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Seaweed structure

Blades flattened structure that resembles a leaf a hollow, gas-filled structure organ which Float helps the seaweed float **Thallus** (the entire body of a seaweed) a stem-like structure, not all seaweeds have these a specialized structure on the base of a seaweed which acts as an "anchor" allowing it to attach to a surface Holdfast



Types of Seaweeds

- Chlorophyta (green colour)
 - Rhodophyta(red colour)
- Phaeophyta(brown colour)

Ulva species



Codium species

Chlorophyta (green)

Green algae can be very common where the salinities vary a lot(Bays, Estuaries, Tide Pools)

- They are usually bright green because the chlorophyll is not masked by other pigments
- Green algae have a simple thallus when compared to red and brown algae

- Some seaweeds form spongy fingers
- Many forms are filamentous or form paperthin sheets



Caulerpa species



Halimeda species

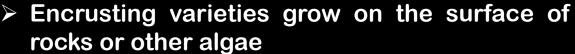


Gracillaria species



Rhodophyta(red)

- Except for few species they are exclusively marine.
- > They vary in size and shape.
- ➤ They are either epiphytes, grows as crust on the rocks or shells as a large fleshy, branched or blade like thalli.





Poryphyra species



Coralline algae, deposits CaCO₃ within its cell walls

Nereocystis species



Macrocystis species

Phaeophyta (brown algae)

- Brown algae are exclusively marine forms.
- ➤ They have different forms from simple, freely branched filaments to highly differentiated forms.
- They can be distinguished into blades, stipes and holdfast.
- Color varies from olive green to dark brown because there are many yellow-brown pigments that mask the color of chlorophyll
- Can grow up to 2 feet in one day maximum height 150 feet



Dictyota species



Sargassum species



Padina species

Where are they found??



Estuaries



Rocky shores



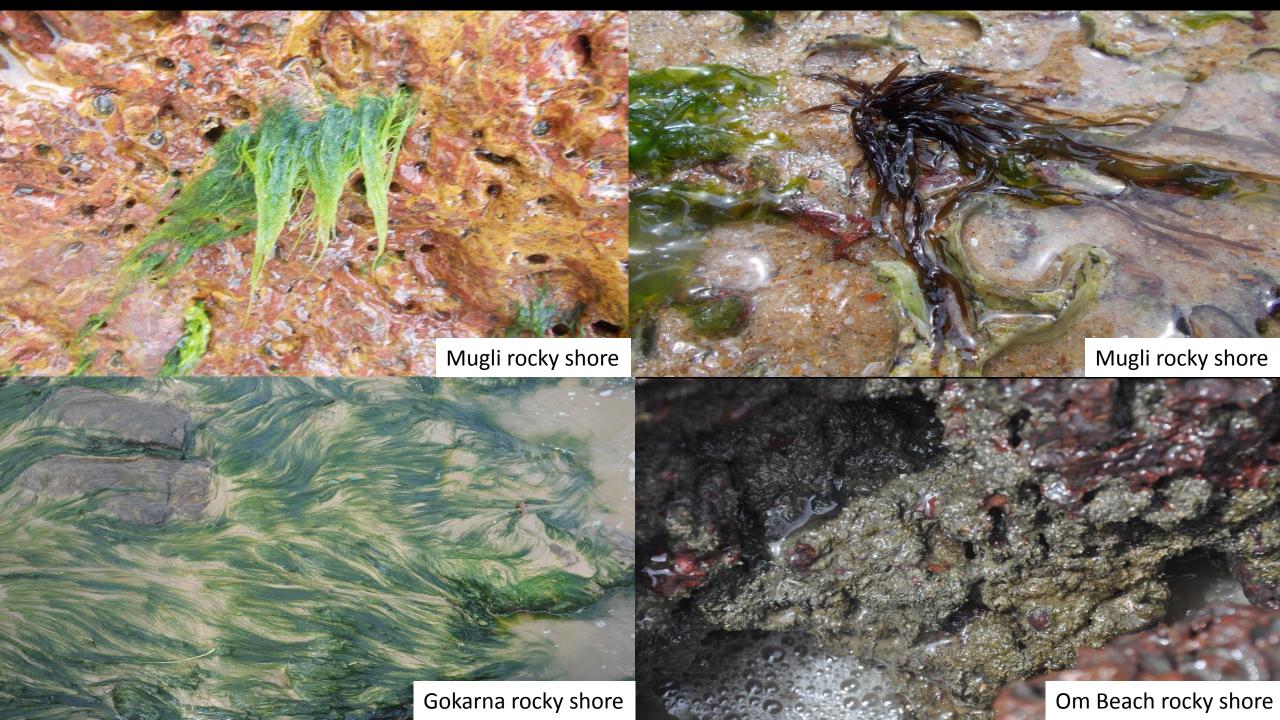
Tidal pools



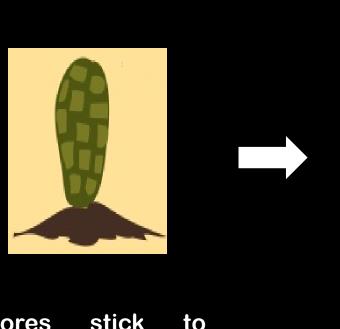
Mangrove roots

Seaweeds natural habitat





How do they grow?



Spores stick to rocks or any hard substrate and grow

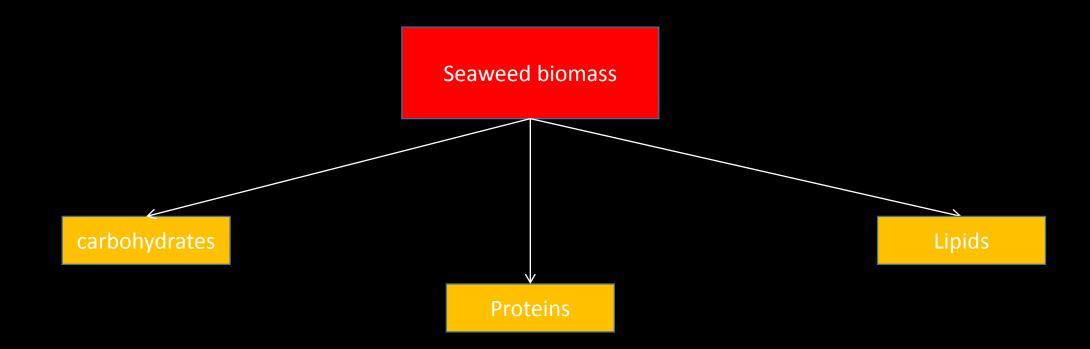


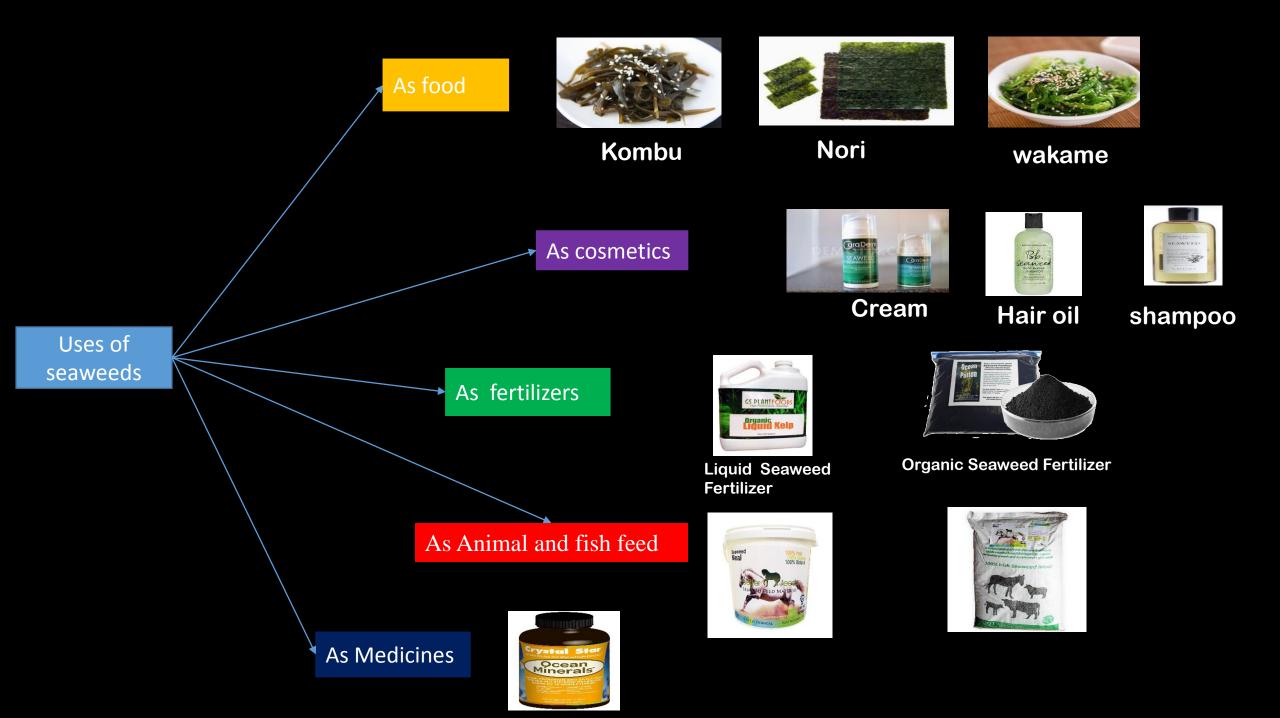
Spores turn into young sea plant



Young sea plant grows into adult seaweed

Composition of Seaweeds





Economically important

Cultivation







Fishermen tying the seaweeds to rafts using ropes

Floating rafts used for seaweed cultivation



Different types of structures supporting seaweed cultivation





Drying seaweed for various purposes



Harvesting



Fishermen's wives removing seaweeds from the ropes

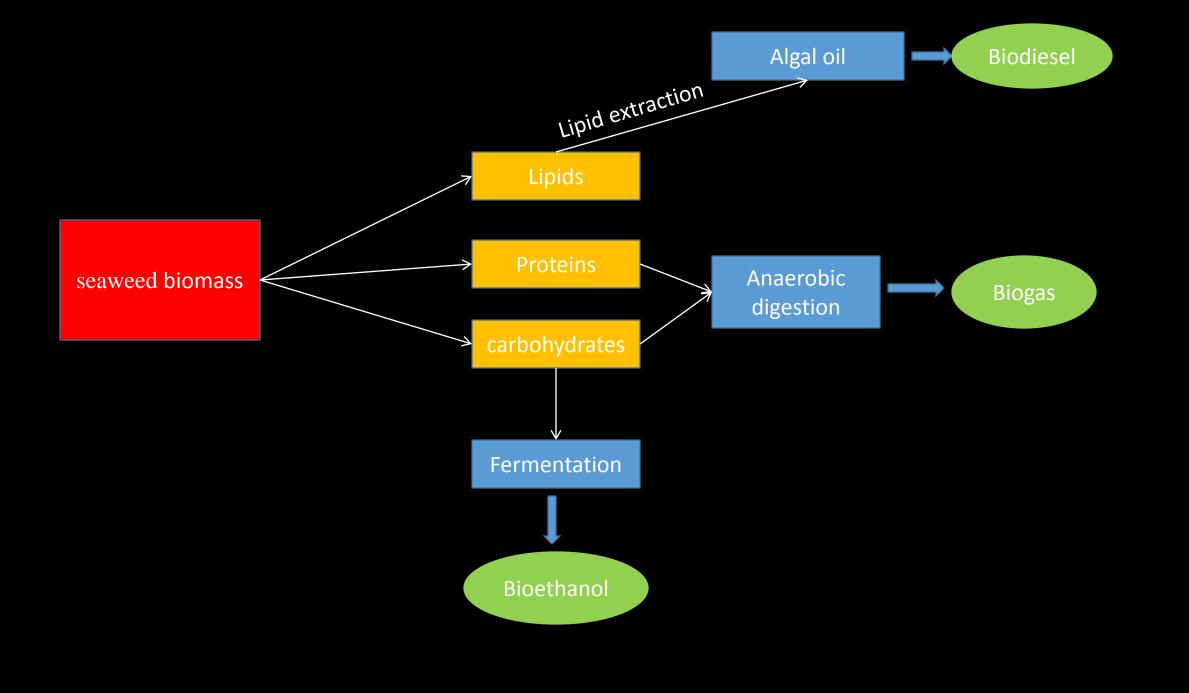








Basket and truck full of seaweed harvesting in different countries



Sampling of seaweeds



Biomass estimation using Quadrat





Identification and Observations



Recording Field observations



Photographs of seaweed natural habitat

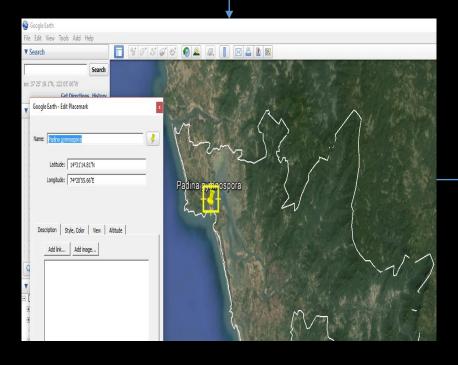


Identification

- www.algaebase.org
- http://www.niobioinformatics.in/seaweed/index.htm
- http://www.marinespecies.org

Seaweed distribution mapping

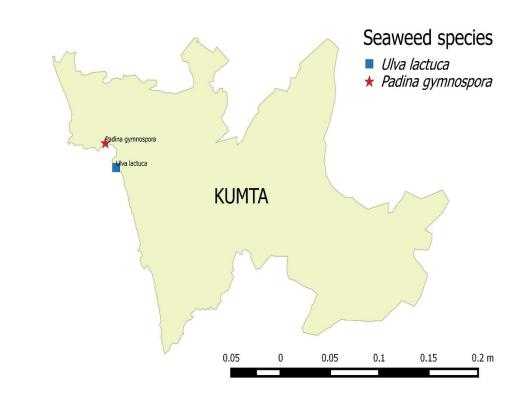
Seaweed location GPS recording



Importing google earth file into QGIS

Input GPS reading into Google Earth

Seaweeds species distribution



Thank You

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