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ABSTRACT

Research was conducted to analyze the physiochemical parameters (pH, conductivity, TDS, hardness, chloride, fluoride, heavy metals) of produced water of Missa Keswal (Gujar khan, Punjab, Pakistan) oil field and their impacts on surrounding soil and water. Produced water samples were collected from 5 settling tanks. Soil samples were also collected from the study area inside the oil field and also from the surrounding area of oil field. Soil samples were taken at distances about 0-15cm depth to analyze the impacts of produced water on surrounding soils. According to Pak-EPA standards pH of produced water lies within the defined limits and Cl was present in much higher amount than the permissible limits defined by Pak-EPA. Results of heavy metals were compared with Pak-EPA which showed that arsenic and manganese are within the permissible limit. High level of chromium observed in produced water tank 3 i.e. 1.26 mg/L. From the present study it is determined that produced water showed highly contamination of pollutants so it should be treated before releasing into the surrounding environment in order to avoid the impacts.

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ABBREVIATIONS

CDA Capital Development Authority

Pak-EPA Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency

K₂CrO₄ Potassium Chromate

Mg Magnesium

NaNO₃ Sodium Nitrate

NEQ's National Environmental Quality Standards
PEPC Pakistan Environmental Protection Council
PEPA Pakistan Environmental Protection Act

Ph Negative Log of Hydrogen Ion Concentration

TDS Total Dissolved Solid
TSS Total Suspended Solids

U.V Ultra Violet

WHO World Health Organization

As Arsenic

RBBC Right Bank Branch Canal LBBC Left Bank Branch Canal

ASTM American Society for Testing Materials

PEPC Pakistan Environmental Protection Council

WWF World wide Fund

NIH National Institute of Health

OECC Overseas Environmental Cooperation Centre

PAHs Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons

MAF Million Acre Feet

WTO World Toilet Organization

WQI Water Quality Index

SCEA Strategic Country Environmental Assessment

ADB Asian Development Bank

SOE Standard Operating Environment

WRI Water Resource Institute

PHED Public Health Engineering Department

WASA Water and Sewer Authority
CRBC Chashma Right Bank Canal

NCS National Conservation Strategy

NEAP National Environmental Action Plan

TWQR Target Water Quality Range
NTU Nephelometric Turbidity Unit
PSI Pakistan Standard Institution

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