# UNEARTHING THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF HUMAN ACTIVITY: A GLOBAL CO2 EMISSION ANALYSIS

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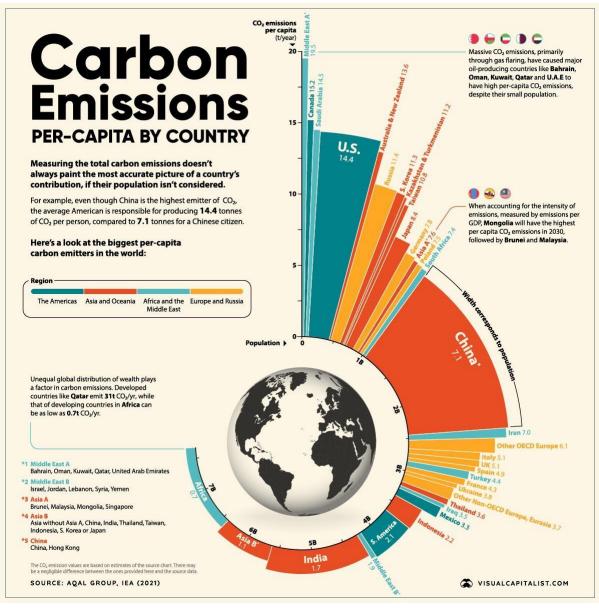
#### 1. INTRODUCTION:

## • overview:

Global warming is one of the biggest challenges currently being faced by the human race, although correlation is not causation, a likely cause of global warming is due to increased atmospheric carbon dioxide from human activities. **CO2 Emission** refers to the Carbon Dioxide emitted throughout the world. For this analysis we will be focusing on CO2 Emissions and its effect on the world we live in as well as some key factors and stats that may play a role in the emission of CO2 globally. Fossil fuel use is the primary source of CO2. The data throws light onto how much fossil fuels are burnt, per

year per nation, which amounts to an increase in CO2 every year. This will help researchers and environment experts to predict global warming. So countries should set a goal to decrease this amount yearly.

Analysing Global Co2 Emission across countries from 1975 to 2020. This dataset contains a record of Co2 Emission by each Country and Region of Earth, here we are going to analyse and visualise Country wise,



Region wise and Overall Co2 Emission on Earth.

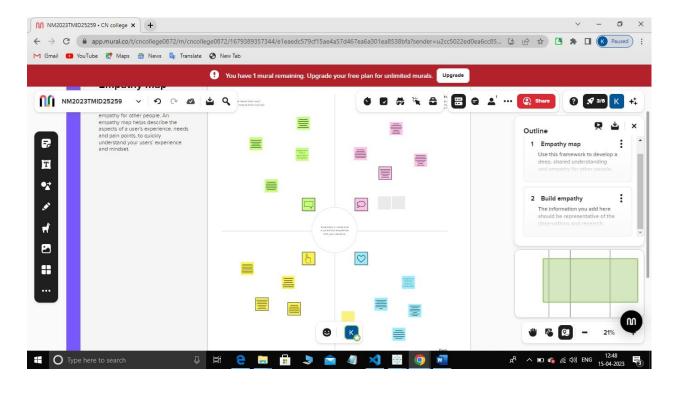
#### PURPOSE:

The carbon (and oxygen) in CO<sub>2</sub> can be used as an alternative to fossil fuels in the production of chemicals, including plastics, fibres and synthetic rubber. As with CO<sub>2</sub>-derived fuels, converting CO<sub>2</sub> to methanol and methane is the most technologically mature pathway. The methanol can be subsequently converted into other carbon-containing high-value chemical intermediates such as olefins, which are used to manufacture plastics, and aromatics, which are used in a range of sectors including health and hygiene, food production and processing.

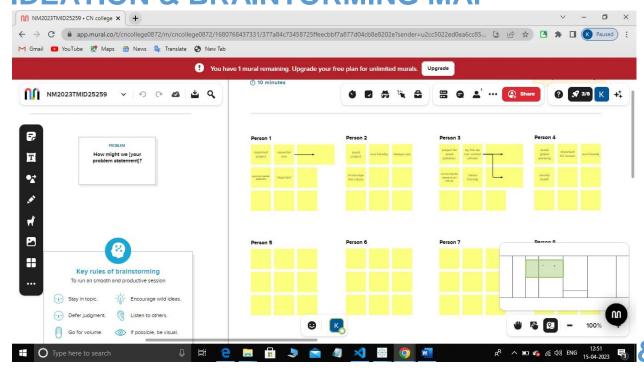
A special group of chemicals, polymers, are used in the production of plastics, foams and resins. The carbon in CO<sub>2</sub> can be used in polymer production by replacing part of the fossil fuel-based raw material in the manufacturing process. Unlike the conversion of CO<sub>2</sub> to fuels and chemical intermediates, polymer processing with CO<sub>2</sub> requires little energy input, because CO<sub>2</sub> is converted into a molecule with an even lower energy state (carbonate). A number of companies are currently operating polymer plants using CO<sub>2</sub> as a raw material.

#### 2. PROBLEM DEFINITION& DESIGN THINKING:

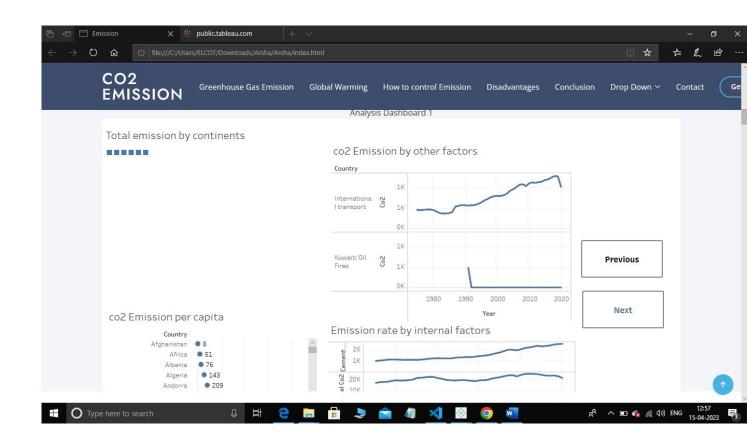
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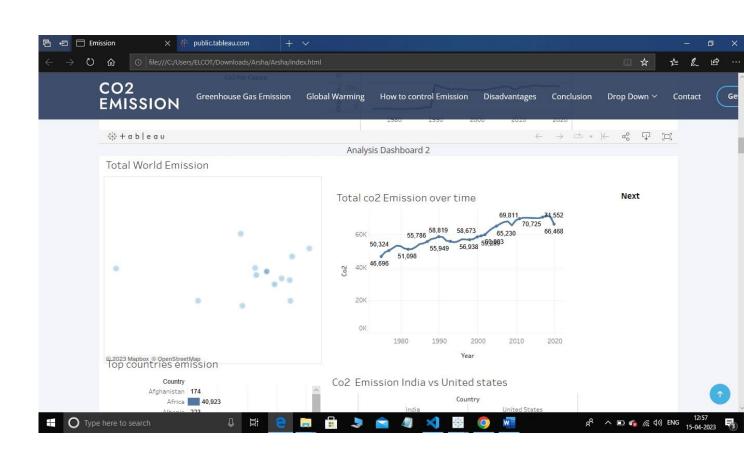


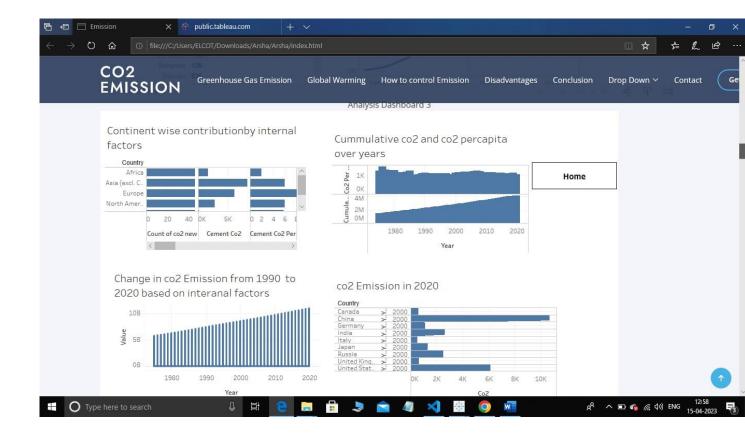
## • IDEATION & BRAINTORMING MAP



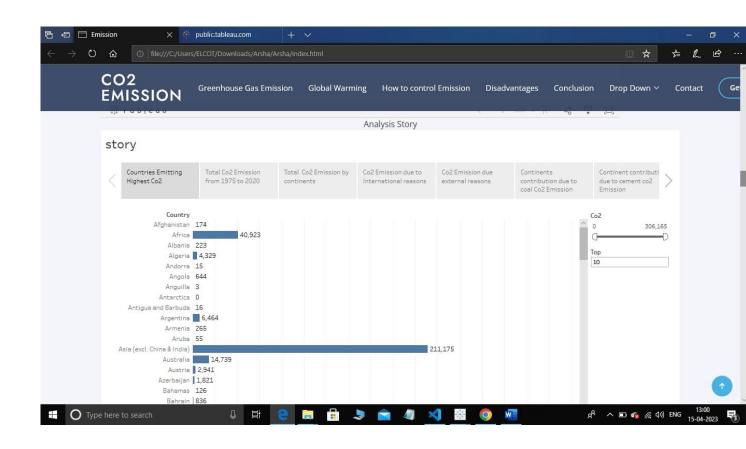
# 3.RESULT



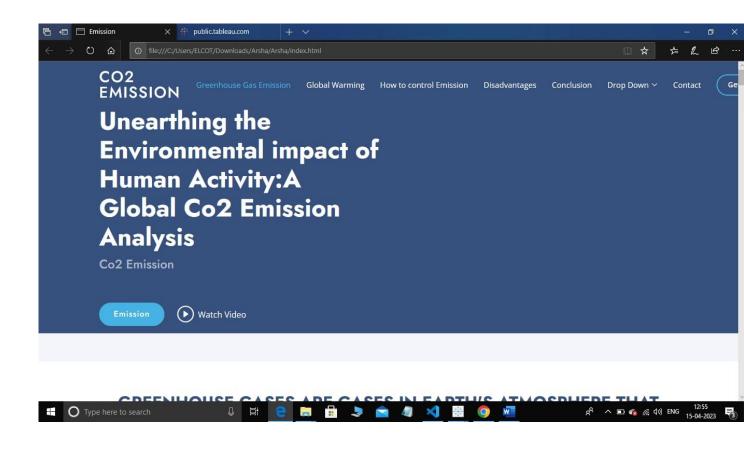




#### **STORY**



#### **WEB INTEGRATION**



#### DISADVANTAGES:

Low CO2 concentration affects the capture efficiency.

Temperature associated heat transfer problem and efficiency decay issues associated with the use of hydrogen-rich gas turbine fuel; high parasitic power requirement for sorbent regeneration; inadequate experience due to few gasification plants currently operated in the market; high capital and operating costs for current sorption systems; High efficiency drop and energy penalty; cryogenic O2 production is costly; corrosion problem may arise.

Process is still under development and inadequate large scale operation experience.

#### 3. APPLICATIONS:

#### 1. CO2-derived chemicals:

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# 2. Building materials from minerals and CO2:

CO<sub>2</sub> can be used in the production of building materials to replace water in concrete, called CO<sub>2</sub> curing, or as a raw material in its constituents (cement and construction aggregates). These applications involve the reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with calcium or magnesium to form low-energy carbonate molecules, the form of carbon that makes up concrete (Figure 7). CO<sub>2</sub>-cured concrete is one of the most mature and promising applications of CO<sub>2</sub> use,

while the integration of CO<sub>2</sub> in the production of cement itself is at an earlier stage of development.

# 3. Building materials from waste and CO2:

Construction aggregates (small particulates used in building materials) can be produced by reacting CO<sub>2</sub> with waste materials from power plants or industrial processes. Among these are iron slag and coal fly ash, which would otherwise be stockpiled or stored in landfill (Figure 7). Producing building materials from waste and CO<sub>2</sub> can be competitive as it offsets the cost associated with conventional waste disposal.

#### 4. CROP YIELD BOOSTING WITH CO2:

CO<sub>2</sub> can be used to enhance yields of biological processes, such as algae production and crop cultivation in greenhouses. The application of CO<sub>2</sub> with low-temperature heat in industrial greenhouses is the most mature yield-boosting application today, and can increase yields by 25% to 30%. The clear leader in the use of CO<sub>2</sub> in greenhouses is the Netherlands, with an estimated annual consumption between 5 and

MtCO<sub>2</sub>. Of this amount, approximately 500 ktCO<sub>2</sub> peryear comes from external sources, mainly industrial plants, with the balance taken from onsite gas-fired boilers or co-generation systems. The replacement of these on-site systems with other industrial CO<sub>2</sub> sources or with CO<sub>2</sub> captured directly from the atmosphere coulddeliver climate benefits.

#### 5. CONCLUSION:

The rising level of atmospheric CO2 could be the one global natural resource that is progressively increasing food production and total biological output, in a world of otherwise diminishing natural resources of land, water, energy, minerals, and fertilizer. It is a means of inadvertently increasing the productivity of farming systems and other photo synthetically active ecosystems. The effects know no boundaries and both developing and developed countries are, and will be, sharing equally, for "the rising level of atmospheric CO2 is a universally free premium, gaining in magnitude with time, on which we all can reckon for the foreseeable future"

The relationship described above by where data pertaining to atmospheric CO2 emissions, food production, and human population are plotted. Standardized to a value of unity in 1961, each of these datasets has experienced rapid and interlinked growth over the past five decades. Rising global population has led to rising CO2 emissions and rising CO2 emissions have benefited food production.

The very real positive externality of inadvertent atmospheric CO2 enrichment *must* be considered in all studies examining the SCC; and its observationally-deduced effects *must* be given premier weighting over the speculative negative externalities presumed to occur in computer model projections of global warming. Until that time, little if *any* weight should be placed on current SCC calculations.

### 6. FUTURE SCOPE:

In the *Annual Energy Outlook 2022* (AEO2022) Reference case, which assumes no changes to current laws or regulations, the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) projects that U.S. energy-related carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions will fall to 4.5 billion metric tons in 2037, or 6% below the energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in 2021, before rising to 4.7 billion metric tons in 2050, or 2% below 2021 levels. Projected emissions decline from 2022 to 2037 primarily as a result of decreasing carbon intensity (CO<sub>2</sub> per unit of energy consumed) in the electric power sector. The rise in emissions from 2037 to 2050 is primarily due to increasing consumption. In the AEO2022 Reference case, U.S. energy consumption grows from 2021 through 2050 because of population growth of 0.4% per year and real economic growth of 2.2% per year. Over the projection period, increasing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from natural gas and petroleum consumption growth will offset declines in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions from coal consumption.

World CO<sub>2</sub> emissions are projected to increase EIA's <u>International Energy Outlook 2021</u> (IEO2021) Reference case projects that if current policy and technology trends continue, global energy consumption and energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions will increase from 2020 through 2050 as a result of population and economic growth. However, projected future growth in energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is not evenly distributed

across the world, and the majority of the projected future growth in energy-related CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is among the group of countries outside the <u>Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)</u>.

#### 7. APPENDIX:

SOURCE CODE:

