## **WASTE MINIMISATION:**

Waste minimisation is a process of reducing the amount and activity of waste materials to a level as low as reasonably achievable.

By reducing or eliminating the generation of harmful and persistent wastes, waste minimisation supports efforts to promote a more sustainable society.







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# DOMESTIC WASTE MANAGEMENT



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### **DOMESTIC WASTE**

Is the waste generated as a result of the ordinary day-to-day use of a domestic premises.

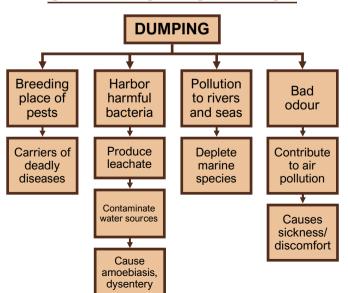


Comprises of garbage and rubbish such as bottles, cans, clothing, compost, disposables, food packaging, food scraps, newspapers and magazines, and yard trimmings.

#### **Sources of Domestic Waste:**

- ▶ Poor Storage
- ▶ Poor Handling
- Inadequate disposal of domestic waste

### **UNMANAGED GARBAGE**



## **IMPROPER WASTE REMOVAL**

Improper disposal of waste can greatly affect the health of the population living nearby the polluted area or landfills.

From simple household rubbish to the commercial waste of businesses, proper

removal of rubbish matters.

# EFFECTS OF IMPROPER WASTE REMOVAL & WASTE MANAGEMENT:

- Soil Contamination
- Air Contamination
- Water Contamination
- Bad Impact on Human Health
- Impact on Animal and Marine life
- Disease-carrying pests
- Adversely affect the local economy
- Missed recycling opportunities
- Causes extreme climate change

#### **HEALTH EFFECTS OF POOR WASTE DISPOSAL:**

Exposure to improperly handled wastes can cause:

- Skin irritations
- blood infection
- respiratory problems
- and even reproductive issues





## IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING YOUR WASTE BIN COVERED AND CLEAN:

- Bins should be covered to prevent invasion by pests and insects
- Reduce odor
- Plastic liners helps to control leakages & odors

#### **HOW TO MANAGE DOMESTIC WASTE:**

- √ Reducing your garbage
- Use cloth bag instead of plastic
- Buy food that has less packaging
- Don't use bottle drinks unless you have to.
- Reduce your paper usage
- Consider making your own detergents
- Donate items when possible
- Create your own compost site