

## **Exploring Success Stories in Sierra Leone. MDG 7 – Environmental Sustainability**



John's visit to an Oxfam water facility project:



In 2008 only half of the people in Sierra Leone had access to clean water. Not many people had a toilet in their area. Drinking water from the wrong places is a massive cause of sickness, particularly diahorrea. To make this better, Oxfam is working with people to provide water pumps and toilets for more people to use.

When the taps and toilets are built Oxfam works with council and community members in Sierra Leone to make sure the new facilities are properly looked after so that they can last a long time.

This photo shows a new water pump recently built by Oxfam in eastern Sierra Leone.

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### **MDG 7 – Environmental Sustainability**

#### **BEFORE**

- What can be the problem for people using unsuitable water facilities?
- Imagine you couldn't use clean water – make a list of the things you couldn't do safely
- What do you think happens when people don't have access to a toilet?

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#### **AFTER**

- What can people do more safely when they can use clean water?
- How is the project successful?
- If more and more people have access to toilets and clean water in Sierra Leone, how might Sierra Leone be different in the future?