

EMBEDDING ECOSYSTEM SERVICES INTO POLICY LEARNING SERIES

Session 3: Economic Valuation of Investments in Reversing Land Degradation – Madagascar Case Study



about our workshop

The session will help participants grasp economic valuation for landscape analysis, simplify the concept, and illustrate its practical use in Madagascar while exploring its potential applications in Zambia.

Keywords: Economic Valuation, Environmental Analysis, Landscape Analysis

learning objectives

- Understand the use of economic valuation for landscape analysis
- Define and explain economic valuation
- Show the application of economic valuation in the Country Environmental Analysis done in Madagascar
- Show the utility and potential uses for Zambia



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Economic Valuation of land degradation impacts: A case study in Madagascar

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Content

What is economic valuation

The Madagascar Country Environmental Analysis

Logic and methods of valuation: hydropower, agriculture, carbon

Conclusion and implications for the future



What is economic valuation



Total Economic Value

Use Value

Option Value

Non use value

Direct use

Indirect use

Existence

Bequest

Outputs

- Crops
- Wood
- Water
- Tourism

Benefits

- Pollinization
- Climate regulation
- Flood control

- Direct market
- Hedonic prices
- Travel cost
- Referential markets

- Production function
- Avoided / restoration costs
- Stated preferences

- Contingent valuation
- Choice experiments

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Sectors Economic Valuation Methods

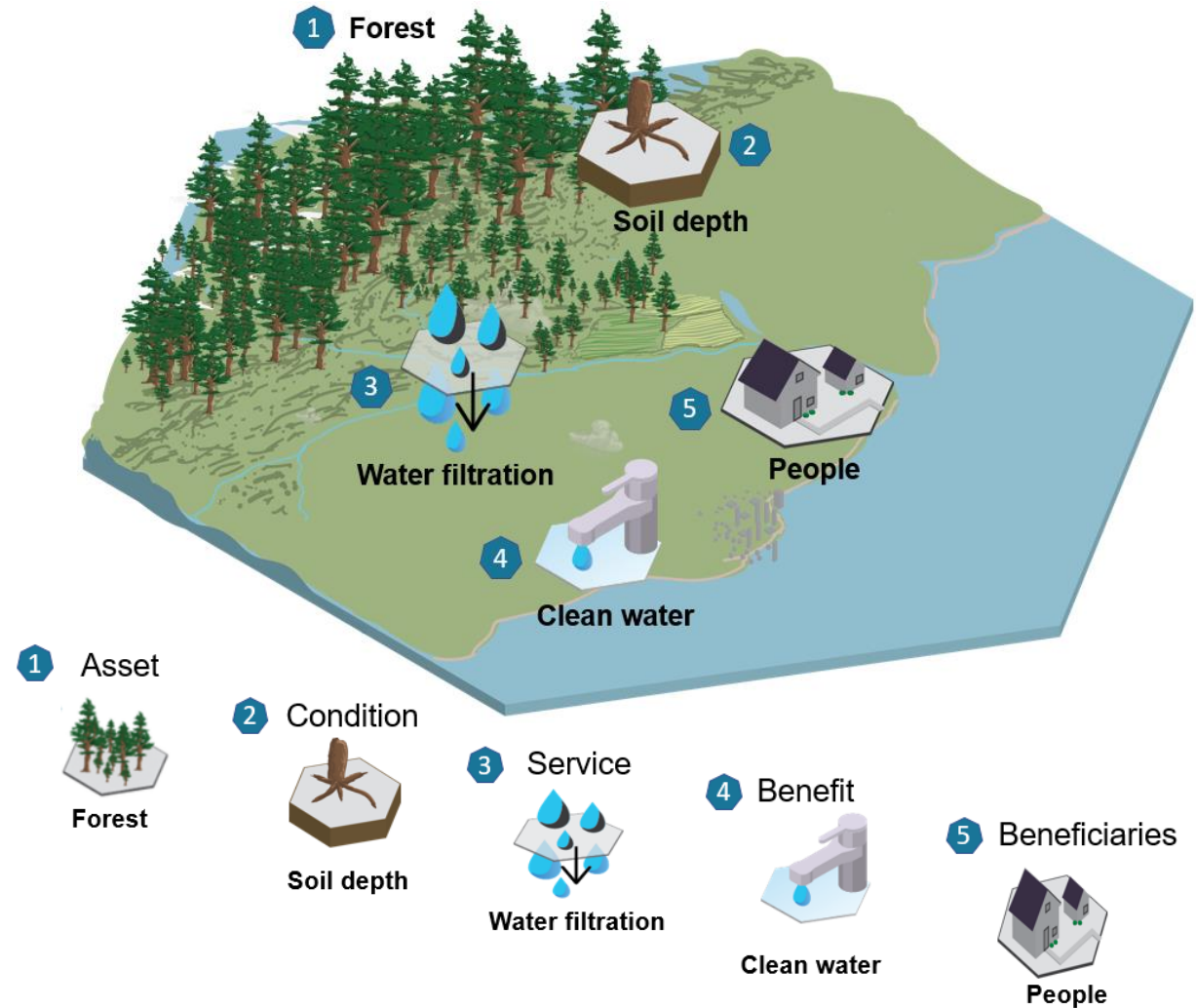
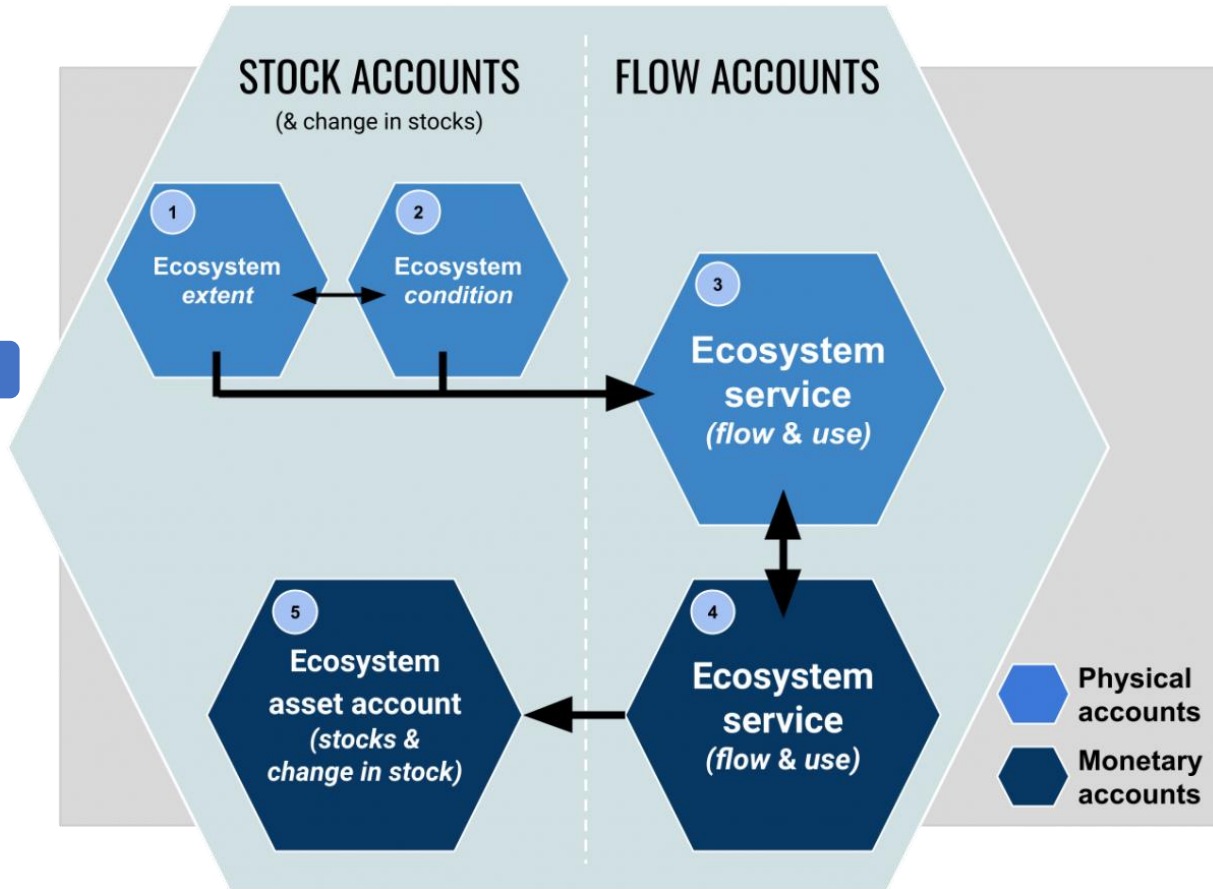
SECTOR	IMPACTS	VALUATION METHODS
Agriculture	Loss of agricultural yield	Production function; market prices; benefits transfer
	Soil nutrition depletion	Replacement cost
	Salinity	Avoided cost of desalination
Water	Siltation of rivers and reservoirs	Replacement cost(cost of dredging) Avoided damage cost (Increased water purification cost), Production function (loss of agricultural output due to reduced irrigation)
	Aquifer depletion	Opportunity cost of increased water collection time
	Health impacts due to water pollution	Cost of illness for morbidity
Energy	Carbon emissions	Market prices, social cost of carbon
	Loss of hydropower efficiency	Replacement cost (least costly energy generation alternative)
Biodiversity	Loss of biodiversity	Stated preference methods
Tourism	Decrease of visitor number	Travel cost
Forests	Loss of production of fuel wood, NTFP and watershed services	Replacement cost, benefits transfer, opportunity cost of additional collecting time
Coastal zones	Vulnerability increase	Hedonic prices, benefits transfer, stated preference methods

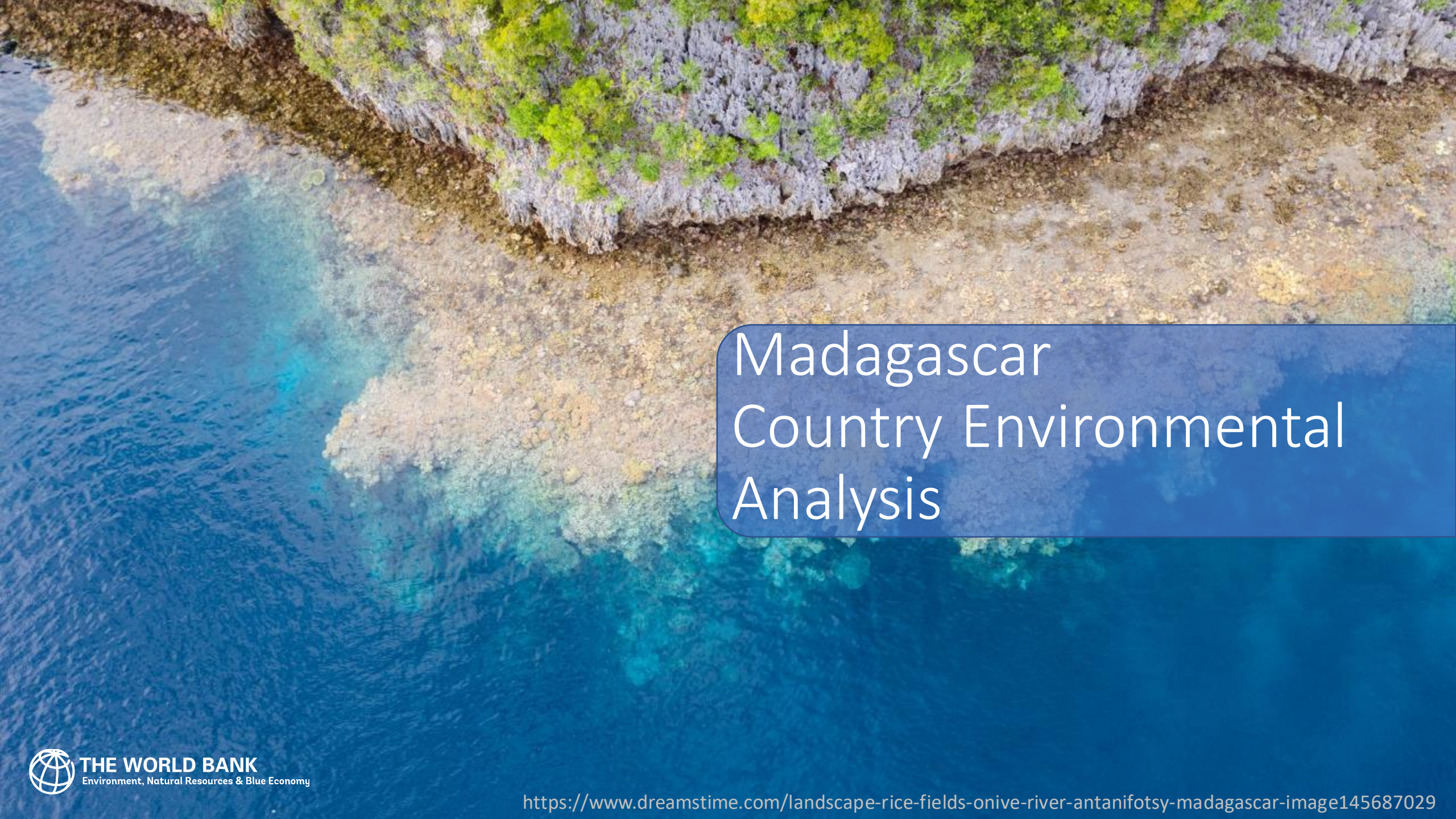
Source: Based on Amman et al., 2013; Bolt et al., 2005; and World Bank, 2020



ES accounting

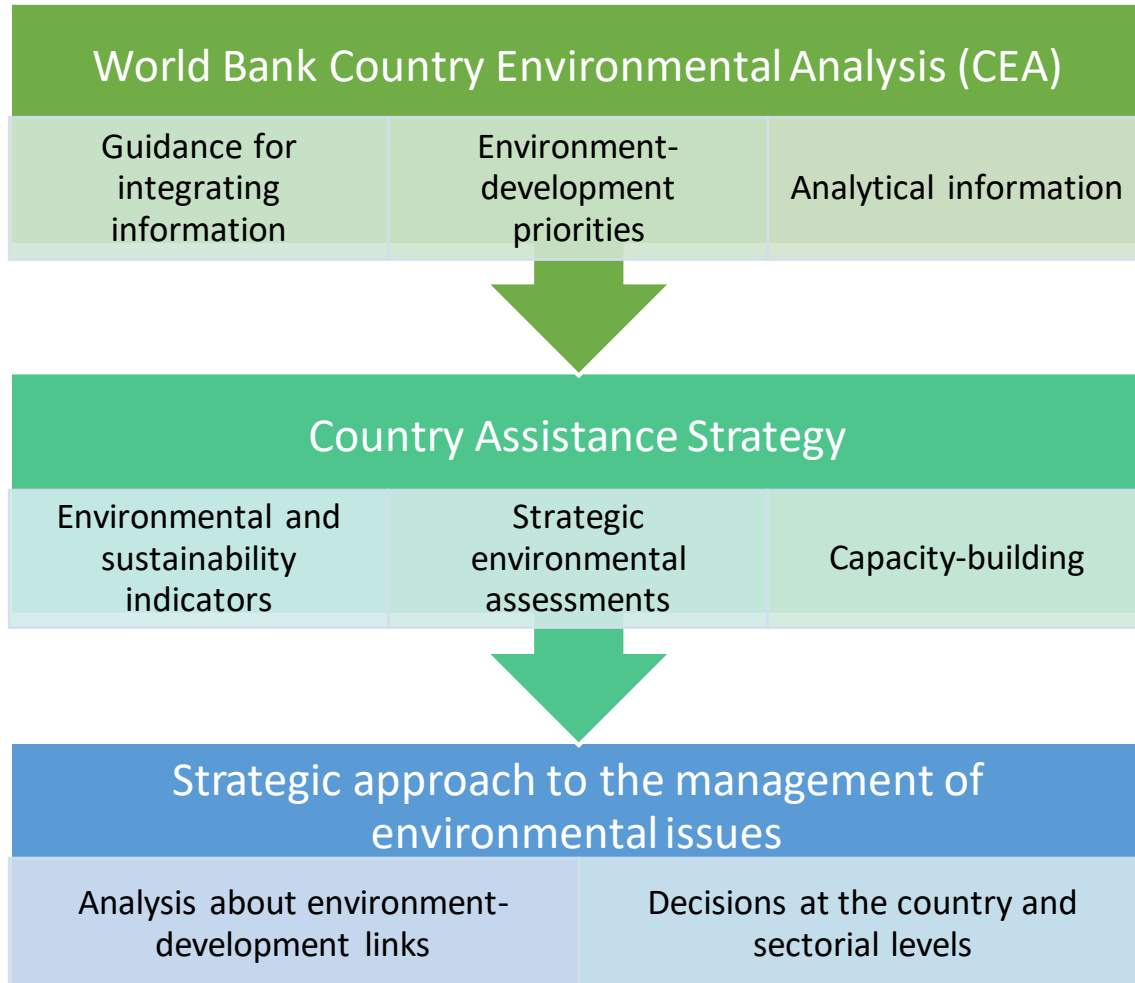
SYSTEM OF ENVIRONMENTAL ECONOMIC ACCOUNTING (SEEA)
UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION



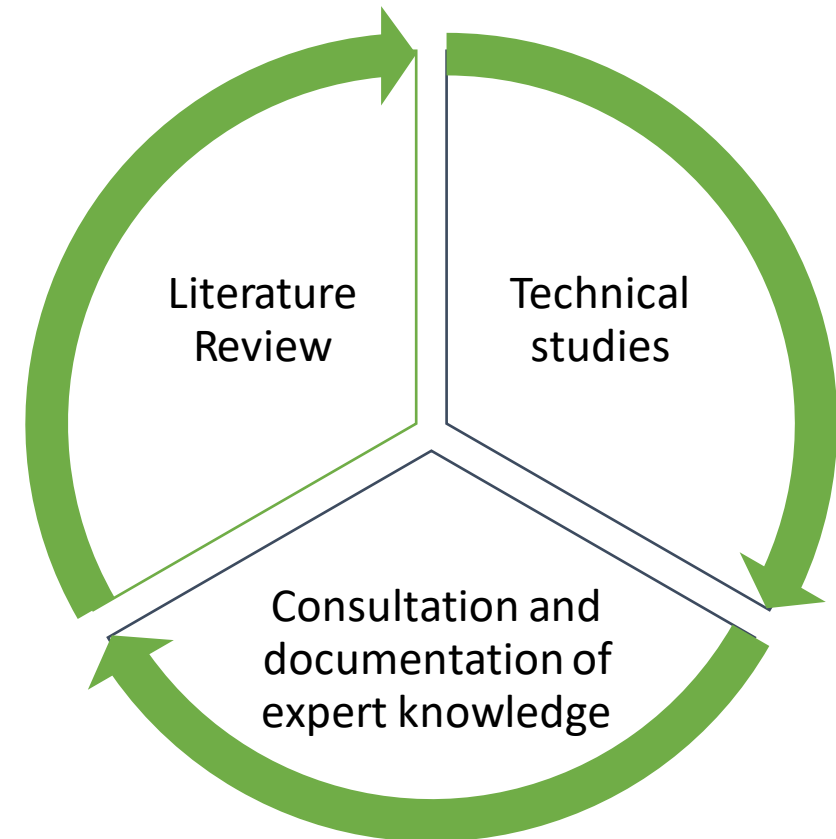
An aerial photograph of a rugged coastline. The top half shows a rocky cliffside with patches of green vegetation. Below the cliff is a sandy or rocky beach area. The bottom half of the image shows clear, turquoise water with visible coral reefs and sandy seabed. A dark blue rounded rectangle is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the title text.

Madagascar Country Environmental Analysis

Country Environmental Analysis



CEA Methodologies



Application to Madagascar

29-year period
1992 - 2020

Historical costs and future savings

Land degradation and land use change

Public available economic information

<u>Key Sector</u>	<u>Impacts</u>	<u>Valuation approach</u>
Agricultural	Loss of agricultural yield	Loss in productivity for selected crops due to erosion + potential dredging cost of irrigation dams
Hydropower	Loss of hydropower efficiency	Loss in power generation due to water scarcity + potential dredging cost of hydropower dams
Carbon	Carbon emissions	Opportunity cost of unrealized carbon credits due to deforestation
Social cost of carbon		Global social cost of carbon not absorbed due to degradation

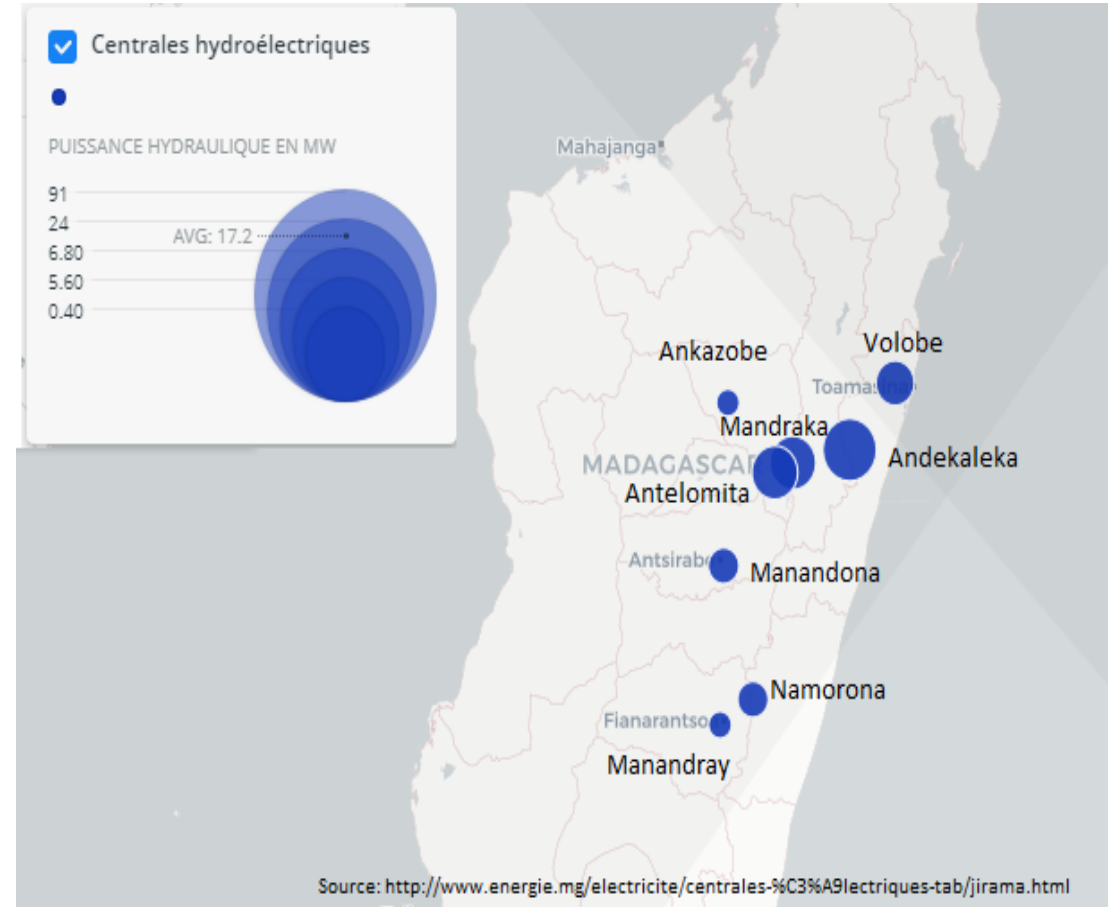
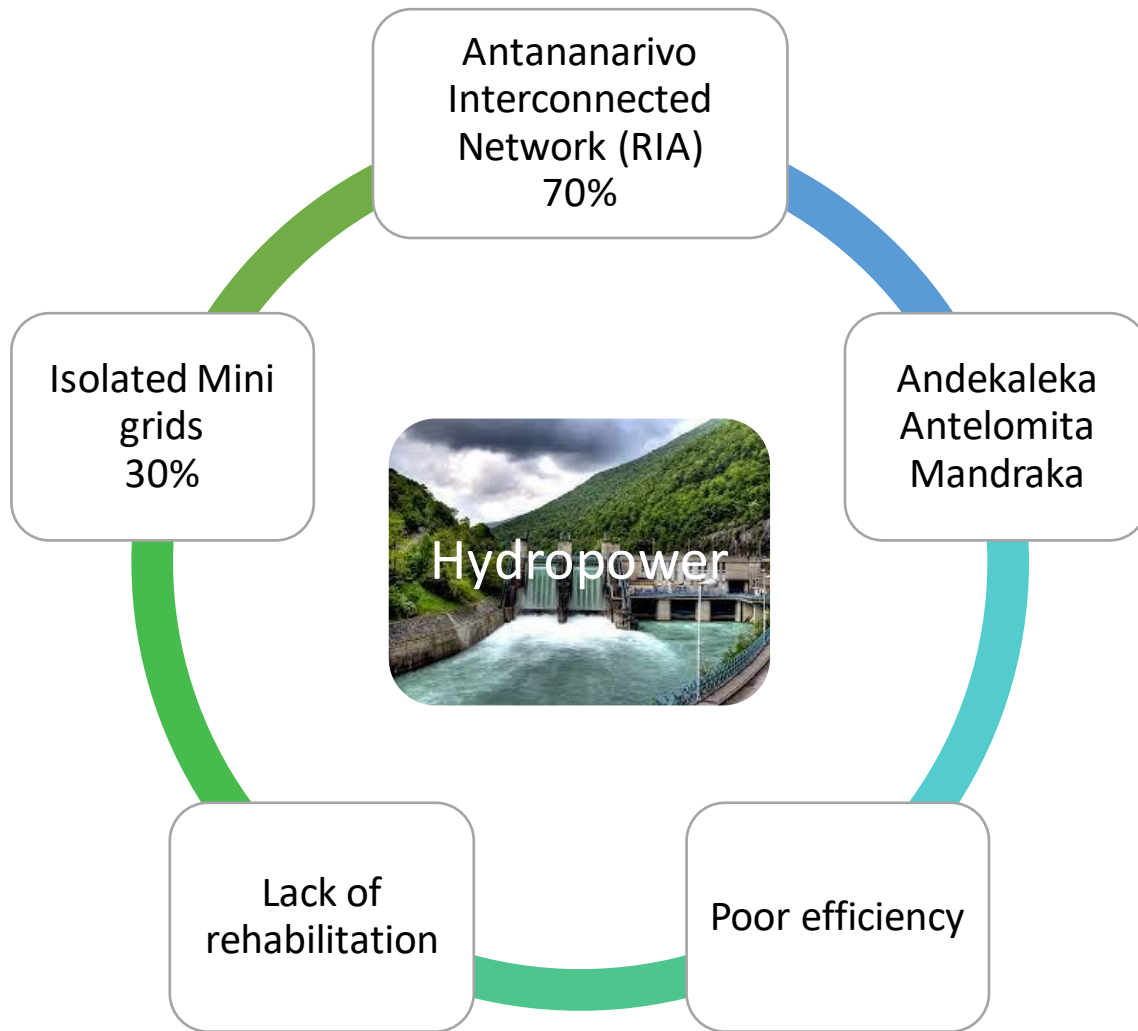




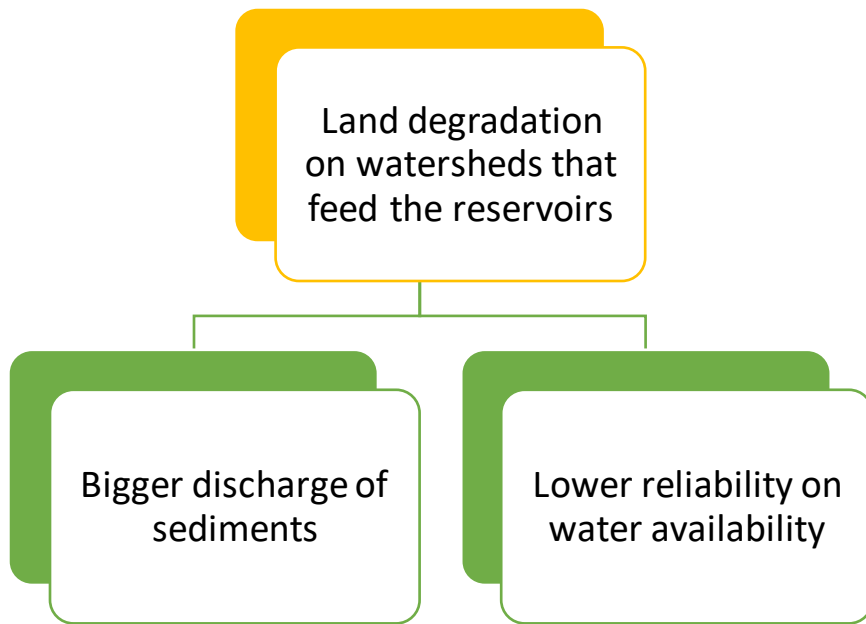
Economic valuation of land degradation impacts



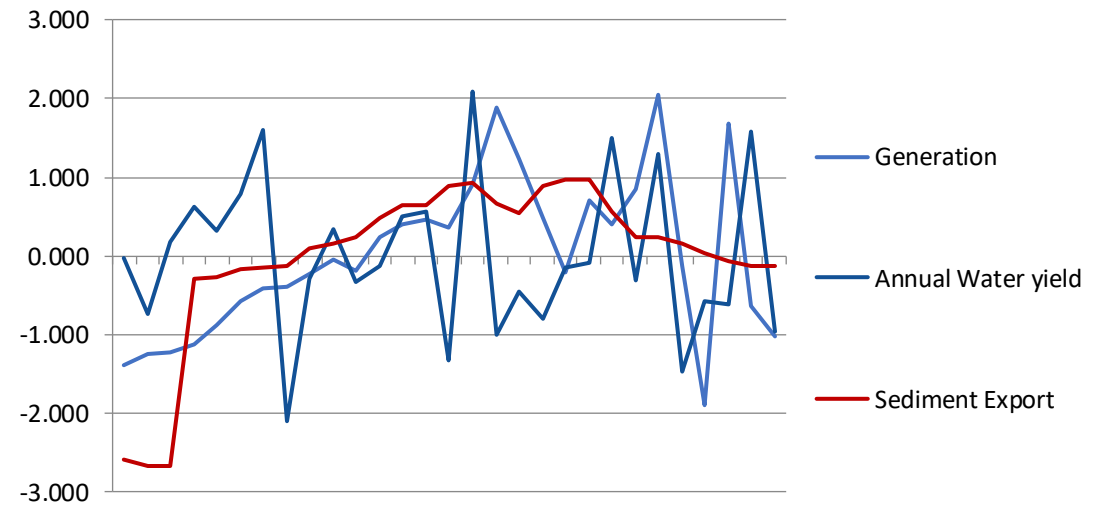
Hydropower



Hydropower



Hydropower Generation Antelomita



Hydropower production loss

Office de Régulation de L'électricité Madagascar

Historical generation of electricity

Historical Tariffs

Generation losses

Adeoyung et al. (2016)

Suboptimal hydrological provision
19%

Sedimentation 6%

$$HPL = ICG - HPG_t$$
$$C = \sum_{t=1}^n HPL_t \cdot WMD \cdot P_t$$

where

HPL: hydropower production loss, measured in kWh

ICG: Installed capacity hydropower generation, measured in kWh

HPG: Hydropower generated in period *t*

C: Cost of hydrological hydropower production loss, measured in 2020 USD

WMD: Hydrological factor in hydropower loss

p: Selling price of electricity for *t* period, measured in 2020 USD per kWh



Land degradation and dam watershed area



Siltation in hydropower dams



Potential cost of dredging
Udayakumara et al. (2017)



Cost of dredging
→ Literature review

Potential cost of dredging

$$C = S * D$$

where

C: Cost of dredging reservoir, measured in 2020 USD

S: Total sediment trapped in reservoirs, measured in tons

D: Cost of dredging, measured in 2020 USD per ton



Hydropower results

Loss in power generation due to water scarcity

Adeogun et al.(2016)

Accumulated in Million USD 2020		Annual average in Million USD 2020	
High	243.33	High	7.71
Av.	220.49	Av.	7.27
Low	197.64	Low	6.83

Potential dredging cost of hydropower dams

Udayakumara & Gunawardena (2017)

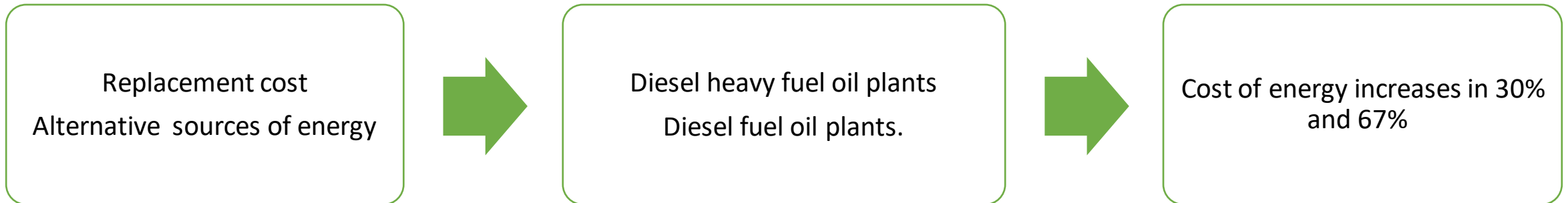
Accumulated in Million USD 2020		Annual average in Million USD 2020	
High	219.10	High	7.56
Av.	159.85	Av.	5.51
Low	100.61	Low	3.47



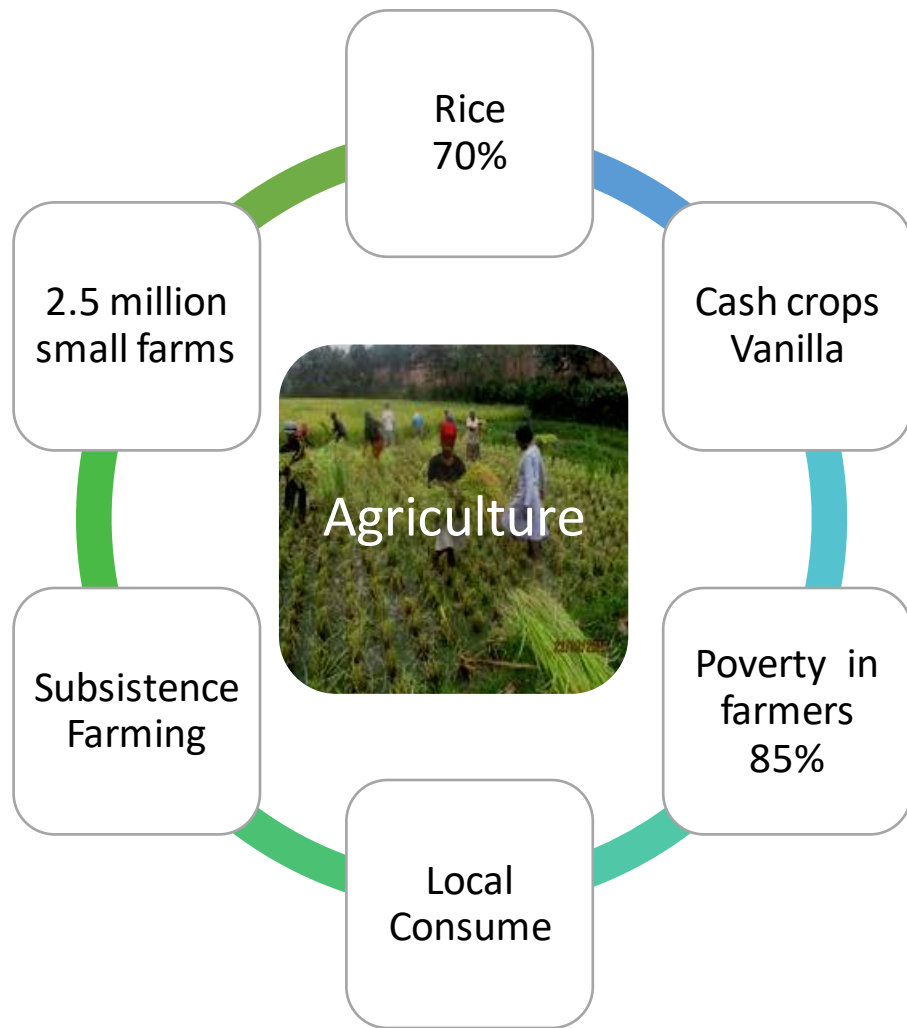
Total Loss Hydropower Sector

	Accumulated in Million USD 2020	Annual average in Million USD 2020
Loss in power generation due to water scarcity + Potential dredging cost of hydropower dams	380.34	12.78

Alternative to value the impact of water outages due to land degradation

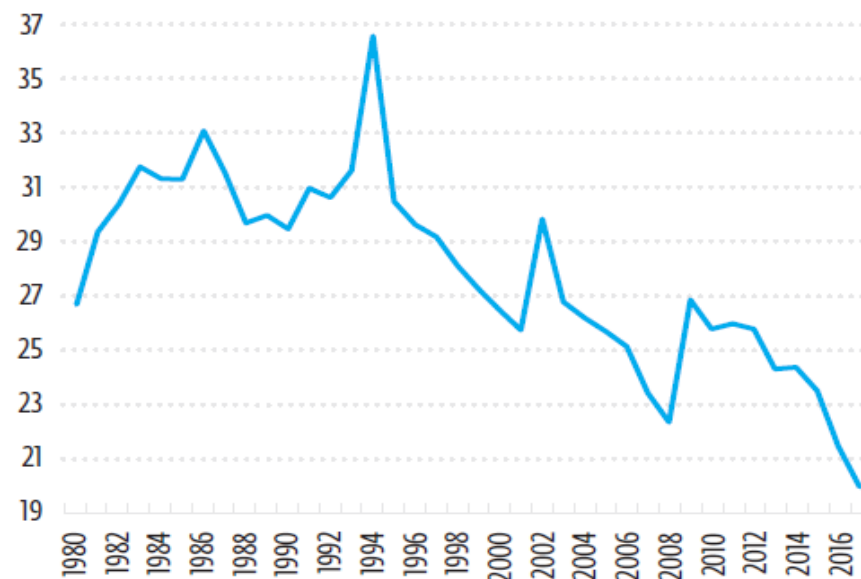


Agriculture



a. Agriculture contribution to GDP, 1980–2017

% of GDP



Source: World Bank, World Development Indicators data.

Note: GDP = gross domestic product.



Literature review on land degradation and agricultural yields

Global

Sartori et al. (2019)

Areas of severe erosion

→ 8% mean crop yields loss

Pimentel et al. (1995)

Areas of severe erosion

→ 8% crop productivity loss

Africa

Lal, R. (1995)

Yield reductions due to severe erosion

→ 8.2% mean crop yields loss

Madagascar

Carret, J; Loyer, D. (2003).

Silted irrigation channels and suboptimal water availability

→ 10% loss of productivity in rice plots

Randrianarisoa, J. & Minten, B. 2001.

Cyclones on previous year

→ 7% agricultural production value loss

Portela et al. (2012)

1% increase in the use of water (rainfall or irrigation)

→ Rice production : +0.91%
→ Manioc production: +0.83%

Land
degradation



Erosion



Loss in Agro
revenue



Productivity
losses

Productivity losses due to
$$C = \sum_i R_{it} \cdot L \cdot P_{it}$$

where

C: cost of agricultural losses for erosion afflicted region, measured in 2020 USD

R: Total production of crop *i* in period *t*, measured in tons

L: Production loss coefficient

P: Price of crop *i* in period *t*, measured in 2020 USD per ton of produce



Land degradation and dam watershed area



Siltation in irrigation dams



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→ Literature review



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Agriculture results

Loss in productivity for selected crops due to erosion + Potential dredging cost of irrigation dams

Accumulated in million USD 2020		Annual average in Million USD 2020	
High	4753.48	High	163.91
Av.	4100.75	Av.	141.41
Low	3448.01	Low	118.90

Accumulated in million USD 2020		Annual average in Million USD 2020	
High	328.47	High	11.33
Av.	239.65	Av.	8.26
Low	150.83	Low	5.20

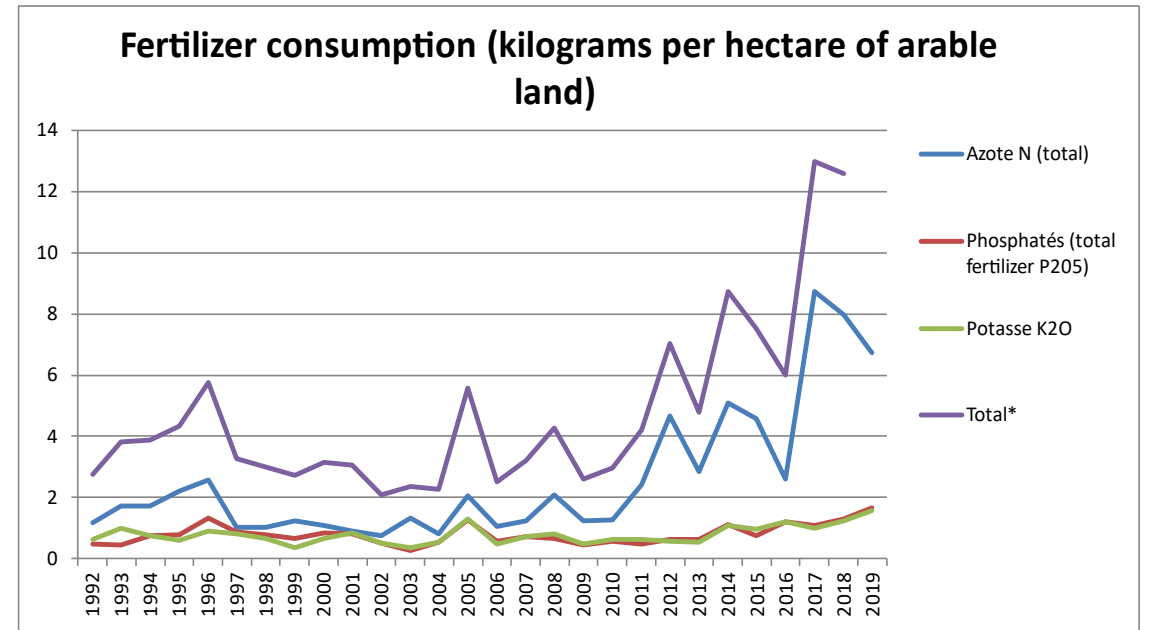
Total Loss Agricultural Sector

	Accumulated in Million USD 2020	Annual average in Million USD 2020
Loss in productivity for selected crops due to erosion + Potential dredging cost of irrigation dams	4340.40	149.67



Maize Function Results

lnProdMaizTon	Coef.	Robust Std. Err.	z	P> z
lnSuperMaizHa	.6416534	.1513671	4.24	0.000
lnSedimentExport	-.107341	.119962	-0.89	0.371
lnPreciMaiz	.0265226	.0863528	0.31	0.759
lnAnimales	.0787763	.041068	1.92	0.055
lnLitFem	-.3145459	.1344624	-2.34	0.019
lnLitMen	.6510934	.1938091	3.36	0.001
lnPopula	-.3510608	.2303857	-1.52	0.128
lnErosionRm3Ha	-.454947	.2412999	-1.89	0.059
lnAWYtnha _cons	4.267997	2.434039	1.75	0.080
sigma_u	.24352784			
sigma_e	.06175867			
rho	.93957325	(fraction of variance due to		



Climate



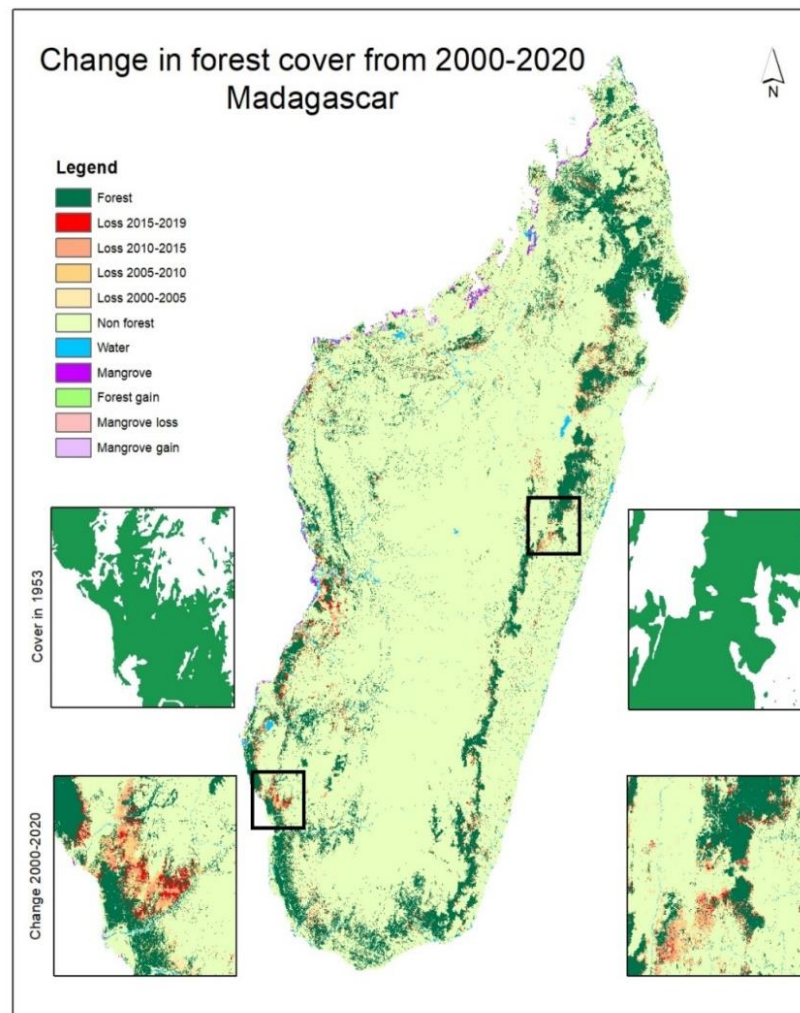
Emission
Reduction
Program



Atiala
Atsinanana



USD \$5 per ton
of CO₂e
(FCPP 2018)



Total forest loss:
3.9 M Has



Climate

Impact of land degradation

Carbon absorption losses

Social cost
Carbon emissions
additional costs

The impact of
land use
change

Carbon stock
loss

Market price of
carbon
Direct exchange
value of carbon

Potential carbon credits lost

$$C = P * (A * S)$$

where

C: Opportunity cost of lost carbon credits

P: Market price of CO₂, measured in \$ per ton of CO₂

A: Total area of deforestation, measured in ha

S: CO₂ content of forest, measured in tons of CO₂ per ha

Social cost of carbon

$$C = \sum N_t \times S_t$$

where

C: Global cost of carbon not absorbed

N: NPP decrease in period t, measured in tons of CO₂ at the National level

S: Social cost of carbon price for period t, measured in 2020 US\$ per ton of CO₂



Climate results

The average amount of carbon not absorbed
1.56 M tons of CO2 per year.



1700 M USD of potential loss revenue in carbon market



12% of Madagascar's current GDP

Humid forest cover loss	Area (thousand has)	Accumulated Value of CO2 loss stocks (million USD)	Annual average losses (million USD)
	1 947.5	1791.7	59.75

Annual average loss
8% of forest rents in 2020

Forest loss in Protected Areas (PAS)	Area (thousand has)	Accumulated Value of CO2 loss stocks (million USD)	Annual average losses (million USD)
	50.98	49.91	1.67

Annual average loss in Protected Areas
1 M USD



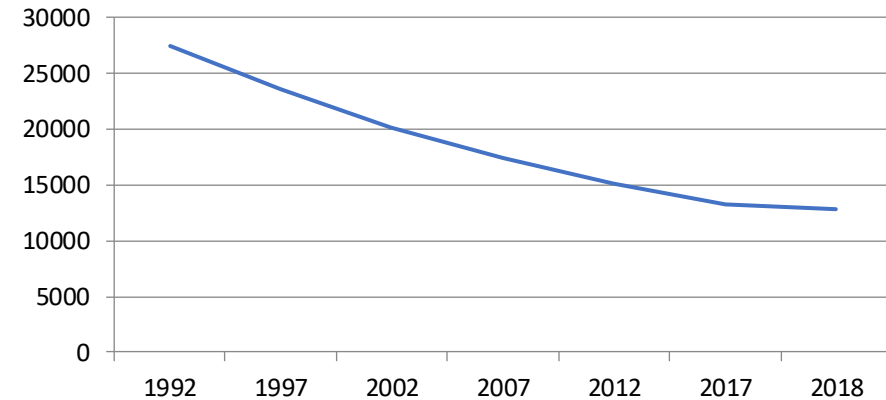
Water consumption

Access drinking water
41%



Natural sources
Wells
Public taps

Renewable internal freshwater resources per capita
(cubic meters)

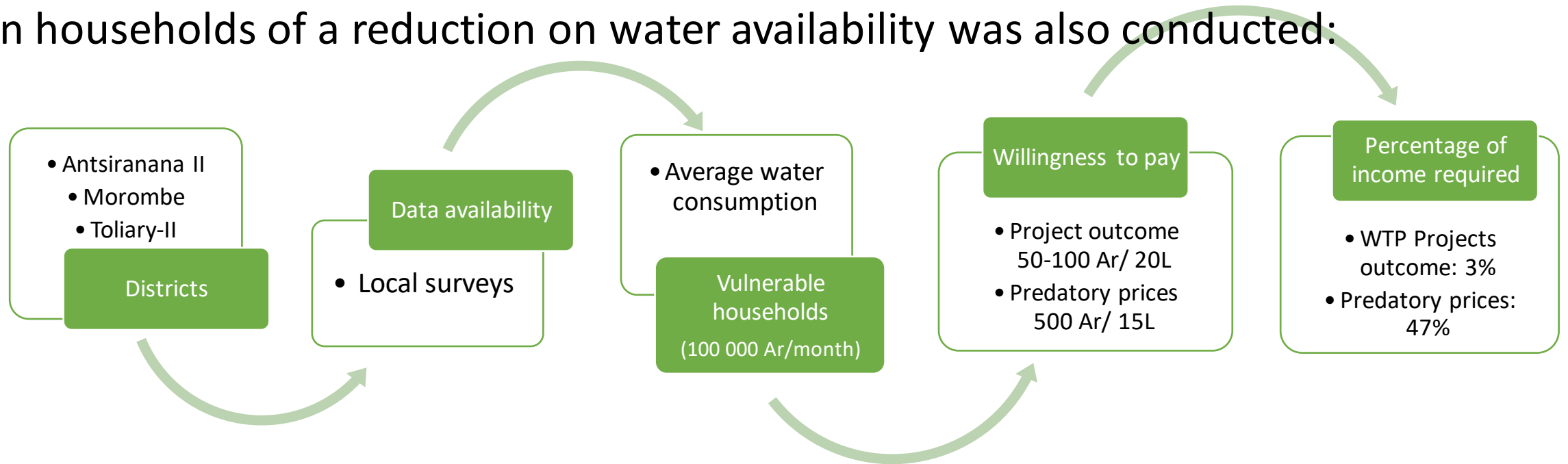


Source: Food and Agriculture Organization, AQUASTAT data



Water consumption

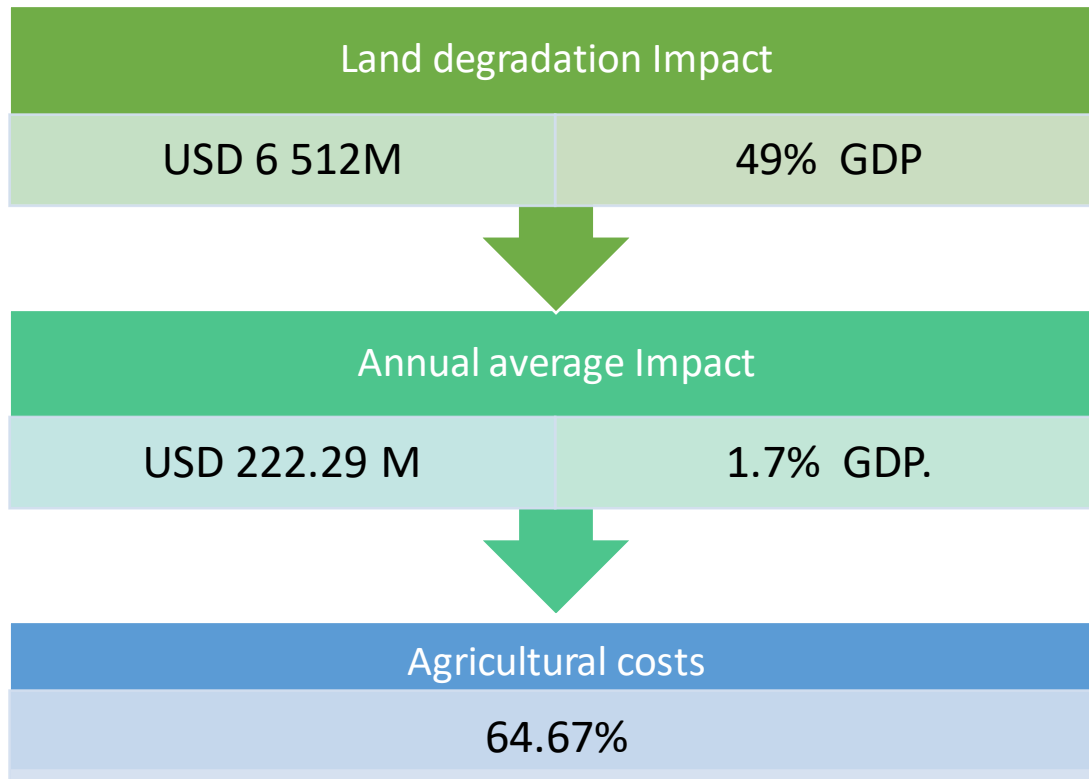
As part of the valuation exercise, a regional assessment of the economic impact on households of a reduction on water availability was also conducted:



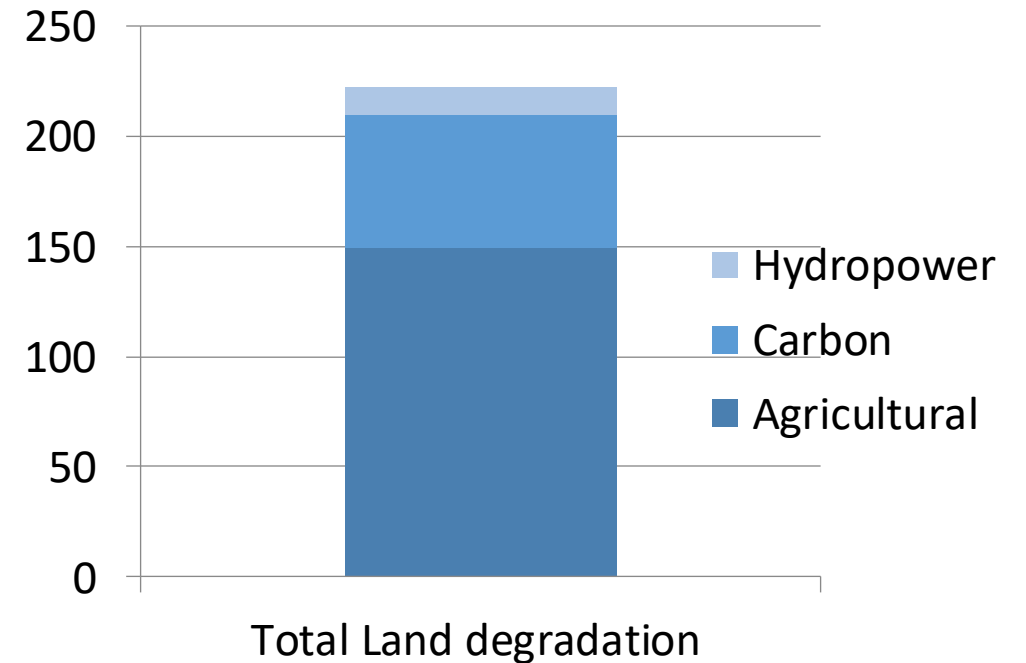


Conclusion and lessons for Zambia

Conclusions



Annual cost of Land degradation in Million USD



Lessons for Zambia

Determine the need for economic valuation

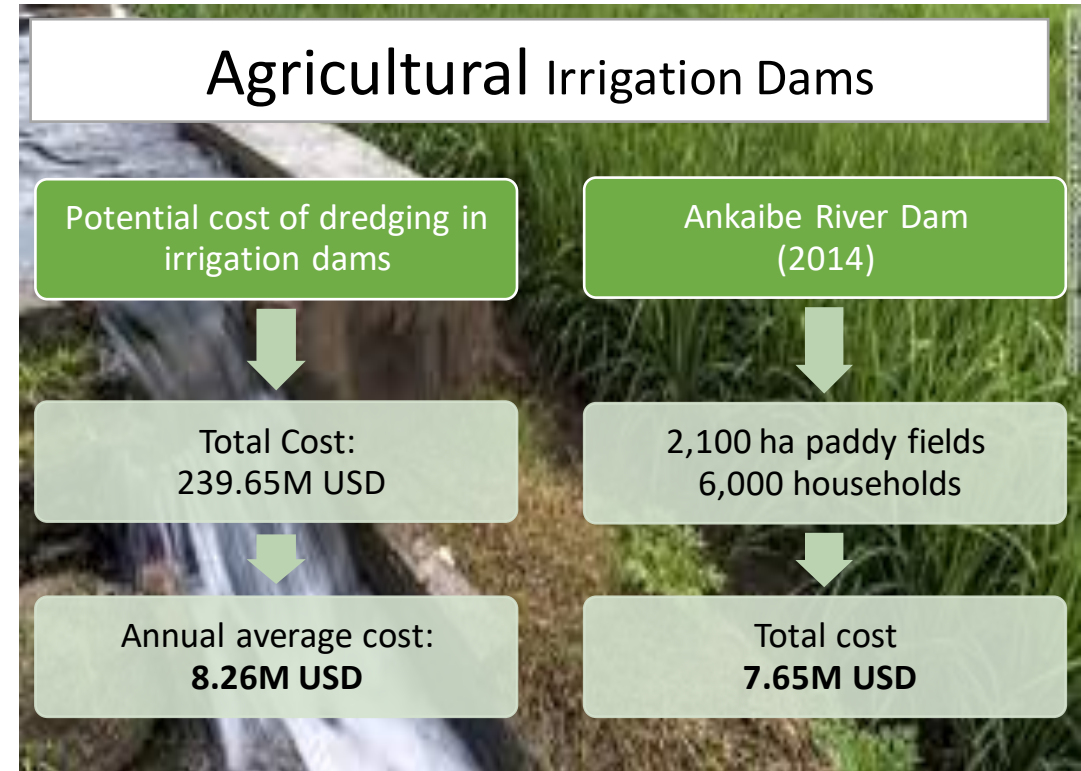
- Capacity-building assistance → What kind of valuation

Coordinate and use spatial analysis

Understand and contextualize values

Use economic data to guide investment decisions

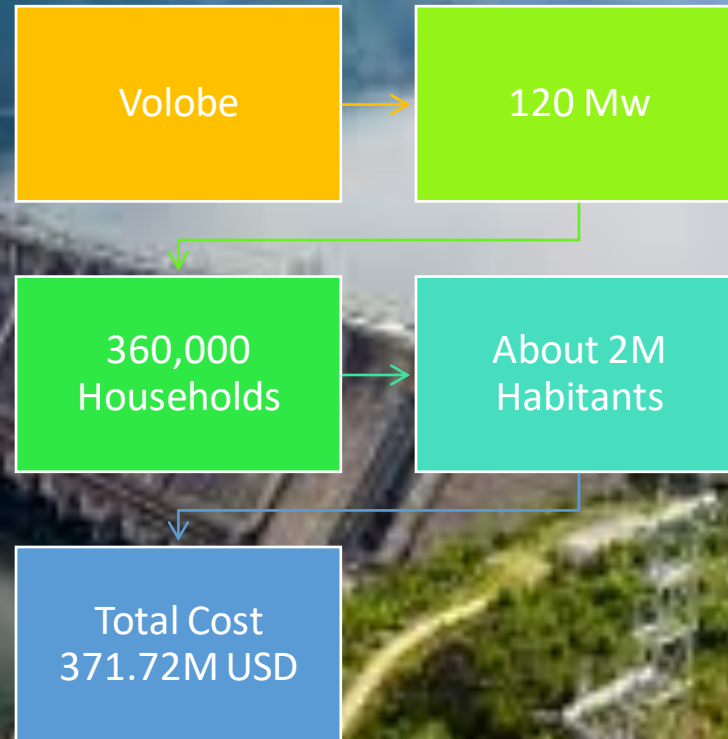
- Strategic environmental assessments
- ES Accounting



Hydropower loss due to land degradation



Volobe Hydropower Plant Project



THANK YOU

A dense tropical forest scene with various palm trees and lush green foliage. The image has a blue color overlay. The text "THANK YOU" is centered in white, bold, uppercase letters.