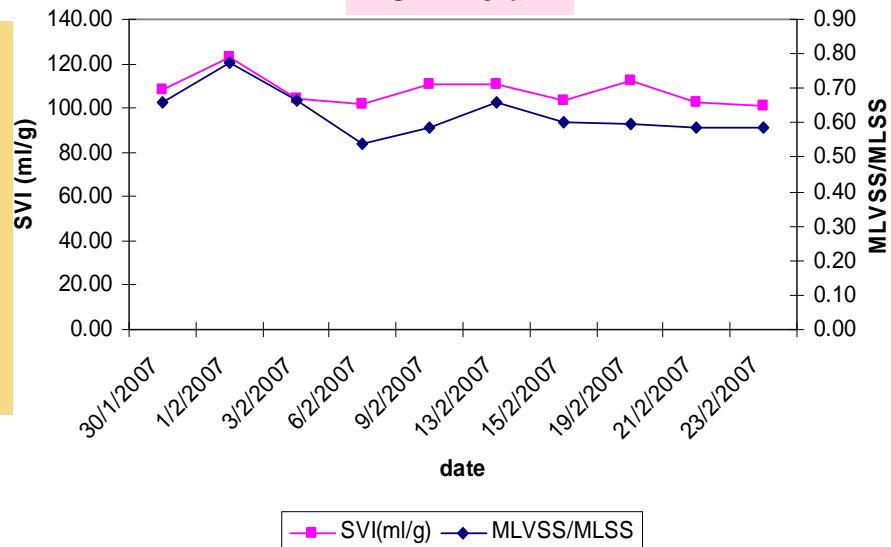
Before

After

# SVI and MLSS/MLVSS inside MBR system

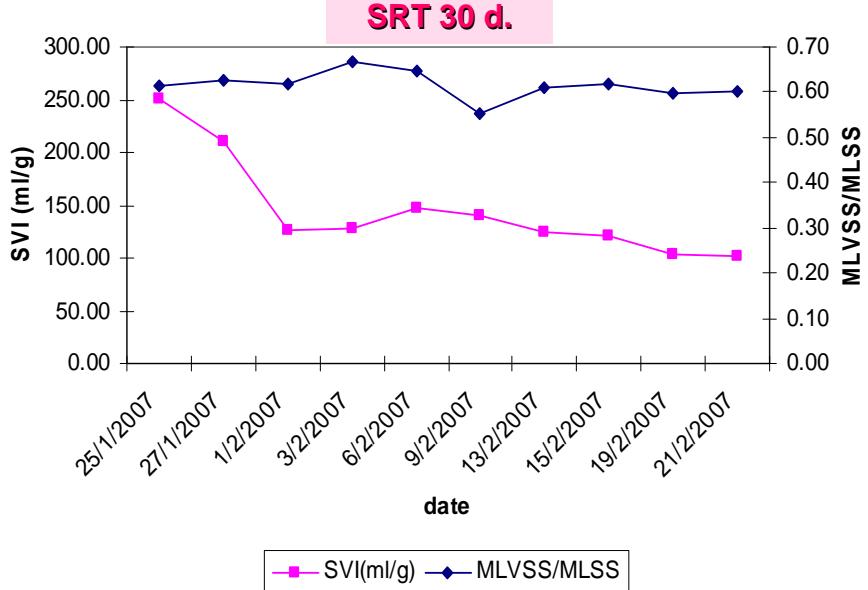
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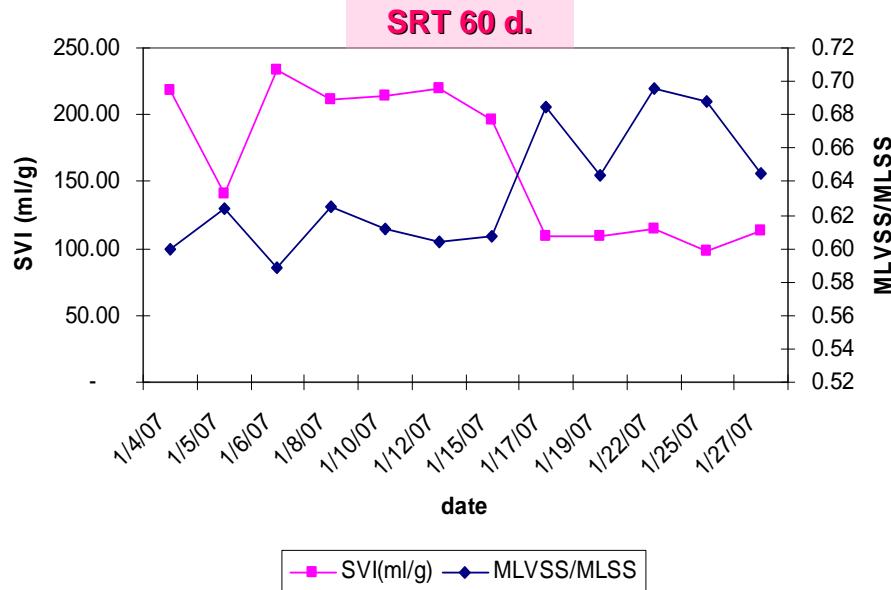
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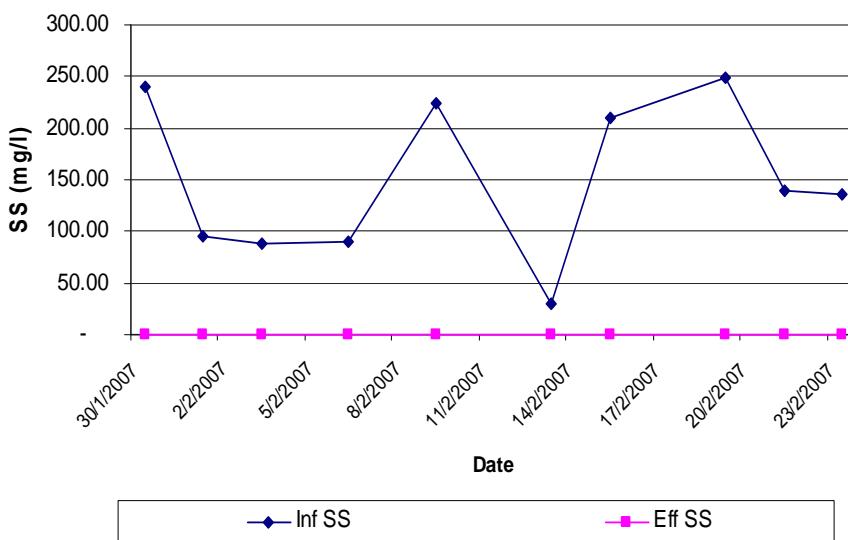
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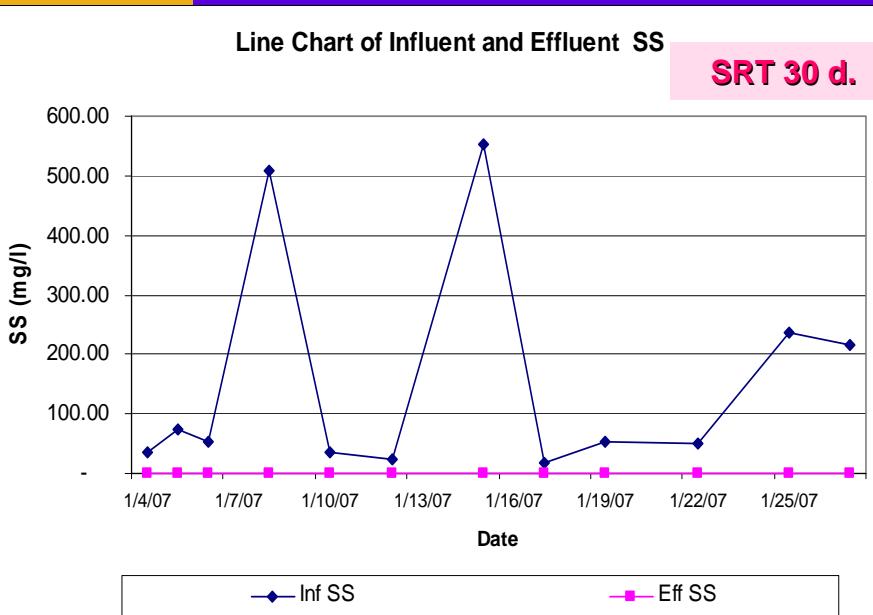
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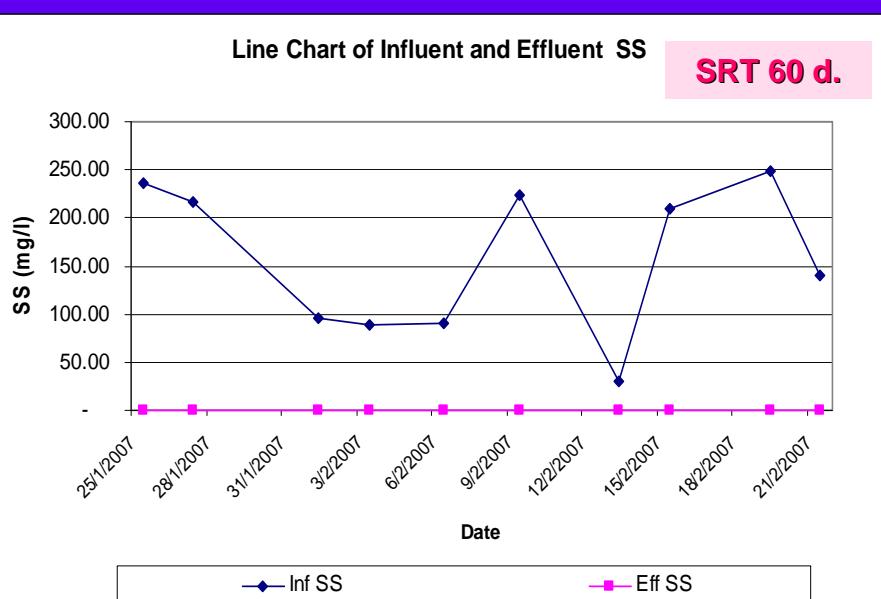
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# Performance of MBR for SS Removal

### Line Chart of Influent and Effluent SS

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# Effect of sludge age on removal percentage of textile wastewater treatment using SMBR

SRT (days)	COD (%)	BOD (%)	TKN (%)	NH4 (%)	TP (%)	Color (%)
20	84.6	91.0	92.8	91.9	91.1	74.4
30	85.6	94.5	93.0	97.6	91.6	86.8
45	85.0	93.5	93.5	90.4	94.1	65.0
60	87.3	94.9	93.1	94.2	95.5	85.1



## Effect of Intermittent aeration time on removal percentage of SMBR for textile wastewater

Intermittent time (mins)	COD (%)	BOD (%)	TKN (%)	NH4 (%)	TP (%)	Color (%)
30/30	83.1	97.1	91.0	93.6	92.1	81.6
60/60	83.7	98.5	95.9	93.3	95.0	81.6
90/90	88.7	98.2	88.5	85.0	91.0	71.1
Continuous aeration	85.6	94.5	90.0	97.6	91.6	87.0



# Conclusion

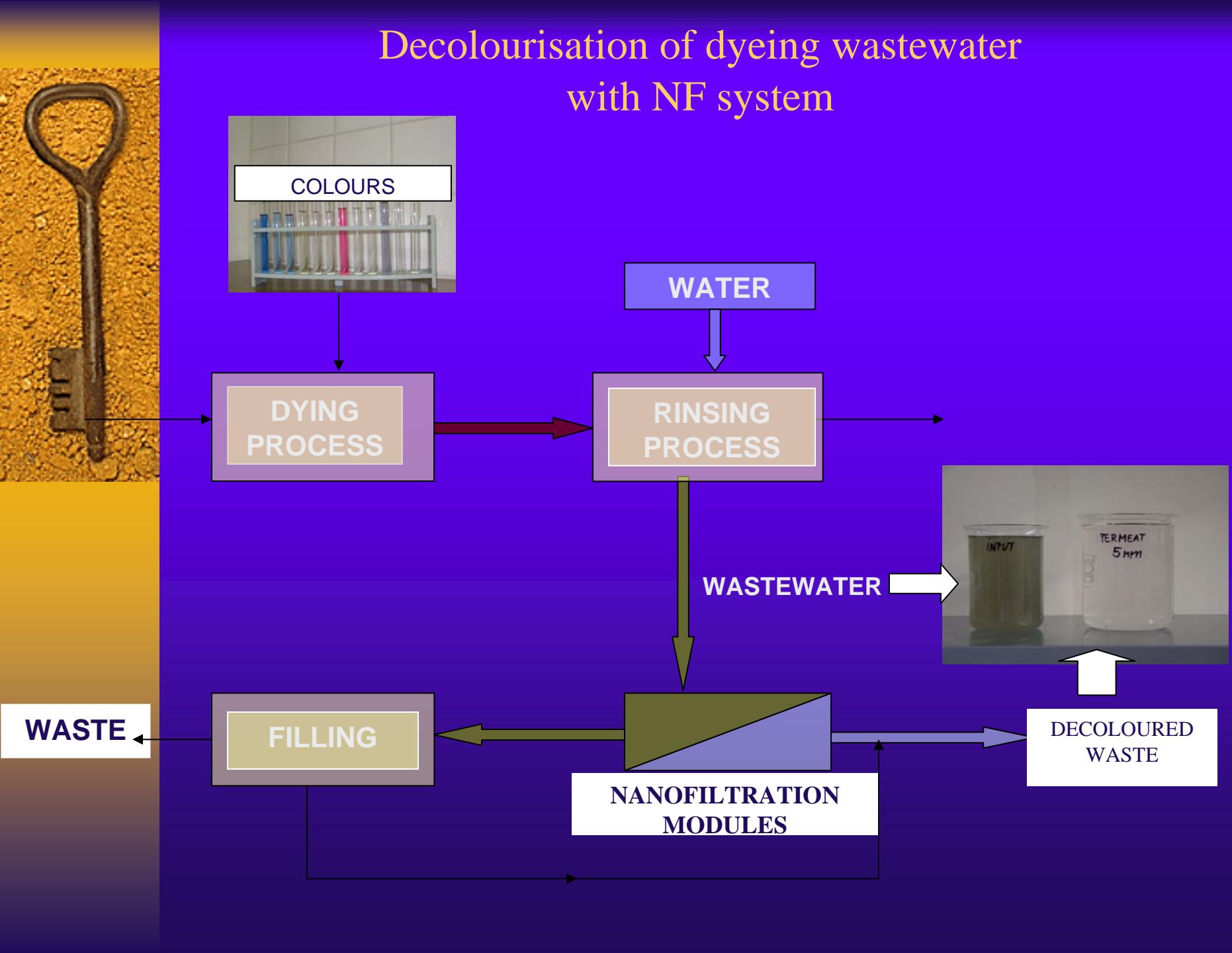
- ◆ MBR system with sludge age 60 days and intermittent aeration mode at 30/30 minutes was selected here for the system with less sludge wastage and high performance of wastewater treatment
- ◆ MBR system has better performance than the traditional AS system, used in this factory.
- ◆ → Better effluent quality could be obtained with space saving MBR unit.



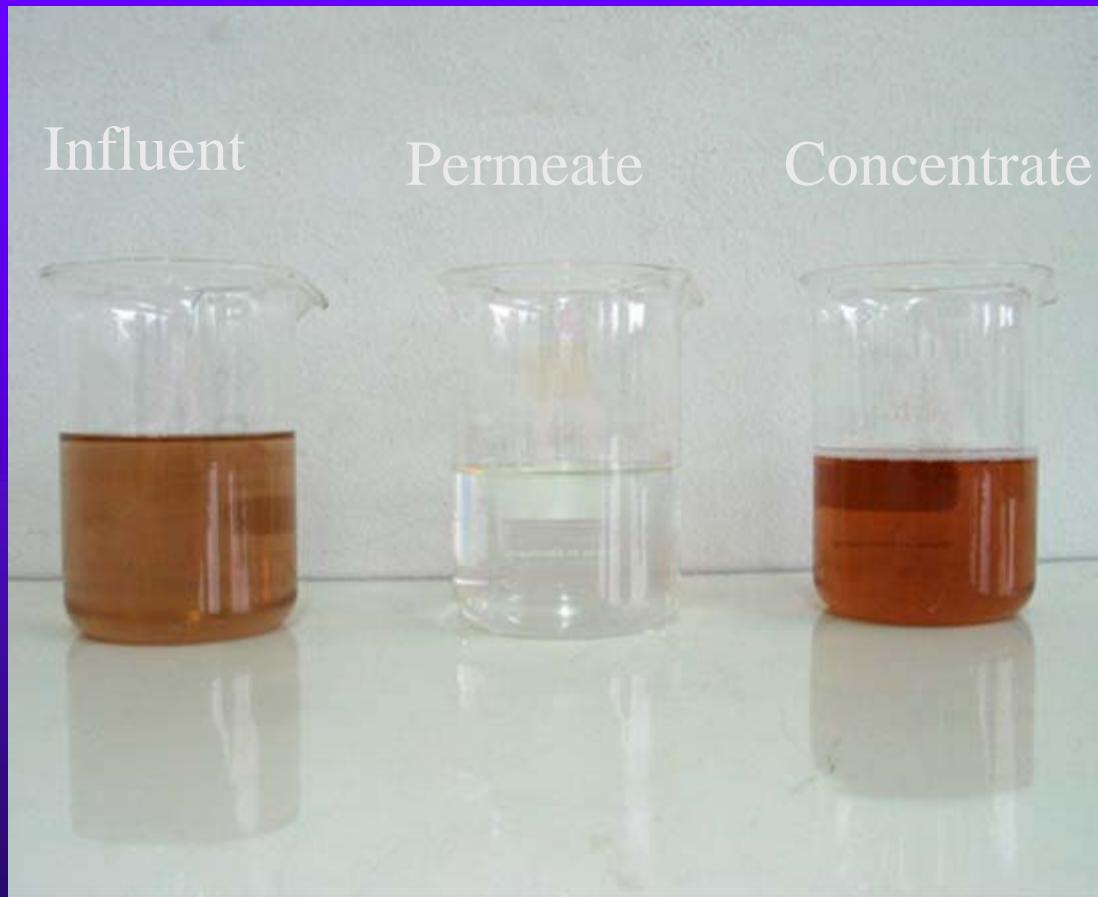
## Case study 2: Decolorization of with nanofiltration system



# Decolourisation of dyeing wastewater with NF system



# Decolorization with NF system





# Advantage of MBR Technology

- # Minimum space required for plant
- # Modular assembly (easy to upgrade for higher capacity)
- # **Increasing of micro-organism concentration possible, specialised and well adapted micro-organisms help to degrade problematic pollutants**
- # Water for reuse (irrigation, rinsing water etc.)
  - = > better retention of micro-organisms
  - = > saving costs for freshwater
  - = > saving water resources (protecting the environment)
- # Maximum health protection (closed system)
- # No smell
- # Possible same running costs compared to conventional technologies

A photograph of a Earth globe centered against a bright blue sky with a few wispy white clouds. Six hands of various skin tones are visible, reaching up from the bottom of the frame to touch the globe. The hands are positioned at different heights, with some on the left side and others on the right, creating a sense of global unity and shared responsibility.

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