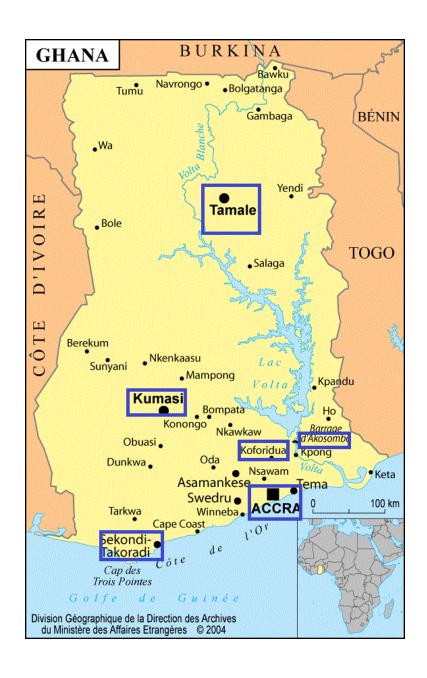
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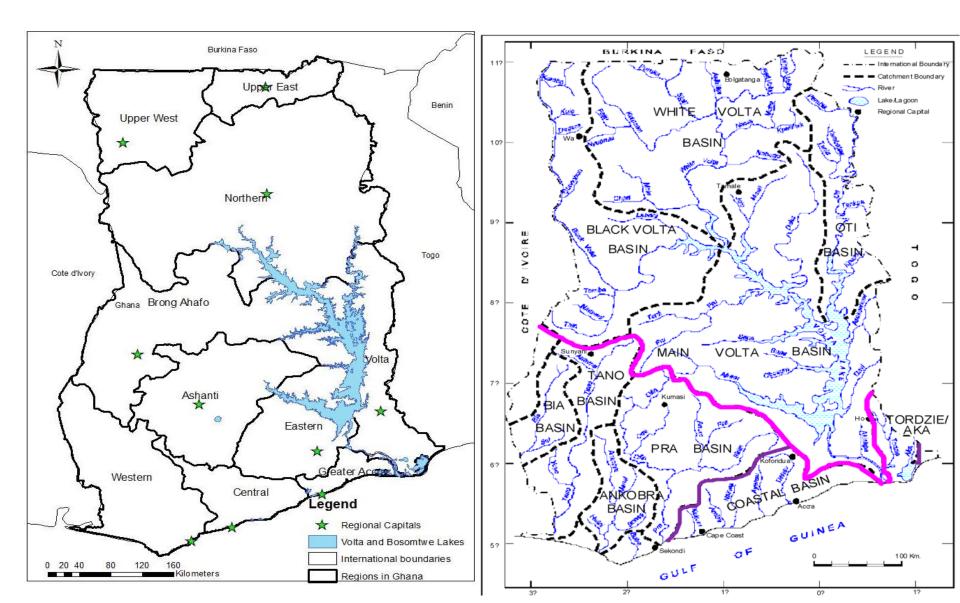


GHANA COUNTRY REPORT

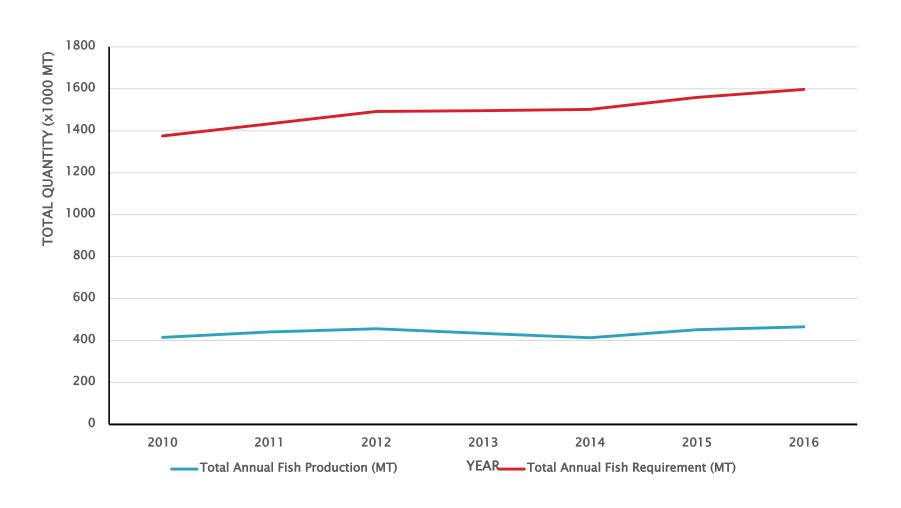
GHANA, WEST AFTRICA



THE VOLTA AND OTHER MAJOR RIVER BASINS IN GHANA



TOTAL ANNUAL FISH PRODUCTION & REQUIREMENT IN GHANA



SECTORAL INFORMATION

MAIN CICHLIDS REPORTED IN GHANA

- Oreochromis niloticus
- Tilapia zilli, T. guineensis, T. busumana
- Sarotherodon galilaeus, S. melanotheron
- Hemichromis fasciatus, H. bimaculatus

MAIN FISH SPECIES CULTURED IN GHANA

- O. niloticus (Akosombo strain)
- C. gariepinus
- H. niloticus
- P. monodon

AQUACULTURE PRODUCTION TREND

(2011-2017)

Facility	Production (mt)							
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
Ponds/ Tanks	2,978	2,882	2,570	2,912	2,410	3,835	8,077	
Cages	15,274	23,333	28,483	33,075	40,150	46,174	42,828	
Dam/ Reservoir	840	1,235	1,459	2,548	2,050	2,461	6,500	
Total	19,092	27,450	32,512	38,535	44,610	52,470	57,405	

SOME AQUACULTURE STATISTICS IN 2017

	PARAMETER	VALUE
1	Pond productivity (mt/ ha/yr)	3.1
2	Cage productivity (kg/m³/yr)	50.0
3	Aquaculture production (mt)	57,405
4	Aquaculture employment	6,633
5	Number of farmers	2,300
6	Number of earthen ponds	4,385
7	Number of cages	8,415
8	Number of dams & dugouts	731
9	Number of hatcheries	65
10	Number of fingerlings	171,000,000

NUMBER OF FISH FARMS IN GHANA AS AT THE END OF 2017

REGION	FARMS		
CENTRAL	185		
GREATER ACCRA	82		
BRONG AHAFO	484		
VOLTA	150		
ASHANTI	416		
EASTERN	292		
WESTERN	520		
UPPER WEST	25		
UPPER EAST	30		
NORTHERN	10		

GIS LOCATION OF SOME FISH FARMS

Have data on Excel worksheet

EXISTING LABORATORY FACILITIES

- Veterinary Services Department (MOFA)
- Department of Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology, UG
- Noguchi Memorial Institute for Medical Research, UG
- KNUST
- UCC

SOME FISH PATHOGENS/PARASITES ASSOCIATES WITH TILAPIA IN GHANA

- Bacterial
 - Streptococcus spp (agalactiae & iniae)
 - Flavobacterium columnare
 - Aeromonas hydrophila
 - Edwardsiella sp.

- Fungi
 - Saprolegnia sp.

SOME FISH PATHOGENS/PARASITES ASSOCIATES WITH TILAPIA IN GHANA

- Parasitic
 - Myxozoans
 - Trichodina
 - Chilodonella
 - Argulus

- Viral
 - None reported

MAJOR STAKEHOLDERS

- Ghana Aquaculture Association
- Association of Pond Fish Farmers
- National Fish Processors and Traders Association
- Youth in Agriculture
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Veterinary Services Directorate
- Water Resources Commission
- Volta River Authority
- Research Institutions
- Universities

GOVT COMMITMENT/BOTTLENECK

- Committed to some extent by the Devt of GAAHP
- Financial commitment has always been a challenge
- Unharmonized regulations lead to duplication/shirk of responsibilities
- Enforcement of regulations is low
- Ministerial reshuffling is a drawback
- Non implementation of important policies

PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

- Harmonize activities of Regulators and stakeholder organisations
- Engagement of opinion leaders and all relevant stakeholders
- Appeal to government to increase financial support
- Seek financial support for capacity building from other funding agencies
- Implement all relevant policies esp. GAAHP

TECHNICAL & OPERATIONAL SUPPORT

- Possibility of delay in acquisition of equipment and materials for the project
 - Early submission of requests and procurement
- Delay in submission of technical reports
 - Project Leader must assign specific roles to individuals on the project and monitor their performance
- Farmers apathy in involvement especially if they don't see any immediate financial gains
 - Education and encouragement