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Bogdănești-village located 16 km from Fălticeni and approx.40 km. from Suceava county stretches over an area of 2500ha in which 4000 people live grouped in 1272 households.

The main activities specific to the area are agriculture, wood processing, brick making, fabric artizanale. The land of this town is crossed by Rasca River, right tributary of the Moldova River, has a water catching area with a NW-SW orientation that takes place over a length of 53 km with a maximum width of 11km.

Rasca River streams through Bogdănești on a length of 4000m. Since children we were taught and trained to maintain our health and hence to where we live.

We all know that we like to breathe clean air and to admire the beauties of nature, but day by day it becomes more and more degraded. We walked along the river and noticed that Rasca river is becoming increasingly dirty water and so are its shores.

I participated many times to the cleaning actions of the river called Rasca, organized by the school and the local council. More likely unaware of the danger, some inhabitants of this village throw domestic waste in the water (PET, glass, household waste), despite the fact that they have been warned.

Now that the snow has melted more and more waste garbage floats at the surface of the water. These are thrown mostly at night, afraid of being seen during the day, photographed and taken to City Hall. I talked to Mayor Traian Rogojina who told us that the waste in Rasca will be a permanent problem, although he does not understand the people who pollute deliberately the river, because there is a contract with a firm of city sanitation Falticeni coming and raising the domestic waste from every household gate every two weeks on Thursday.

However there is not a secret that the waste dumped at random presents a real danger to the environment, changing the chemical composition of the water. Due to the snow melting, of rain, all impurities from the waste flowing into the river, causes negative effects on fauna, flora and groundwater.

The verb “to throw” which etymologically means “not to care”, seems to take its fully meaning reflecting the ravages of waste. Thus, every year we have the same dark images, a problem without an end. The result: Dirty scene with dirty rivers.

CONCLUSION: The authors draw the attention to the local authorities, the inhabitants of this village, being the responsibility of us all for a clean environment and a healthy life. This is a solution in time, the advantage lies in waste reduction and recycling.