

National Forestry Resources Monitoring and Assessment of Tanzania (NAFORMA)

SAMPLING DESIGN





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NAFORMA Background

- 3 parties involved in compiling the NAFORMA Project Document:
- Government of Finland, Donor (US\$ 3 mill. over 3-year period).
- Government Tanzania (US\$ 0.8 mill. (WB loan) for the same 3year period + staff and office facilities)
- FAO logistical framework and technical support

+ additional technical assistance and methodological support through FAO-Finland SFM in a Changing Climate Program.

- NAFORMA OBJECTIVES

- Develop a broad consensus to NAFORMA process and approach incl. methodology
 Strengthen capacity of FBD in inventory and monitoring of forests and TOF
 - Develop a national database on Forests and TOF
 - Prepare national maps of forests and other land uses
 - •Define long term monitoring program design and formulate specific management oriented inventories

Stakeholders' Needs Assmt

Since compiling Project Document many changes have taken place in policy and operational environment

- New information needs for REDD & GHG reporting.
- Sub-national information needs of Tanzania

Initial effort done to define data needs and efficient sampling design for NAFORMA

Results from Stakeholders' Needs Assmt

- Extent of forest resources in Tanzania by categories of:
- vegetation type (species in plantations & natural forests)
- ownership (e.g size of reserved forests and forests in general land)
- stocking levels including carbon estimates
- ecological status
- use status (productive/protective e.g catchment & wetlands areas)
- Biodiversity status
- Tree outside the Forest area (TOF)
- NTFP

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- The framework of the sampling design is Double sampling for stratification
- The first phase dense grid of clusters over Tanzania, 5 km x 5 km
- The second phase is a subsample of phase 1 measured during the actual inventory

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From the dense grid of clusters, the optimal sampling ratio was calculated for each stratum considering the following variables:

- wood volume estimates based on satellite images calibrated with field data from past inventories
- measurement time;
- slope

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It takes less time to measure trees in an agricultural land with a flat terrain than in forested land with prohibitive slope.

Different combinations of wood volume, measurement time and slope resulted into 18 strata

Description of the 18 NAFORMA strata

Stra	Time	Mean	Slope (%)	Sampling
ta	(minutes	volume on		ratio
No.)	land		
		(m ³ /ha)		
1.	0-480	0-27	0<=10	12
2.	0-480	27<=61	0<=10	10
3.	0-480	61<=118	0<=10	8
4.	0-480	118<-	0<=10	2
5.	480-960	0-27	0<=10	13
6.	480-960	27<=61	0<=10	12
7.	480-960	61<118	0<=10	9
8.	480-960	118<-	0<=10	4
9.	>960	0-27	0<=10	20
10.	>960	27<-61	0<=10	17
11.	>960	61<-118	0<=10	13
12.	>960	118<-	0<=10	5
13.	0-960	0-61	10<=20	7
14.	0-960	61<-	10<=20	4
15.	>960	0-61	10<=20	3
16.	>960	61<-	10<=20	5
17.	0-	0-118	20<=slope	6
18.	0-	118<-	20<=slope	4

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and		Strata	Plots per	Land area		
nitoring			cluster	estimates (mill. ha)		
tional Forest Mor		1-12	10	83		
		13-16	8	4.6		
		17-18	6	0.5		
Na		Total		88.1		
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The cluster

An L shaped arrangement of plots

•The distance between clusters and number of plots in cluster vary according to the strata

•The distance between plots in a strata is 250 m except for clusters 17-18 where the distance will be 200 m

Total number of clusters = 3419

•Total number of plots = 32 660

Alternative SD based on cost

Three levels of cost of field work were considered

- 1 mill USD
- 2.5 mill USD
- 4 mill USD

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Variation of number of plots, crew days, and CVs of area and volume at different costs for Tanzania

	1 mill USD	2.5 mill USD	4 mill USD
Plots on land	13011	32551	52536
Plots on 1-6	11635	29086	47133
Plots on 1-3	7806	19472	31704
Crew days	2517	6259	10189
Costs (USD)	1006648	2503600	4075421
CV			
Area1-6	0.77	0.44	0.33
Area1-3	1.88	1.16	0.81
Meanvol1-6	0.99	0.60	0.48
Mean vol1-3	1.54	0.85	0.69
Total vol1-6	0.81	0.53	0.42
Total vol 1-3	1.81	1.12	0.86

Variation of number of plots, crew days, and CVs of area and volume at different costs for Singida District

	1 mill USD	2.5 mill USD	4 mill USD
Plots on land	228	544	887
Plots on Land 1-6	204	484	795
Plots on 1-3	139	334	561
Crew days	50	107	169
Costs (USD)	19,928	42,677	67,630
CV	_		_
Area 1-6	8.61	4.33	3.29
Area 1-3	17.86	9.78	7.80
Mean vol1-6	7.88	4.75	3.86
Mean vol 1-3	13.65	6.94	5.47
Total vol 1-6	8.32	4.33	3.87
Total vol1-3	15.08	9.78	5.92

The cluster cont

- Every 4th cluster will be permanent
- There are 856 permanent sample clusters
- Soil samples for soil carbon measurement taken in PCs







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NAFORMA BIO-PHYSICAL VARIABLES (FORMS)

1. Cluster

- Number
- Position

2. Plot

- Position
- Photo
- Land use
- Vegetation
- Ownership
- Human impact

3. Tree variables

• Species code, Dbh, ht (sample), form etc

Land uses

- Production forest
- Protection forest
- Wildlife reserve
- Shifting cultivation
- Agriculture
- Grazing land
- Built-up areas)
- Water body or swamp
- Other land

The vegetation types

Hunting Technical Services Map (1995)

- Forest
- Woodland
- Bushland
- Grassland land
- Cultivated
- Open
- Water
- Other

OWNERSHIP CATEGORIES

- Central government
- Local government
- Community owned
- Private: companies
- Private: individuals and families
- Private: others
- General land
- Not known

Socio-economic data

- Collected in 5 house holds within a radius of 2 km from the cluster center
- The area must be in inhabited
- Concentration of bio-physical clusters is in forests => less populated
- Need high resolution imagery to identify clusters with dwellings or
- Search for dwellings while in the cluster









- 8 persons pr. team

- 2 socioec., 4 biophys (TL), ranger, driver
- 14 20 Teams (incl quality control teams)
- 7 zones most forested zones done first
- App. 3419 Clusters length of fieldwork depends on performance.
- Breaks between work in zones

TRAINING OF FIELD CREWS

- BIOPHYSICAL VARIABLES Dec 2009
- SOCIO-ECONOMIC VARIABLES JAN 2010
- COMBINED

March 2010

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- Start of Fieldwork

