

Rapid urbanisation, changes in land use and unsustainable agricultural practices are some of the causes of land degradation in Mauritius and Rodrigues. The Global Environment Facility through a USD 1.7 million grant will enable the Government of Mauritius to:

- Improve institutional and policy frameworks to improve Integrated Landscape Management (ILM) planning and mainstream Sustainable Land Management (SLM).
- Develop skills, tools and incentives to pilot and implement Sustainable Land Management practices.
- Upscaling the adoption of SLM and ILM through better knowledge management and gender mainstreaming.

This project will help the Government of Mauritius stop the drivers of Land Degradation and help restore soil and achieve Land Degradation

Neutrality.

# **OUR APPROACH**

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The socio-economic impact study demonstrates the loss of productive lands

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The Government will be impelled to improve its enabling environment and implement Integrated Landscape Management

esulting in Quicker adoption of Sustainable Land Management practices and achieving Land Degradation Neutrality

Budget

Total

USD 1,699,204

Period 2020 - 2024



# **QUICK FACTS**





In Rodrigues, the State owns over 90% of land

About 25% of land area is covered by forests





95% of original native forest has disappeared

About 80% of land in Mauritius is privately owned



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# **OBJECTIVE**

To scale up the adoption of sustainable land management (SLM) in production landscapes across Mauritius and Rodrigues, putting the country on the path



## **IMPLEMENTATION**

of Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN).

The project is nationally implemented by the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security (Forestry Service) in partnership with UNDP Mauritius & Seychelles Country Office.



## **KEY RESULTS EXPECTED**

- 2,063 ha of land under improved sustainable land management regime
- Adoption of the Land Degradation Neutrality Targets
- Developing an Integrated Landscape Management for the Republic of Mauritius
- Adopting incentive mechanisms to ensure sustainable financing of sustainable land management practices



## **PARTNERS**

- Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security
- **Forestry Service**
- Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change
- Rodrigues Regional Assembly
- Selected NGOS

#### **UNDP IN MAURITIUS**

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