

## overview

A definite highlight during June was our presentation and the Indowater 2007, which was successfully delivered by Arum, our Public Health Engineer. Also this month, we had 3 new SODIS users, 2 new chlorine users, and 4 new ceramic filter users join our program. *“I only have to buy 2L fuel instead of 3L in a week since now I do not have to boil water for drinking,”* said Pak Kosim, a new ceramic filter user in Bintaro Lama.



## project updates

**Garbage separation**

The kids in our Public Health Promotion classes are not only learning why it's important not to litter, but also why it's beneficial to separate recyclables instead. The kids now have a hook system at the homes and are separating paper, plastic, food and mixed solid waste. There have been several cases where the sorted materials have been stolen from the kids' hooks; the kids reacted in excitement that they have created something of value.

**Planting**

In conjunction with learning the worth of separating garbage, we are working with the kids in slum communities to plant gardens. They are learning that by separating their food waste, that they can make compost for their plants. Over 130 kids participated in our environmental activity lessons this month, and are enthusiastic about others to follow.

## events

**Point-of-Use Campaign – Bintaro Baru, June 11th**

Point-of-use water treatment alternatives were presented to the women's group and community leaders of Bintaro Baru. Current users from the community spoke the different methods. Ibu Mulyani, RT 13 leader of Bintaro Baru said: *“I tried SODIS method at home. I saw my son drink it and he didn't get sick. I now believe that this method is good to treat drinking water. I am glad with this Water Program and will support my community to learn these methods.”*

**Air RahMat Event – Bintaro Baru, June 23rd**

Over 200 people from the Bintaro Baru community participated in our event, sponsored by Air RahMat, to spread information on the benefits of chlorinating drinking water. We also gave information about other point-of-use water treatment alternatives, using the event to raise awareness on the importance of safe drinking water and hand-washing.



## presentations &amp; publications

Indowater 2007 Conference, *SODIS as an Alternative for Household Water Disinfection in Jakarta*, Jakarta Convention Center, 21 June 2007.

Tertiani ZB Simanjuntak, *Jakarta drinking water still poisonous*, The Jakarta Post, 25 June 2007:

<http://www.thejakartapost.com/Archives/ArchivesDet2.asp?FileID=20070625.D04>



## forecasts

We have another Air RahMat Community Event planned with Tanjung Priok, as well as a Street Kids Festival to look forward to in July. Otherwise, our focus will be on composting and rainwater collection next month.

## supporters

On behalf of the people we serve, thank you Tricia Wendt for the several carloads of various used goods you sent us to distribute. We are also grateful for the furniture, electronics, and other useful things donated by Steve and Lynn Swift. Thanks also to thank Barbara Oravetz for the many bags of used clothing, and to Susan Stengal for all the great plants. If you would like to donate toward our work, please visit [http://www.yewaterprogram.org/docs/donations\\_money.shtm](http://www.yewaterprogram.org/docs/donations_money.shtm). Thank you for your continued interest in helping the slum-dwellers of Jakarta!