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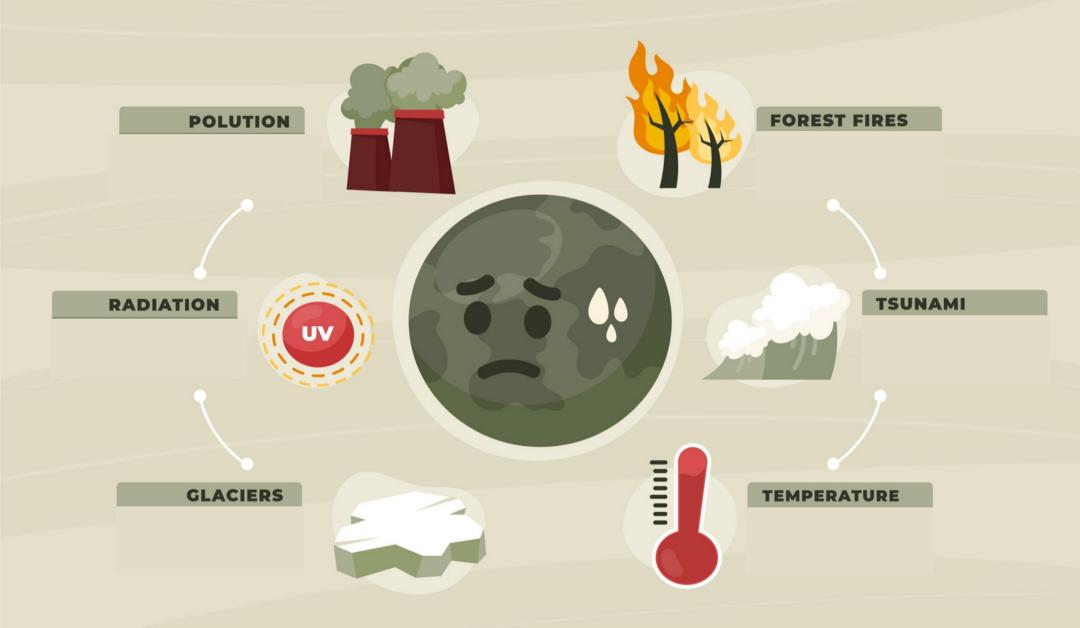








## Various Causes of Desertification and Drought



### Restoration. Land. Recovery Don't let our future dry up. Conserve water and save the planet from droughts.



- Focus on Water management
- Rainwater harvest must be done, water that can be reused must not be left out as waste
- Reforestation and tree regeneration
- Buttressing the soil through the use of sand
  - fences, shelter belts, woodlots and windbreaks
- Better and hyper-fertilization of soil through
  - planting



#### Today, **2 billion hectares** of previously productive land is **degraded**, an area **larger than South America**



By 2050, the world will need to produce an **extra 74,000 trillion calories**, equivalent to **an increase** in crop calories **of 56%**.<sup>1</sup>



**One-third of all food** produced each year is **lost or wasted**, while 821 million **people are undernourished**.



The demand for water in food production could reach 10-13 trillion cubic metres annually by mid-century – up to 3.5 times greater than the total human use of fresh water today.



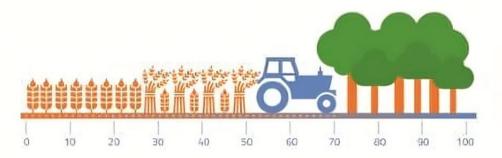
Land used for grazing and grain production to feed animals accounts for **80% of agricultural land** globally.<sup>2</sup>



An extra 593 million hectares of agricultural land, an area nearly twice the size of India, will be required by 2050 over 2010 levels.



Almost 25% of greenhouse gas emissions comes from agriculture, forestry and other land use.<sup>3</sup>



# Sustainable production and consumption

Over **70% of natural ecosystems** have been **transformed**, primarily to produce food, feed, fibre and fuel. **By 2050, this could reach 90%.** 

