



- Water-related activities in ESCWA are entrusted to Sustainable Development and Productivity Division (SDPD). In the context of the ongoing Trade and Environment Project for the Gulf Region and Yemen, SDPD examined the fisheries sector in the Gulf States in 2002. The Gulf Countries were found to be aware of the need to develop their fisheries resources and to ensure sustainable stocks upon which they depend for food security and export. In this regard, SDPD worked with government and private sector representatives to emphasize developing and implementing sustainable fisheries policies, also with a view to liberalization to maintain a competitive edge and to ensure long-term sustainability. SDPD convened a technical workshop in coordination with other regional organizations to share information and experience in this sector.



5. In the unlikely event of using chemical warfare agents (CWA) and/or biological Warfare Agents (BWA), the natural environment will be toxic to humans, animals and plants. The damage to the marine environment will vary according to the nature of the agent (blistering agents, nerve agents, lacrimating, etc.), means of its delivery/dispersion, its concentration and the prevailing meteorological conditions.
6. Destruction of wastewater treatment plants, collection systems and sewage pumping stations will compel inflicted cities on coastlines to discharge their raw wastewaters to the sea leading to massive fish kills, propagation of infectious diseases and spreading of epidemics.