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The challenge is to meet the SDG6 target for the world's rural population, especially in Africa and Latin America.

If we do not meet the targets for drinking water and sanitation coverage in rural areas, it will be difficult to achieve the global SDG6 target.

ACTIONS

Infrastructure and capacity building go hand in hand.

Otherwise, the systems built are destined to fail. They will not be sustainable, wasting effort and money, therefore we propose to implement the following actions

- 1.- Construction of adequate infrastructure according to the real requirements and needs of the population that demands it, through their active participation in the solutions.
- 2.- Training and strengthening of governance and technical and administrative operational management capacities to guarantee a sustainable operation over time with a safe, continuous service and fair rates for the population served.

In relation to this point, we can indicate that FESAN, with 15 years of experience and more than 200 programs carried out, works hand in hand with rural and peri-urban communities to ensure the sustainability of their access to drinking water and sanitation services, and as members of GWOPA of UN-HABITAT and through WOPs programs for the exchange of experiences, we improve the management and governance of the organizations by strengthening their endogenous capacities, creating a management model and a Best Practices Manual.

IMPACT

We generate a paradigm shift in communities from subsistence management to sustainable water and sanitation management. A good example illustrates the impact generated in 1,000 indigenous families in Buena Esperanza, San Martín Jilotepeque, Guatemala, 2018.

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