

CH₄ Gas Mitigation Strategy with the Use of Interpretative Structural Modeling Method

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ABSTRACT

Climate change is related to greenhouse gases (GHG), one of the sectors that produces GHG is the livestock sector which comes from enteric fermentation and manure management in the form of CH₄, CO₂ and N₂O. The livestock sector contributes around 18-51% of anthropogenic GHG. The national contribution of GHG emissions from the livestock subsector is around <1.5%, but globally it contributes 12% of total world emissions. This study aims to develop a CH₄ gas mitigation strategy in cow manure management based on the ISM (Interpretative Structural Modeling) method. The results of the ISM analysis show that the causes of CH₄ gas are: (1) the quality of human resources, (2) the number of livestock, (3) livestock management, (4) limited infrastructure. To mitigate CH₄ gas, several strategies are needed, namely (1) providing additional concentrate feed, (2) building a biogas installation and making compost, (3) building good cow shed facilities.

Keywords: CH₄, ISM, Manure, livestock.

1. INTRODUCTION

Ruminant livestock is one of the producers of CH₄ gas, both derived from enteric fermentation of rumen and from the process of degradation of organic material of livestock manure. CH₄ gas produced by livestock depends heavily on the type, age, weight, quality and quantity of feed provided. Ruminant and non-ruminant cattle transmit CH₄ gas as a result of digestion and sewage management, while poultry livestock are only from sewage management. CH₄ gas produced by livestock greatly affects donations to greenhouse gases (GHG). According to the [1] the agricultural sector accounts for 5% of overall GHG emissions. At least 5 (five) activities from the agricultural sector as a source of GHG are 1) farms; 2) rice cultivation; 3) burning of savannas; 4) burning agricultural waste and 5) agricultural land.

Livestock activities account for 24.1% of total emissions derived from the agricultural sector. Emissions from livestock are derived from the digestive activities of livestock and the management of livestock manure [2]. CH₄ gas produced by livestock is 21 times more dangerous than CO₂ [3]. According to the IPCC [1] CH₄ gas emissions derived from one dairy cow amounted to 56 kg CH₄/tail/year, beef cattle 44 kg CH₄/head/year, buffalo 55 kg CH₄/head/year, goat, sheep and horse respectively 8 kg CH₄/head/year, 5 kg

CH₄/head/year and 18 kg CH₄/head/year. Meanwhile, CH₄ emissions from cattle manure based on the assumption of dried feces amount to 27 kg CH₄/head/year dairy cows, 2 kg CH₄/head/year, buffalo 3 kg CH₄/head/year, goat 0.37 kg CH₄/head/year, sheep 0.23 kg CH₄/head/year and 2.77 kg CH₄/head/year. Cattle fed conventional feed and additional feed were able to reduce GHG emissions by 19% [4]. [5] stated that the burden of CH₄ gas emissions from enteric fermentation 1.122728 Gg CH₄/th, CH₄ Emissions from Sewage Management 0.023888 Gg CH₄/th.

In an effort to reduce CH₄ gas emissions from livestock, there needs to be a feeding strategy and CH₄ gas mitigation strategy through the management of livestock waste. According to [6] the higher the amount of low quality feed then the higher CH₄ gas production.

In strategizing gas mitigation CH₄ can be used interpretative structural modeling (ISM) method [7]. The use of the ISM method in has been carried out by [8] to improve the performance of the supply chain / ISM to model business processes in an organization [9]. Geoge and Pramod, 2014 Mention that ISM helps researchers to; (1) a better understanding, and (2) a clear introduction of what is unknown. ISM to analyze the conversion patterns of rice fields and their causal and prevention relationship structures [10]. Structural models are used to photograph complex subjects of a

system with graphic patterns and sentences [11],[12],[13]

The main purpose of the study was to measure CH₄ gas from cow manure fed additional concentrate and establish the structure of CH₄ gas causation relationship and CH₄ gas mitigation strategy. Specifically, the purpose of this study is to compile sub-elements of the causes of CH₄ gas and strategy sub-elements for CH₄ gas mitigation sourced from cattle manure.

2. METHODS

2.1. Place and Time of Research

Research conducted in Puduk Village Kumpeh Ulu District Muara Jambi Regency. The time of the study was conducted from May to September 2020.

2.2. Materials and Tools

Necessary equipment such as tally Sheet, camera, chamber, thermometer, syringe, dry battery, computer, stop watch, Gas Chromatography, laboratory equipment for analysis of cow manure compost, vials, syringes measuring 10 ml, equipment cages and stationery. Bali cattle farmers as many as 110 people.

2.3. Data Collection Methods

The method of data collection is; (1) survey method, (2) observation method in the field. The types of data used are primary data and secondary data in accordance with the research objectives. Primary data retrieval method using questionnaires. Secondary data from statistics of Jambi Province in Numbers [14] and from various research journals.

The data used for the identification of the cause structure and mitigation of CH₄ gas of cattle manure is a sub-element that is the result of focus group discussion (FGD) activities. FGD has the aim of obtaining CH₄ gas causative and mitigating factors. The FGD includes representatives from farmers, authorities, village bureaucracies and academics. Sub-elements of FGD results are reinforced by references to previous research results. The cause of CH₄ gas in cow manure has 11 sub-elements that are then structured through the opinion of experts. The 11 sub-elements causing the CH₄ gas to occur in livestock excrement are; 1) Limited infrastructure (means and infrastructure of cages), 2) Limited business capital, 3) Low quality of farmer's human resources, 4) Low livestock productivity, 5) Low animal feed quality, 6) Livestock maintenance pattern, 7) Limitation of government assistance, 8) Cattle life, 9) Cattle type, 10) Number of livestock, 11) Management of livestock manure.

The sub-element of the CH₄ gas mitigation strategy of cow manure produces 7 sub-elements of the strategy

namely; 1) Building a good coop facility, 2) Providing additional feed in the form of concentrates, 3) Building biogas installation and compost fertilizer manufacturing, 4) Establishing the health of cattle, 5) Controlling the temperature of the cage, 6) The pattern of animal integration, 7) Utilizing biourine.

3. ANALYSIS DATA

Analysis method to obtain sub- key elements of the cause of CH₄ gas from cattle manure and CH₄ gas mitigation strategy of cattle manure using ISM whose measures were adopted from [15], [16], [17], [18] that is.

1. Identify the causes and strategies of ch₄ gas mitigation from cow manure by conducting a Focus Group Discussion (FGD). FGD was implemented on June 15, 2020.
2. Summarizes FGD results and combines them with literature reviews to produce key elements and sub-elements of CH₄ gas mitigation causes and strategies.
3. Determine the contextual relationship of CH₄ gas causes and mitigation strategies.
4. Develop a matrix self-interaction structure (SSIM) that shows paired relationships between sub-elements
5. Conduct FGD to obtain expert opinion and produce consensus answers between different experts into one answer. FGD.
6. Compile reachability matrix based on SSIM and check transitivity and consistency level
7. Develop the structure of the cause of ch₄ gas and CH₄ gas mitigation strategy. The assessment of elements and sub elements is composed in the Structural Self Interaction Matrix (SSIM) created in the form of reachability matrix (RM) tables by changing V, A, X, O to numbers 1 and 0. Classification of elements based on Structural Self Matrix. (SSM) made under the VAXO system, namely;
 8. V if $e_{ij} = 1$ and $e_{ji} = 0$; V sub-element i plays more role than j-element and vice versa
 9. A if $e_{ij} = 0$ and $e_{ji} = 1$; A j-element plays more of a role than the ith sub-element and vice versa
 10. X if $e_{ij} = 1$ and $e_{ji} = 1$; X the two sub-elements have the same role level values and are interconnected
 11. O if $e_{ij} = 0$ and $e_{ji} = 0$; O the two sub-elements are not interconnected.

4. RESULTS

4.1. Methane from Livestock Manure

In addition to enteric CH₄, livestock manure is also a source of CH₄, especially when stored aerobic [19].

Contribution of ruminator cattle excrement against CH4 emissions is about 2% and 0.4% for global GHG. The increase in GHG has to do with the thematic population, livestock species, livestock farming, animal feed type, sewage management, and the behavior of farmers in livestock cultivation [5].

The composition of solids in impurities affects the anaerobic decomposition of organic matter and the production of CH4. Analysis of brood cattle manure showed a value of C 48.83%, N 1.16%, P Total 1.33% and K a total of 0.53%.

In building the CH4 gas mitigation strategy from livestock excrement continues to be carried out through the identification of FGD results, 11 main factors are the cause of CH4 gas emissions from livestock manure and there are 7 strategies for CH4 gas mitigation. The result of grouping sub-elements into elements causing CH4 gas emissions puts sub-elements in 4 groups (Figure 1). The first group is a sub-element of the quality of the farmer's, the number of livestock and the management of livestock manure has a strong boost but its low dependence on other sub-elements. The strong influence of sub-elements in the first group is a key factor (Figure 2) for CH4 gas mitigation from cattle manure.

The farmer's human resources are very decisive in the management of cattle manure that will produce CH4 gas, activities carried out by farmers such as feeding livestock, cleaning cages and livestock, and managing manure to be used as biogas and compost fertilizer.

The group of two sub-elements have a high degree of influence and the level of dependency is also relatively high to other sub-elements, namely; limited business capital, livestock breeds and limited assistance from the government in livestock cultivation. The third group has a low level of influence and high sustainability, which is the limited infrastructure that exists around the farm site. While group 4 has a low level of influence and also low dependence on other sub-elements, namely; livestock life, feed quality and livestock maintenance patterns.

ISM analysis resulted in sub-elements feeding additional concentrates and building biogas installations and the manufacture of compost fertilizer from livestock manure as a key sub element due to its high thrust and low dependence (Figure 3). The structural model of the mitigation strategy factor can be found in (Figure 4). This is very much related to the quality of feed given by farmers to cattle still in the form of airy grass and kumpai grass (*Hymenachne amplexicaulis*).

The second priority is to build a good stable facility that has low thrust and high dependence. Then the third group consists of sub-elements utilizing biourin, the pattern of cattle integration, maintaining the health of livestock and controlling the temperature of the cage. These sub-elements have low thrust and also low dependency.

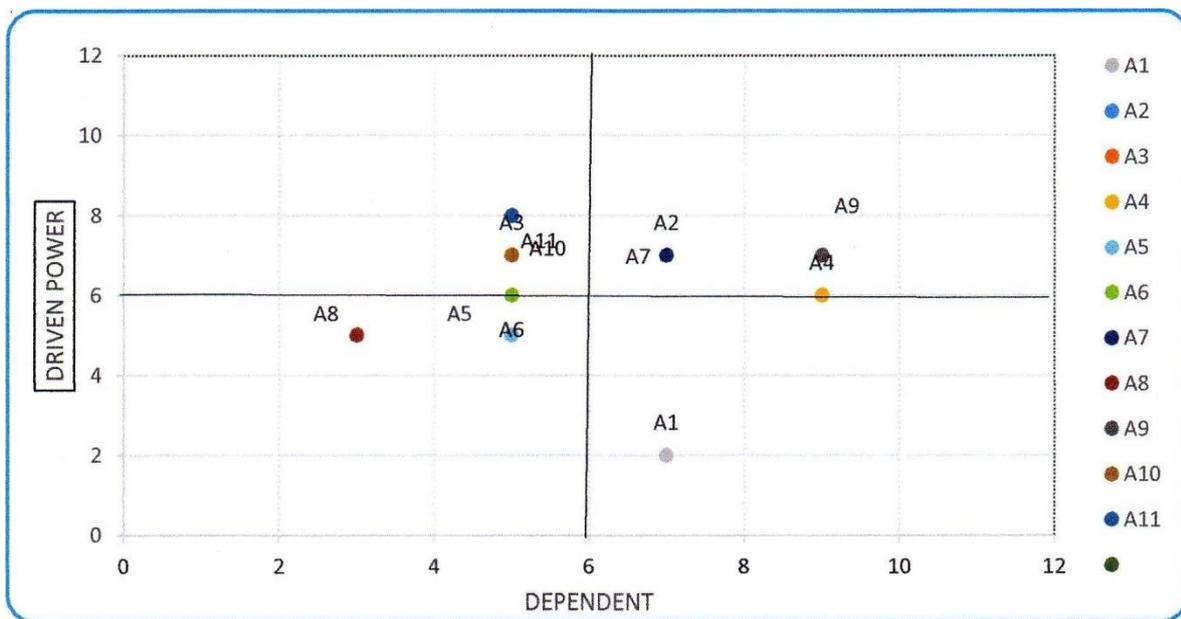


Figure 1 Sub-element grouping diagram of the causes of CH4 gas emissions

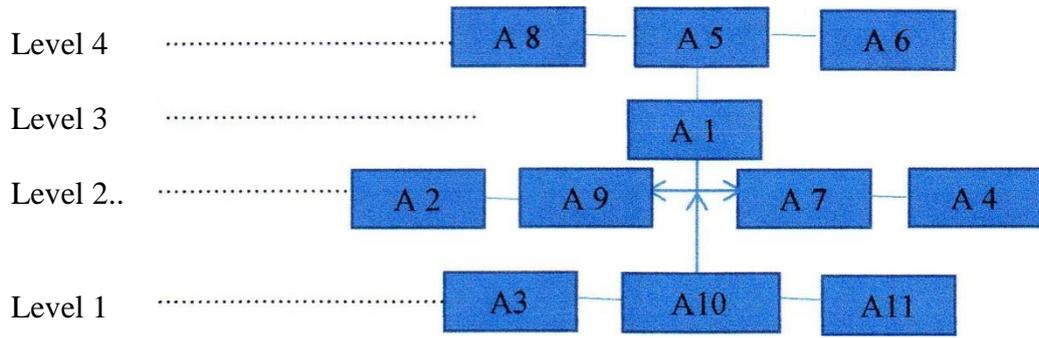


Figure 2 Structural model of key sub-elements causing CH4 gas to occur

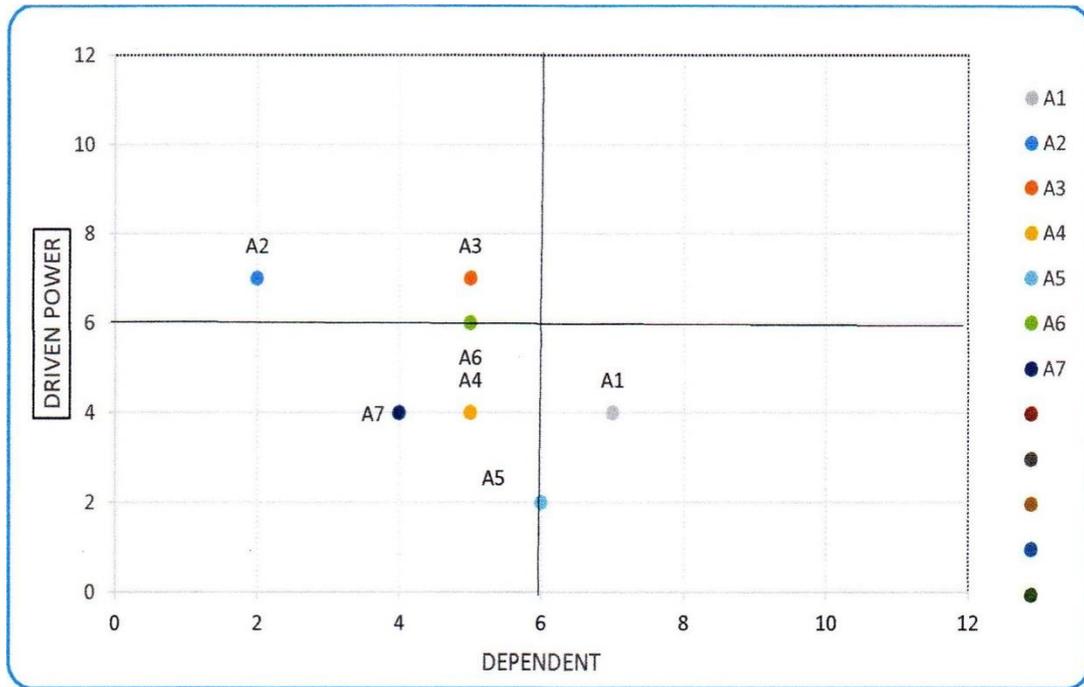


Figure 3 Sub-element grouping diagram of CH4 gas mitigation strategy of cow manure

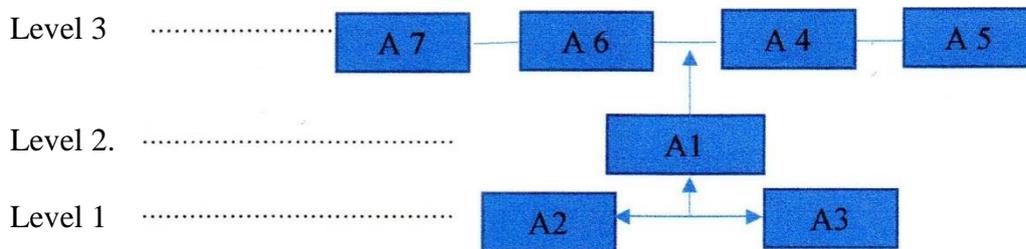


Figure 4 Key sub-element structure model strategy for CH4 gas mitigation.

5. DISCUSSION

CH₄ emissions from sewage have a greater proportion of total CH₄ emissions from dairy farms with sewage storage systems and lower in extensive systems [20]. Manure emissions are relatively high in areas where livestock manure from the dairy sector is managed in a liquid system that produces a larger amount of CH₄ emission [21]. During sewage storage, CH₄ gas will experience the same reaction as enteric fermentation. Cellulose dalam feces degraded by microbes through methanogenesis process [22].

Livestock manure contains organic materials such as proteins, carbohydrates and fats that can be used as a source of feed and energy for the growth of anaerobic bacteria. The benefit of gas CH₄ is the energy in the form of the gas itself. Gas production from sewage depends on the management system. The result of gas can be a certain amount of gas produced per unit degraded by anaerobic bacteria [23].

The amount of carbon contained in the cow's excrement is related to the high CH₄ gas. This is because cattle are only fed forage in the form of kumpai grass (*Hymenachne amplexicaulis*) with a coarse fiber content of 28.22% and coarse protein 10.11%. According to [24] solid impurities consist of fatty acids, proteins and carbohydrates where fatty acids, proteins and parts and carbohydrates are easily decomposed.

The composition of feed or forage quality affects CH₄ production in ruminant. Digestion in rumen depends on the activity of microorganisms that need energy, nitrogen, and minerals [25]; [26]. Therefore, forage quality affects the activity of rumen microbes and the production of CH₄ in rumen. Forage species, forage processing, forage proportions in food, and grain sources also affect CH₄ production in ruminant. Methane production tends to decrease as feed protein content increases, and will increase with increased feed fiber content [26]. CH₄ production is positively associated with feed digestion and is negatively associated with the fat concentration of food, whereas the carbohydrate composition of food has only minor effects [22]. CH₄ production has a negative impact on livestock productivity, resulting in energy loss ranging from 2% to 12% of GEI animals [27].

Solid impurities containing nitrogen are associated with CH₄ gas diffusion/especially at ground level, but do not affect ch₄ gas transformation. The integration of livestock manure with nitrogen fertilizers can not only provide optimum results, but also successfully reduce the risk of CH₄ emissions [28].

According to [5] CH₄ emissions from livestock waste management from 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 respectively 2869.38 (CO₂-e ton/ head); 3060.96

(CO₂-e ton/head); 3217.60 (CO₂-e ton/ head); 3350.47 (CO₂-e ton/ head) and 3342.95 (CO₂-e ton/ head).

5.1. Structure of Methane Gas Mitigation Factors

Methane is estimated to contribute about 18% of the expected total global warming in the next 50 years [29], where livestock's contribution to total/global emissions is approximately 9% [30]. Domestic animals account for about 94% of total global emissions [29]. Although emissions have been reduced per unit of animal products, total emissions have increased from very large animal populations around the world [31]. By 2050, total CH₄ emissions from ruminant livestock are expected to increase significantly due to the increasing demand for milk and meat for the world's rapidly growing population [21]. Therefore, it is very important to reduce CH₄ emissions from the livestock industry.

The agricultural sector accounts for 10-12% of the total antropogenic GHG, consisting of CH₄ and N₂O, while the livestock sector accounts for about 18-51% of the antropogenic GHG, which consists mostly of CH₄ gas [32]. The increase in GHG has to do with livestock populations, livestock breeding, farming, animal feed types, sewage management, and the behavior of livestock farmers.

Cow manure in the form of feces and urine is generally collected by farmers behind cages, and spread around grass crops. Then cow urine is generally still /many that have not been processed into biourin for plant fertilizer or for sale [5].

The current condition of farmers still needs help from the government both for the procurement of seeds, concentrate feed, and other supporting infrastructure advice. the human resources factor of farmers is still low so farmers always expect help from other parties such as from the government and investors, this is causing high dependence from farmers. Farmers perform the pattern of intensive and semi-intensive maintenance of cattle, but the needs of livestock are still not met optimally.

5.2. Methane Gas Mitigation Strategy Factor Structure

CH₄ gas mitigation strategies carried out by cattle farmers have not continuously provided additional feed in the form of concentrates for cattle. This is related to the economic capabilities of farmers who are more focused on basic needs, while for other activities such as building cages and making compost fertilizer is a part-time activity.

The current conditions of farmers building cattle sheds only for shelter and have not noticed the ideal stable conditions around the settlement. This has to do with the ability of human resources of farmers who do

not know much about the benefits of good livestock cages and the processing of feces and biourins of livestock, how to maintain the health of livestock, and maintain a comfortable stable temperature condition for livestock so that manure can be processed into environmentally friendly products, such as the manufacture of biogas and compost fertilizer for the mitigation of CH₄ gas from cattle manure.

CH₄ gas mitigation strategy requires an action to improve feed quality with the addition of concentrates that are easily printed with low coarse fiber. Then in addition to feed management, an effort is needed to build biogas installation and compost fertilizer production. The manufacture of biogas will benefit farmers as an environmentally friendly energy source because energy comes from CH₄ gas. While the manufacture of compost fertilizer from the dirt will reduce ch₄ gas released into the air. CH₄ production from enteric fermentation is the largest contributor to GHG followed by CH₄ derived from manure management system and land application [19] ; [33]; [34].

6. CONCLUSIONS

The main factors causing CH₄ gas emissions are the low quality of farmers' human resources, the development of livestock numbers and the optimal management of livestock waste contributing to CH₄ gas emissions. In addition, limited infrastructure in the maintenance of cattle also led to CH₄ gas emissions. CH₄ gas mitigation effort, in the maintenance of livestock is attempted to provide additional feed in the form of concentrates and build biogas installations and the manufacture of compost fertilizer from cattle manure.

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