

# **AN OVERVIEW ON CONTINUOUS EFFLUENT QUALITY MONITORING SYSTEM**



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## Real Time Monitoring System – Why

- Self Monitoring mechanism within the industries
- Increased management responsibility for regulatory compliance
- Increased cost-effectiveness
- Fast corrective action
- Improved control over impacts on the environment
- Higher environmental awareness
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# Goals of Online environmental monitoring system

- Improved control over impacts on the environment
- Higher environmental awareness
- Increased management responsibility for regulatory compliance
- Self Monitoring mechanism within the industries
- Increased cost-effectiveness (minimize inspection)
- Increased public access to information(Public Domain)

# **Real-time Water Quality Monitoring**

**Fresh Water and Wastewater**

**Options In-situ and Extractive**

# Advantages and Disadvantages of Flow Through Extractive System

<b>Advantages</b>	<b>Disadvantages</b>
<p data-bbox="48 358 739 501">Unit can be coupled with chlorinators to reduce membrane fouling.</p> <p data-bbox="48 522 759 665">Expensive sensor systems can be secured in vandal-proof shelters.</p> <p data-bbox="48 686 697 779">Calibration can be performed in the shelter.</p>	<p data-bbox="832 358 1846 401">120-volt AC power source is needed.</p> <p data-bbox="832 522 1856 565">Higher installation costs are incurred.</p> <p data-bbox="832 686 1789 829">Pumps tend to clog in streams with algal fouling or high sediment loads.</p> <p data-bbox="832 858 1624 951">Electrical shock protection is required.</p> <p data-bbox="832 972 1846 1065">Pumps may be damaged by corrosive waters.</p> <p data-bbox="832 1086 1673 1136">Pump maintenance is required.</p> <p data-bbox="832 1158 1846 1250">Pumping may cause changes in water quality.</p>

# Advantages and Disadvantages of In-situ Monitoring System

<b>Advantages</b>	<b>Disadvantages</b>
<p>No power is needed to pump water.</p> <p>Remote locations are possible.</p> <p>Smaller shelters can be used.</p> <p>Pumping maintenance is not required.</p> <p>Freeze protection is provided to the sensors.</p> <p>Electrical hazards are reduced.</p>	<p>Sensors are susceptible to vandalism.</p> <p>The water flow cannot be treated to reduce fouling.</p> <p>In shallow bank installations, the proper location of sensors in the cross section is difficult.</p> <p>Servicing sensors during flooding can be difficult.</p> <p>Sensors are susceptible to debris or high flow.</p> <p>Shifting channels may cause movement of the equipment.</p>

# Monitoring Systems operated by Industries

## Air Pollution Monitoring System

- Emission Monitoring Systems
- Ambient Air Quality Monitoring Systems



## Water Pollution Monitoring System

- Effluent Monitoring Systems



# Automatic Water Quality Monitoring of River Ganga



## Monitoring Station

Vertical Bridge Spanning



Vertical Downstream Floating



## Online Effluent Monitoring





# Instrumentation of RTEQMS

- Various equipment manufacturers in India and Abroad are capable to supply, install, commission and operate the RTEQMS.
- Technology providers have analyser as well as sensor based equipment's to cater to the needs of RTEQMS.
- General guidelines shall not specify the equipments and technology to be used for setting up of RTEQMS
- Market based system shall be governed for setting up of RTEQMS
- Industrial units/associations shall use the equipment and service providers based on the economics and ruggedness for RTEQMS to last longer (say at least 5 to 8 years)

Parameters	Technologies
pH	Electrode /Electrochemical method
TSS	Scattered Light Method (IR) Nephelometry Method
COD, BOD, TSS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UV Spectrophotometry (Single/two/four wavelengths)</li> <li>• UV-Visible Spectrophotometry (Single Beam)</li> <li>• UV-Vis Spectrophotometry (Double Beam)</li> </ul>
TOC (Co-relation with BOD & COD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Combines Combustion Catalytic Oxidation at 680°C and NDIR Method</li> <li>• UV Persulfate NDIR Detector</li> <li>• Persulfate Oxidation at 116-130 Deg C NDIR Detector</li> </ul>
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Chromium	Colorimetric method Reaction of Cr-VI with di-phenyl carbazide in acid solution Voltammetry (Anodic Stripping Voltammetry)
Chromium Hexavalent and Trivalent	Dual Beam UV-Visible Spectrophotometry
Arsenic	Voltammetry (Anodic Stripping Voltammetry)
Besides the above there are Systems/Technologies	many other Monitoring available

<b>Available Technologies</b>	<b>Parameters Measured</b>	<b>Applications</b>
<b>UV Spectrophotometry (Single/two/four wavelengths)</b>	<b>COD, BOD</b>	<b>Fresh Water &amp; Waste Water analysis with constant matrix in water source</b>
<b>UV-Vis Spectrophotometry 40 wavelength</b>	<b>COD, BOD, TSS</b>	<b>Fresh Water &amp; Waste Water analysis with Constant matrix in water source</b>
<b>UV-Visible Spectrophotometry (Single Beam)</b>	<b>COD, BOD, TSS</b>	<b>Fresh Water &amp; Waste Water analysis without interference check and compensation</b>
<b>UV-Vis Spectrophotometry (Double beam with entire spectrum scanning)</b>	<b>COD, BOD, TSS</b>	<b>Fresh water to Waste water analysis Interference check for color and turbidity and compensation.</b>
<b>Combines Combustion Catalytic Oxidation at 680°C and NDIR Method</b>	<b>TOC (Co-relation with BOD &amp; COD)</b>	<b>Fresh Water and Waste Water analysis</b>
<b>UV Persulfate NDIR Detector</b>	<b>TOC (Co-relation with BOD &amp; COD)</b>	<b>Fresh Water &amp; Waste Water analysis</b>
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<b>Measuring COD using Potassium dichromate(<math>K_2Cr_2O_7</math>) + Colorimetric</b>	<b>COD</b>	<b>Fresh Water &amp; Waste Water analysis</b>
<b>Electrode /Electrochemical method</b>	<b>pH</b>	<b>Fresh water &amp; Waste Water analysis</b>
<b>Scattered Light Method (IR)</b>	<b>TSS</b>	<b>Fresh water &amp; Waste Water analysis</b>
<b>Nephelometry Method</b>	<b>TSS</b>	<b>Fresh Water &amp; Less turbid water analysis</b>
<b>Colorimetric (645-655nm)</b>	<b>NH3</b>	<b>Process stream &amp; Waste Water analysis. Turbidity interference is there which can be overcome</b>
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<b>Voltammetry (Anodic Stripping Voltammetry)</b>	<b>Arsenic</b>	<b>Fresh Water analysis.</b>

# Site Selection

- **Fixing of site for installation of RTEQMS should be representative and in compliance to provisions of Consent Management (notified effluent outfall with coordinates-Global Positioning System) to assess temporal changes in the quality of effluent discharged from the premises of industrial unit.**
- **Monitoring site should be accurately displayed with written station location.**
- **Photographic evidence should be obtained in the documentation.**

# **Data Management and Quality Checks**

- **RTEQMS generated data should be validated according to Water Quality Criteria/Effluent Discharge Standards using the methodologies included in the publication of American Public Health Association on Water and Waste Water Examination(20<sup>th</sup> Edition)**
- **Sensors/analyzers shall have current US EPA reference or equipment method designation and shall be of the latest design.**



# **Data Management and Quality Checks**

## **(contd.)**

- **Standard Operating procedure should be provided and must contain**
  - **Operating procedures for all analyzers and sensors**
  - **Calibration procedures**
  - **Calibration schedules**
  - **Maintenance procedures**
  - **Maintenance schedules**
  - **Data Transmission procedures**
  - **Data validation procedures**

# General Specifications -RTEQMS

- **Equipment's should be capable of operating in a self-powering mode from an internal power supply (using cell batteries/alternative system) with a full payload at a defined sampling interval.**
- **Equipment's should have a non-volatile flash disk memory capable of storing individual readings for a period of at least one year.**
- **Loss of power should not cause loss of memory**

# pH (mV)

Parameter	Technical Specification
Measuring Range	0.0 to 14 units of pH
Accuracy	$\leq 0.01$ units of pH
Response Time	$\leq 60$ seconds
Operating Temperature	0 to 40° C
Operating Humidity	5 to 95% non-condensing
Power	12 VDC Nominal
Cleaning	Self-Cleaning ( Automatic )

# COD (mg/l)

Parameter	Technical Specification
Measuring Range	0.0 to 500 mg/L
Accuracy	$\pm 2\% + 5$ mg/L of certified reference standard
Resolution	$\leq 1$ mg/L
Response Time	$\leq 60$ seconds
Operating Temperature	0 to 40° C
Operating Humidity	5 to 95% non-condensing
Power	12 VDC Nominal
Cleaning	Self-Cleaning ( Automatic )

# BOD (mg/L)

Parameter	Technical Specification
Measuring Range	0.0-50 mg/L
Resolution	$\leq 1$ mg/L
Response Time	$\leq 60$ seconds
Operating Temperature	0 to 40° C
Operating Humidity	5 to 95% non-condensing
Power	12 VDC Nominal
Cleaning	Self-Cleaning ( Automatic )

# Ammonia (mg/l)

Parameter	Technical Specification
Measuring Range	0.0 to 100 mg/L
Accuracy	$\leq 3\%$ of full scale
Resolution	$\leq 0.1$ mg / L
Response Time	$\leq 60$ seconds
Operating Temperature	0 to 40° C
Operating Humidity	5 to 95% non-condensing
Power	12 VDC Nominal
Cleaning	Self-Cleaning ( Automatic )

# Total Suspended Solids (mg/l)

Parameter	Technical Specification
Measuring Range	0.0 to 200 mg/l
Accuracy	$\leq 5$ mg/l
Response Time	$\leq 60$ seconds
Operating Temperature	0 to 40° C
Operating Humidity	5 to 95% non-condensing
Power	12 VDC Nominal
Cleaning	Self-Cleaning ( Automatic )

# A model online water quality monitoring technologies



- Replaces old traditional cabinet analyzers and UV probes to have organic analysis without any need of toxic reagents, consumables , spares & regular maintenance.





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Spectrometer  
Probes



ISE  
Probes



Physical  
Probes

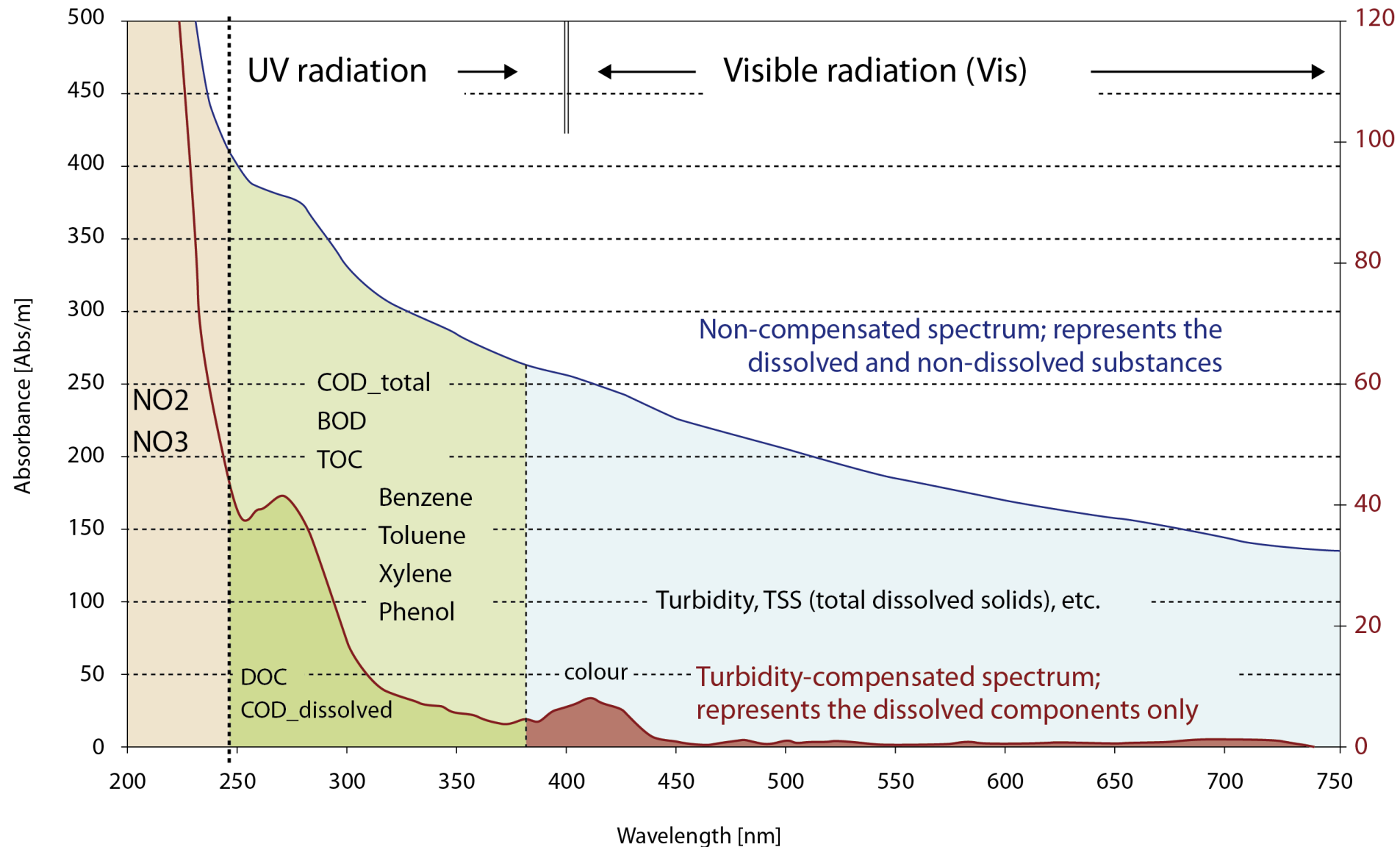


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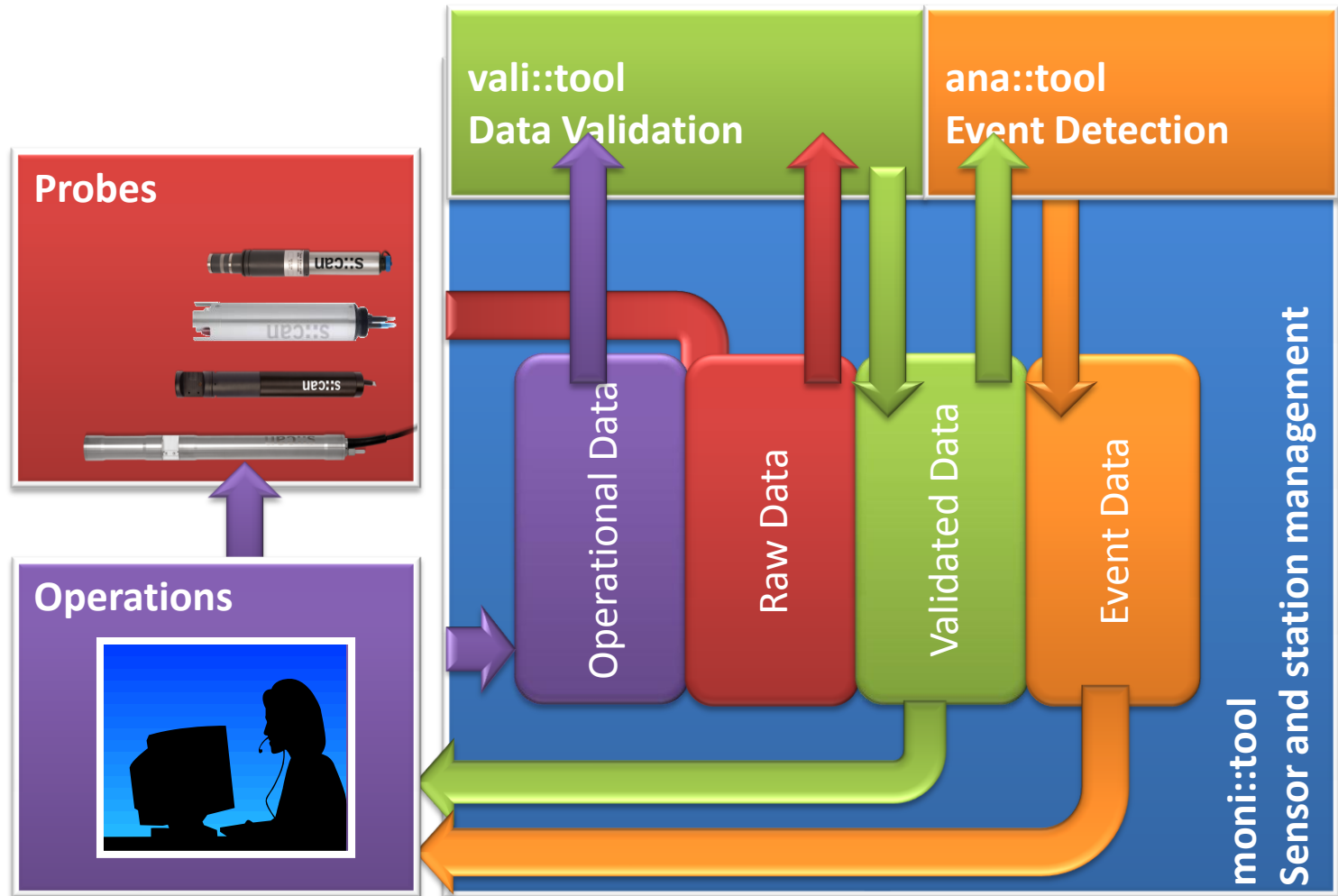


# Online Water Quality Monitoring & UV/Vis Spectrometry

## The Measuring Principle – Fingerprint



# From Raw Data to Event Detection



# Automatic cleaning of submersed sensors

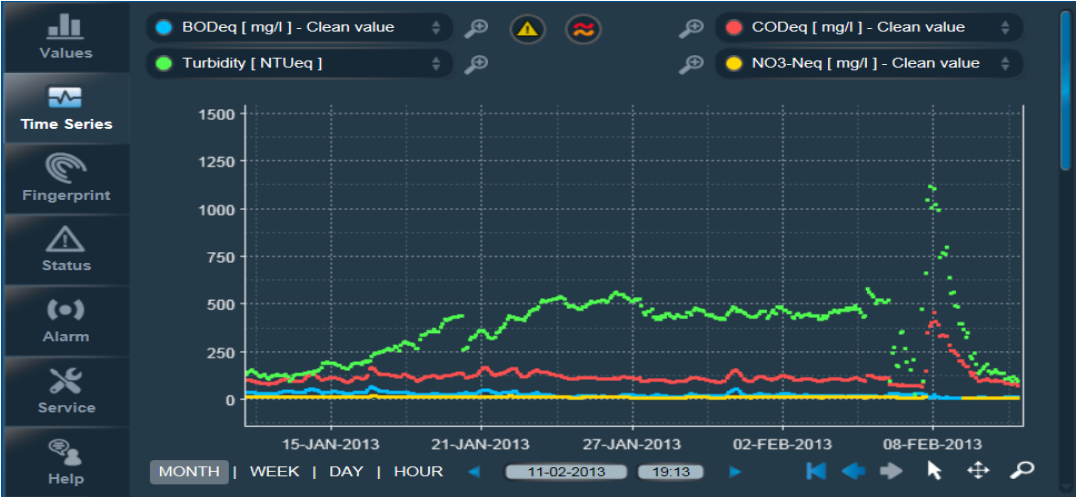
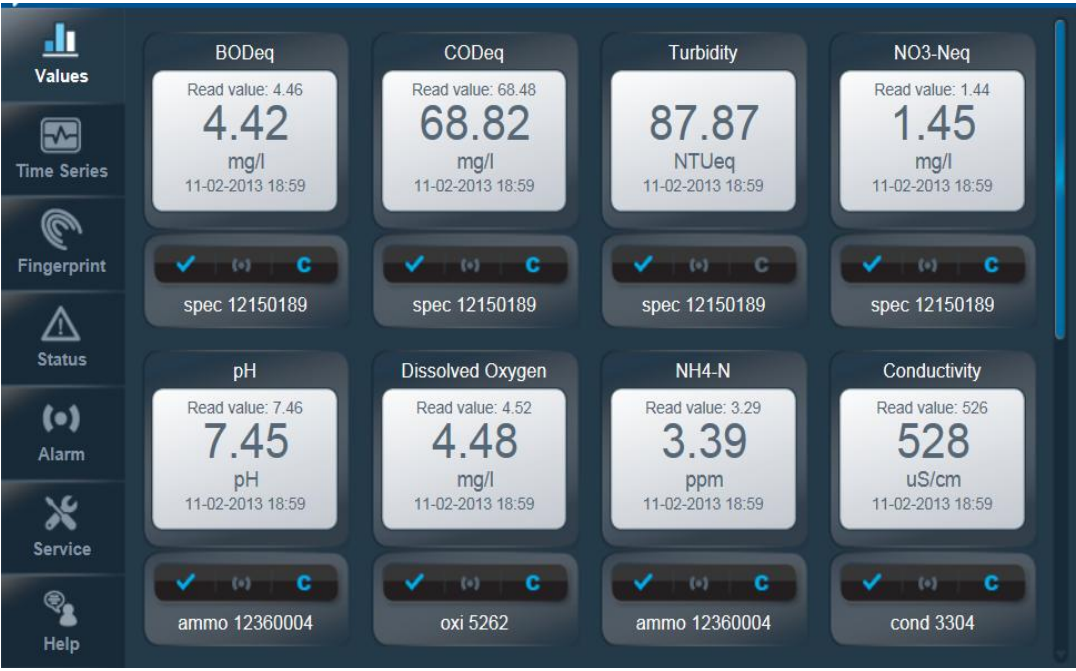


**Efficiency of the  
automatic cleaning w.  
pressure air**



# Real Time Continuous Water Quality Monitoring Stations at the Ganga Basin

- Measurement results from Okhla:
- Continuous results every 10 minutes, automatic file transfer of:
- NTU, COD, BOD, NO3, DO, pH, NH4-N, EC, Cl-, Temp







**THANK YOU**

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