



Building a Caribbean Seaweed Industry

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Industrial Development & Innovation

- A culture of Industrial Development and Innovation is only possible when we write less papers and build more prototypes.
- A Picture is worth a thousand words, but a Prototype is worth millions.

Rule #1 for Industrial Development

- Research is based on seeing, observation, interaction with resources, science and engineering.
- Concept Exploration – see an abundance of new ideas, select the better ideas, based on selected resources and processes.
- Development- Prototype- See how it works Test-Market Test
- Market- make it sexy (attractive)
- Commit to ongoing improvement until it diffuses and then get out of there wealthy.

Rule # 2 for Industrial Development

- You cannot start an industry with a scare resource in mind. Free or extremely cheap abundant resources that produces final product for supply and demand chain.
- Start with free natural or free renewable resources.
- Start with the end – how would someone other than myself use this, since I want to export how would a Asian uses this.

Innovation Menu

Natural Elements Alphabetical by Name and by Symbols

Actinium	Ac	Europium	Eu	Molybdenum	Mo	Scandium	Sc
Aluminum	Al	Fluorine	F	Neodymium	Nd	Selenium	Se
Antimony	Sb	Francium	Fr	Neon	Ne	Silicon	Si
Argon	Ar	Gadolinium	Gd	Nickel	Ni	Silver	Ag
Arsenic	As	Gallium	Ga	Niobium	Nb	Sodium	Na
Astatine	At	Germanium	Ge	Nitrogen	N	Strontium	Sr
Barium	Ba	Gold	Au	Osmium	Os	Sulfur	S
Beryllium	Be	Hafnium	Hf	Oxygen	O	Tantalum	Ta
Bismuth	Bi	Helium	He	Palladium	Pd	Tellurium	Te
Boron	B	Hydrogen	H	Phosphorus	P	Terbium	Tb
Bromine	Br	Indium	In	Platinum	Pt	Thorium	Th
Cadmium	Cd	Iodine	I	Polonium	Po	Thallium	Tl
Calcium	Ca	Iridium	Ir	Potassium	K	Tin	Sn
Carbon	C	Iron	Fe	Promethium	Pm	Titanium	Ti
Cerium	Ce	Krypton	Kr	Protactinium	Pa	Tungsten	W
Cesium	Cs	Lanthanum	La	Radium	Ra	Uranium	U
Chlorine	Cl	Lead	Pb	Radon	Rn	Vanadium	V
Chromium	Cr	Lithium	Li	Rhenium	Re	Xenon	Xe
Cobalt	Co	Lutetium	Lu	Rhodium	Rh	Ytterbium	Yb
Copper	Cu	Magnesium	Mg	Rubidium	Rb	Yttrium	Y
Dysprosium	Dy	Manganese	Mn	Ruthenium	Ru	Zinc	Zn
Erbium	Er	Mercury	Hg	Samarium	Sm	Zirconium	Zr

Rule # 3 for Industrial Development

- Avoid cultural blindness
 - Your culture blinds you from seeing abundant resources and opportunities.
 - When your culture darkens the light in the tunnel
 - When other cultures modes and means of innovation and development block out the light and takes over our mode and means of development and innovation.

Innovation Investment

- Another factor in looking at innovation investment is at human demands, before we look at market demand, the base human demands are:
- Fresh water
- Fresh food
- Security
- Work
- Rest
- Relationship
- Energy

Caribbean Industrial Context

- The fact that we are islands does not limit our means and modes of production, as Karl Marx defines it, but rather it contextualize and reshapes our means and modes of production, therefore small island states in the Caribbean under develop themselves, by not exploring the industrial and scientific opportunities within their contextual resource sphere.

Caribbean Development & Innovation

- For new industries to develop the abundant resource has to be explore for all its value added, therefore if Barbados and the wider Caribbean is to foster new industries, new economic growth, we must look at what are the abundant, free, sustainable, resources available to us, and if we accept this, then we will have a clear starting point for genuine Caribbean Development.

The Climate

- Sun
- Heat
- High condensation
- Two seasons wet and dry
- Consistent day night patterns.
- High wind

The Ocean

- Sea water
- Seaweed
- Sea life
- Sea minerals
- Sea plants
- Sea sand
- The island
 - Coral stone- Lime stone
 - Fresh water
 - Clay
 - High calcium soil
 - Biomass

Innovation Focus

- Judging from our innovation and industrial categorization, based on means and modes of production we in the Caribbean have what I call “Ocean Economy”, we are sea people. Barbados, we live on a coral reef. Must develop Ocean Industries.



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Cultural Blind Spot

- Ocean Industry



The Target

To Develop a
sustainable seaweed
Industry in the
Caribbean

Utilizing abundant raw materials

Leucaena (River Tamarind)



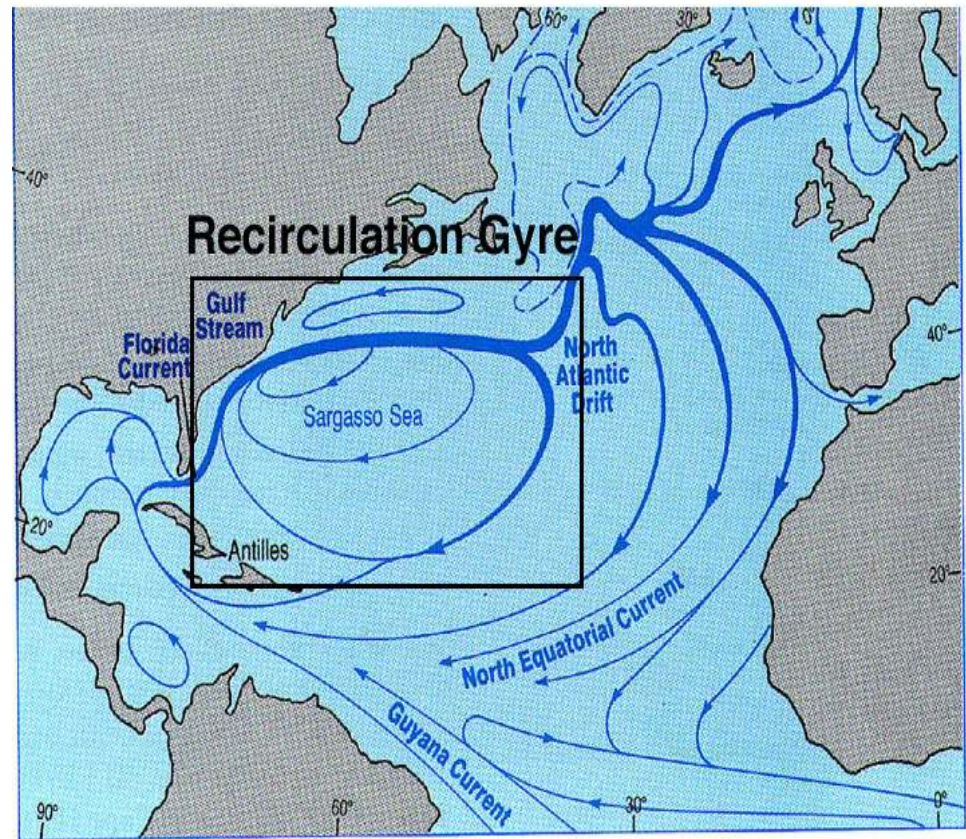
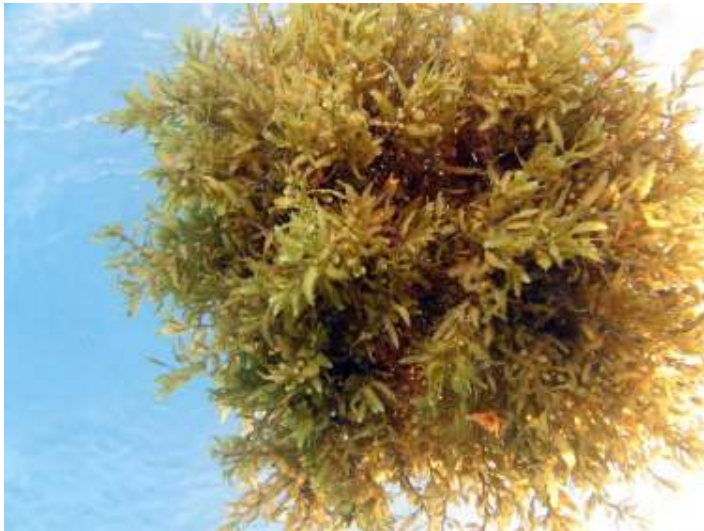
INDUSTRY VALUE

- The FAO fisheries and Aquaculture department estimate that the global seaweed industry estimate a total annual value of US\$5.5-6 billion a variety of products are produced. With the industry using 7.5-8 million tonnes of wet seaweed annually.
- Seaweed demand has outstrip supply globally, shortage of wild or naturally grown seaweed, therefore 35 countries now engage in seaweed commercial cultivation, which now accounts for 90% of market supply.

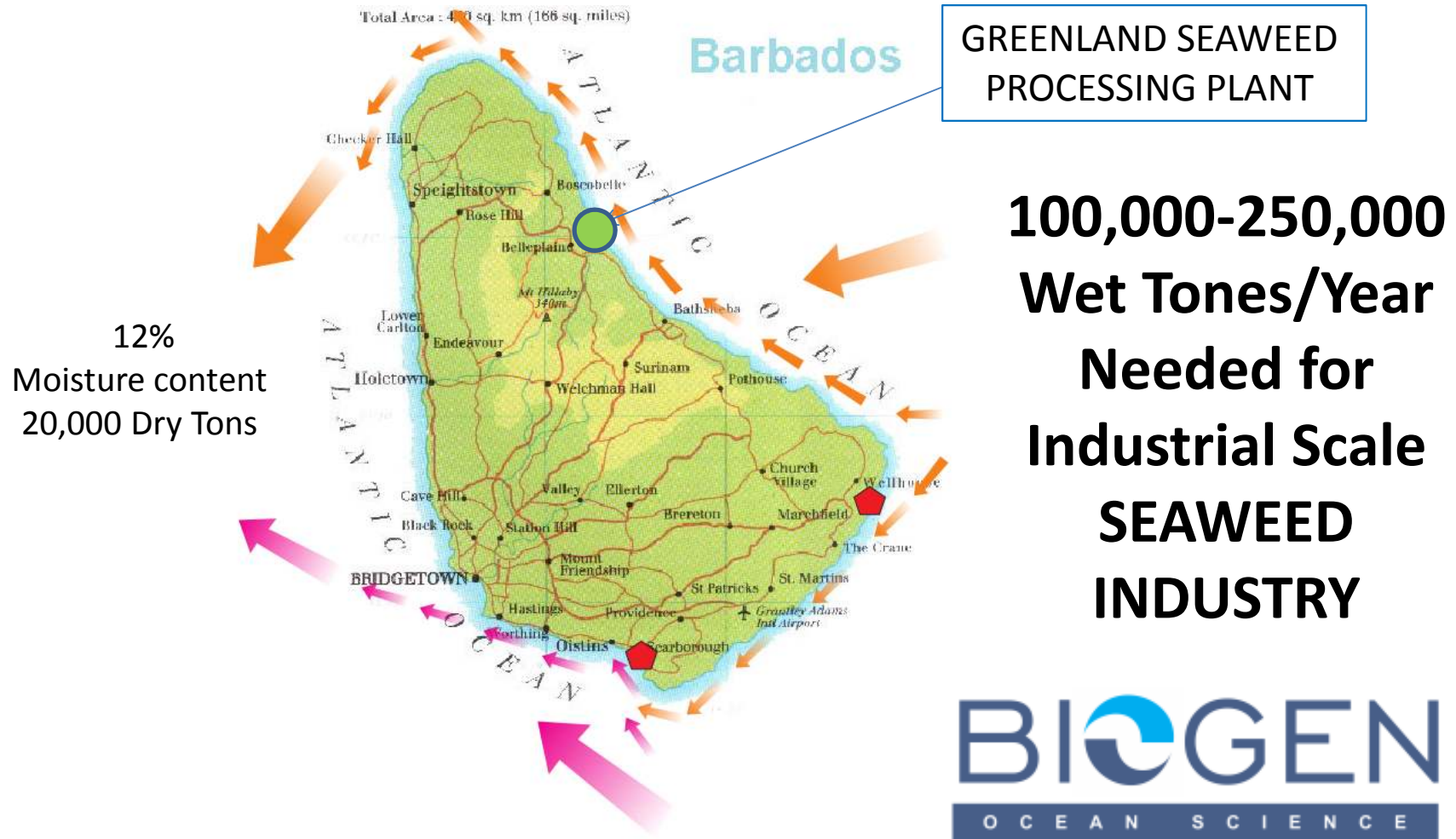


Ocean Currents

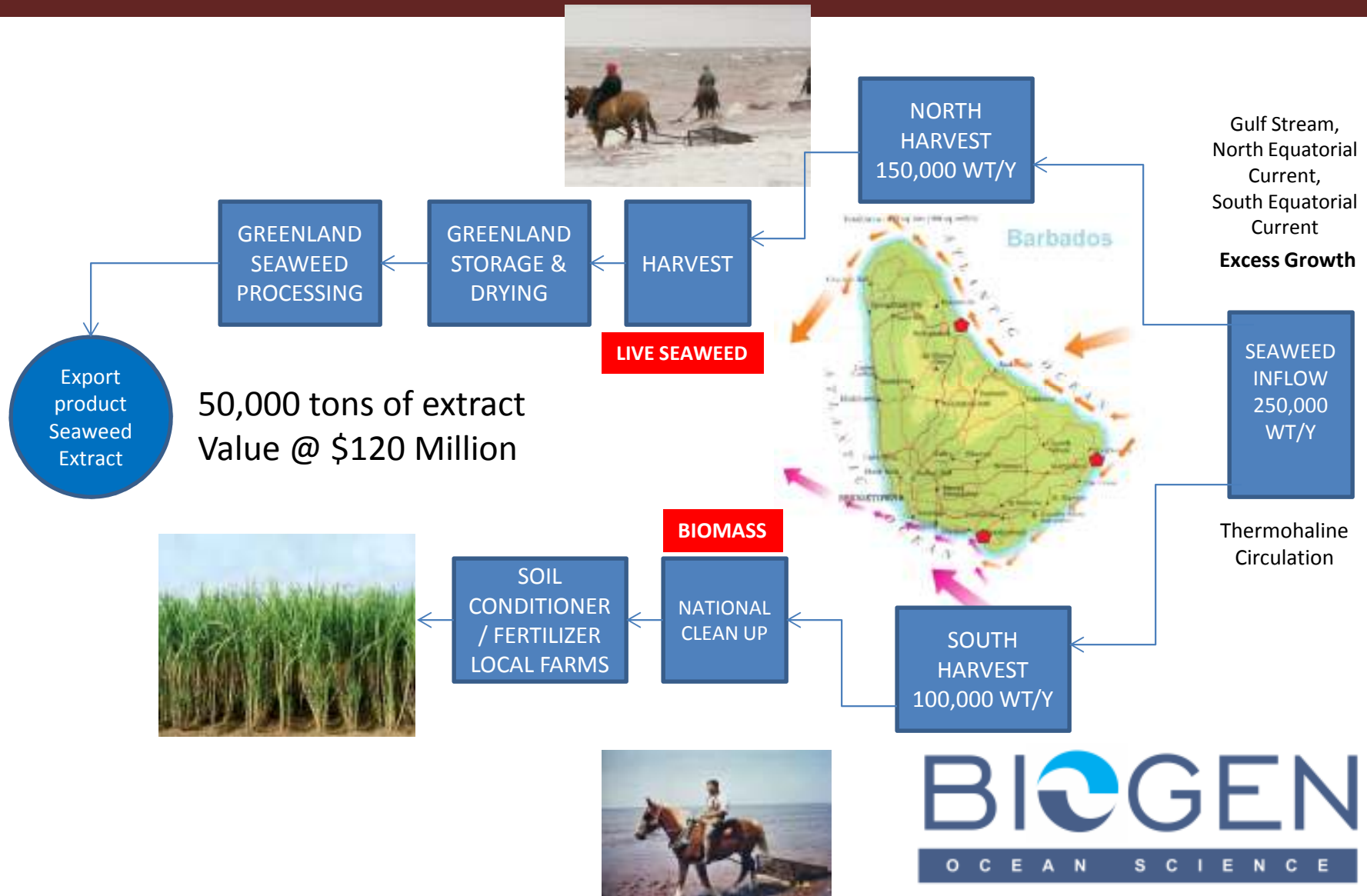
- Change in Ocean Pattern
- Change in Seaweed growth
- No Industrial activity with resource



2011- 2015 ANALYSIS



BARBADOS SEAWEED INDUSTRY MAP



Core Goal

Job creation for unemployed persons, women and youth primarily, facilitating community development.

Industrial Design philosophy

- Creation of solutions not rooted in high investment, capital intensive technologies, nor methodologies, for harvesting nor processing .
- Technique should be adoptable and implementable by low income earners.
- Solution must tell a Caribbean story, enhance historical offering.

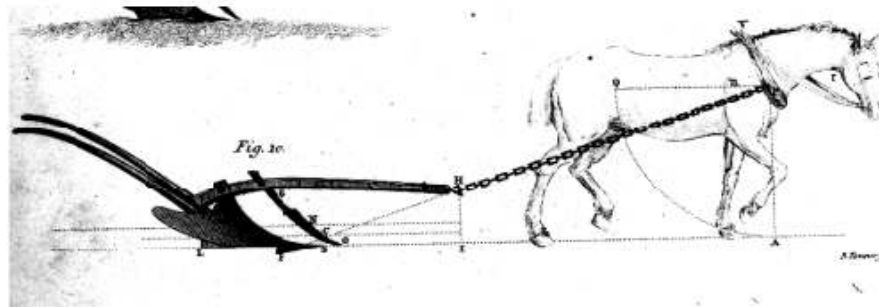
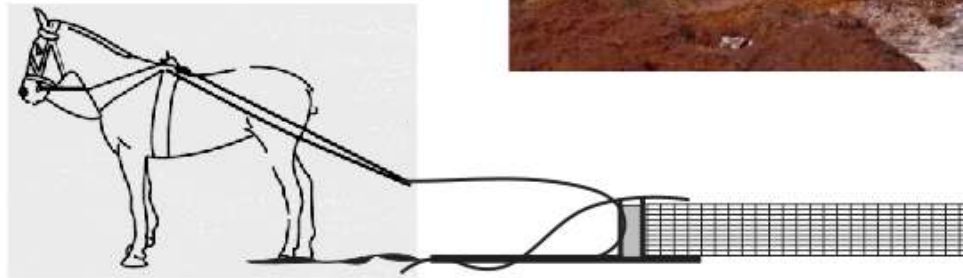
Research in Horse or Donkey Harvesting



Industrial Design Process



industrial design process



Seedling Growth Mix



Very Nutritious Meal



Seaweed Partial Board



PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

- "BioPower-p" Liquid Sargassum Seaweed extract foliar spray compound bio organic fertilizer for plants pineapple banana melons



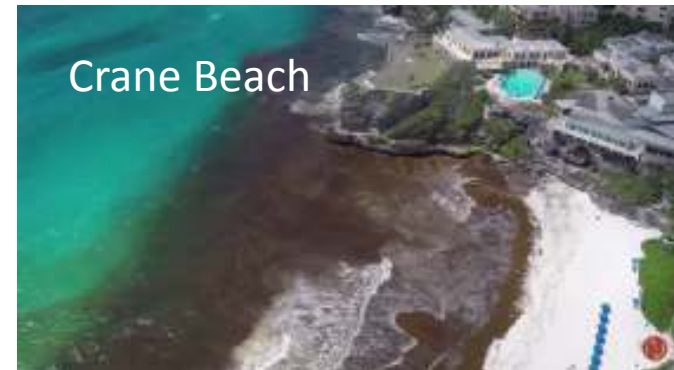
US \$2000-6000/metric Ton



US \$12.00 Liter

BIOGEN
OCEAN SCIENCE

BARBADOS SEAWEED TOURISM IMPACT



If we do not develop an industry from this biomass

QUESTIONS

