



# LOCAL NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT IN GHANA: THE ROLE OF TRADITIONAL AUTHORITY

Introduction: in Ghana traditional leaders are considered owners of all natural resources. In that vein, its management cannot be done without them.

## OBJECTIVES

The objective is to look at the role of traditional authorities in natural resources management

- How the management is done
- Level of the management
- Equality in terms ownership and access
- Knowledge of modern ways of management

#### METHODOLOGY

Key informant (chiefs,tindana,clanheads, and some water users) interview guide was used





Chief of Nafkulga

Chief of Baara

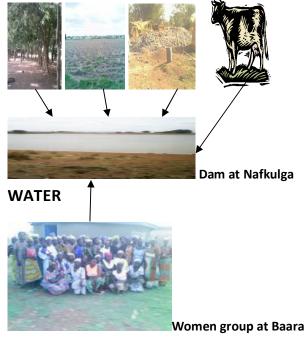
# **STUDY SITES**

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# NATURAL RESOURCES IN STUDY AREA

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## **INITIAL FINDINGS**

- Traditional authorities know or have account of natural resources within their jurisdiction
- There are measure in place to manage these resources, in terms of ownership and usage
- They have little or no knowledge of the modern ways of natural resources
- They are willing to collaborate with the modern ways of managing natural resources especially water

#### CONCLUSIONS

The project and study is still ongoing however traditional authorities are ready and willing to integrate with modern ways of natural resources management to minimise flood and drought.

