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Observation of Canna lily for Phytotechnology in Constructed Wetland

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ABSTRACT

The application of sewage treatment in New Delhi should implement the treatment processes, which are easy to be operated and is not costly operational and avoid the complexity of the operating system of STP. The renewed interest in alternative onsite treatment technology by using a constructed wetland (CW). Canna lily, an ornamental plant that has an aesthetic value, is very suitable for an alternative plant for a constructed wetland. This study aims to observe the ability of canna lily for phytotechnology implementation in a constructed wetland. This study is known as a range-finding test (RFT), which served as a preliminary test. Observation is conducted by preparing variation concentration of wastewater; 25%; 50% 45%; 100% and 0% as control, which was injected into the wetland. CW (60 cm long, 60 cm wide and 60 cm deep) contained gravel medium height 25 cm with a wastewater volume 3 L. Observation measured the height of the plant, the color of the leaf, and DO, and BOD concentration. The observation was conducted for about 25 days, in term of 15 days for range finding test and 10 days for acclimation. The results show that Canna lily could grow well, though it has some part of the withered leaf, reach height significantly, and indicated decreasing concentration of organic parameters. It is conjectured that Canna lily is very possible for a constructed wetland application.

Keywords: Range-finding test, constructed wetland, plant, acclimation

Introduction

The application of sewage treatment in New Delhi should implement the treatment processes, which are easy to be operated and is not costly operational and avoid the complexity of the operating system of STP. The renewed interest is alternative onsite treatment technology by using a constructed wetland (CW). CW represents one alternative technology that may address more stringent nutrient removal standards thile providing relatively low maintenance requirements and capital and operating costs. CW, a green treatment technology by simulating natural wetlands, has been widely used to treat various kinds of wastewater such as domestic sewage, agricultural wastewater, industrial effluent, mine drainage, landfill leachate, stormwater, polluted river water, and urban runoff in the last few decades (Akizuki, Nagao, & Toda, 2018; Priya & Selvan, 2017). Different types of plants can be grown in the system constructed wetland. The type of plants can be adjusted according to the type the wetland system used. Also, many plants are easy for adapting to this system. Canna lily, an ornamental plant that has an aesthetic value, is very suitable for an alternative plant for SSF constructed wetland.

Canna lily has a large root system and strong enough to absorb organic matter, therefore, Canna lily can absorb more nutrients for growth and store the excess natirient in its tissue than other aquatic plants (Yadav, Chazarenc, & Mutnuri, 2018). CWs system operating as standalone technologies are in some cases unable to meet the requirements of these new guidelines despite

improvements in design and operational strategies and the utilization of intensified systems such as flow direction reciprocation, artificial aeration, tidal flow CWs (Haritash, Duta, & Sharma, 2017). Therefore, combining or integrating CWs with other existent or emerging technologies. This study aims to observe the ability of canna lily for phytotechnology implementation in a constructed wetland. This study is known as a range-finding test (RFT), which served as a preliminary test. It is performed to determine the extent to which the plant was able to absorb pollutants at certain concentrations.

Material and Methods 5

In aquatic range-finding tests, groups of selected organisms are exposed to test materials under defined conditions to determine potential adverse effects. This stage is conducted by preparing variation concentration of astewater; 25%; 50%; 75%; 100% and 0% as control, which was injected into the wetland. CW (60 cm long, 60 cm wide and 60 cm deep) contained gravel medium height 25 cm with a wastewater volume 3 L. Constructed wetlands planted with Canna lily, one plant per chamber. USEPA Guidelines Part OPPTS 850.4400 states that many concentrations varied in the RFT stage of 5 concentrations over 15 days. The batch process of RFT observed the parameters of plant growth, at which concentration the plant remains fresh (does not wither and die) and that selected concentration will be applied for photo treatment experiment. The further stage in plant acclimation to adapt Canna lily to the environmental conditions that will be adjusted according to the research design. The conditioning was carried out for ten days after the plants were released from the growing media during the nursery and planted in the constructed wetland (Hidayah *et al.*, 2020).

Results and Discussion

The range finding test was conducted in 15 days by observing the growth daily for the first day and every one day after, as shown in Table 1. There were no significant changes on five days after. The withered plant was detected at the end of the range finding a test with a BOD concentration of 200 mg/L. The percentage of the withered plant after 5 days due to high loading organic exposure are summarized in Table 4.1. The results indicated that the withered plant in 50% BOD concentration has been detected from the nursery, though only 10% area of a leaf and the withered leaf became 30% area of a leaf.

The green color of a leaf in 25% BOD concentration shifted into yellowish about 10% area of a leaf, after a day and increased into 20% yellowish leaf. The withered plant in 100% BOD concentration occurred about 50% after 5 days. According to the DO concentration, it seems that the constructed wetland has low DO, and BOD decreases simultaneously. It indicated that the system is lack of oxygen due to microorganism, which lived as attached biofilm on the gravel, uptakes oxygen to degrade organic material (Avila, et al., 2019).

The withered leaf indicated that plants more sensitive to stages of a particular organic concentration (Abou-Elela & Hellal, 2012). However, the withered leaf occurred in a particular leaf, it could be indicated that the plant was adapting in the extreme concentration (Chazarenc, Gagnon, & Korkusuz, 2015). Besides, the height of the plant increased on average 7.6 cm, and most of the plant generated 1 cotyledon after 5 days. The range finding test conjectured that the sample for the experimental constructed wetland treatment process is pure fresh wastewater from inlet wastewater, without dilution concentration.

Table 1	. Range	finding	test t	for	canna	lil	v

O Color Total leaf	Green 9	25 Green	sentration wastewater 50 Green	75	100
Color	Green	Green			
Total	57750350735803	1969 State 10700	Green		
	9		2790302030	Green	Green
		16	14 (1 leaf withered 10%)	11	12
Height (cm)	43	103	65	82	105
DO (mg/L)	4.24	2.41	2.24	2.12	1.90
BOD (mg/L)	6	78	130	227	291
3					
Color	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Total leaf	9	16 (1 leaf yellowish 10%)	14 (1 leaf withered 15%)	11	12 (1 leaf yellowish 20%)
DO (mg/L)	2.04	1.22	0.95	0.72	0.65
6					
Color	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Total leaf	9	16 (1 leaf yellowish 10%)	14 (1 leaf withered 20%)		12 (1 leaf yellowish 20%
DO (mg/L)	0.52	0.33	0.21	0.15	0.11

9					
Color	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Total	9	16	14	11	12
leaf		(1 leaf yellowish	(1 leaf withered		(1 leaf withered
		15%)	25%)		25%)
DO	0.40	0.24	0.16	0.12	0.09
(mg/L)					
BOD	35	47	95	181	203
(mg/L)					
12					
Color	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Total	9	16	14	11	12
leaf		(1 leaf yellowish	(1 leaf withered		(1 leaf withered
		15%)	30%)		40%)
DO	0.32	0.18	0.14	0.11	0.07
(mg/L)					
15					
Color	Green	Green	Green	Green	Green
Total	9	16	14	11	12
leaf		(1 leaf yellowish	(1 leaf withered	1 cotyledon	(1 leaf dry 50%)
		20%)	30%)		1 cotyledon
		1 cotyledon	1 cotyledon		
Height	53	110	70	92	113
(cm)					
DO	0.17	0.15	0.10	0.08	0.02
(mg/L)					
BOD	41	45	63	107	148
(mg/L)					
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Plant acclimatization takes place over ten days with the following divisions:

- a. First two days, the plants in the constructed wetland were watered with clean water until the water was discharged to the outlet pipe. It was performed three times per day for two days.
- b. In the second three days, the plants in the constructed wetland were watered with wastewater until the water was discharged to the outlet pipe. It was performed once per day in the afternoon for three days.
- c. Last five days, the plants in the constructed wetland were watered with wastewater until the water was discharged to the outlet pipe. It was performed three times per day for 2 days. The following days, plants in the constructed wetland were watered with wastewater until the water level was below the gravel, or it was a batch process and performed daily for 3 days.

At the end of the acclimatization process, it should be ensured that the plant and constructed wetland were still suitable for implementing research: no disease-affected plants and the flow inside the reactor is smooth. The results are shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Plant acclimation

Day	Watering	Chamber Code		Day	Watering	Chamb	er Code	
		1	2				2	
0	Clean water 3x/day			6				
	Color	Green	Green		Color	Green	Green	
	Total leaf	9+0/12+1	16+1/11+1		Total leaf	9+1/13+1	17+0/11+1+1	
	Height (cm)	53/113	110/92		Height (cm)			
1	Clean water 3x/day			7				
	Color	Green	Green		Color	Green	Green	
	Total leaf	9+0/12+1	16+1/11+1		Total leaf	9+1/13+1	17+0/12+1	
	Height (cm)				Height (cm)			
2	Clean water 3x/day			8				
			37			MA		
	Color	Green	Green		Color	Green	Green	
	Total leaf	9+0/12+1+1	16+1/11+1		Total leaf	9+1/13+1	17+0/12+1	
	Height (cm)				Height (cm)			
To be continued								

3	Wastewater 1x/day			9			
	Color	Green	Green		Color	Green	Green
	Total leaf	9+0/12+1+1	16+1/11+1		Total leaf	9+1/13+1	17+0/12+1
	Height (cm)				Height (cm)		
4	Wastewater 1x/day			10			
	Color	Green	Green		Color	Green	Green
	Total leaf	9+0/12+1+1	16+1/11+1+1		Total leaf	10+0/13+1	17+1/12+1
	Height (cm)	60/117	114/97		Height (cm)	75/124	121/105
5							
	Color	Green	Green				
	Total leaf	9+1/13+1	16+1/11+1+1				
	Height (cm)						

Conclusion

This study concluded that Canna lily could be implemented as phytotechnology for constructed wetlands, as the results indicated all plants grow well. Even though some part of the plants was showing a withered leaf, the height of the plant increased during the time growth, and organic parameters indicate a fluctuating concentration. Besides, Canna lily could be adapted to the environmental conditions, in case Canna lily had survived in domestic wastewater during acclimation processes

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