





Improved water resources management through corporate reporting

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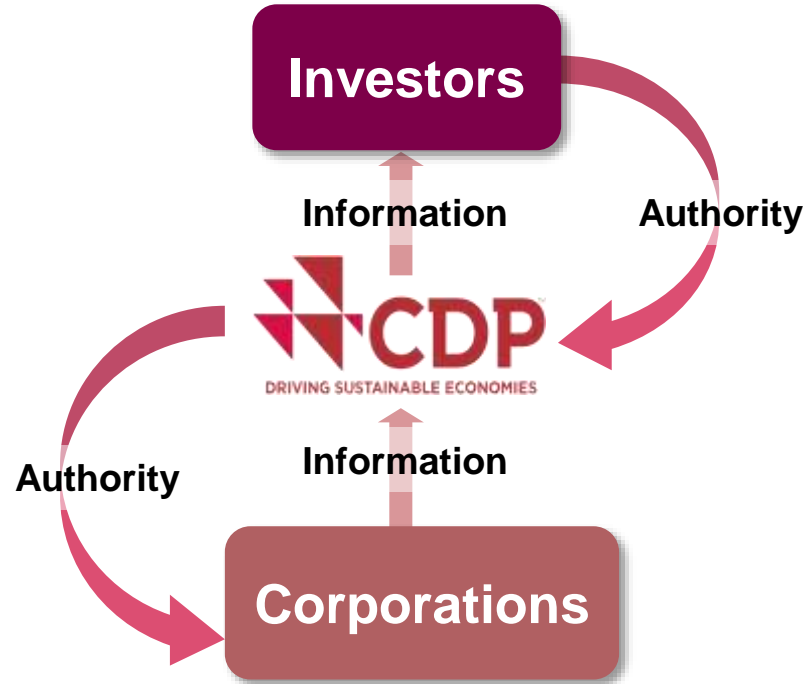
Businesses have a responsibility, opportunity and incentive to act



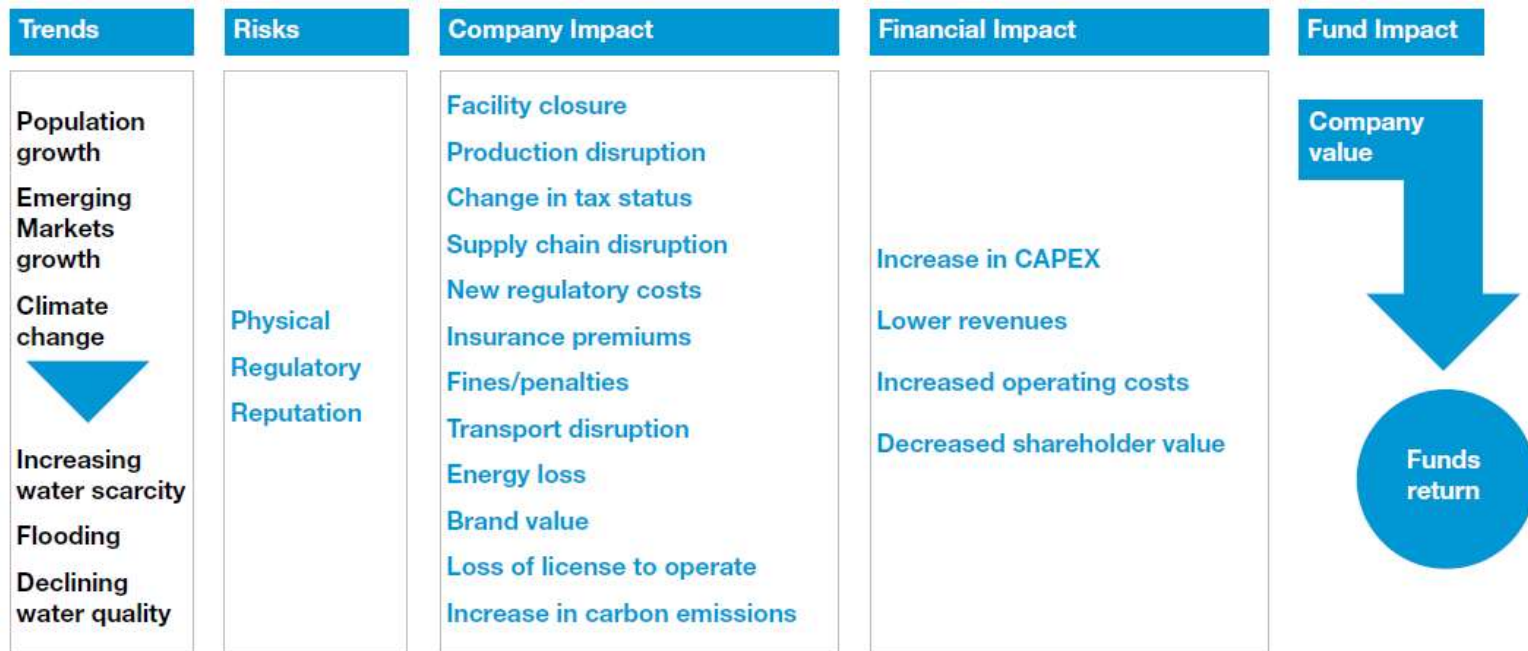
Water issues are, however, poorly understood in many businesses

- ▼ Some companies clearly recognise water as an issue, but **too few recognise its importance or understand the risks**
- ▼ Too few companies disclose **meaningful or comparable water** data as part of their (CSR) reporting
- ▼ The **immediacy of risks is underestimated**
- ▼ Too few companies recognise the **link between the health of river basins and the health of business**

CDP operates on behalf of investors and purchasing organisations



Water is a material issue for institutional investors

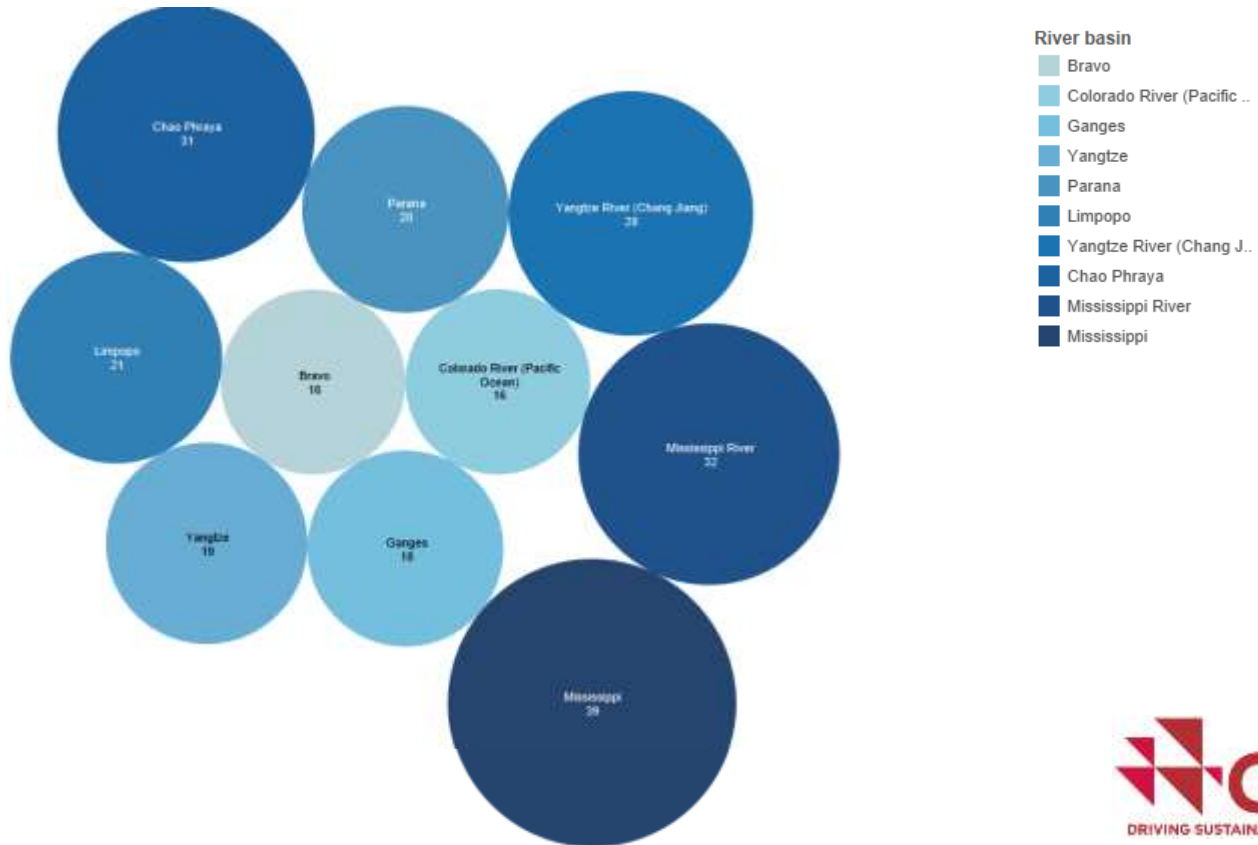


Corporate water reporting has a key role in driving action

- ▶ Provides key stakeholders with ***better information***;
- ▶ Requires companies to ***enhance their understanding*** of the issues, risks and opportunities in their own businesses;
- ▶ ***Encourages river basin action*** and dialogue;
- ▶ Supports efforts to ***develop standard measures*** and performance benchmarks; and
- ▶ ***Enhances resilience, water security and adaptation***



Number of companies reporting risk per river basin



Investor interest in water is rising

Water 2016

643 investor signatories

US\$67 trillion in assets

CDP's work on water

- ▼ CDP provides a non-regulatory mechanism to motivate companies to take action;
- ▼ CDP is now used by more than 1,500 companies worldwide to develop improved approaches to water resources management;
- ▼ CDP data is now used by investors, procurement teams and some governments to manage risks and capitalise opportunities;



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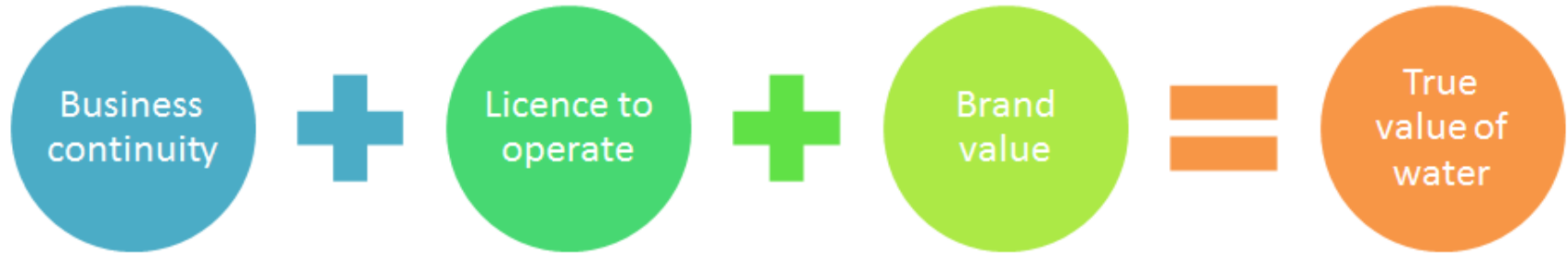


CDP is already engaging with some Indian companies on water

- ▼ Ambuja Cements
- ▼ Mahindra & Mahindra
- ▼ Mahindra Lifespace Developers Ltd
- ▼ Motherson Sumi Systems
- ▼ Tata Chemicals
- ▼ Tata Steel
- ▼ Tech Mahindra
- ▼ ZCL Chemicals



Realizing the true value of water





Thank you

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