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SMART AGRICULTURE FOR A RESILIENT MAURITIUS

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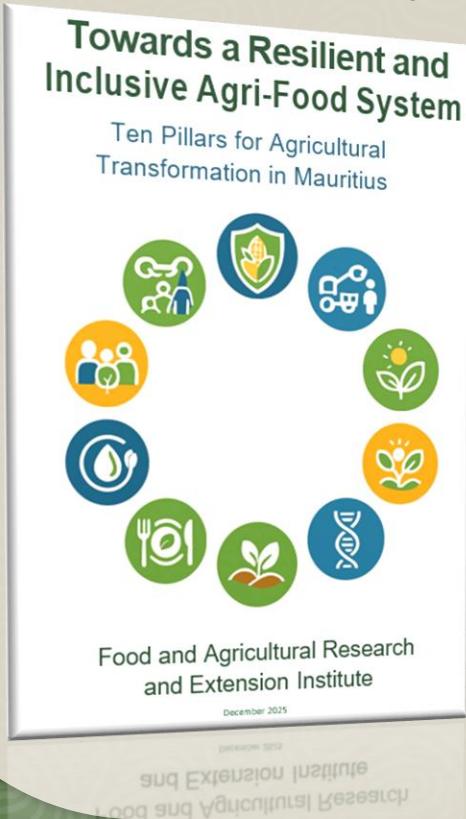
CLUSTER 2: LIVESTOCK

Building a Climate-Resilient & Sustainable Livestock Sector in Mauritius

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Policy Alignment and Themes

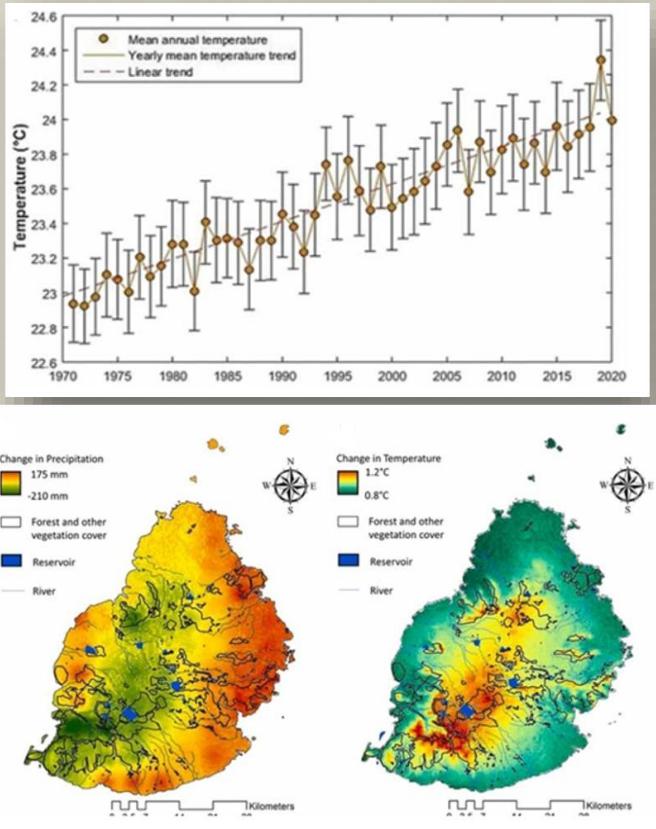


Climate Resilience, Adaptation and Disaster Preparedness

Focusing on strengthening infrastructure to withstand extreme weather events while building capacity for rapid recovery and longterm adaptation

Regenerative and Sustainable Livestock and Emission Reduction

Implementing practices that restore soil health and biodiversity while simultaneously reducing greenhouse gas emissions from livestock operations



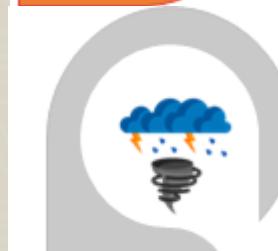
J. Doorga, 2022. Climate change and the fate of small islands: The case of Mauritius

Climate change: Evidence



Heat Waves

More frequent and longer duration events impacting livestock stress



Intense Cyclones

Increased intensity leading to infrastructure damage and feed loss



Flash Floods

Sudden heavy rainfall overwhelming drainage and housing systems

Challenges



Climate Extremes

Cyclones, floods and heat stress.

Resource Scarcity

Water stress, feed/forage shortages.



Market disruption

Supply chain volatility, access issues



Farmer Exposure

Limited insurance, slow recovery.



Dual Role of Livestock



The Victim

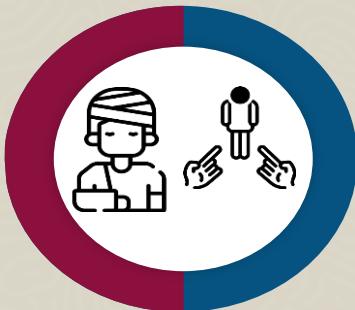
Productivity Losses & increased Mortality



Severe Heat loss



Rising Disease pressure & vectors



The Contributor

Enteric Methane Emissions



Manure Management Emissions



Carbon Footprint of imported feed



Opportunity

Targeted actions can reduce emissions and increase resilience simultaneously



Domains of Interventions



Early Warning Systems

Water-Smart Agriculture



Circular Economy Models

Insurance & Emergency Reserves

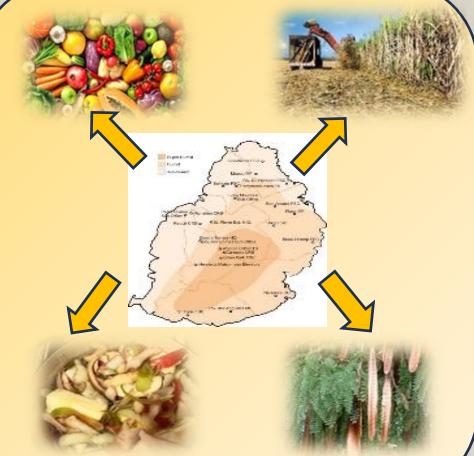


Proposed Flagship Interventions (I)



Local feed mapping & alternative proteins: to Reduce Imports

Local Feed Resources



Alternative Feed Resources



Precision Farming



Proposed Flagship Interventions (II)



Manure-to-energy & waste valorization: Circular solutions for waste management and soil health

Biogas systems



Composting and soil amendment



Proposed Flagship Interventions (III)



Integration of Crop & livestock integration: Mixed Farming, silvopasture, closed-loop system

Mixed systems



Closed nutrient Loops



Diversified income



The Vision - Mauritius 2030

A Future Where Our Livestock Sector Is:

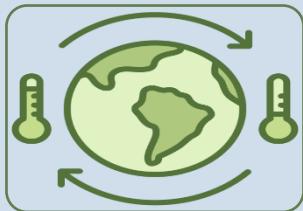
Climate-Resilient

Regenerative

Self-reliant

Market-smart

Farmer-centered



Withstands shocks, protects farmers & supply

Enhances soil health and fertility, recycles nutrients, recycle waste, cuts emissions

Local feeds, renewable energy, circular systems

Sustainability-labelled products, consumer trust

Policies and support are primarily directed to the farmer

**Together, we can build a livestock sector
that is resilient, regenerative, and ready for
the future.**



The role of animal health in national climate commitments

