



# **BLUE ECONOMY**

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## **BLUE ECONOMY IS EVERYWHERE**



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# CHALLENGES



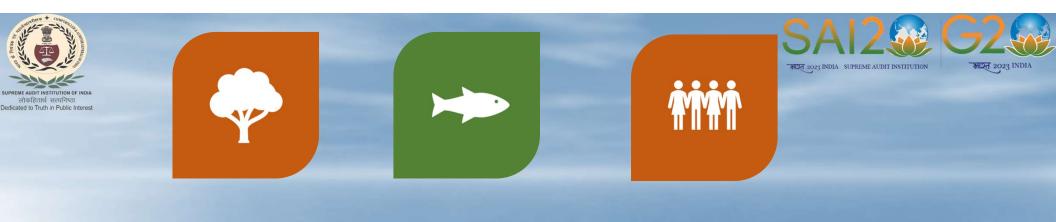
Social Challenges	Economic Challenges	Ecological Challenges
<ul> <li>Livelihood</li> <li>Gender Equity</li> <li>Capacity Building</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Blue Accounting</li> <li>Inter-sectoral conflicts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Threat to Biodiversity</li> <li>Marine Pollution</li> <li>Costal Erosion</li> <li>Overexploitation of biotic resources</li> <li>Invasive Species</li> </ul>



## HINDIAN CONTEXT

- A long coastline of 7516KM
- Among 12 mega biodiversity countries.
- 25% of the Indian population lives within 50KM of the coastline.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> largest fish producing country.
- 16 Million fishermen depend for livelihood.
- 95% of Trade takes place through Sea.

#### **Overall contribution of Blue Economy – 4.1% of Indian GDP**



SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF COASTAL SPACES CONSERVATION OF BIODIVERSITY EMPLOYMENT GENERATION AND GENDER EQUITY



# **Priority Areas**

OFFSHORE WIND ENERGY





#### SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF COASTAL SPACE

- Policy Regime
- Institutional Framework
- Spatial Planning
- Coastal Water Quality
- Project specific Environment Management Plans



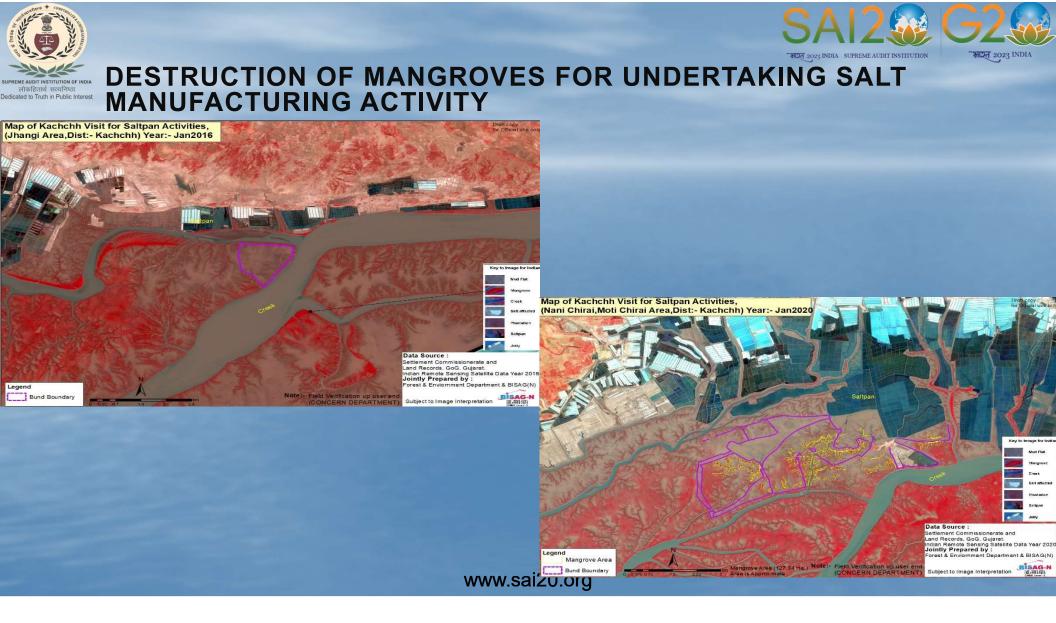


#### CONSERVATION OF MARINE BIODIVERSITY



Mapping of the coastal ecosystem, including marine protected areas, mangroves, corals, critically vulnerable and threatened species

Identification and Mitigation Plans for anthropogenic stressors





#### THREATS TO BIODIVERSITY







DEAD CORAL COVERED WITH INVASIVE ALGAE

**BEACH BEDS IN TURTLE NESTING SITES** 





### EMPLOYMENT GENERATION AND GENDER EQUITY

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Mapping of fish stocks and technology for production and post- harvest management	Artisanal Fishery
Capacity Building	Coastal Tourism
Gender Equity with larger role and finances for Fisherwomen	World Bank Project in India with large pilot investments for participation of women

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#### **Offshore wind energy**

- Wind Energy Atlas
- Shift in overall energy mix towards renewable
- Project specific threats to marine biodiversity
- Clean not at the cost of green



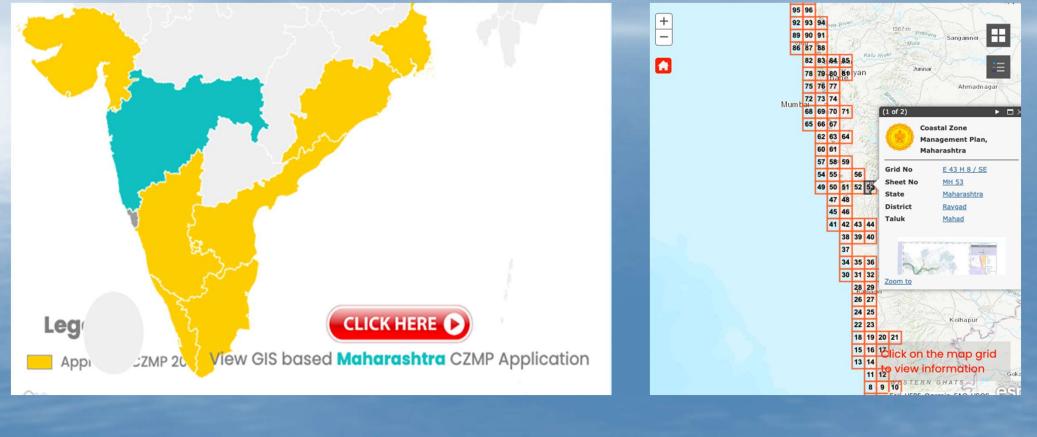








## **COASTAL REGULATION ZONE MAP**



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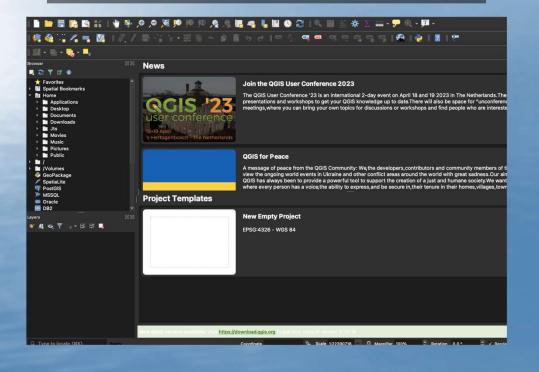






#### **GIS TOOLS**

QGIS for referencing the CZMPs



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Google Earth Pro for Satellite Imagery



#### **AUDIT OUTCOME**



Satellite imagery indicating irregular developments necessitating executive interventions







**Toolkit 2:** 



Each country has a unique coastline with specific distress factors

Assessment of country specific coastal water quality index

Nationally developed methodology with primary data points obtained from National Centre for Coastal Research and approved by Niti Aayog

Methodology is replicable and may serve as a starting point for auditing community to track marine pollution.



#### **METHODOLOGY**

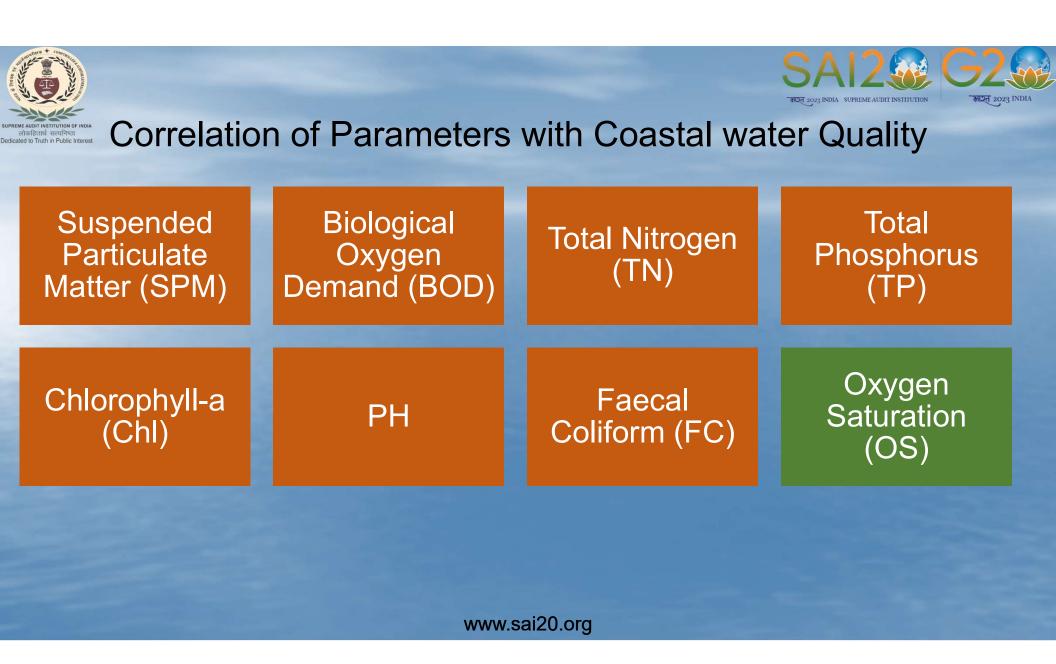


Coastal water Quality Index Sample collection from 170 representative locations across the Indian coastline (pristine to polluted)

Analysis of eight parameters critical to Coastal water Quality

Creating data points and feeding the algorithm to create water quality index benchmarks

Assessment of water quality of any location on coastline based on the algorithm







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25th percentile	4	Good	13.1	0.77	11.75	0.64	0.38	Poor	74.52	2
50th Percentile	3	Moderate	17.5	1.22	16.67	0.94	1.27			
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Percentile	2	Poor	25.6	1.96	23.50	1.61	2.69	Good	103.05	4
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Pass	>8	<126
Fail	<8	>126

#### THRESHOLD PARAMETER FROM 2021 SAMPLE DATA ON INDIAN COAST

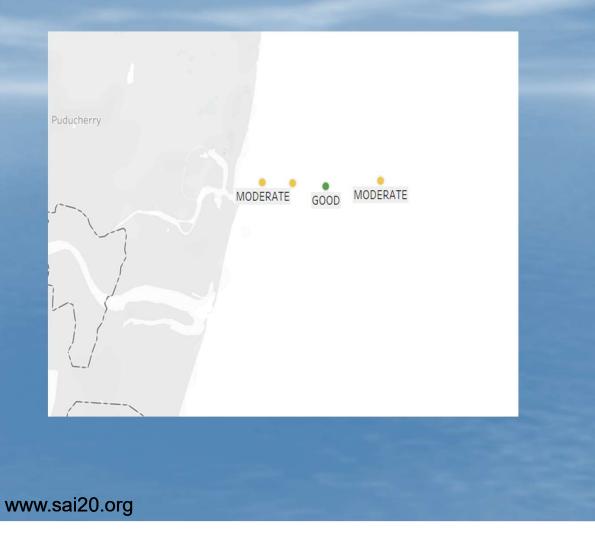


#### **AUDIT OUTCOME**



Based on the threshold parameter benchmarks for 2021, coastal water quality at four sites was assessed with these results

CWQI grades based on 0-100 % scale			
CWQI value (%)	<b>Final Grades</b>		
80 - 100	Very Good		
60 - 80	Good		
40 - 60	Moderate		
20 - 40	Poor		
01 - 20	Very Poor		









Collaboration amongst member countries on sectors of Blue Economy



Knowledge and resource sharing for executive policy regimes, institutional capacities and audit products of the sectors

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Preparation of Auditing toolkits related to Blue Economy



Novel Auditing practices on the sector





# **Thank You**