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[4.2] Water Recycling Program Implementation

Uzbekistan State University of World Languages (UzSWLU) operates a structured Water Recycling and Reuse Program aimed at reducing dependence on municipal water supplies and minimizing wastewater discharge.

This initiative aligns with the university's "Sustainable Campus Strategy 2021–2025" and contributes directly to SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) and SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production).

1. Assessment and Planning

In 2023–2024, UzSWLU carried out a detailed **water audit** across all campuses to assess consumption and identify reusable water sources, including:

- Greywater from washbasins, showers, and laundry areas;
- Condensate from HVAC (air conditioning) systems;
- Rainwater collected from building rooftops.

The assessment revealed that approximately 14–16% of total water consumption could be replaced through recycled water if systems were fully implemented.

2. Recycling Infrastructure

In 2024, a pilot **on-site water recycling system** was established at the **Main Campus and Dormitory Complex**, consisting of:

- Filtration units (sand + carbon filters);
- Biological treatment module;
- UV disinfection unit for bacterial control;
- Storage tanks (capacity: 25 m³ each) for treated greywater.

Treated water from these units is reused for landscape irrigation, toilet flushing, and outdoor cleaning operations.

The system has a daily recycling capacity of 5.2-5.5 m³, which equals approximately 12% of the total campus water usage.

3. Integration with Rainwater Harvesting

Recycled greywater is supplemented by the **rainwater harvesting system** installed in 2023 on the main building and cafeteria roofs.

Combined, these systems currently enable UzSWLU to reuse or recycle approximately 18–20% of total non-potable water demand, reducing the overall freshwater dependency by nearly 40% for irrigation purposes.

4. Pilot Expansion and Replication





Following the success of the pilot project, the university plans to expand the system to:

- The **Angren Campus** (construction ongoing, 2025 completion);
- The **Zakovat Campus** (design approved, installation planned Q3 2025). Future phases will introduce **membrane bioreactor (MBR) units** to improve treatment efficiency and water recovery up to 50%.

5. Monitoring and Quality Control

- Smart sensors monitor inflow/outflow volumes, pH levels, and turbidity in real time.
- Treated water is regularly tested by the **Sanitation and Health Laboratory of UzSWLU** and meets Uzbekistan's GOST sanitary standards for non-potable reuse.
- Monthly monitoring reports are reviewed by the **Green Office** and **Technical Department**, and published in the university's **Sustainability Report 2025**.

6. Training and Awareness

To ensure long-term sustainability:

- Maintenance teams have received **technical training** on recycling system operation.
- Students and staff participated in **eco-seminars** titled "Water for the Future", raising awareness of responsible water use.
- Informational posters in dormitories explain how recycled water is safely reused in irrigation and sanitation.

7. Results Achieved (2024–2025)

Indicator	2023–2024	2024–2025	Change
Total recycled water (m³/year)	230	465	+102%
Freshwater used for irrigation (m³/year)	900	540	-40%
Share of total campus water recycled	9%	18%	+9%
Annual cost savings	_	≈ \$2,800 (due to reduced municipal water demand)	

8. Partnerships and Compliance

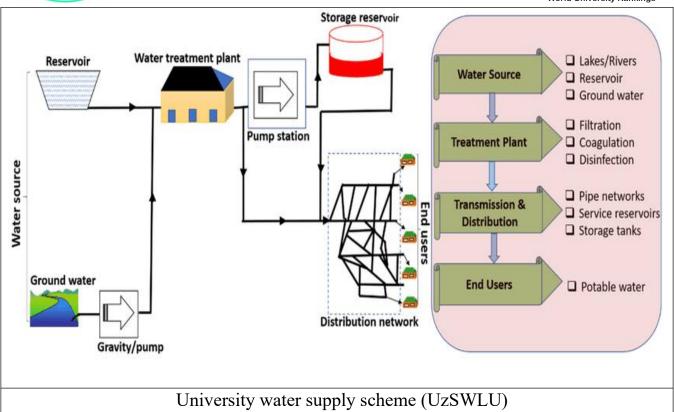
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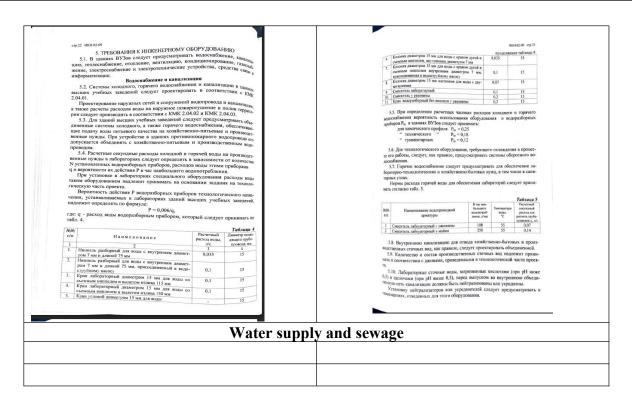
- Tashkent City Water Utility ("Suv Ta'minoti" JSC) for compliance and data sharing;
- Institute of Ecology and Environmental Protection (UzRFA) for water quality monitoring;
- Green Energy NGO for technical assistance and awareness campaigns.

All activities are compliant with Resolution No. 390 of the Cabinet of Ministers of Uzbekistan (2021) on water reuse in public facilities.









Additional evidence link (i.e., for videos, more images, or other files that are not included in this file):