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[BANGLADESH]

Co-foundators and Directors
Waste Concern

1- Biography

Maqsood SINHA is an **Urban Planner-Architect** and Iftekhar ENAYETULLAH is a **professional civil engineer**.

They both possess over **16 years of professional experience** in the capacity of **Researchers and Consultants** with university, consulting firm, international agencies, government organization and NGO. They are practitioners, researchers and social entrepreneurs in areas of waste management, environmental management and clean energy

2- Today's responsibilities

The capital of Bangladesh, Dhaka, has a serious problem with solid-waste disposal. Maqsood SINHA and Iftekhar ENAYETULLAH who **consider waste as asset, not hazard**, created Waste Concern. They run neighbourhood plants that **convert garbage into compost**, improving public health and creating jobs for the urban poor.

Moreover this community based decentralized composting model, using public-private-community partnerships, has led to the production of eco-friendly compost, which is most needed for the organic matter deficient soil of Bangladesh and also for reducing green house gas emission.

Till December 2006, Waste Concern's composting technology and implementation model has been replicated in 47 locations distributed in 26 cities and towns of Bangladesh but also in Sri Lanka or Vietnam.

For all their work, Maqsood SINHA and Iftekhar ENAYETULLAH received numerous prizes, among which the United Nations Poverty Eradication Award 2002 or the Tech Museum Awards 2003 (USA) for developing technology benefiting humanity.