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Nitrogen Management in Madagascar



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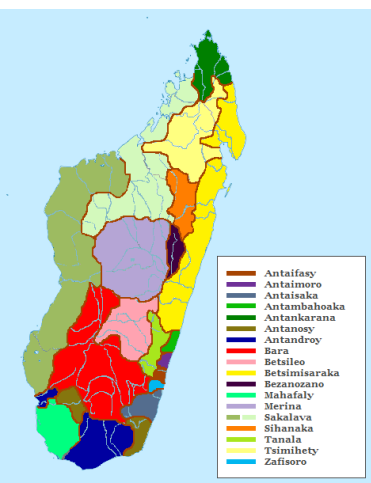


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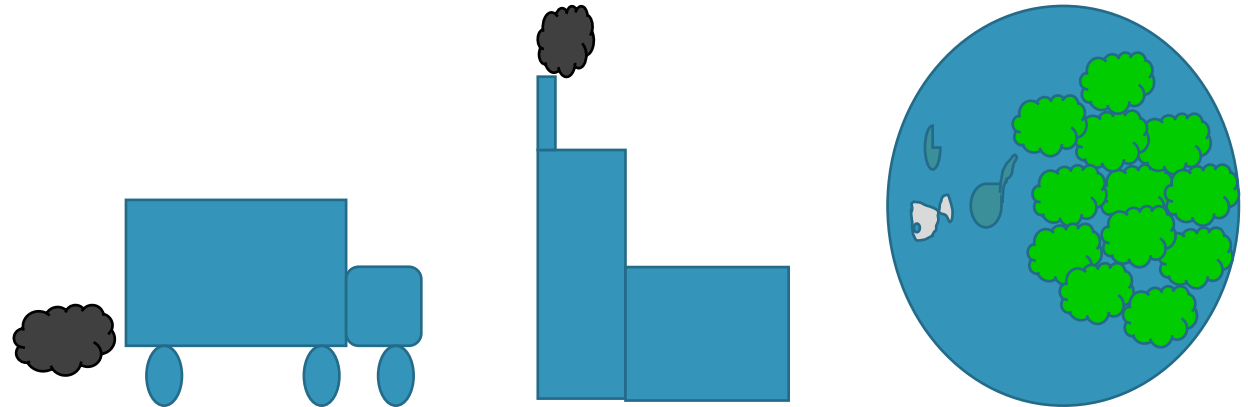
Madagascar

- Population: 25,674,196
- A surface area of 587,040 km².
- Agriculture employs around 80% of the working population



Background information

- Nitrogen is an essential nutrient for plant growth and plays a crucial role in various industrial processes.
- However, excessive nitrogen use can lead to severe environmental consequences, including **water pollution, air pollution, and eutrophication**.
- Madagascar, with its rich agricultural and industrial sectors, faces significant challenges in managing nitrogen sustainably.





The challenges:

- Nitrogen management is a major challenge in Madagascar.
- Excessive use of chemical fertilizers can lead to water and soil pollution.
- Animal dejecta can also contribute to water pollution.
- Deforestation can reduce the capacity of soils to fix atmospheric nitrogen.



Eutrophication



Air pollution



Animal waste

The main sources of nitrogen

Agriculture

- chemical fertilizers,
- animal dung
- atmospheric fixation.
- Traditional farming practices

Transport

- fossil fuels,
- public transport
- NOx emissions

Industrialization

- Factories
- Agricultural factories

Regulations, rules, codes or guidelines in linked nitrogen management and nutrient pollution, ammonia and/or nitrous oxide emissions.

International level:

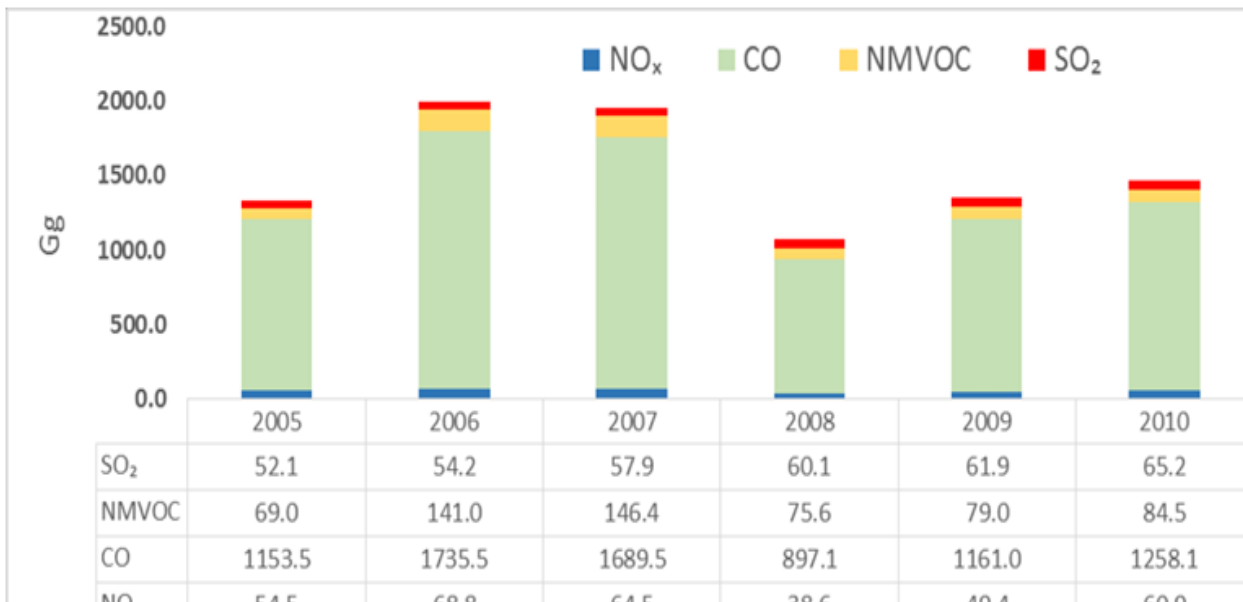
- Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)
- Kyoto Protocol
- Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)

National level:

- Law n°2020-003 on Organic Agriculture in Madagascar of May 12, 2020.
- Decree n°1998-029 water code
- MECIE Decree no. 99-954 of December 15, 1999 amended by decree n° 2004-167 du 03 février 2004 compatibility of investments with the environment.
- National Climate Change Strategy for Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries (SNCCAEP)
- national action program for adaptation to climate change (PANA)
- Madagascar's national adaptation plan on climate change.
- Local development plans and strategies

Efforts already made in linked with nitrogen management

- Set up the fertilizer factories
- Air pollution standard
- Roadmap of the pollution in Madagascar
- Waste management National strategy
- Third national communication with the greenhouse gas inventories from 2005 to 2010 using the 1996



Among the indirect greenhouse gases,

- Carbon monoxide (CO) remains the main one emitted
- Non-methane volatile organic compounds (NMVOC)
- Nitrogen oxides (NOX) varied between 54.5 Gigagram and 60.9 Gigagram respectively
- Sulfur dioxide SO₂ increases from 2005 to 2010



Existing efforts to identify stakeholders:

Government ministries

Ministry of agriculture,,
Ministry of the environment,
Ministry of the transportation
Ministry of health,
Ministry of water and sanitation,
Ministry of land use planning
The national assembly,
Lawyers ,

Research and teaching organizations:

- Universities,
- Research centers,
- agricultural technical institutes, such as the - Environmental NGOs,.

Non-governmental organizations (NGOs):

- Agricultural NGOs,
- Community development NGOs,
- Members of agricultural researchers, agricultural technicians, growers, collectors, industries, Project/Program

Private sector

- Farmers,
- Agro-industrialists ,
- Organic fertilizer factories,
- Transports
- Agricultural and farming factories
- Waste recycling recovery



Nitrogen management Inter-ministerial committee



Existing national research institutes:

- CNRIT (National Center for Industrial and Technological Research)
- CNRE National Center for Environmental Research
- FOFIFA/ CENRADERU(Centre National de recherche appliquée au developpement rural
- The Antananarivo university: the departement of the science , agronomy science departement (ESSA)
- GSDM (Groupement Semis Direct de Madagascar) brings together 17 organizations involved in research, training and dissemination of agro-ecology in Madagascar.

Existing monitoring system for nitrates, ammonium, ammonia, nitrogen oxides, NO_x.

In Madagascar, there is no comprehensive, centralized national monitoring system for nitrates, ammonium, ammonia, nitrogen oxides and NO_x.

However, ad hoc efforts and local initiatives to monitor water and air quality are carried out by various entities,

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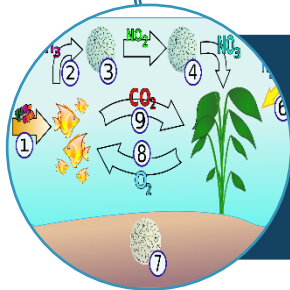
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Challenges identified by policy makers



Environmentally sound management of nitrogen-related waste and promotion of circular economy



Inclusion of nitrogen waste management issues as a national priority in national development plans and national strategic documents



Reflection on legal frameworks for nitrogen waste management;