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Climate change and agriculture: Analysis and implication on South Africa

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Abstract: Environmental change is the greatest threat to human life on the planet in the twenty first century. Its miles a manner of unnatural weather exchange, relatively because of 'nursery gases' as an after effect of human interest. Agricultural sector is anticipated to be adversely impacted by environmental change both in the present and in the future, thereby negatively impacting means livelihood and food security. Agriculture undoubtedly is a vital economic factor, and means of livelihoods in South Africa. Because Climate change is expected to reduce crop yields in South Africa, thus affecting food security and livelihood, adaptation strategies need to be implemented to mitigate climate change effects. This paper gives a detailed analysis and implications of environmental change effects on agriculture sectors and significance for achieving growth results such as food security, poverty alleviation, and sustainability in South Africa. Future Prospects for South Africa show decreased rainfall, rising heat, and high unpredictability for the better part of the area coupled with severe declines on the drier and marginal western areas, hence it will affect food security. These consequences has great effects for farming production in South Africa. As a result, South Africa is expected to see 10% to 50% reductions in agricultural output, a situation that might increase food insecurity in the region. By perfecting knowledge through educational institutions, knowledge will be raised concerning the impact of climate change and how to militate against present and anticipated circumstances.

Keywords – Adaptation, Agriculture, Climate change, Food security, Mitigation, South Africa

1. INTRODUCTION

Environmental change is the greatest threat to human life on the planet in the twenty first century. Its miles a manner of unnatural weather exchange, relatively because of 'nursery gases' as an after effect of human interest. The world's weather maintains to change at a speed which might be projected to be remarkable in human records. Recent climatic alternate situations revealed that maximum a part of the East area might be affected with lower in water scarcity to the track of about 40mm annually (Rischkwowsky, Thomson, Shanyien & King, 2004; Ademk & Abayomi, 2015). The United Nations warned that the negative effects of climate exchange, specifically by emissions from the Western countries will hit Africa continent the most (Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment (IEMA), 2012).. Approximately seventy million human beings are at threat from rising sea stages, while droughts, that have crushed the Horn of Africa with growing occurrences could be extra common (Institute

of Environmental control and assessment, 2012). The report gave a clean evaluation of what could occur on the continent inclusive of South Africa if advanced international locations do now not manipulate their carbon emissions.

South Africa is especially at chance due to the fact of its reliance on meals on massive amount of arid lands. Extra than 1/2 of African cultivatable land is arid or semi-arid.. Unpredictability of rain fall forces them to rely on emergency meals aid. Each developed and growing nation's agricultural zone are at hazard of weather exchange impact. But growing international locations which include South Africa are possibly to sense the effects extra, no longer due to the fact they may be the best individuals to climate version, however because they lack monetary, social and political settings to quick react properly to the effects of climate variability. Weather variability is expected to result in higher temperatures, greater sporadic rainfall sample and frequent droughts. Harassed on the countries already affected with shortage of water sources, the influences of weather exchange are predicted to have an effect on all sectors of the financial system which includes the rural quarter (IEMA, 2012). Weather condition is projected to reduce future farm harvest in South Africa, thereby impacting food protection and the human being's means of livelihood (Olabanji, Ndarana & Davjs, 2021). Of late, (IPCC, 2014), record mentioned that natural and human gadget has been substantially encouraged by using extended temperature and constant excessive weather conditions together with drought and flood due to exchange in climatic situations. Its agricultural results can now not be unnoticed as agricultural harvest rely in large part on the availability of water sources (Shrestha, 2015).

Decline in agricultural manufacturing due to climate alternate is possibly to growth food security international (Bhat, Maskey, Babel, Uhlenbrook & Prasad, 2014; Malla, 2008). This is because agricultural harvest important to food safety along with wheat, rice and maize calls for high degree of water for production (Nana, Corbari & Bocchiola, 2014). The desired level of water had to produce at the least 1kg of those products is ready 1.0m3, 2.5m3, and 1.5m3 respectively (Olabanji, Ndarana & Davjs, 2021; Bouman, 2009). Consequently, areas with scarce water supply due to climate will revel in low manufacturing the need affect food security in long- time period. Such impact and have an impact on is sizeable sufficient in arid and semi- arid areas together with South Africa, with two- 1/3 of the land location getting much less than 500mm annual mean rainfall throughout summer time specially within the jap place in which agricultural manufacturing is prominent (Olabanji et al., 2021). Agricultural contribution to the country's gross home product (GDP) is about 4%. Notwithstanding, this minimal contribution to the national financial system, agriculture quarter account for approximately 10% of the entire employment (OECD, 2006; Olabanji et al., 2021).

Furthermore, over 1,000,000 people in South Africa directly rely on farming from the rural quarter for livelihood and additionally about 94% of the rural merchandise which include rice, wheat and maize are consumed within the country (Muroyiwa & Mushunje, 2017). Consequently, the significance of agriculture cannot be overemphasized in South Africa. Strategic public measures may be very crucial to make for certain long- time period sustainability of agricultural area in South Africa. Furthermore, the level and length for funding needed to facilitate climate alternate adaptation in agricultural industry to sustain food security require government participation (Botai, Botai, Dlamini, Zwane & Phaduli, 2016).

Due to the fact that 'Greenhouse gases,' and agricultural issues are probable to increase due to growing demands for foods and modifications in food plan, it is anticipated that the effect of climate exchange on agricultural system will now not be the same, though the lengthy- time period outcomes are probably to be poor. It is essential to note that mitigation and model measures are of significance, if the recorded development achieved in food security is not to be eroded.

2. PROBLEM STATEMENT

The reason for this study was to analyze the consequences of climate change on agriculture. Regarding the initial assessment carried out on this topic, it is evident that there are few literatures on climate change impact on

agriculture (Boko et al, 2007) in South Africa. South. Africa as a nation is overwhelmed by the effects of climate change. South African economy mainly relies on agricultural activities. The climate change impact is expected to cause less rainfall that leads to dry spell and temperature rise that will adversely affect agricultural activities and productions. The potentials and facilities will be adversely impacted, if much awareness is not created and action taken to cushion and adjust to the danger. Despite the problems associated with climate change, few studies of climate change on agriculture are available regarding adaptation and mitigation strategies (Hoogendoorn, G., Grant, B., Fitchett, J. (2016). It is this gap that informed this investigation.

3. AIM

The aim of the investigation was to understand how the farmers perceive climate change coping strategies (mitigation and adaptation) in South Africa.

4. OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

- To distinguish the effects of climate change on the agricultural sector in South Africa.
- To examine the adaptation and mitigation measures adopted by farmers in South Africa.
- To highlight climate change implications on food production in South Africa.

5. LITERATURE SURVEY

5.1. Literature survey

Even as international environment has gone through many changes during the life of the earth, the prevailing rate of development and the influences created an issue for environmental condition (Smith et al, 2009). Incident of weather change and the demonstrated discern, recommending that the global local area will usually look at these progressions for quite a long time to come, impartial of the endeavors set up to alleviate the influences due to delays and mild worldwide weather reaction (Simpson, 2011). It is for this reason, vital to essentially clarify the progressions in conjunction with people, the provider of the system for the science to be important for the research into maintainability by means of thinking about vulnerability (Mertz et al., 2009). International locations' weak spot to environmental change varies as in step with their specific economic and geological conditions, as these factors assist to decide how delicate the state is with the impacts of environmental change and the quantity in their openness with the impacts (Smit and Wandel, 2006). In keeping with Intergovernmental Panel on climate change Fourth assessment record (2007) approximately seventy five to 250 million human beings in Africa can be exposed to growing water shortage because of weather change in 2020 and this will negatively affect livelihood within the area. The area suitable for agriculture, duration of growing seasons and manufacturing potentials are predicted to decrease due to weather change. Proceeds from rain-fed agriculture in a few countries will be decreased to about fifty percent. As a consequence, weather change will possibly have a specific serious impact in the growing areas, where approximately 800 million humans might likely be malnourished.

In keeping with World Bank (2008) nearly seventy five% of the poor neighborhood populace in developing countries relies upon on agricultural activities for their livelihood. Global warming is Greenhouse gases, along with carbon dioxide, emanating from human use of fossil fuel entice heat in the surroundings that regulates our climate. The gases exist certainly, but human beings have in addition polluted the environment with extra carbon dioxide by using burning fossil fuels for power (coal, oil and natural fuel) and through deforestation that has affected farm yield.. Other affects include changes in soil erosion, storms, floods and drought. The result would be a deepening food insecurity.

5.2. Theoretical framework

The significance of a hypothetical structure is to make accessible a hypothesis that underpins a proposed research study. A straightforward evaluation of climate change impacts on the agriculture in South Africa, recommends that the utilization of some mental hypothetical strategies as an insightful structure. According to Higgins and Moore (2000:180), "theoretical framework helps to explain the connections between the features and factors necessary to the research problem". It defines the relationship between features for a better understanding of the theoretical connections. This implies that theory always is the basis for the researcher to analyse existing information and its realities and how it can help improve human life Theories like the Critical theory, Green Theory and Crisis theory would be effective in a study of this nature. Be that as it may, the selection of critical hypothesis over others originates from the point of interest of its method, which offers a thorough shape geared up for analyzing environmental change influences on the farming location in the South Africa.

5.3. Climate change and causes

Environmental change is a threat challenging humankind in the 21st century (Scott, Hall & Gossling, 2012). It is because of unnatural climate changes, really because of 'nursery gases' as an after effect of human action. Weather exchange is a hazard to the economy of the arena when it goes past 2oc global warming (Burke, Davis & Diffenbaugh, 2018). The United Nations has warned that the devastating results of atmospheric change, especially due to emissions from the Western worldwide locations, will hit Africa the toughest. It is critical to word that the effect of atmospheric conditions in Africa is deadlier than the specialist's concept. Approximately 70 million humans are at risk from developing rising sea degrees, whilst droughts, which have beaten the Horn of Africa with growing occurrences, could be more common (Institute of Environmental control and assessment (IEMA), (2012). The reason of weather change is the countries constant burning of fossil fuels-Coal, oil and natural gasoline- that continuously releases CO2 in the surroundings at an ever alarming price. The atmospheric condition of the earth has in the beyond improved fantastically, as proven by geological evidence of ice ages, sea –degree modifications and by way of the document of human history over masses of years. It is continually very hard to mention for positive the causes of beyond adjustments in the climate, but what is sure is that it's far associated with modifications in ocean currents, solar, activity, volcanic eruptions and different natural variables.

No matter initial critiques concerning weather change by few scholars and coverage makers, weather change is actual and therefore can now not be debated or doubted. Particularly its dangerous outcomes has prompted big changes in cropping seasons and instability in agricultural atmosphere with irreparable outcomes (Tejidini & Abayomi, 2015). The difference now is that international temperature has risen especially over a period of time. There is a totally sturdy view of increases in common global wind and sea warmness, and increase global sea-level. The IPCC Fourth Assessment Report concludes that the global warming is veritably clear. Atmospheric and ocean temperatures have been in an increase, more in the past five centuries, and presumably for further than a millennium. Scientists long in the past recognize that the surrounding's gases act as a 'blanket' that traps incoming solar power and keeps the Earth's floor warmer than it need to be and that an increase in atmospheric greenhouse gases ends in additional warming. Climate change and international warming are caused by buildup of carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide including methane inside the ecosystem because of man's influence –heating of fossil fuels, deforestation and cooking.

The heating of coal, oil and natural gasoline, in addition to deforestation and numerous agricultural and business practices, are changing the makeup of the atmospheric nation and adding to mood change (www.Gcrio.Org). In keeping with De Chavez and Tauli Corpus (2008), GHG's are chemical compounds inclusive of urine vapour, atomic number6 dioxide, methane and Nitrous oxide observed inside the air. Others including hydro fluorocarbon (HFC's) and per fluorocarbons (PFC'S) result substantially from human artificial processes. International warming is the average rise of the earth's surface temperature and oceans in comparison to preceding

centuries. Global warming is Greenhouse gases, inclusive of carbon dioxide, emanating from human use of fossil fuel lure warmness within the atmosphere that regulates our climate. The gases exist obviously, but human beings have in addition polluted the atmosphere with additional carbon dioxide by means of burning fossil fuels for electricity (coal, oil and natural gas) and through deforestation.

Due to the fact greater greenhouse gases trap greater warmness, common temperature round the world are developing. Different affects include adjustments in soil erosion, storms, floods and drought. The end result could be a deepening food crisis, in addition to deteriorating weather, power fluctuation and standard environmental breakdown everywhere in the global. Deforestation for ranching and agriculture additionally contributes to carbon dioxide emissions. Clearing for logging, ranching and agriculture also contributes to carbon emission. Land used adjustments also contributes to approximately 15 to 20% of modern carbon dioxide emissions (www.Gcrio.Org). Methane is (natural gas) is the second critical of the greenhouse gases resulting from human processes (www.Ecearth.Org/article/causes_of_climate_change). It is produced as a result of rice cultivation, farm animals and sheep ranching and by means of decaying substances in landfills. Methane is likewise produced for the duration of coal mining and oil drilling and through fuel pipeline leakage (Amusan & Odimegwu, 2015). Nitrous oxide is a product of agricultural and commercial practices. Chlorofluorocarbon (CFCs) is been utilized in refrigeration, air conditioning and as solvents. Natural changes inside the climate comes from interplay among the atmosphere and ocean, called internal factors, and from outside causes along with variations in the solar electricity output which might externally vary the amount of sun radiation received by using the earth's surface (www.Eoearth.Org/article/causes_of_climate_change), and in the quantity of fabric injected into the higher environment by means of explosive volcanic eruptions (www.Gcrio.Org).

5.4. Anticipated climate change temperature rise

Climate alter is expected to have exceptional results on the African territory amid the 21st century with inadequate mitigation measures (Niang, Ruppei, Abdrabo, Essei, Lennard & Padgham, 2014). Warmth in Africa is anticipated to escalation fleetly to double the world heat rise (James & Washington, 2013; Engelbrecht, Engelbrecht & Dyson, 2013). Also, the Northern and the Southern part of Africa may likely end up drier beneath progressed anthropogenic production, as Eastern part of Africa and utmost risky humid Africa are hypothetical to come rainier (Christensen et al., 2007; Engelbrecht, McGregor & Engelbrecht, 2009; James & Washington, 2013; Niang et al., 2014). Further query includes the anticipated climate prospects of West Africa and the Sahel. In respect to the unfavorable precipitation conditions, for the African locale, over Tanzania and Kenya, assist large-scale downpour conditions may likely emerge to the climate administration be characterised by a progressed level of circumstance of solid El Niño condition. Violent showers are hypothetical to do more continually over tropical and tropical Africa in for the most part hotter climate (Engelbrecht et al., 2013). Additional instability encompasses the climate prospects of West Africa, the Sahel and the Horn of Africa, basically inside the setting of the way weather alterations might moreover impact at the frequency of mega-droughts over those areas. Adverse rainfall conditions, for the southern areas, drier situation and the more constant circumstance of droughts are presumptive above most extreme of the innards (Christensen, Hewitson, Busuioc, Chen, Gao, Held, Jones, Koli, Kwon, Laprise, Rueda, Mearns, Menenedez, Raisanen, Rinke, Sarr & Whetton, 2007; Engelbrecht et al., 2009). Low associated storm occasions are moreover anticipated to do less continually over South Africa (Engelbrecht et al., 2013) in reaction to a shaft ward assignment of the westerly wind government. Very hot and humid tornado pathways are anticipated to move northward, bringing encourage downpour occasions to northern Mozambique and smaller to the Limpopo territory of South Africa (Malherbe, Engelbrecht & Laudman, 2013).

5.4.1. Rising temperature

Various research have considered the consequential results of weather variation on farming yields in South Africa (Mangani, Tesfamariam, Engelbrecht, Bellochi, Hassen & Mangani, 2019; Matji, 2015; Thornton, Jones, Ericksen & Challinor, 2011), their consequences point out a lower in farming products as a final results about of a fluctuating climatic situations. In keeping with Mayowa (2019) the effect of environmental change on South African maize production utilizing statistics obtained from digital network and impartial framework. The outcome showed that maize production might be affected with climate volatility, particularly if the effect are furthermost carefully practiced all through the vegetative and reproductive seasons of flowers According to research by Gbetibouo and Hassan (2005), and Deraasa, Hassan and Poonyth (2005), using Ricardian senaerio explored financial effect about climatic conditions regarding key South African agricultural plants and discovered that the product of field yields look delicate to changes in negligible heat while likened to adjustments in rainfall. Outcomes from their investigation inferred that indemnification in heat rise one way or another clearly impacted net profit while the effect of rainfall drop was poor. The investigation in addition punctuated the significance of time of year and position in managing with climate change, showing that the dissemination of environmental alteration effect and accordingly the demanded adaption methodologies change over the diverse agro-ecological districts of South Africa.

A crucial point of the anticipated atmospheric condition in South Africa is that warmness will rise considerably below truncated relief measures. Between the period of 2080-2099, temperature increments of than 4 °C are likely over the complete South African, with furthered increments of than 6 °C hypothetical over huge areas of the western, central and northern innards locales. Comparative increments will too be associated with exceptional increments within the number of warm- surge days and veritably hot days, with possibly ruinous impacts on cultivation, water supply ecology (NAS, 2017). The ideal forecast are reflection that a tall moderation pathway can, all things considered radically diminish this adequacy of warming - most forecast recommend that underneath RCP4.5, a modest excessive relief measures, high temperature over the insides may be limited to 2.5 to 4 °C. In spite of the fact that, that South Africa is conceivably dedicated to tremendously big increment in close to-face temperatures, without a doubt beneath excessive-mitigation potentials.

5.4.2. Changing rainful pattern

Lesser rainfall variability and upward push in temperatures are presently essential factors predicted to have good sized results on agrarian yield in South Africa (Botai et al., 2016; Durand, 2006). For instance, weather prediction research have validated that the charge of recurrence and force of droughts together with better unpredictability in downpour could have impactful consequences on agrarian product [IPCC]. According to Erasmus et al. (2000), a deterioration in rainfall within the Western Cape area is projected to have a reduced amount of water for agriculture and associated socio-monetary effect for farmers in that location The anticipated surge in temperature of 1.2 C in 2020, 2.4 C in 2050, and 4.2 C by utilizing the 12 months 2080 and a conceivable precipitation diminish of roughly 5–10% within the next five decade. Durand (2006) provides a big hazard to South Africa's nourishment protection and socio-economic firmness. In view of the socio-profitable significance of husbandry and nourishment security, it becomes thus vital to weigh how the impending weather change upsets agricultural yield. Adaption could be a major key to reduce the rigorous effect of climatic weather change on forthcoming agricultural product (IPCCC) (Olabanji et al., 2021). Prospective adaption measures should therefore be advanced and regularly estimated to successfully manage with climate threat.

Under weak mitigation, it is additionally likely that the bigger South African locale will witness for the most part drier conditions. This design is anticipated heartily by GCMs and their measurable and energetic downscalings, and is of awesome noteworthiness because it interprets to South Africa shows in fact beneath display- day climate a by and large dry and warm climate-should this low moderation future of essentially more

sultry and drier conditions materialize, it will significantly constrain the accessible openings for adaption. It can be alluded to that beneath low moderation, a minority of downscalings are characteristic of precipitation increments over the vital part of South Africa, and/or over the southern zones and the Cape south coast. Additionally, extreme convective precipitation occasions are anticipated to conceivably increment over the interiors ranges beneath low moderation, indeed inside the nearness of a commonly drier climate. Underneath high alleviating measures, the projections are characteristic of possibly exceptionally precipitation prospects for South Africa. Indeed beneath RCP4.5, a modest-excessive mitigation pathway, the anticipated design of drying is significantly weaker. In reality, a sensibly expansive amount of projections are demonstrative of commonly wetter conditions over the central and eastern interior districts, indeed as the closing projections remain characteristic of ordinarily drier conditions.

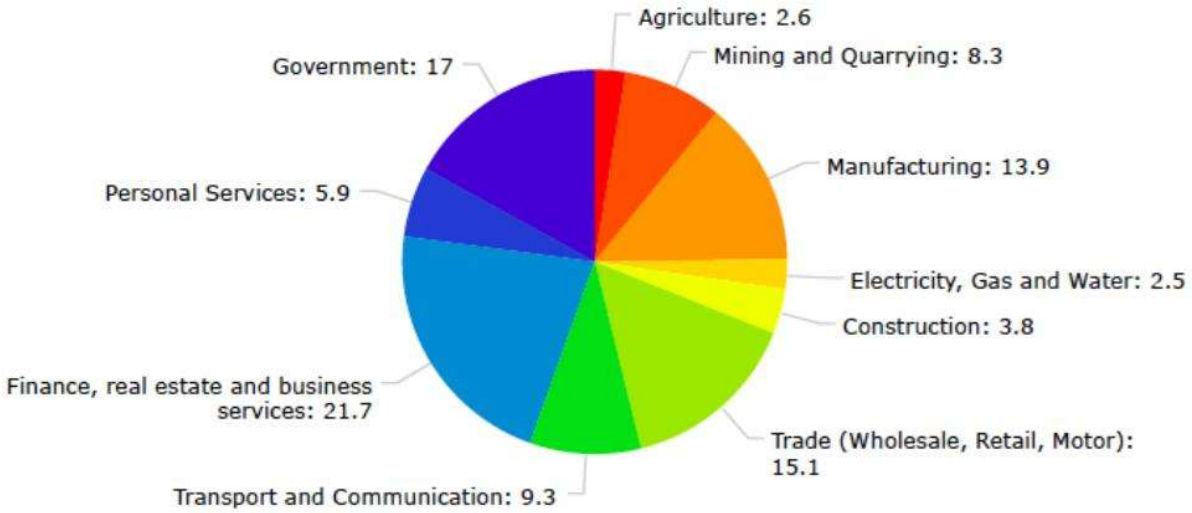
5.4.3. Excessive conditions

The predominance of strongly events ordinarily gives a miles-needed degree of choice in information of climate prospects, as such occasions goes beyond understanding the standards. The repercussions of such, such as their costs, is by and large felt for longer interims of time. Within the case of South Africa, dry spells, surge occasions, heat waves and tall hearth danger days are anticipated to development in comparison to a base length of 1971-2000. On the other hand, serious rainstorms and cold snaps are expected to lower. This investigation is based on the INDC specialized report (CSIR, 2015). In regard of dry spells, these are expected to extend beneath both low and high relief measures scripts for the period 2021-2050, a minority of projections characteristic of direct diminishes in dry spell length over the central interior. In regard of surge exercises, precipitation exercises of 20 mm or additional happening inside 24 hours over a place of 50 x 50 km2, for in a while happen over South Africa - most districts on the normal gests less than one of these occasions yearly. The foremost imperative frequencies of big-scale surge events are reenacted to emerge along the east coast and eastern slope districts of South Africa. Increments in overwhelming precipitation events are, in any case, achievable to happen over the interior and north-eastern parts of South Africa beneath low mitigation. Warmth-waves are unprecedented occasions in expressions of southern Africa's present-day climate, with most extreme districts encountering much less than five of these days per annum. In affiliation with broadly rising greatest temperatures, the recurrence of event of heat-wave days is likewise anticipated to extend definitely underneath climate alteration, with increments of more than 8 days in line with a long time over huge components of the imperative of South Africa, whereas least within the coastal ranges. In regard of rising hearth risk, over the northern components of the Northern Cape, more than a hundred and sixty of this in later times emerge every year, at the normal. But, drier regions effectively have an awfully low burning capability because of the scanty vegetation. Additional significant are the eastern and southern components of the nation, which beneath present-day weather studies gets less than 20 excessive fireplace-risk periods in keeping with 12 months, in any case are anticipated to rise with as numerous as 10-30 days per time within the forested ranges of Mpumalanga, Limpopo, the Western Cape and Eastern Cape for the period 2020-2050 (NAS, (2017).

Over the east seacoast and eastern locales, and within the precipitous districts of the southwestern Cape, more than ten savage rainstorm occasions do every year, normally. Customary with the anticipated diminishes in precipitation, seriously rainstorm events are anticipated to diminish in recurrence over most of South Africa underneath low relief measure, for the length 2021-2050 relative to 1971-2000, with a few gathering people task increments in intemperate electrical storm occasions over most extreme of eastern South Africa, with all gathering people anticipating an development in strongly rainstorm occasions over northeastern South Africa. Rough showers are regularly too the cause of lightning, accost, harming winds and streak flood. Cold snaps for the most part do when a cold front move profound into the insides of South Africa, sending sub-Antarctic wind inland. Cold-snap days beneath current- day climatological conditions do most always (almost 5-8 days per time) over the central locales of South Africa. These are expected to drop by 2-3 days per time over the central areas of South Africa for both moderate and tall moderation scripts (NAS, 2017).

6. AGRICULTURE IN SOUTH AFRICA

The South African frugality relies dependent on essential divisions such as husbandry, especially minerals, which are reliant on natural resources, and energy intensive. The generation of energy is exceptionally vital, because it is additionally subject to climate varieties. The South African economy proceeds to be driven by the essential division - characterized as businesses that extricate characteristic assets specifically. This incorporates fabricating businesses and manufacturing firms that prepare, or move the crude materials near to the essential sector. Figure 1 shows that agriculture and other sectors contributed 30%, to South Africa GDP in 2015 (NAS, 2017).



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Furthermore, extractive primary sectors are challenged by waning productivity and returns with increasing measure, as a result they are unable to address the challenges of unemployment, poverty, and inequality. Through its Mechanical Approach Activity policy called "The Industrial Policy Action Plan" (IPAP) and other related arrangements, the nation is on an industrialization drive (NAS, 2017). The nation is attempting to move its economy into the mechanical and benefit segments, which are significant to creating jobs and decreasing social imbalance. As climate-dependent assets characterize the generation conceivable outcomes for the economy as a whole, such industrial opportunities need to be integrated into development planning. Moreover, marginalized communities within the past, which were intensely subordinate on characteristic assets, not as it were had low capacities due to their financial status, but too remained subordinate on essential and extractive businesses due to their aptitude levels. . Furthermore, extractive primary sectors are challenged by diminishing productivity and returns with increasing scale, as a result they are unable to address the challenges of unemployment, poverty, and inequality. A number of policies are being implemented as part of the country's Industrial Policy Action Plan (IPAP).

The case for adaption measure in advancement programme is hence irrefragable to look into artificial options and trade-offs with assets vital to address severance, destitution and disparity through the understanding of climate prospects. An outline of the centrality of connecting climate alteration and asset prospects is the main concern of IPAP on agro-processing, where including the agro-processing issue requires expanded agrarian efficiency, which raises questions such as:-

- Is the prospect of precipitation and temperature governance attending to proceed being ideal in light of climate variability and change?
- Which segments will go without water so as to back a developing agro-processing, then again what will be conceivable to realize with available water in light of climate change?
- What will be the increment in water request to back up power procurement era for the new diligence, comprising of downstream water request as regards coal production and will accessible water assets in light of environmental condition be adequate (NAS, 2017)?

In South Africa, clean water is anticipated to gotten to be the deciding limitation on developmental advancement. Still, the challenge is not as it were an issue of water shortage; it is, perhaps to begin with and preeminent, an issue of declining water quality. The quality of brackish assets has been on a consistent decrease owing to expanded contamination, where 40 per cent of the brackish frameworks are presently in a basic condition, whereas 80 per cent are hovered. South Africa could be a water-scarce nation with 98 per cent of available water once distributed. Given the position of water disappointment within the nation, water-ferocious power product and an increment in agrarian product in reaction to a growing request and to back job creation, will challenge the equilibrium. Water can be the basic constraining unique asset for the maintained drive of both power and nourishment. The phantoms of climate changeability and changes in precipitation designs include to the inquiry, especially for helpless agriculturists who merit the flexibility to outlive in fact brief- term heads. These pitfalls are disturbed by changing utilization designs and statistic weights. The water adaption choices ought to in this way react to these dynamics. The country's attractive agrarian product is intensely subordinate on water system with as it were 12 per cent of the arrive considered appropriate for developing rain- bolstered crops and lower than 3 per cent is considered genuinely wealthy. Water system accounts for 90 per cent of vegetable, natural product and wine product and 12 per cent of the entire region beneath wheat is washed. So, in spite of the fact that as it were 1.5 per cent of the land is beneath water system, this directly accounts for 30 per cent of the country's crops. As there is constrained pastoralist area, the only attainable way to develop the agrarian segment is through water system (NAS, 2017).

Climate has a role portion in restricting farming conditioning, and a changing climate will essentially influence the country's agrarian division. Expected projections incorporate temperature increments, improved evapotranspiration and cold spells, changes in water quality and volume, and expanded flooding. The later LTAS (2013 – 2014) thinks about show blended projections on dry land yields-some will produce more, whereas others will produce less (WEF, 2017). It's likely the full normal occasional yields of maize and wheat will fall by 2050 (WEF, 2017). Within the worst-case circumstance, there will be a 25 percent decrease in periodic maize yields, in spite of the fact that it is additionally conceivable that beneath a really damp script, normal intermittent yields will increment by 10 percent. Ideal developing ranges are likely to move by 2050 for field crops (comparative as grain, maize, sorghum, soybean, sugarcane and wheat), pasturage/ rangeland glades, agricultural and viticulture crops, and major attractive ranger service tree species (WEF, 2017).

The dispersion of creepy crawlies, plants and illness vectors are moreover likely to move, which might adversely influence plants and animals products and wellbeing. The result on rangeland frameworks incorporate modest water arrangement, certain increments in forested plants and trees, changes in obtrusive species, increments in wild fire circumstances, warm push, increments in creature illness conditions, and bring down grassland areas for livestock's. Expanded flooding circumstances will complicate the projection of overgrazing, performing in expanded soil erosion, which can influence environments and jobs that calculate on animals products, and increment siltation circumstances of irrigation heads and conduits (WEF, 2017). Work is additionally likely to be adversely influenced due to the anticipated increment within the number of days that individuals will witness warm inconvenience (WEF, 2017). This has genuine counteraccusations for the efficiency of agrarian work, especially those working with summer and multi-year crops. More distant investigation is requested on the impacts of weather change on the item of biofuel products, in spite of the fact that canola has once been connected

as a defenseless trim in this respect (WEF, 2017). Climate alter will exacerbate the agrarian sector's current problems, such as land declination, populace increments, developing request for agrarian assets, and the misfortune of agrarian land to advancement. There are, still, openings for unused water system advances and tending and fertilizer operations, among other ways, to overcome a few of the expected impacts. Other than the MTSF, agriculture, Fisheries and forestry division service does not have a comprehensive utilitarian outline that can provide against the complete objects of the National Adjustment Technique. In 2012, the department created distributed the Coordinates all- inclusive Development and Improvement plan. While In 2014, it distributed the Agriculture Approach Activity Plan, the Food and Nourishment Security Arrangement (RSA), (2017).

All these reports fall flat too to comprehensively and operationally address natural disaster impact. The techniques/ programs as it were recognizes/ honor particular conduct that might be connected to weather, e.g. MTSF 2015-2019 as it were, distinguishes investigation prerequisites and integration of biogas item with creature cultivating, though APAP suggests climate shrewd cultivation, IGDP distinguishes trim and enhancement, counting water system, while National Nourishment and Nourishment Security advances water gathering advances. These methodologies counting the NWRS do not address a few of the basic issues comparative as the water- nourishment trade-offs and backing instruments for comparative venture (Montmasson-Clair & Zwane, 2016).

DAFF is directly creating a weather change adaption and moderation measures for the agriculture, forestry and fisheries segments. DAFF is additionally creating a sectoral cold spell operation measures that points to decrease the helplessness of agronomists to advance and extended cold spells, which can be irritated by weather change. Within the agriculture division, adaption frameworks have concentrated on raising the flexibility and capacity of plant growth specialist to plan for the expected changes in climate. A few frameworks have concentrated on particular structure results, while others have concentrated on engendering information and data. Little scale cultivators in defenseless zones have significantly been focused on for these frameworks. Climate-smart agriculture has been a specific framework of cultivation that has been advanced as a feasible way of including item and reducing nursery gas emigrations (DEA 2017b).

Biodiversity frameworks have concentrated on the reclamation and recovery of biological systems. A common approach that has been utilized is biological system- grounded cultivation which includes reestablishing biological systems and by doing so decreasing the vulnerabilities of communities. Another approach that has been utilized in a few adaption frameworks is biodiversity stewardship which includes communities and proprietors as overseers of critical resources and ranges of biodiversity (DEA, SAWS 2016). Several of the wellbeing and climate alter frameworks have concentrated on testing the complex associations between climate alter conditions comparable as HIV/ Helps, and food stability. Idealizing wellbeing care can offer assistance to form the flexibility of communities to more be appropriate to oversee with climate alter impacts (DEA 2016a).

Climate conferences agreements and structures and creating unique early caution frameworks for communities have been a few of the adaption frameworks implemented within the risk division. The South African economy is subordinate on essential divisions comparable as farming and mining, especially minerals extractives, which are common asset and power subordinate, with electricity generation being veritably important because it is additionally subject to climate changeability and alter. In this way, changes in climate are prognosticated to complicate these challenges, as climate alter will have coordinate impacts on South Africa's reserves and structure, influencing nourishment security and wellbeing, impacting water reserves, plus structures. These impacts will be particularly felt by the destitute, as they will be more uncovered to them and have littler capitals to oversee with these impacts. Climate alter is hence prognosticated to result in more distant extending of the gap between the wealthy and destitute (Ziervogel, New, van Garderen, Midgely, Taylor, Hamman, Stuart-Hill, Myers & Warbuton, 2014; Chikulo, 2014).

7. IMPLICATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE ON GROWING PERIOD IN SOUTH AFRICA

Climate under goes long time period of natural cycles of changes, this long period of systematic cycles of changes to the earth's climate brought changes in the temperature, rainfall patterns and nonstop violent weather conditions (Becken, 2013a). These changes can have dangerous and serious profitable, social and environmental consequences on the foundation on which husbandry operates, thereby making climate change a serious issue for husbandry exploration (Becken, 2013b). Zhu (2005), explained that atmospheric change has both positive and negative impact on farming. But can degenerate to a worst case situation in the long- term that might be lead to food scarcity if action is not taken to remedy the situation. Crop production are affected by many factors connected with climate variation. These variables are temperature, rainfall, adverse climatic conditions, climate unpredictability, and carbon dioxide in the atmosphere that can cause climate warming that eventually harm crop yield (USDA, 2007). Climate change is an added dynamic that defines the level of growing and grazing periods and normally has great consequences on effectiveness of growth progressions and on degrees of growing upon plant leaves. In Africa, the growing period has decreased by high temperatures with significant effects on crops production (IPCC, 2007).

7.1. Temperature pattern

Studies of literal climate patterns have been progressively adding for the past years, given the adding enterprises regarding anthropogenically persuaded worldwide warming and weather change. For the African terrain, researches reflects extreme increments in temperature for a long time. Warming designs through southern Africa have tended to double the worldwide average For South Africa, inquires about of exacting temperature designs are meaning that South Africa has remained warming impressively over the period 1931-2015. The sturdiest warming designs have been identified within the drier western hallway of the nation (North Cape and Western Cape) and within the northeast (Limpopo and Mpumalanga, amplifying southwards to the east seacoast of KwaZulu-Natal)-where the seen degree of warming has been 2 °C per century or undoubtedly advanced-further than twice the worldwide rate of temperature increment (NAS, (2017).

7.2. Precipitation trends

The outcome about the propensities of intermittent precipitation for the period 1921-2015 for South Africa appear a positive slant in occasional precipitation sums over the central southern locales, amplifying to a few degree to the north. Negative design in precipitation were recorded over the northern passage of the Limpopo Area. Else, the recorded patterns in occasional normal precipitation summations are to a great extent factually inconsequential over the leftover portion of the nation, without a doubt in spite of the fact that the dissemination may be changing. For most extreme seasons there were no large-scale spatial consonance in factually critical patterns for regular precipitation summations. Still, the positive designs in occasional precipitation sums over the southern innards were reflected significantly within the summer precipitation patterns, which is the most precipitation season for this specific locale. The waning patterns in intermittent precipitation over Limpopo, on the other hand, showed up to be generally the result of decreasing precipitation pattern in autumn.

7.3. Adverse conditions - flood, dry spell and warm swells

There's substantiation that extraordinary precipitation occasions in South Africa are including, with warm surge conditions may be a likely reality, dry spell terms dragging marginally and precipitation escalated including. It must be famous that until 2015/16, South Africa had generally dodged antagonistic products of El Niño conditions since1991/92. Above-average precipitation over the once two decades has restricted extraordinary disastrous conditions in South Africa and the locale. As a result, flooding and storm conditions have highlighted more conspicuously as extraordinary occasions than catastrophe until 2014.

7.4. Undependable water supply

South Africa once in the past endures from time to time precipitation variety, with uneven supply of waterway and groundwater resources. The condition may be aggravated by climatic condition, with intensifying query about, South Africa's water availability for household and agricultural usage. Furthermore, there is great disparity in getting water for industrial usage, emerging out of the intolerance heritage. Moreover, there is substantiation of declining water quality of South Africa's major water frameworks, water storage facility budgets and ground water resources-the fundamental water drive plans that support social and beneficial improvement in South Africa.

7.5. Consequences on farm crops and livestock

While the agrarian segment utilizes approximately 5 per cent of South Africa's work force and contributes lower than 3 per cent to the country's GDP (DAFF, 2014), environmental change implication in this industry have serious advancement challenges. Potential climate pitfalls to cultivation influence fundamentally from including temperatures and expanded changeability of precipitation, which is able influence the product of distinctive species products and animals. Damaging impacts would too be felt over increments in water system demand and over bugs and conditions (RSA, 2016). This implies that certain agrarian conditioning and jobs may be rendered out of date due to progressed temperatures. As a result, before middle of this century it may not become difficult to cultivate beans in South Africa, taking bean producers to disengage or forsake the product and move to more safe crops like yams (Nature.com, 2016; NAS, 2017). In agreement to results within the LTAS report, a sprinkle of elucidative exemplifications of productive pitfalls from climate alter in this division incorporate temperature increment and changeability of precipitation (SANBI, 2013).

8. SUSTAINABLE ADAPTATION MEASURES

South Africa is once in the past passing the negative impacts of weather change and is expected to endure noteworthy cruel conditions within the future. To advance adaption to these impacts it is essential to require measures to diminish human and productive vulnerability as well as to decrease the helplessness of physical and environmental structure to changing environmental conditions. In expansion, it is vital to create the versatile capacity of individualities and society to reply to environmental change conditions. Since atmospheric condition impacts differs depending on vulnerability and versatile capacity those individualities and communities that are most defenseless to climate alter ought to be given for priority. The vital affect for this key intercession is

- Expanded flexibility and versatile capacity accomplished in mortal, productive, landscape, physical and environmental structure vulnerability.

Spanning up and duplicating adjustment mediations that have been considered compelling can be a successful and surer way to diminish defenselessness and make versatile capacity. Traversing up and imitating intercessions will increment the vulnerability across the community.

8.1. Level of mediation

Varieties of adaption system are by and by being implemented in South Africa by different interested party in numerous segments. A few of the being frameworks may not be conceded as 'climate adaption systems', but contribute towards raising versatile capacity and diminishing defenselessness. Partners that have been pivotal gadget of climate adaption frameworks incorporate public key players comparable as DEA, the three tiers of government, and state organs such as SANBI, non-profitable associations (NGOs) and industry (DEA (2017b). In the water department, adaption frameworks incorporate water conservation and request operation frameworks, comparable as the commission of water gathering tanks and water sparing mindfulness programs. A few of the expansive water preservation frameworks have included the Working for Water and Working for Wetland programs which include the junking of stranger trees and assurance of water coffers (DEA, 2017b). Within the

cultivation division, adaption frameworks have concentrated on raising the flexibility and capacity of cultivators to get ready for the expected changes in climate. A few frameworks have concentrated on particular structure outcome, while others have concentrated on engendering information and data. Little scale ranchers in helpless zones have considerably been focused on for these frameworks. Climate-smart farming has been a specific framework of cultivation that has been advanced as a feasible way of including item and limiting nursery gas resettlement (DEA (2017b). Biodiversity frameworks have concentrated on the rebuilding and recovery of environments. A common approach that has been utilized is biological system- grounded cultivation which includes reestablishing environments and by doing so lessening the susceptibilities of localities.

9. SUSTAINABLE ADAPTATION MEASURES

South Africa has, still, made advance in creating a measure that reacts to and plans for the consequences of environmental change. White Paper on the National environmental change Response (NCCRP), in 2011, prioritizes climate alter alleviation and adaption in order create a climate-flexible and reducer- carbon emission (DEA (2011). The transcendent approach to adaption, as connected within the NCCRP, centers on the advancement of adaption reactions that are adaptable to changing conditions that takes unique environment and original knowledge into consideration which are educated by thorough exploration. The NCCRP recognizes a set of vital adaption related divisions comprising water, wellbeing, man understandings, cultivation and attractive forestry service, biodiversity and environments, and catastrophe risk decrease and operation, and advocates the expansion of environmental change into plans for these segments (DEA (2011). Since the advancement of the NCCRP, significant advance has been made in creating adaption programs, plans and techniques in colorful divisions and circles of government, counting the advancement of climate adaption plans in metropolitan and regional administration.

The zone where noteworthy progresses have been made within the joining of climate alter adaption is risk operation. Act No. 16, (2015, (Disaster Management Act), is a critical statute that specifically responds to natural risk adaption. The management ascribes obligation across central, regional including municipal government to invest in catastrophe threat reduction and adverse weather change adaption intercessions for their separate authorities.

9.1. Reducing susceptibility and build adaptive capacity

Measure 1:

South Africa is facing negative impact of atmospheric change and will undoubtedly may encounter serious consequences in the future. To adapt to these impacts, it is significant to map out measures to reduce human and financial weakness just as to decrease the defenselessness of physical and biological facilities to environmental change. Moreover, it is critically important to construct people and society adaptive capability to respond to environmental change impacts. Since environmental change impacts vary according to susceptibility and adaptive know- how, those people and regions that are generally powerless to environmental change ought to be recognized for special help (DEA, (2019).

In relation water, coping adaptation measures comprise of water preservation and administrative measures, for example, using water gathering tanks and water saving projects. A portion of the huge water preservation plans include the Working for Water and Working for Wetlands estimates that incorporate the expulsion of odd trees and security of water assets in South Africa (DEA, (2017b).

9.2. Adaptation mechanism and mainstreaming

Measure 2:

Climate change impacts differs from sector to sector. Therefore, adaptation to atmospheric change cannot be confined to the ecological area alone, consequently it should be coordinated into the structure strategy and

execution measures taking all things together at all levels of government, business and communities in South Africa.

9.3. Research

Measure 3:

Climate change will bring about significant physical and financial impact in South Africa. It is essential that decisions made in anticipating these effects are fixated on admittance to exact and existing information and exploration. Putting resources into incredible environment demonstrating information and examination on the expected consequences of environmental change will help decrease change and improve the advancement of more proficient reactions (2019).

10. METHOD

Methodology deals with accurate and reliable data collection. Research methodology helps in collecting correct and dependable information and explains the ways in which the research is classified in units to enhance data analysis (Yunos & Ahmad, 2014; Fatigun, 2002). The motivation behind the investigation was to decide the impacts of environmental change on the agricultural sector of South Africa. The research provides an analysis of environmental change consequences for agriculture in South Africa. It used examine the different adaptation and mitigation procedures and cycles drew to guarantee legitimate measures were adopted to limit the climate change impacts on food security.

The research method for the thesis was a qualitative method. This is because it helps to collect extensive information and understanding of human behaviour and the environment that brought about such behaviour. The qualitative method help in the collection of samples by asking in-depth questions that assisted to inquire into the impacts of environmental change on agriculture.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS

The capability of developing countries to acclimatize to the impacts of climate change is limited by their treasuries and terrain. Without global backing to the vulnerable countries from developed countries, that are responsible for the emigrations presently causing climate impacts, lower advanced countries will continue to be exposed to climate related disaster. That is why transnational finances like the Green Climate Fund (GCF), is established to give help to these developing countries in their sweats to acclimatize to and alleviate change. The Green Climate Fund was established in Cancun, Mexico, at 2010 Cop 16 of November 29, followed by a pledge to increase the fund to US$ 100billion annually by 2020.

The benefits of the GCF are been negatively limited because the backing medium is not completely functional yet. The slow backing and lack of clarity on the backing fiscal structure which is a source of nonstop misreading between the developing countries and the advance countries. The difference between what is wanted for developing countries to cover their populations from the climate change and what is actually available to help them acclimatize is what's causing confusion over “climate injustice.” It is an irony to say the least that these developing countries that have contributed veritably little to the temperature rise and that has high global emigrations, Africa is still on the least outfit to contain the environmental change effects that has exposed her to the climate consequences.

11.1. Recommendations

Climate change is a matter of concern which many agriculturalist had noticed over years. Perceptions of climate change is a prerequisite for adaptation. From the investigation of the information available, it was revealed that

many farmers already perceived climatic changes Farmers should adjust their management practices to make sure they ultilise the use of the scarce rainfall and water resources for food production. The farmers should use adaptation measures in a complimentary manner and not as autonomous strategies. For example, the use of irrigation system should be used in conjunction with other yield management practices. Helping farmers to increase these adaptation measures by affording them the necessary loan, information and training required to help them increase and maintain high productivity level even under adverse climatic conditions.

One of the ways for South Africa to help alleviate the yet to come hazard of climate change is to increase the position of knowledge, ameliorate the standard of health care delivery, increase land reform system where it exist or establish one where there is none. Importantly, there should be public mindfulness education crusade about environmental information of South Africa. By perfecting knowledge through educational institutions, knowledge will be raised concerning the impact of climate change and how to militate against present and anticipated circumstances. This educational mindfulness should cut across all spheres of education. Likewise, print and electronic media has a veritably pivotal part to play in this campaign of climate change in South Africa. They raise public mindfulness by communicating with the people about climate change and its consequences and what measures to be taken in case of climate hazards.

Above all, there should be political will on the part of the countries to support the societies by rolling out finance to support exploration husbandry to assist unveil and deal with the critical issue of environmental change They should muster the courage to use the point so far established regarding climate change in policy expression and perpetration.

Corruptions among South African leaders are ceaseless and must be embedded out if South Africa will meet its bogus development programs. Finances calculated for systems no way reach its destination. In utmost cases the fund disappears indeed before the design will take off. This is the reason why utmost primary infrastructural installations to manage with the incident of climate change on South Africa guillotining, because the plutocrat disappears as soon as the design is blazoned. The issue of corruption is aboriginal and has eaten deep the fabric of South African society, numerous abandoned systems to the dismay of the people.

The State policy regulation should aid research and development that can enhance the appropriate technological advancements to help farmers adapt to changing atmospheric conditions.

12. CONCLUSION

The compass of consequences of climate change could be surprisingly on social security and poverty because Africa including South Africa depends on rain- fed farming for a living. Climate change has aggravating water security in South Africa. As demand exceeds supply, conflict becomes unavoidable across Africa. As the concern over brackish demand increases due to climate change dangerous impacts, right to water and its distribution and raising use may well have dire influence to the stability of South Africa and the entire mainland. Some regions of South Africa, for instance, Gauteng and Western Cape are likely to be gulfed in water extremity that impacts on agriculture, thereby affecting food security, unless critical plans are put in place on participating and distributing the available water resources. Water is of a substance to humanity, is a necessity in all areas of man's bid (similar as agriculture and artificial product and power generation), and also critical for transportation of goods and services.

In as important as irrigation can be used to boost husbandry, it will also help ameliorate profitable growth and employment to the pastoral people, hence reducing the possibility of civic migration. It will also help break the challenges of deforestation, soil declination and failure in some areas of South Africa. Migration is the effect of environmental change. Deforestation for husbandry, construction and wood energy also contributes to pastoral-civic migration in South Africa.

Studies have revealed that changes in weather and climate is natural not good for agricultural sector. But adaptation will greatly decrease the susceptibility of climate change (Easterling et al, 1993' Lemon, 2012). The

degree of climate change impact on agriculture rest greatly on its adaptive capacity. Preferably adaptation and mitigation should be used simultaneously as some adaptation strategies can assist decrease GHGs emission, while mitigation strategies can also be used help to decrease and not escalate the risk of extreme conditions. Adaptation and mitigation are essential in ensuring food security in South Africa.

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