

Deep groundwater in coastal deltas protected from contamination

A new study by the British Geological Survey (BGS) and University College London (UCL), led by Dr Dan Lapworth, has been published today in *Geophysical Research Letters*. This study shows that groundwater pumped from depths below 150 m in the coastal regions of the Bengal basin is thousands of years old and generally secure from contamination by salinity and arsenic found in shallow groundwater.