



**WOCAT - World Overview of Conservation Approaches and Technologies** 

# Questionnaire on Sustainable Land Management (SLM) Technologies

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A tool to help document, assess, and disseminate SLM practices

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### Introduction to the questionnaire

#### **Definitions**

Sustainable Land Management (SLM) in the context of WOCAT is defined as the use of land resources – including soils, water, vegetation, and animals – to produce goods and provide services to meet changing human needs, while simultaneously ensuring the long-term productive potential of these resources and the maintenance of their environmental functions.

An **SLM Technology** is a physical practice on the land that controls land degradation, enhances productivity, and/or other ecosystem services. A Technology consists of one or several measures, such as agronomic, vegetative, structural, and management measures.

An **SLM** Approach defines the ways and means used to implement one or several SLM Technologies. It includes technical and material support, involvement and roles of different stakeholders, etc. An Approach can refer to a project/programme or to activities initiated by land users themselves.

#### A modular framework for the documentation and assessment of SLM practices

The ultimate goal of documenting and assessing land management practices is to share and spread valuable knowledge in land management, support evidence-based decision-making, and scale up identified good/best practices. To achieve this, it is important to analyse field experiences and gain a better understanding of the reasons behind successful SLM practices, regardless of whether they were introduced by projects or whether they are found in traditional systems.

WOCAT focuses on efforts to prevent and reduce land degradation and restore degraded land through improved land management technologies and approaches to implement these. All practices may be considered, whether they are traditional or indigenous, newly introduced through projects or programmes, adopted and/ or adapted by land users, or recent innovations.

The Core Questionnaire on SLM Technologies (QT) helps to describe and understand the land management practice by addressing the following questions: what are the specifications of the Technology, what are the inputs and costs, where is it used (natural and human environment), and what impact does it have?

The Core Questionnaire on SLM Approaches (QA) addresses the questions of how implementation was achieved (including capacity building, decision-making, technical and material support, change of legal framework and policies) and who achieved it (including all stakeholders involved and their roles). In the case of projects, WOCAT asks you to document only those components or activities of the project that are relevant to SLM.

The Core questionnaires on SLM Technologies (QT Core) and on SLM Approaches (QA Core) contain the key questions on sustainable land management. They are the foundation of the WOCAT knowledge base. They are shorter and less time-consuming to fill in than the formerly used "basic" questionnaires.

The WOCAT framework is flexible and open. It enables users to include specific topics, depending on their interests and needs, to expand the standardized WOCAT Core questionnaires. Development of the following modules has been completed or initiated: Climate change adaptation (QC), Climate Change Mitigation/ Carbon Benefits, Economics of SLM, and Biodiversity. The realization of additional modules depends on the initiative of interested partners and the mobilization of resources. WOCAT is open for collaboration, joint projects, and further development of the knowledge base. All modules will be docked onto the core version of QT and QA.

A further tool, the **questionnaire on SLM Mapping** (**QM**), has been developed to analyse and depict the spatial distribution of SLM and land degradation processes, causes, and impacts.

The questionnaires mentioned above complement each other. All information documented through WOCAT questionnaires is made available in an open-access **online database** and can be used to disseminate SLM knowledge and improve decision-making for further implementation and spreading of SLM practices.

#### Please read the following notes before filling in the questionnaire:

- It is recommended that the questionnaire be filled in by a **team of SLM specialists including land users** with different backgrounds and experience, who are familiar with the details of the SLM Technology (technical, financial, socio-economic).
- Answer all questions. If hard or precise data are not available, we ask you to provide a best estimate based on your professional judgement. If certain questions are not applicable or not relevant, indicate "n/a". Remember that the quality of the results depends entirely on the quality of your answers.
- Questions with the icon must be answered in consultation with land users. Depending on the Technology, it may be advantageous to answer all questions in consultation with land users.
- Questions with the icon arequire measurements or observations in the field.

- Instructions, explanations, definitions, and examples are indicated in italics. Use the definitions given in this document, even if they deviate from your own/national definitions (e.g. land use, slope classes, etc.).
- Square boxes must be ticked! If "Several answers possible" is not indicated, tick only one box!
- Make use of existing documents and seek advice from other SLM specialists and land users as much as possible in order to improve the quality of the data.
- If you do not have enough space for answers, use the empty pages at the end of the questionnaire for additional information. Please always make proper reference to particular questions and page numbers!
- Attach good technical drawings, photographs (including descriptions), references, etc.
- Please fill in a separate questionnaire for each Approach and each Technology (i.e. one questionnaire per Approach; one questionnaire per Technology). An Approach should be linked with one or several Technologies. Together, the two questionnaires (on SLM Technologies and on SLM Approaches) describe a case study within a selected area.
- The questionnaire was designed to document SLM Technologies. However, it can also be used for any land use management practice which is considered **non-**sustainable. If the objective is to compare situation 1 (before or without SLM measures) with situation 2 (after or with SLM measures), or to assess two different technologies and compare their impacts within the same land use system, fill in two separate questionnaires. Questionnaire 1 has to be filled in completely. In Questionnaire 2, it is sufficient to fill in the answers that differ from those given in Questionnaire 1. Indicate reference/link between questionnaires in question 1.6.
- Fill in the questionnaire carefully and legibly.
- Please enter the information in the WOCAT online database, see qcat.wocat.net.

#### 1. General information

# 1.1 Name of the SLM Technology (hereafter referred to as the Technology) Name: ..... Locally used name: Country: ..... Contact details of resource persons and institutions involved in the assessment and documentation of 1.2 the Technology Compiler The person who conducted the interviews, compiled the information, and filled in the questionnaire. Last name: ...... First name(s): ..... Name of institution: Address of institution: Postal Code: City: E-mail 1: E-mail 2: Optional: Add a photo of the compiler and indicate filename here: Key resource person(s) Person(s) who provided most of the information documented in this questionnaire. These can be land users, SLM specialists (e.g. technical advisers, researchers), or any other persons. **Specify the key resource person:** $\Box$ land user<sup>1</sup> ☐ SLM specialist/ technical adviser Last name: First name(s): Name of institution: Address of institution: Postal Code: City: State or District: Country: E-mail 1: \_\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Optional: Provide a photo of the key resource person(s) and indicate filename here: <sup>1</sup> Land user: the person/entity who implements/maintains the Technology. The term land user may refer to individual small- or largescale farmers, groups (gender, age, status, interest), cooperatives, industrial companies (e.g. mining), government institutions (e.g. state forest), etc. Name of the institution(s) which facilitated the documentation/ evaluation of the Technology (if relevant): ..... Name of project which facilitated the documentation/ evaluation of the Technology (if relevant):

*Note: You may upload the logo(s) of your institution/ project to the WOCAT database.* 

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Indicate further resource	ce persons who	have provided information on the Techno	logy (if relevant):		
Resource person 2:	☐ land user	☐ SLM specialist/ technical adviser	$\Box$ other (specify):		
		First name(s):		female male	
		Phone no. 2 (mobile			
E-mail 1:		E-mail 2:			
Resource person 3:	☐ land user	☐ SLM specialist/ technical adviser	other (specify):		
Last name:		First name(s):		female male	
Address:					
			Country:		
Phone no. 1:		Phone no. 2 (mobile	e)		
E-mail 1:		E-mail 2:			· • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Resource person 4:	☐ land user	☐ SLM specialist/ technical adviser	other (specify):		
Last name:		First name(s):		female male	
Address:					
			Country:		
Phone no. 1:		Phone no. 2 (mobile	e)		
E-mail 1:		E-mail 2:			

# 1.3 Conditions regarding the use of data documented through WOCAT

When were the data compiled (in the field)?: .	
The compiler and key resource person(s) accept yes $\square$ no	pt the conditions regarding the use of data documented through WOCAT:
Note: If you do not accept the conditions regarding data in the WOCAT database.	the use of data documented through WOCAT, you will not be able to enter and edit
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compiler or a data entry person assigned the compiler. The compiler, resource persodatabase as well as in any compilation or Data stored in the WOCAT database are	naires will be entered, edited, and stored in the WOCAT online database by the by the compiler. Overall responsibility for compilation and data quality lies with sons, and data entry person will be recorded and given credit for the data in the rpublication of the documented Technology.  open access.  the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike 3.0 Unported
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Full license terms: <a href="http://creativecommons.org/lice">http://creativecommons.org/lice</a>	enses/by-nc-sa/3.0/legalcode
1.4 Declaration on sustainability of th	ne described Technology
be used to describe a non-sustainable land manage In this case, indicate reference to those SLM Techno	
land management technology?	with regard to land degradation, so that it cannot be declared a <i>sustainable</i>
□ yes □ no	
1.5 Reference to Questionnaire(s) on S	
	the Technology, the associated SLM Approach must be described. Name below, and make sure that a link is created in the database.
Name of SLM Approach:	Compiler:
1.6 Reference to/ comparison with oth	ner Technologies
If the Technology described in this questionnaire is indicate details.	part of a comparative assessment of different Technologies/ situations, please
Name of other SLM Technology/Technologie	es: Compiler:

# 2. Description of the SLM Technology

An SLM Technology is a practice applied in the field that controls land degradation and/or enhances productivity. A Technology consists of one or several measures, such as agronomic, vegetative, structural, and management measures.

A single SLM Technology should cover a homogeneous set of natural (biophysical) and human (socio-economic) conditions. This means that the Technology is not applied or applicable to different, very dissimilar climatic or altitudinal zones or slope categories, or under very dissimilar land tenure arrangements. A Technology may consist of one or several SLM measures (agronomic, vegetative, structural, and management measures); e.g. terraces combined with grass strips and contour ploughing.

Site-specific information: Information provided in this questionnaire should strictly refer to the sites that were assessed/ analysed during the documentation of the Technology (e.g. through interviews with land users, field surveys, etc.), although the Technology might be applied or be applicable in a wider area.

Summarize the Technology in 1-2 sentences. Make sure this short description is precise and contains relevant keywords. It is the lead text of

#### 2.1 Short description of the Technology

this documentation and provides an important basis for searching the database.

2.2	Detailed description of the Technology
address key characterist Technology the Technol in length; t	d description should provide a concise but comprehensive picture of the Technology to outsiders. It should therefore a questions such as: (1) Where is the Technology applied (natural and human environment)? (2) What are the main tics/ elements of the Technology (including technical specifications)? (3) What are the purposes/ functions of the the theorem of the the purposes functions of the the theorem of the the theorem of the the theorem of the theore
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#### 2.3 Photos of the Technology

Provide photos showing an overview and details of the Technology.

Provide at least two digital files (JPG, PNG, GIF), i.e. files from a digital camera or scans from prints, negative films or slide films. Photos should be of high quality/high resolution and not manipulated or distorted.

An explanation (description) is required for each photo submitted! Photos should match the description given in 2.2 and help illustrate the technical drawing in 4.1.

Where appropriate, photos should depict the situation before and after or with and without SLM measures. Good photos are crucial for understanding and illustrating the main features of the Technology.

Filename of	Caption, explanation of photo	Date and	Name of
photo		location	photographer

General remarks regarding photos:

#### Example





Overview (left): Fanya juu terraces with grass strips on the risers developed into bench terraces

Detail (right): Fanya juu bund in a maize field after harvest: Napier grass on the upper part of the bund, and maize residues in the ditch below. (Photos: Machakos, Kenya; H.P. Liniger)

### 2.4 Videos of the Technology

If video files	presenting	the Technolo	gy are avail	able, uploa	d them to a	a public	platform	(e.g. v	rimeo.com,	youtube.co	m)
and indicate	a link and a	short descrip	tion for eac	h file in the	table belo	ow.					

Link	Comments, short description	Date and location	Name of videographer
2.5 Country/ region/ lo assessment	cations where the Technology has be	en applied and which a	are covered by this
sites that have been assessed/anal	e applied in various sites. However, restrict with waves was sites and the documentation process (throug sites where the same Technology is applied	h field visits, interviews w	with respective land users,
Country:	Region/ State/ Province:		
Further specification of location	n (e.g. municipality, town, etc.), if rele	evant::	
Number of sites considered/ and	alysed in the documentation of this Te	chnology:	
$\Box$ single site $\Box$ 2-10 site	es $\Box$ 10-100 sites $\Box$ 10	00-1,000 sites	> 1,000 sites
Site: A site can be a single plot or been implemented (e.g. dam)	a larger area managed by individuals or a	a community, or a place w	here specific infrastructu
	oordinates) of the sites where the Teo	chnology was documen	ted (reference sites):
Name of location, name of lan		Longitude	
Comments:			
2.6 Date of implementa	tion		
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# 3. Classification of the SLM Technology

### 3.1 Main purpose(s) of the Technology

Several answers possible.												
$\square$ improve production (cr	rop, fodder, wood/ fibre, water, energy)											
☐ reduce, prevent, restore	e land degradation (soil, water, vegetation	on)										
<ul> <li>□ conserve ecosystem</li> <li>□ protect a watershed/ downstream areas – in combination with other Technologies</li> <li>□ preserve/ improve biodiversity</li> <li>□ reduce risk of disasters (e.g. droughts, floods, landslides)</li> </ul>												
						adapt to climate change/ extremes and its impacts (e.g. resilience to droughts, storms)						
						_	e and its impacts (e.g. through carbon se	_				
						create beneficial econo	omic impact (e.g. increase income/ empl	oyment opportunities)				
create beneficial social	impact (e.g. reduce conflicts on natural	resources, support marginalized groups)										
	):											
3.2 Current land	use type(s) where the Technology is app	blied										
C - 1-C												
Select land use type	and use types, and subcategories below.  Select one or more subcategories	Specify major products/ services/ remarks										
Usually one, max. two ticks	Several answers possible	speedy major products, services, remains										
osuatty one, mast two teens	Several answers possible	Main crops (cash and food crops):										
☐ cropland	☐ Annual cropping	want crops (cash and rood crops).										
- cropiana	Perennial cropping											
	☐ Tree and shrub cropping											
	Other (specify):											
_												
$\square$ grazing land	Extensive grazing	Main animal species and products:										
	☐ Nomadism											
	☐ Semi-nomadism/ pastoralism											
	Ranching											
	Intensive grazing											
	☐ Cut-and-carry/ zero grazing											
	☐ Improved pasture											
	U Other (specify):											
☐ forest/ woodlands	(Semi-)natural forests/ woodlands	Products and services:										
_ Toresa woodamas	☐ Selective felling	☐ Timber										
	☐ Clear felling	☐ Fuelwood										
	☐ Shifting cultivation	Fruits and nuts										
	☐ Dead wood/ prunings removal	Other forest products (honey, medicinal										
	☐ Non-wood forest use	plants, etc.)										
	Tree plantation, afforestation	Grazing/ browsing										
	☐ Monoculture local variety	☐ Nature conservation/protection										
	☐ Monoculture exotic variety	Recreation/ tourism										
	☐ Mixed varieties	☐ Protection against natural hazards										
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	_	Main products/ services:
☐ mixed (crops/ grazing/	∕ ∐ Agroforestry	
trees), incl. agroforestr	Ty Agro-pastoralism	
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	☐ Agro-silvopastoralism	
	☐ Silvo-pastoralism	
	U Other (specify):	
		Remarks:
settlements, infrastruc	ture U Settlements, buildings	
	☐ Traffic: roads, railways	
	☐ Energy: pipelines, power lines	
	☐ Other (specify):	
	□ Other (specify)	
		Main products/ services:
□t	Drainage lines, waterways	_
waterways, waterbodie	Ponds, dams	
wetlands		
	Swamps, wetlands	
	☐ Other (specify):	
-		
☐ mines, extractive	Specify:	Main products:
industries	Specify.	Man products.
☐ unproductive land	Specify:	Remarks:
	~	
☐ other (specify):	Specify:	Remarks:
the Technology:		nnology, indicate land use before implementation of
Choose from the land use typ	pes and subcategories listed below.	
Land use: human activities v	which are directly related to land, making us	e of its resources or having an impact on it.
Land cover: vegetation (nati	ıral or planted) or man-made structures (bui	ildings, etc.) that cover the earth's surface.
Land use types		
Main categories	Subcategories	
Cropland: land used for	Ca: Annual cropping: land under temp	porary/ annual crops usually harvested within one,
cultivation of crops (field	maximally two years (e.g. maize, paddy	
crops, orchards)		land under permanent (not woody) crops that may be
		ere only part of the plants are harvested (e.g. sugar cane,
	banana, sisal, pineapple)	ent woody plants with crops harvested more than once after
		han 5 years (e.g. orchard/fruit trees, coffee, tea, grapevines,
	oil palm, cacao, coconut, fodder trees)	
Grazing land: land used	Ge: Extensive grazing land: grazing o	n natural or semi-natural grasslands, grasslands with trees/
for animal production		woodlands for livestock and wildlife. Includes the following
	subcategories:	
	Nomadism: people move with anim	
		nal owners have a permanent place of residence where
		red. Herds are moved to distant grazing grounds.  ned boundaries, movements cover smaller distances and
	management inputs are higher com	
		: improved or planted pastures for grazing/production of fodder
		s species, silage etc.) not including fodder crops such as maize,
	cereals. These are classified as annual cro	pps (see above). Intensive grazing can be subclassified into:
		ing fodder to animals confined to a stall/ shed or another tems the livestock are not permitted to graze at any time

• Improved pastures: pasture that is sown with a mixture of introduced grasses and legumes (can be fertilized and/or inoculated with rhizobia to fix nitrogen).

Forests/woodlands: land used mainly for wood production, other forest products, recreation, protection.	<ul> <li>Fn: Natural or semi-natural: forests mainly composed of indigenous trees, not planted by man</li> <li>Selective felling</li> <li>Clear felling: felling the whole forest at one time</li> <li>Shifting cultivation: felling (harvesting) only certain valuable trees within a forest</li> <li>Dead wood/ prunings removal (no cutting of trees)</li> <li>Non-wood forest use (e.g. fruit, nuts, mushrooms, honey, medicinal plants, etc.)</li> <li>Fp: Plantations, afforestations: forest stands established by planting or/ and seeding in the process of afforestation or reforestation</li> </ul>
	Monoculture local variety
	Monoculture exotic variety
	Mixed varieties
	• Fo: Other: e.g. selective cutting of natural forests and incorporating planted species
Mixed: mixture of land use	Mf: Agroforestry: cropland and trees
types within the same land	Mp: Agro-pastoralism: cropland and grazing land (including seasonal change between crops and
unit (includes agroforestry)	livestock)
	• Ma: Agro-silvopastoralism: cropland, grazing land and trees (including seasonal change between crops and livestock)
	Ms: Silvo-pastoralism: forest and grazing land
	Mo: Other: other mixed land
Settlements, infrastructure	• Ss: Settlements, buildings
· -	St: Traffic lines: roads, railways
	• Se: Energy lines: pipe lines, power lines
	• So: Other infrastructure
Waterways, waterbodies,	Wd: Drainage lines waterways
wetlands	• Wp: Ponds, dams
	• Ws: Swamps, wetlands
	• Wo: Other waterways
Mines, extractive	• I: Mines, extractive industries
industries	,
Unproductive land	• U: Wastelands, deserts, glaciers, etc.

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NO.	Ï

### 3.3 Further information about land use

Water supply for the land on which the Techno	logy is ap	plied:	
☐ rainfed ☐ mixed rainfed—irrigated	☐ full	irrigation	$\Box$ other (e.g. post-flooding):
Comment:			
Rainfed: crop(s) establishment and development is a	1 2	-	rainfall. crop when rainfall fails to provide sufficient water for
plant growth, to increase and stabilize yield; the add			1 0 0 1
Full irrigation: any of several means of an artificial Post-flooding: after rainwater has naturally flooded intentionally as a water reserve for crop cultivation.	the field (	e.g. in Wadis, 1	riverbanks), the water infiltrated into the soil is used
Number of growing seasons per year: $\Box$ 1	$\square$ 2	□ 3	Specify:
Livestock density (if relevant):			
3.4 SLM group to which the Technolog	gy belong	<b>gs</b>	
Assign the described Technology to one of the groups to represent the Technology:	following	SLM groups	s. If this is not possible, select several (max. 3)
natural and semi-natural forest management	t		
forest plantation management			
agroforestry			
☐ windbreak/ shelterbelt			
area closure (stop use, support restoration)			
☐ rotational system (crop rotation, fallows, sh	ifting cul	tivation)	
pastoralism and grazing land management			
integrated crop-livestock management			
☐ improved ground/ vegetation cover			

minimal soil disturbance
integrated soil fertility management
cross-slope measure
integrated pest and disease management (incl. organic agriculture)
improved plant varieties/ animal breeds
water harvesting
irrigation management (incl. water supply, drainage)
water diversion and drainage
surface water management (spring, river, lakes, sea)
groundwater management
wetland protection/ management
waste management/ waste water management
energy efficiency
beekeeping, aquaculture, poultry, rabbit farming, silkworm farming, etc.
home gardens
ecosystem-based disaster risk reduction
post-harvest measures
other (specify):

Natural and semi-natural forest management: encompasses administrative, legal, technical, economic, social, and environmental aspects of the conservation and use of forests.

Forest plantation management: plantation forests comprise evenaged monocultures and are established primarily for wood and fibre production. They are usually intensively managed and have relatively high growth rates and productivity.

**Agroforestry**: integrates the use of woody perennials with agricultural crops and/ or animals for a variety of benefits and services including better use of soil and water resources; multiple fuel, fodder, and food products; and habitat for associated species.

**Windbreak**: or shelterbelt is a plantation usually made up of one or more rows of trees or shrubs planted in such a manner as to provide shelter from the wind and to protect soil from erosion. They are commonly planted around the edges of fields on farms.

Area closure (stop use, support restoration): enclosing and protecting an area of degraded land from human use and animal interference, to permit natural rehabilitation, enhanced by additional vegetative and structural conservation measures.

Rotational systems (crop rotation, fallows, shifting cultivation): is the practice of growing a series of dissimilar/different types of crops/plants in the same area in sequenced season, letting it fallow for a period of time, shifting cultivation is an agricultural system in which plots of land are cultivated temporarily, then abandoned and allowed to revert to their natural vegetation while the cultivator moves on to another plot.

Pastoralism and grazing land management: is the grazing of animals on natural or semi-natural grassland, grassland with trees, and/or open woodlands. Animal owners may have a permanent residence while livestock is moved to distant grazing areas, according to the availability of resources

Integrated crop-livestock management: optimizes the uses of crop and livestock resources through interaction and the creation of synergies.

Improved ground/vegetation cover: any measures that aim to improve the ground cover be it by dead material/mulch or vegetation

Minimal soil disturbance refers to no-tillage or low soil disturbance only in small strips and/ or shallow depth and direct seeding.

Integrated soil fertility management (IFSM) aims at managing

Improved plant varieties/ animal breeds: refers to the development of new plant varieties or animal breeds that offer benefits such as improved production, resistance to pests and diseases, or drought tolerance, in response to changing environmental conditions and land users' needs.

Water harvesting: is the collection and management of floodwater or rainwater runoff to increase water availability for domestic and agricultural use as well as ecosystem sustenance.

Irrigation management (incl. water supply, drainage) aims to achieve higher water use efficiency through more efficient water collection and abstraction, water storage, distribution, and water application.

Water diversion and drainage: is the natural or artificial diversion or removal of surface and sub-surface water from an area

Surface water management (spring, river, lakes, sea): involves the protection of springs, rivers, and lakes from pollution, high water flows(floods), or over-abstraction of water, as well as protection measures against damage from waterbodies (e.g. river bank erosion, floods, tidal erosion)

Groundwater management: involves securing the recharge of groundwater reserves and their protection from pollution, overexploitation/ overuse, and rising groundwater levels leading to salinization.

Wetland protection/ management: managing wetland typically involves manipulating water levels and vegetation in the wetland, and providing an upland buffer.

Waste management/ waste water management: is a set of activities that include collection, transport, treatment and disposal of waste, prevention of waste production, and modification and reuse/ recycling of waste.

Energy efficiency technologies: reduce the amount of energy required to provide products and services, e.g. for cooking and heating, reducing the demand for fuel (fossil, wood).

Beekeeping, aquaculture, poultry, rabbit farming, silkworm farming, etc.: allow food production and agricultural products requiring small surfaces of the land.

**Home gardens** (also called backyard or kitchen gardens): are a traditional multifunctional farming system applied on a small area of land around the family home. They have the potential

soil by combining different methods of soil fertility amendment together with soil and water conservation. ISFM is based on three principles: maximizing the use of organic sources of fertilizer (e.g. manure and compost application, nitrogen-fixing green manure and cover crops); minimizing the loss of nutrients; and judiciously using inorganic fertilizer according to needs and economic availability.

Cross-slope measures: are constructed on sloping lands in the form of earth or soil bunds, stone lines, or vegetative strips, etc. for reducing runoff velocity and soil erosion.

Integrated pest and disease management (incl. organic agriculture): Integrated pest and disease management is a process to solve pest and disease problems while minimizing risks to people and the environment.

to supply most of the non-staple foods (including vegetables, fruits, herbs, animals and fish). They also provide a space for recreation, leisure, and relaxation.

Ecosystem-based Disaster Risk Reduction: is the sustainable management, conservation, and restoration of ecosystems with the aim of enabling these ecosystems to provide services that mitigate hazards, reduce vulnerability, and increase livelihood resilience.

Post-harvest measures: encompasses activities to deliver a crop from harvest to consumption with minimum loss, maximum efficiency, and maximum return for all involved—such as drying, storage, cooling, cleaning, sorting, and packing.

#### 3.5 Spread of the Technology

Specify the spread of the Technology:					
evenly spread over an area (e.g. mulching, series of terraces, afforestation, micro-catchments)					
applied at specific points/ concentrated on a small area (e.g. water points, dams, compost production pits, smallstock stables, hydropower stations)					
If the Technology is evenly spread $\square$ < 0.1 km <sup>2</sup> (10 ha) $\square$ 0.1-1 km <sup>2</sup> $\square$ 1-10 km <sup>2</sup> $\square$ 10-100 km <sup>2</sup>	d over an area, indicate approximate area covered:				
Comments:					
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#### SLM measures - the constituents of a Technology

SLM measures fall into five categories: agronomic, vegetative, structural, management, and other. Measures are components of Technologies. Each Technology is made up of one or-very commonly -a combination of measures: For instance, terraces -a typical structural measure -a are often combined with other measures, such as grass on the risers for stabilization and fodder (vegetative measure), or contour ploughing (agronomic measure).

Type of measure Su		utegories	Examples		
Agronomic measures		Vegetation/ soil cover	Mixed cropping, intercropping, relay cropping, cover		
	A2:	Organic matter/ soil fertility	cropping  Conservation agriculture, production and application of compost/manure, mulching, trash lines, green manure, crop rotations		
are usually associated with annual crops		Soil surface treatment Subsurface treatment	Zero tillage (no-till), minimum tillage, contour tillage Breaking compacted subsoil (hard pans), deep ripping, double digging		
<ul> <li>are repeated routinely each season or in a rotational sequence</li> <li>are of short duration and not permanent</li> <li>do not lead to changes in slope profile</li> <li>are normally independent of slope</li> </ul>		Seed management, improved varieties Others	Production of seeds and seedlings, seed selection, seed banks, development/production of improved varieties		
Vegetative measures	V1:	Tree and shrub cover	Agroforestry, windbreaks, afforestation, hedges, live fences		
<ul> <li>involve the use of perennial grasses, shrubs, or trees</li> <li>are of long duration</li> <li>often lead to a change in slope profile</li> <li>are often aligned along the contour or against the prevailing wind direction</li> <li>are often spaced according to slope</li> </ul>	V3: V4:	Grasses and perennial herbaceous plants Clearing of vegetation Replacement or removal of alien/ invasive species Others	Grass strips along the contour, vegetation strips along riverbanks Fire breaks, reduced fuel for forest fires Cutting of undesired trees and bushes Tree nurseries		
Structural measures	S1:	Terraces	Bench terraces (slope of terrace bed <6%); Forward-sloping terraces (slope of terrace bed >6%		
	<b>S2</b> :	Bunds, banks	Earth bunds, stone bunds (along the contour or graded), semi-circular bunds ("demi-lunes")		
		Graded ditches, channels, waterways	Diversion/ drainage ditch, waterways to drain and convey water		
<ul> <li>are of long duration or permanent</li> <li>often require substantial inputs of labour or money when first installed</li> </ul>	S4:	Level ditches, pits	Retention / infiltration ditches, planting holes, micro- catchments		
involve major earth movements and/ or construction with wood, stone, concrete, etc. are often carried out to	S6:	Dams, pans, ponds Walls, barriers, palisades, fences	Dams for flood control, dams for irrigation, sand dams Sand dune stabilization, rotational grazing (using fences), area closure, gully plugs (check dams)		
control runoff, erosion, and wind velocity, and to harvest rainwater  often lead to a change in slope		Water harvesting/ supply/ irrigation equipment Sanitation/ waste water	Rooftop water harvesting, water intakes, pipes, tanks, etc.  Compost toilet, septic tanks, constructed treatment		
<ul> <li>profile</li> <li>are often aligned along the contour/ against prevailing wind direction</li> <li>are often spaced according to slope If structures are stabilized by means of</li> </ul>	S9:	structures Shelters for plants and animals Energy saving measures	wetlands Greenhouses, stables, shelters for plant nurseries Wood-saving stoves, insulation of buildings, renewable energy sources (solar, biogas, wind, hydropower)		
vegetative measures!	<b>S11</b> :	Others	Compost production pits; reshaping of surface (slope reduction)		
Management measures		Change of land use type	Area closure/ resting, protection, change from cropland to grazing land, from forest to agroforestry, afforestation		
<ul> <li>involve a fundamental change in land use</li> <li>usually involve no agronomic and structural measures</li> </ul>		Change of management/ intensity level  Layout according to natural and	Change from grazing to cutting (for stall feeding), farm enterprise selection (degree of mechanization, inputs, commercialization), vegetable production in greenhouses, irrigation; from mono-cropping to rotational cropping; from continuous cropping to managed fallow; from open access to controlled access (grazing land, forests); from herding to fencing, adjusting stocking rates, rotational grazing Exclusion of natural waterways and hazardous areas,		
often result in improved vegetative		human environment	separation of grazing types, distribution of water		

cover • often reduce the intensity of use	<ul> <li>M4: Major change in timing of activities</li> <li>M5: Control/ change of species composition (if annually or in a rotational sequence as done e.g. on cropland → A1)</li> <li>M6: Waste management (recycling, re-use or reduce)</li> <li>M7: Others</li> </ul>	points, salt licks, livestock pens, dips (grazing land); increase of landscape diversity, forest aisle Land preparation, planting, cutting of vegetation  Reduction of invasive species, selective clearing, encouragement of desired/introduction of new species, controlled burning (e.g. prescribed fires in forests/on grazing land)/residue burning Includes both artificial and natural methods for waste management
Other measures  comprises any measures which do not fit into the above categories		Beekeeping, smallstock farming (e.g. poultry, rabbits), fish ponds; food storage and processing (including post-harvest loss reduction)
Combinations		Terrace $(S1)$ + Grass strips and trees along riser $(V2, V1)$ + Contour tillage $(A3)$
<ul> <li>occur where different measures         complement each other and thus         enhance each other's effectiveness</li> <li>may comprise any two or more of         the above measures</li> </ul>		Zero grazing/ stall feeding (M2) + Construction of stables and fence (S10) + Compost/ manure production pits (S12) + Application of manure and compost on cropland (A2)

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### 3.7 Main types of land degradation addressed by the Technology

Land degradation: Degradation of land resources, including soils, water, vegetation, and animals.

Use the degradation types and subcategories listed below. Several answers possible. Detailed information on the causes of land degradation may be documented using the WOCAT Mapping Tool.

Select degradation	on type	Select one or more subcategories/ codes (see definitions below)
☐ soil erosion b	oy water	
soil erosion b	by wind	
☐ chemical soil	l deterioration	
☐ physical soil	deterioration	
☐ biological de	egradation	
☐ water degrad	lation	
$\Box$ other		
Comments/ rema	arks (e.g. human-ind	luced and natural causes of degradation):
Degradation types	S	
W: Soil erosion by	v water	
Wt		ace erosion: even removal of top soil, sheet and interrill erosion
Wg	Gully erosion/gully	ing
$\overline{Wm}$	Mass movements/la	ndslides
Wr	Riverbank erosion	

#### E: Soil erosion by wind

Wc

Wo

Et Loss of topsoil: uniform displacement

Coastal erosion

Ed Deflation and deposition: uneven removal of soil material

and pollution of water bodies with eroded sediments

Eo Offsite degradation effects: covering of the terrain with windborne sand particles from distant sources ("overblowing")

Offsite degradation effects: deposition of sediments, downstream flooding, siltation of reservoirs and waterways,

#### C: Chemical soil deterioration

- Cn Fertility decline and reduced soil organic matter content (not caused by erosion): e.g. leaching, soil fertility mining, nutrient oxidation and volatilization (N)
- Ca Acidification: lowering of the soil pH
- Cp Soil pollution: contamination of the soil with toxic materials
- Cs Salinization/ alkalinization: a net increase of the salt content of the (top) soil leading to a productivity decline

#### P: Physical soil deterioration

Pc Compaction: deterioration of soil structure by trampling or the weight and/or frequent use of machinery

- PkSlaking and crusting: clogging of pores with fine soil material and development of a thin impervious layer at the soil surface obstructing the infiltration of rainwater PiSoil sealing: covering of the ground by an impermeable material (e.g. construction, mining, roads, etc.) Waterlogging: effects of human-induced water saturation of soils (excluding paddy fields) PwPsSubsidence of organic soils, settling of soil PuLoss of bio-productive function due to other activities B: Biological degradation Reduction of vegetation cover: increase of bare/unprotected soil BhLoss of habitats: decreasing vegetation diversity (fallow land, mixed systems, field borders), increased fragmentation of habitats Quantity/ biomass decline: reduced vegetative production for different land use BqDetrimental effects of fires (includes low/ high severity of fires): on forest (e.g. slash and burn), bushland, grazing Bfland, and cropland (burning of residues) Quality and species composition/diversity decline: loss of natural species, land races, palatable perennial grasses; Bsspreading of invasive, salt-tolerant, unpalatable, species/weeds BlLoss of soil life: decline of soil macro-organisms and micro-organisms in quantity and quality *Increase of pests/ diseases, loss of predators: reduction of biological control* BpH: Water degradation Aridification: decrease of average soil moisture content Ha Hs Change in quantity of surface water: change of the flow regime (flood, peak flow, low flow, drying up of rivers and lakes)

Hg Change in groundwater/ aquifer level: lowering of groundwater table due to over-exploitation or reduced recharge of groundwater; or increase of groundwater table resulting in waterlogging and/or salinization

Decline of surface water quality: increased sediments and pollutants in fresh water bodies due to point pollution Hp and land-based pollution

Decline of groundwater quality: due to pollutants infiltrating into the aquifers Hq

HwReduction of the buffering capacity of wetland areas to cope with flooding and pollution

#### 3.8 Prevention, reduction, or restoration of land degradation

Tick max. two answers.
Specify the goal of the Technology with regard to land degradation:
prevent land degradation
$\square$ reduce land degradation
☐ restore/ rehabilitate severely degraded land
$\square$ adapt to land degradation
☐ not applicable
Comments/ remarks:

Prevention: good land management practices that are already in place on land that may be prone to land degradation. They maintain natural resources and their environmental and productive functions.

Reduction: interventions intended to reduce ongoing degradation and/or halt further degradation. They start improving natural resources and their functions. Impacts tend to be noticeable in the short to medium term.

**Rehabilitation/ restoration:** required when the land is already degraded to such an extent that the original use is no longer possible, and land has become practically unproductive. Here, longer-term and more costly investments are needed to show any impact. Adaptation: applied when rehabilitation/ restoration of the original state of the land is no longer possible or requires resources beyond the means of land users. This means the state of land degradation is "accepted", but land management is adapted to suit land degradation (e.g. adapting to soil salinity by introducing salt-tolerant plants).

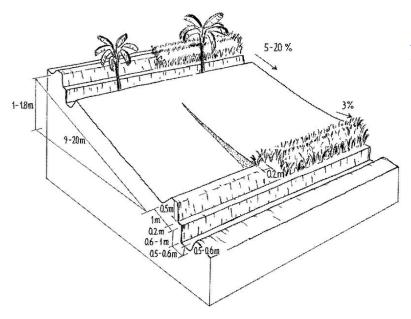
# 4. Technical specifications, implementation activities, inputs, and costs

#### **3** 4.1 Technical drawing of the Technology

Please provide a comprehensive and detailed drawing (including dimensions) of the Technology and indicate technical specifications, measurements, spacing, gradient, etc. You can also provide several drawings showing (a) a temporal sequence of operations or (b) different elements or details of the Technology. Alternatively you can also provide one or several photographs with technical specifications drawn and/or written onto the photograph(s). Include as much technical information as possible on the drawings (or photographs).

Keep the drawing simple and schematic. The technical drawing is crucial for understanding the Technology! Scan the drawing and upload the scan.

upload the scan.		



**Example**: Technical drawing indicating technical specifications, dimensions, spacing



#### 4.2 Technical specifications/ explanations of technical drawing

Summarize technical specifications, e.g.:

- Dimensions (height, depth, width, length) of structures or vegetative elements
- Spacing between structures or plants/vegetative measures
- Vertical intervals structures or vegetative measures
- *Slope angle (before and after implementation of the Technology)*
- Lateral gradient of structures
- Capacity of dams, ponds, etc.
- Catchment area and beneficial area of dams, ponds, other water harvesting systems
- Construction material used
- Species used

•	Quantity/ density of plants (per ha)	)	

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#### 4.3 General information regarding the calculation of inputs and costs

Notes on implementation activities, inputs, and costs:

- It may be very difficult to determine the costs of a Technology. Nevertheless, we ask you to give your best estimate!
- A distinction is made between initial <u>establishment</u> (construction, initiation) and maintenance/ <u>recurrent annual activities.</u>
- All costs should be calculated based on market prices. If labour is provided by land users themselves, indicate equivalent cost of hired labour. If inputs are provided/ produced by land users themselves, indicate equivalent market price.
- Exclude costs of awareness creation, planning, training, research, and financial/material support (these will be addressed in the Approach questionnaire).
  - If the objective is to compare two situations, i.e. the situation after/with SLM measures (e.g. conservation agriculture) and the situation before/without SLM measures (e.g. conventional agriculture), fill in two questionnaires.
- Preferably, activities, inputs, and costs should be calculated per area on which the Technology is applied. If you use a local area unit, indicate conversion factor between local unit and hectares. Include not only the area which is immediately covered by SLM measures (e.g. the area covered by stone walls, tree lines, ditches) but also the area that is affected/protected by the SLM measures (e.g. the area between stone walls, tree lines, ditches).
- Alternatively, if it is not possible to calculate activities, inputs, and costs per area, they may be calculated per unit (e.g. dam, animal watering point, energy saving stove) or per length (e.g. metre of stone line)

animal watering point, energy saving stove) or per tengin (e.g. metre of stone tine)
Specify how costs and inputs were calculated:
☐ per Technology area → indicate size and area unit: (e.g. 24 acres, 4.5 hectares)
If using a local area unit, indicate conversion factor: 1 hectare =
□ per Technology unit: → specify unit:
Specify currency used for cost calculations: US Dollars other/ national currency (specify):
You can use US dollars (USD) or any other national currency. Indicate all costs using the same currency.
Indicate exchange rate from USD to local currency (if relevant): 1 USD =
Indicate average wage cost of hired labour per day:



#### 4.4 Establishment activities

List establishment activities for the Technology (in sequence) and indicate timing

Activity	Type of measure <sup>1</sup> (A/V/S/M/O)	
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
Comments:		
<sup>1</sup> Type of measure: $A = Agronomic$ ; $V = Vegetative$ ; $S = Structural$ ; $M = Management$ ; $O = C$	Other measures;	refer to 3.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Timing: time during which activity is carried out, e.g. month or season, or "after harvest of crops", "before onset of rains", etc.



#### 4.5 Costs of inputs needed for establishment

*Note:* Costs and inputs specified below should refer to the Technology area/Technology unit defined in 4.3 and to the activities listed in 4.4. Use the currency indicated in 4.3.

If possible, break down the costs of establishment according to the following table, specifying inputs and costs per input. If you are unable to break down the costs, give an estimation of the total costs of establishing the Technology:

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Input	Specify input <sup>3</sup>	Unit <sup>4</sup>	Quantity	Costs per unit	Total costs per input	% of costs borne by land users
Labour						
Equipment						
Plant material						
Fertilizers and biocides						
Construction material						
Others						

Total costs of establishment of the Technology

$^3$ Si	eci	tv	1n	nu	ts:

- Labour includes total person-days, be they paid or unpaid (e.g. contributed by family members). Under "Costs per unit", indicate daily wage for hired labour. If relevant, differentiate between skilled and unskilled labour.
- **Equipment** includes tools, machine hours, animal traction, etc. Cost calculation for machine hours and animal traction should be based on hiring costs even if the machinery/ animals are owned by the land user.
- Plant material includes seeds, seedling, cuttings, etc.
- Fertilizers and biocides: compost/manure, inorganic fertilizer, herbicides, pesticides, etc.
- Construction material includes timber, stones, earth, cement, pipes, tanks, etc.

If land user bore less than 100% of costs, indicate who covered the remaining costs:
Remarks/ comments:



#### 4.6 Maintenance/ recurrent activities

List maintenance/ recurrent activities for the Technology (in sequence) and indicate timing

Activity	Type of measure <sup>1</sup> (A/V/S/M/O)	Timing <sup>2</sup> / frequency <sup>3</sup>
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
Comments:		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Frequency: e.g. annually, each cropping season, etc.



#### 4.7 Costs of inputs and recurrent activities needed for maintenance (per year)

**Note:** Costs and inputs specified below should refer to the Technology area/Technology unit defined in 4.3 and to the activities listed in 4.6. Use the currency indicated in 4.3.

If possible, break down the costs of maintenance according to the following table, specifying inputs and costs per input.

If you are unable to break down the costs, give an estimation of the total costs of maintaining the Technology:

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Input	Specify input <sup>4</sup>	Unit <sup>5</sup>	Quantity	Costs per Unit		% of costs borne by land users
Labour				per emt	permput	by land users
Equipment						
Plant material						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Units: person-days, kg, litres, pieces, etc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Type of measure: A = Agronomic; V = Vegetative; S = Structural; M = Management; O = Other measures; refer to 3.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Timing: time during which activity is carried out, e.g. month or season, or "after harvest of crops", "before onset of rains", etc.

Fertilizers and biocides  Construction material  Others						
Others						
indicate daily - Equipment in be based on h - Plant materia - Fertilizers an - Construction	wage for hired labour. cludes tools, machine h iring costs – even if the l includes seeds, seedlin d biocides: compost/ ma	e they paid or unpaid (e.g. If relevant, differentiate bours, animal traction, etc. machinery/ animals are ong, cuttings, etc. anure, inorganic fertilizer, etc. stones, earth, cement, p	netween skilled of the control of th	and unskilled le on for machine nd user. esticides, etc.	abour.	
		ts, indicate who covered		•		
	important factors aff					

# 5. Natural and human environment

Give details of the natural (biophysical) conditions where the Technology is applied. Make specific reference to the sites where the documented Technology has been assessed and analysed. Tick one box per question only, except for slope and soil parameters (see indications below). Use comment sections to specify your answers and provide additional information.

Note: Some of the environmental conditions (e.g. slope angle, soil characteristics, water quality/ availability, etc.) may change as a result of the Technology! However, you are requested to describe the conditions as they were without any impact of sustainable land management! In exceptional cases, certain questions might not be relevant for the Technology. In such cases, skip the question but use the comment sections to explain why you are skipping it.

#### 5.1 Climate

Annual rainfall (max. 2 ticks)								
☐ < 250 mm ☐ 251-500 mm ☐ 501-750 mm ☐ 751-1,000 mm ☐ 1,001-1,500 mm ☐ 1,501-2,000 mm ☐ 2,001-3,000 mm ☐ 3,001-4,000 mm ☐ > 4,000 mm	Other specific monsoon, wint occurrence of h	Specify average annual rainfall (if known):						
Agro-climatic zone								
☐ humid	Specifications	/ comments on climate:						
☐ sub-humid ☐ semi-arid								
arid								
<ul> <li>Agro-climatic zone</li> <li>Humid: length of growing period (Lot)</li> <li>Sub-humid: LGP 180-269 days</li> <li>Semi-arid: LGP 75-179 days</li> <li>Arid: LGP &lt; 74 days</li> <li>5.2 Topography</li> </ul>	GP) > 270 days	Length of growing period (LGP) is defined as the period during which precipitation is more than half of the potential evapotranspiration (PET) and the temperature is higher than 6.5° C.						
Slopes on average (max. 2 ticks)	Landforms (max. 2 t	cks) Altitudinal zone (max. 2 ticks)						
☐ flat (0-2%) ☐ gentle (3-5%) ☐ moderate (6-10%) ☐ rolling (11-15%) ☐ hilly (16-30%) ☐ steep (31-60%) ☐ very steep (> 60%)	plateau/ plains ridges mountain slopes hill slopes footslopes valley floors	☐ < 100 m a.s.l. ☐ 101-500 m a.s.l. ☐ 501-1,000 m a.s.l. ☐ 1,001-1,500 m a.s.l. ☐ 1,501-2,000 m a.s.l. ☐ 2,001-2,500 m a.s.l. ☐ 2,501-3,000 m a.s.l. ☐ 3,001-4,000 m a.s.l.						
Slane gradient conversion table:	Landforms (modified	☐ > 4,000 m a.s.l.						
Slope gradient conversion table:  Slope in degrees $\rightarrow$ Slope in percent  1° $\rightarrow$ 2%  3° $\rightarrow$ 5%  5° $\rightarrow$ 8%  9° $\rightarrow$ 16%  17° $\rightarrow$ 30%  31° $\rightarrow$ 60%	<ul> <li>Plateau/ plains:</li> <li>Ridges: narrow e mountaintops.</li> <li>Mountain slopes differences of mo</li> <li>Hill slopes (included)</li> </ul>	extended level land (slopes less than 8%).  longated area rising above the surrounding area, often hilltops or  (including major escarpments): extended area with altitude re than 600 m per 2 km and slopes greater than 15% ding valley and minor escarpment slopes): altitude difference of er 2 km and slopes greater than 8%						

	45° → 100%		floors/ plai • Valley floo	ns/plateaus on the other	nountain/ hill slopes on one side and vall side el land (less than 8% slope), flanked by	'ey
	Indicate if the Technol	logy is specif	ically applied in	convex situations		
	convex: ridge (diversion concave: depression (con			☐ not relevant		
	Comments and further	specification	ns on topography	(e.g. exact altitude and	slope angles of the evaluated sites):	
<b>3</b>	5.3 Soils					•••••
	Max. 2 ticks per question	ı.				
	Soil depth on average		Soil texture (to	ppsoil)	Topsoil organic matter	
	very shallow (0-20	cm)	☐ coarse/ ligh	nt (sandy)	$\Box$ high (> 3%)	
	shallow (21-50 cm	)	medium (lo	oamy, silty)	medium (1-3%)	
	moderately deep (5	51-80 cm)	☐ fine/ heavy	(clay)	□ low (< 1%)	
	☐ deep (81-120 cm)		Soil texture (>	20 cm below surface)		
	very deep (> 120 c	m)	☐ coarse/ ligh	nt (sandy)		
			medium (lo	• •		
			☐ fine/ heavy	•		
					ation, e.g. soil type, soil PH/	
	acidity, Cation Exchai					
	5.4 Water ava	ilability and	anality			
<b>~</b> )	One tick per question.	maomiy and	quanty			
	Groundwater table		ty of surface wat		Water quality (untreated)	
	☐ on surface	_	, 0	erlogging, high runoff)	☐ good drinking water	
	$\sqcup$ < 5 m		e.g. available yea	*	poor drinking water (treatment	-
	$\Box$ 5-50 m $\Box$ > 50 m	□ meaiu □ poor/ i	m (e.g. not availa	oie year-round)	☐ for agricultural use only (irri☐ unusable	gauon)
		•				
	Is water salinity a prob			_		•••
	Is flooding of the area	•	no 🗆 yes 🗆	• •	•	
	Comments and further	specification	ns on water quali	y and quantity (e.g. sea	asonal fluctuations, source of pollution	n)

# 5.5 Biodiversity

Indicate the state of biodiversity in the analysed sites relative to your region/ country standards. Tick one option per question.

Species diversity	Habitat diversity				
high	$\square$ high				
☐ medium	☐ medium				
$\square$ low	$\square$ low				
Comments and further specification	ns on biodiversity:				
	sity within an ecological community that incorpo ness of species' abundance; species include all fo				
Habitat diversity: refers to the variety of	or range of habitats in a given region, landscape, o	r ecosystem (modified from oecd.org)			
5.6 Characteristics of land	users applying the Technology				
Specify the characteristics of the average characteristics relative to your region/	ge/ typical land users who apply the Technology. T country standards.	ick max. two answers per question. Indicate			
Sedentary or nomadic	Market orientation of production system	Off-farm income <sup>1</sup>			
☐ Sedentary	☐ subsistence (self-supply)	$\square$ < 10% of all income			
☐ Semi-nomadic	☐ mixed (subsistence/ commercial)	☐ 10-50% of all income			
☐ Nomadic	☐ commercial/ market	$\square > 50\%$ of all income			
Other (specify):					
Relative level of wealth <sup>2</sup>	Individuals or groups	Level of mechanization			
☐ very poor	☐ individual/ household	☐ manual work			
poor	☐ groups/ community	animal traction			
average	cooperative	mechanized/ motorized			
☐ rich	employee (company, government)				
☐ very rich					
Gender <sup>3</sup>	Age of land users (several answers possible)				
☐ women	☐ children				
	☐ youth				
□ men	☐ middle-aged				
	☐ elderly				
<sup>1</sup> Off-farm income: income other than j manufacturing, industry, pension, remin	from the use of cropland, grazing land, forest, and ttances)	mixed land (e.g. from business, trade,			
<sup>2</sup> Relative level of wealth: use local ins	tead of international standards				
<sup>3</sup> Indicate gender of persons using the l	and				
Indicate other relevant characteristic	cs of the land users:				



### 5.7 Average area of land owned or leased by land users applying the Technology

0.5-1 ha	Indicate the total area owned or $\Box$ < 0.5 ha	leased by land	users, including	the land where no Techn	nology is applied. Tick max. two answers.
1-2 ha		Is this consid	lered small m	edium- or large-scale	(referring to local context)?
2.5 ha   5.15 ha   Comments:     15.50 ha   50-100 ha   100-500 ha   500-1,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   5.8   Land ownership, land use rights, and water use rights    Sata		_	_	_	_
5-15 ha   Comments:     15-50 ha     550-100 ha     100-500 ha     1000-500 ha     1000-10,000 ha     > 10,000 ha   > 10,000 h		_ sman-sca		num-scare iarge	-scare
15-50 ha   50-100 ha   100-500 ha   500-1,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   > 10,000 la     10,000 la   10,000 la     10,000 la   10,	□ 5 151	Comments			
50-100 ha   100-500 ha   500-1,000 ha   500-1,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 10,000 la   > 10,000 ha   > 10,00		Comments.	•••••	•••••	
100-500 ha   500-1,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 5.8		•••••	•••••	•••••	
500-1,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   1,000-10,000 ha   5.8   Land ownership, land use rights, and water use rights    Tick max two options per question   Land use rights   Water use rights (if releval to the right)   Land use rights   Water use rights (if releval to the right)   Open access (unorganized)   Open		•••••	•••••	•••••	
1,000-10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 10,000 ha   > 5.8					
S.8 Land ownership, land use rights, and water use rights   Tick max two options per question   Land use rights   Water use rights ((freleval to max two options per question   Land use rights   Water use rights ((freleval to max two options per question   Land use rights   Water use rights ((freleval to max two options per question   Land use rights   Open access (unorganized   Communal (organized   Communal (org					
Land ownership					
state			its, and water	use rights	
company		n	Land use rig	hts	Water use rights (if relevant)
company	state		open acce	ess (unorganized)	open access (unorganized)
group   individual   individual   individual   individual   individual   individual   individual, not titled   other (specify):	☐ company		communa	ıl (organized)	communal (organized)
individual, not titled   other (specify):	☐ communal/ village		leased		☐ leased
individual, titled   other (specify):	group		☐ individua	1	$\square$ individual
Comments:  Land ownership refers to the type of entity possessing the land, whereas land use rights refer to the type of entity having access the land  Land use rights/ water use rights:  Open access: means free for all  Communal (organized): means subject to community-agreed management rules  Leased: right to use land for a limited period of time against payment (contract)  Individual: right of use pertains to single user  5.9 Access to services and infrastructure  poor moderate good  health	individual, not titled		$\Box$ other (spec	ecify):	other (specify):
Comments:  Land ownership refers to the type of entity possessing the land, whereas land use rights refer to the type of entity having access the land  Land use rights/water use rights:  Open access: means free for all  Communal (organized): means subject to community-agreed management rules  Leased: right to use land for a limited period of time against payment (contract)  Individual: right of use pertains to single user  5.9 Access to services and infrastructure  poor moderate good  health	☐ individual, titled				
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Land use rights/ water use rights:  Open access: means free for all Communal (organized): means subject to community-agreed management rules Leased: right to use land for a limited period of time against payment (contract) Individual: right of use pertains to single user  5.9 Access to services and infrastructure  poor moderate good health	Comments:				
poor moderate good health	<ul> <li>access the land</li> <li>Land use rights/ water use rights</li> <li>Open access: means free for</li> <li>Communal (organized): mean</li> <li>Leased: right to use land for</li> </ul>	s: all ns subject to co a limited perio	ommunity-agreed od of time agains	d management rules	refer to the type of entity having a right to
health education  technical assistance employment (e.g. off-farm)  markets energy roads and transport drinking water and sanitation financial services	5.9 Access to services	and infrastr	ucture		
education  technical assistance  employment (e.g. off-farm)  markets  energy  roads and transport  drinking water and sanitation  financial services	health	poor	moderate	good	
technical assistance					
employment (e.g. off-farm)  markets  energy  roads and transport  drinking water and sanitation  financial services					
markets					
energy					
roads and transport					
drinking water and sanitation   financial services	••				
financial services	_				
	_				
other (enecity):	other (specify):				

# 6. Impacts and concluding statements

Assess relevant impacts in the table below. If data based on measurements are not available, give your best estimate. Negligible means "no significant benefit nor disadvantage". Make use of the "Quantify before SLM/ after SLM" and "Comments/ specify" columns to show evidence and justify your selection as far as possible. Choose adequate indicators to quantify impacts (e.g. t/ha for crop production, coliform measurement for water quality, etc.). Even if a 10% increase (e.g. in yield) might be judged as a great improvement, please nonetheless tick the category "Slightly positive (+5-20%)", and use "Comments" to explain. Only indicate "Quantify (before/ after)" if impacts were measured in the field or determined by means of a survey. Impacts that are not ticked are considered "not relevant" or "not applicable".

On-site: concerns the area where the Technology is applied.

Off-site: concerns adjacent areas or areas further away from the area where the Technology is applied.

#### 6.1 On-site impacts the Technology has shown

First, tick relevant impacts (tick box several answers possible). Then, for impact, tick the extent and specify/ q possible.	each selected	<b>Very negative</b> (– <b>50-100%</b> )	<b>Negative</b> (- 20-50%)	Slightly negative (– 5-20%)	Negligible impact	Slightly positive (+5-20%)	Positive (+20-50%)	Very positive (+50-100%)		If possible, quantify before SLM	after SLM	Comments/ specify
Socio-economic impacts												
Production												
$\square$ crop production	decreased								increased			
☐ crop quality	decreased								increased			
$\square$ fodder production	decreased								increased			
$\square$ fodder quality	decreased								increased			
$\square$ animal production	decreased								increased			
$\square$ wood production	decreased								increased			
$\square$ forest/ woodland quality	decreased								increased			
$\square$ non-wood forest production	decreased								increased			
$\square$ risk of production failure	increased								decreased			
☐ product diversity	decreased								increased			
☐ production area (new land under cultivation/ use)	decreased								increased			
☐ land management:	hindered								simplified			
☐ energy generation (e.g. hydro, bio)	decreased								increased			
Water availability and quality												
$\square$ drinking water availability	decreased								increased			
☐ drinking water quality	decreased								increased			
$\square$ water availability for livestock	decreased								increased			
$\square$ water quality for livestock	decreased								increased			
$\square$ irrigation water availability	decreased								increased			
☐ irrigation water quality	decreased								increased			
$\square$ demand for irrigation water	increased								decreased			
Income and costs												
arricultural input	s incr.								reduced			
☐ farm income	decreased								increased			
☐ diversity of income sources	decreased								increased			

	☐ economic disparities	increased				Ш	Ш	Ш	decreased		
	□ workload	increased							decreased		
	Other socio-economic impacts										
	☐ (specify):										
	☐ (specify):		П	ПГ		П	П	П			
	☐ (specify):		П			П					
	(specify).	•••••								••••••••••••	
D.	Sociocultural impacts										
	-			пг		П					
	food security/ self-sufficiency	reduced						_	improved		
	health situation	worsened							improved	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	
	☐ land use/ water rights	worsened				Ш	Ш	Ш	improved		
	ultural opportunities (spiritual, aesthetic etc.)	religious, reduced							improved		
	☐ recreational opportunities	reduced							increased		
	☐ community institutions	weakened							strengthened		
	$\square$ national institutions	weakened							strengthened		
	☐ SLM/ land degradation	weattened							~ <b>8</b>	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	•••••
	knowledge	reduced							improved		
	☐ conflict mitigation	worsened							improved		
	$\Box$ situation of socially and econom								•		
	disadvantaged groups (gender, a		П	ПГ		П	П	П			
	status, ethnicity etc.)	worsened			. Ш		ш	ш	improved		
	Other sociocultural impacts										
	☐ (specify):										
	☐ (specify):										
	☐ (specify):										
	(1)										
(1) A	<b>Ecological impacts</b>										
	Water cycle/ runoff										
	☐ water quantity	decreased							increased		
	$\square$ water quality	decreased							increased		
	☐ harvesting/ collection of water	r			1 [				improved		
	(runoff, dew, snow, etc.)	reduced				Ш	Ш	Ш	Improved		
	$\square$ surface runoff	increased							decreased		
	☐ excess water drainage	reduced							improved		
	groundwater table/ aquifer	lowered							recharge		
	□ evaporation	increased							decreased		
	Soil										
	□ soil moisture	decreased	П	ПГ		П	П	П	increased		
									improved		
	☐ Soil cover	reduced						_	•		
	□ soil loss	increased							decreased	•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••	
	soil accumulation	decreased							increased		
	☐ soil crusting/ sealing	increased						_	reduced		
	$\square$ soil compaction	increased							reduced		
	$\square$ nutrient cycling/ recharge	decreased							increased		
	$\square$ salinity	increased							reduced		
	$\square$ soil organic matter/										
	below ground C	decreased	Ш	ШЬ	Ш	Ш		Ш	increased		

$\square$ acidity	increased						reduced	
Biodiversity: vegetation, animals								
$\square$ vegetation cover	decreased						increased	
☐ biomass/ above ground C	decreased						increased	
$\square$ plant diversity	decreased						increased	
$\Box$ invasive alien species	increased						reduced	
$\square$ animal diversity	decreased						increased	
☐ beneficial species (predators, ear pollinators)	rthworms, lecreased						increased	
$\square$ harmful species (e.g. mosquitoes	) decr.						increased	
☐ habitat diversity c	decreased						increased	
$\square$ pests/ diseases	lecreased						increased	
Climate and disaster risk reductio	n							
$\Box$ flood impacts	increased						decreased	
$\Box$ landslides/ debris flows	increased						decreased	
$\Box$ drought impacts	increased						decreased	
$\Box$ impacts of cyclones, rain storms	s incr.						decreased	
emission of carbon and	in anacca d		<b>-</b>		¬ П		reduced	
	increased				 ] [		reduced	
<u>_</u>	increased increased				 7	П	decreased	
_	worsened				 	П	improved	
Other ecological impacts	WOISCIEG						improved	
(specify):		ПГ	П	ПГ		П		
☐ (specify):	•••••				 1 П	П		
☐ (specify):								
6.2 Off-site impacts the To	echnology	has sł	own					
☐ water availability (groundwater, springs)	decreased						increased	
☐ reliable and stable stream flows			<b>-</b>		<b>-</b>	П	increased	
in dry season (incl. low flows)	reduced						increased	
☐ downstream flooding <sup>1</sup> ☐ downstream siltation <sup>1</sup>	•••••						•••••	
	increased		 ] []		 		reduced	
☐ buffering/ filtering capacity	ilicieaseu						reduced	
(by soil, vegetation, wetlands)	reduced						improved	
☐ wind transported sediments	increased						reduced	
$\square$ damage on neighbours' fields	increased						reduced	
☐ damage on public/ private infrastructure	increased						reduced	
$\square$ impact of greenhouse gases	increased						reduced	
Other off-site impacts								
☐ (specify):								
☐ (specify):								
☐ (specify):								

Whether an increase is positive or negative.  Comments regarding impact assessment:				
6.3 Exposure and sensitivity of the Technology to g disasters (as perceived by land users)	radual climate change and climate-related extreme	s/		
Indicate gradual changes in climate and climate-related extremes more detailed assessment, fill in questionnaire module on climate of		e: for a		
Several answers possible.	mange dauptanen			
Tick all gradual changes in climate and climate-related extremes/ disasters to which the Technology is exposed	How does the Technology cope with these changes and disasters in view of achieving its main purposes (as defined in 3.1)?			
Type of climatic change/ extreme Poccease	very poorly poorly moderately well very well not known			
Gradual climate change				
$\square$ annual temperature $\square$				
seasonal temperature  indicate season*:				
□ seasonal rainfall  indicate season*: □ □  □ □  □ □  □ □  □ ther gradual climate change (specify):				
Climate-related extremes (disasters).  Meteorological disasters:  tropical storm (cyclone, typhoon, hurricane) extra-tropical cyclone (winter storm) local rainstorm local thunderstorm local hailstorm local snowstorm local sandstorm/ duststorm local windstorm local tornado				

<sup>1</sup> Downstream flooding and downstream siltation can be desired or undesired. Please specify in comments column and indicate

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: Disaster Category Classification and Peril Terminology for Operational Purposes. CRED and Munich RE. 2009. Working Paper. 'Rainstorm' was added to replace 'generic (severe) storm', hailstorm was added, and the disaster subtypes 'rockfall', 'subsidence' and 'animal stampede' were left out.

positive  positive
positive
positive
positive
positive



### 6.5 Adoption of the Technology

**Note:** For information on adoption barriers and adoption drivers (motivation of land users to implement the Technology), refer to the WOCAT Questionnaire on SLM Approaches.

	ases/ experimental	1-10%	d to the land use types describ $\Box$ 10-50%	$\square$ more than 50%
If available,	quantify (no. of house	holds and/ or area cover	red):	
Of all those incentives/	who have adopted the payments? 0-10%	e Technology, how ma	ny have did so spontaneou	sly, i.e. without receiving any ma 90-100%
6.6	Adaptation			
Adaptation:	modifications made by l	and users to suit local co	ntext and changing conditions	s (Source: WOCAT)
Has the Tea	chnology been modifie	ed recently to adapt to	changing conditions?	
□ no		<i>J</i>		
☐ yes				
		conditions it was adapte	ed:	
	c change/ extremes			
_	ng markets availability (e.g. due t	o migration)		
	· -	=		
U outer (	specify)			•••••
Specify ada	aptation of the Technol	logy (design, material/	species, etc.)	
•••••				
•••••	••••••	•••••		
6.7	Strengths/ advantage	s/ opportunities of the	Technology	
Give a conclu	uding statement about the	Technology.		
In land use	ers' view <sup>1</sup> :			
1)				
2)				
3)				
4)				
In the com	piler's or other key res	source persons' view:		

	as the Technology, including individual small- or large-scale farmers, groups impanies (e.g. mining), government institutions (e.g. state forest), etc.
6.8 Weaknesses/ disadvantages/ risks of th	e Technology and ways of overcoming them
Weaknesses/ disadvantages/ risks	How can they be overcome?
In land users' view:	
1)	
2)	
2)	
3)	
In the compiler's or other key resource persons' vi	
2)	
3)	
4)	
-,	

# 7. References and links

Indicate sources of information used for the compilation of information in this questionnaire.

# 7.1 Methods/ sources of information

Which of the following methods/ sources of information were use	rd?
	Specify (e.g. number of informants)
☐ field visits, field surveys	
interviews with land users	
interviews with SLM specialists/ experts	
compilation from reports and other existing documentation	
other (specify):	
7.2 References to available publications	
List relevant publications relating to the Technology (reports, marthose publications that are available as soft copies to the database	
Title, author, year, ISBN	Available from where? Costs?
7.3 Links to relevant information which is available onli	no
Title/ description	URL