

Applications of Soil Pollution and Statistical Models on the Assessment and Distributions of the Heavy Metals on the Typical Paint Manufacturing Waste Contaminated Soil of Niger Delta Nigeria



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Abstract

Unguarded waste disposal with its concomitant environmental degradation has being a global concern in recent times. Cases of waste disposal from paint manufacturing outfits were not left out in his issue. Study on the assessment of the contaminated soil by waste from paint manufacturing activities has been carried out in a typical Niger delta soil. The study area was divided into four sampling sections, wherein five samples were randomly taken from each segment, making a total of twenty soil samples. The sampling sites were designated as SS2, SS3, SS4, and SS5 which represented; the main discharge point, former discharge point which was abandoned five years ago, main gate and spill points respectively the control site was also located, and five soil samples were randomly collected therein. Each sample was analyzed for Pb, Zn, Cu, Cr, Ni, Cd, Mn and As using standard methods. The average Heavy metal concentration values in the study sites were apparently higher than the control site. However, the sampling sites were impacted at varying levels as follows SS2> SS4> SS5> SS3. The level of impact of Cu, As, Cr, Ni, Pb and Mn in the entire study area was quantified in percentage and presented in descending order as 82, 62, 52, 39, 24 and 12% respectively. Elevation of the study sites and Spatial Distribution of the metals were studied with the aid of GPS and the data produced with ARC GIS. The Distribution of the metals were largely affected by the elevation of various sampling sites. Most metals were leached to lower elevations despite the proximity of the sites to the source of discharge. There was low Pollution index (PI) of between 0.01-0.068 for Cu and Zn in all the study sites whereas high PI of between 21.5-12.5 was recorded for Mn in SS3, SS4 and SS5. From the index standards, the soil was contaminated, on the average with Cr, Cu, Zn, As, Ni and Pb at low level and moderately contaminated with Mn and Cd. On the bivariate analysis, there was strong correlation between Cu and Pb, Zn with As and Cr, Ni with Cr and As. In the principal component analysis (PAC), As and Cu have the highest variation values of 0.979 for As and 0.987 Cu in components 1 and 2 respectively and these two components control 91.004% of the total variation. By the analysis of variance, there was no significant difference between heavy metals in the sampling sites, however, the Post-Hoc analysis confirmed significant difference in the metal discharge between (SS1), and SS2, SS3 SS4 and SS5 respectively, affirming that the discharge from the paint manufacturing outfits essentially contributed to the prevailing heavy metal concentrations in the sites.

Keywords: Pollution Index Model; Heavy Metals; Paint Cottage Industry; Waste; Distribution; Soil

Introduction

Researchers in the last few decades have established that poorly disposed industrial waste, agricultural activities through applications of pesticides and herbicides; smelting activities, mining and vehicular emissions as sources of heavy metal pollution [1]. Although, soil acts as repository to many heavy metals, in so doing preventing the metals from getting to surface and ground water, however, heavy metals from the anthropogenic sources mentioned pollute the top soil, especially the loose soil, and eventually infiltrate through the soil matrix to the aquifer depending on their affinity to the soil [2,3]. Some

are washed by surface runoff to pollute the surface water and sediments [4-7]. Scientific research has also proved that most heavy metals inhibit the growth, photosynthesis, stomata function and damage the roots of plants [8-10]. In the soil, heavy metals exhibit inhibitory effects on microbial activity and outright death of most macro organisms, resulting to poor soil quality [11,12] Following the policy on economic revamp and recovery, Nigerian government advised and empowered people to establish small scale enterprises particularly on production of goods and artisanship training. This policy triggered aggressive industrialization at small scale and job creation for the teeming

populace. With industrialization and consequent urbanization, quality of the eco-system was compromised [13] leading to pollution of environment. It is not new a report that Pollution effects from the aforementioned activities take a significant toll on all aspects of the environmental media. In recent times however, efforts by the industrialists have been geared towards stemming the tide due to the renewed concern by the government and other stake holders about the quality of the environment. In south eastern Nigeria where appreciable cottage industrial activities have been recorded, no comprehensive research has been carried out around those industrial clusters to determine the extent of environmental impact occasioned by their activities. It has been observed that the pollution impacts on the environment have long term effects. Some discharges from these clusters over time, form complexes with the immediate environment to produce other more dangerous forms which results to more environmental perturbation [14]. This study therefore provides an information on the degree of soil pollution from such industrial clusters. Moreover, the work will serve as a platform on which the environmental monitoring agents and other stakeholders base their reports on and in that light, make necessary recommendations on the treatment or remediation approaches acceptable in the international best practices. The study location is a cluster of semi and medium scale enterprises of paint production. Paint production has been going on in the study site for decades without proper waste disposal and treatment facility in place. Waste from various paint manufacturing units are being discharged on land for decades without recourse to its environmental implications. Residues of the active ingredients in the paint waste which include and not limited to metallic and non-metallic radicals, heavy metals and organic substances [15-17] cause varying degrees of soil pollution [9]. several researches have also cited literatures describing the recalcitrant and non-recalcitrant properties of these paint-waste and associated substances, most prominent is the recalcitrant tendency of the heavy metals in soil medium [18,19], translocation and accumulation of metals in the tissues of plant and animals, vulnerability of the substances to ground and surface water pollution [16,13]. The substances tend to degrade the soil quality by rendering inactive and reducing the availability of soil microorganisms [4] with its attendant poor crop yield and starvation. Thus, this study aims at assessing the level of heavy metal pollution in the soil of the paint manufacturing cottage industrial cluster and also to get the exact values of the pollutant using pollution index models.

Materials and Methods

The study area is located in Aba, the commercial nerve center of eastern Nigeria where many cottage industries are located. The location stands on geological setting typical of Niger Delta region. The study area was divided into four segments designated with the following codes SS2, SS3, SS4, and SS5. The codes represent the main discharge point, former discharge point which was abandoned five years ago, main gate and spill

points respectively. Main gate and spill points are spots where the paint cans which are not filled to the required level are filled). Control sampling point which was located in a farm land 5km from the study area was designated as SS1. A total of 20 Soil samples were collected randomly at the range of 0-1.5m depth from each segment making a ground total of 80 samples from the entire study area. The collected soil samples were dried at room temperature, sieved to remove debris, sand and gravel before grinding them into powder with a ball grinder. Digestion and extraction of heavy metals under investigation were carried out according to EPA method 3052 (USEPA 1996). The extracts were analyze to measure Pb, Zn, Cu, Cr, Ni, Cd, Mn and As using 7700X Inductively Coupled Plasma-Mass Spectrometer (Agilent, USA) and full. Description of the analytical methods can be found [1].

Data Analysis

Pollution models were adopted to evaluate the extent of metal pollution of the study area. Use of Pollution index (PI), pollution load index (PLI), Degree of contamination (DC), Geo-accumulation index (GAI) and potential ecological risk index (RI) were made for the data analysis. Basic Statistical tools were also used to determine the level of correlation among the metals and the sampling sites. The data were also subjected to multivariate analysis in which principal component analysis (PCA) was applied to determine the similarity of distribution among the heavy metals. Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) was used to investigate if there is significant difference in the mean deposits of the metals in the sites. The Least-Square significant difference was then used to mean deposits of the metals between any two pair of sites. Statistical analyses such as ANOVA, correlation, principal component analysis and Post-Hoc analysis were carried out with the aid of Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS 20.0) The information gotten from taking the co-ordinates of different sampling points was used with the aid of GIS to determine the spatial distribution of the disposed paint effluents on the surrounding soil Pollution index and pollution load of the heavy metals were evaluated using the following models.

$$P_L = \frac{C_i}{S_i} \tag{1}$$

P_L = pollution index for a given metal

C_i = concentration of a given metal in the soil.

S_i = standards for soil environmental quality, which is based on standards for soil quality as specified by the Federal Ministry of Environment (FMEnv) Nigeria.

The load pollution index (PLI) is expressed as follows:

$$PLI = (PI_1 * PI_2 * PI_3 * PI_4 * \dots \dots \dots PI_n)^{1/n} \dots \dots \dots \tag{2}$$

Where $PI_1 * PI_2 * PI_3 * PI_4 * \dots \dots \dots PI_n$ |

pollution indices for various metals, and n is the number of metals under study. The Degree of contamination(D_c) of various metals is calculated as follows;

$$D_c = \sum_1^n F_i \tag{3}$$

Where F_i is the contamination factor expressed as

$$F_i = C_i / S_i - 1 \tag{4}$$

n = Normative value

The data obtained was also subjected to Geo-accumulation index (GAI). This further assess the level of contamination by comparing the measured and the background values which is expressed as

$$GAI = \log_2 [C_n / (1.5B_n)] \dots \dots \dots (5)$$

C_n is concentration of n th metals. B_n is geochemical Background values i.e content of the examined elements in the reference location

Further study was carried out to assess the potential ecological risk which is expressed as the summation of the risk factors of the heavy metals under study. Equation 6 represents the potential ecological risk

$$PERI = \sum E_i \tag{6}$$

$$\text{Where } E_i = T_i f_i = T_i \frac{C_i}{B_i} \tag{7}$$

E_i Represents the potential ecological risk index for individual heavy metals or single potential ecological risk index whereas PERI or comprehensive potential ecological risk, is the summation of the single potential ecological risk. T_i is toxic respond factor. T_i for various metal is given as Hg=40, Cd=30, As=10, Ni=5, Cu=5, Pb=5, Cr=2, Zn=1. The information on the heavy metal concentrations of the control site represents the background concentration in the unpolluted site B_i .

Results and Discussions

Average Heavy Metal Concentration

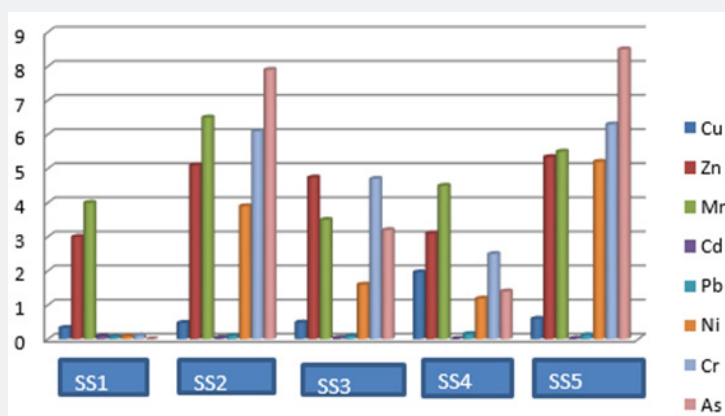


Figure 1: average concentrations of the heavy metals in various sites.

The column plots shown in Figure 1 summarize the average concentration values of the metals investigated in each of the sampling sites designated as SS1, SS2, SS3, SS4 and SS5. The Heavy metal values in SS1 are considerably lower than that of the effluent receiving sites. Being the control site where no discharge took place, the prevailing low concentrations of all the metals are expected. The apparent difference in concentration values of the heavy metals in the control site (SS1) from the effluent receiving sites implies that the investigated metals impacted on the soils of the receiving sites which received the paint manufacturing effluents. Within the receiving sites, however, variations were observed on the heavy metal concentration values. Heavy metal contents in SS2, SS4 and SS5 showed higher values than those in SS3. The scenario is expected because the site 3(SS3) has not been used as discharge point. Low heavy metal concentrations observed on site 3, could be attributed to the effects of natural attenuation of the metals by the soil. Having been out of use as a discharge point for a considerable long time, the low heavy metal values in SS3 shows how responsive the soil in the site is to natural attenuation of metals. Nevertheless, heavy metal contents in the sample sites (SS4) and SS5 are comparably

high, perhaps both sites receive some levels of impact having being used as top-up points. When compared with the level of heavy metals in various sampling sites, soil samples of SS2 have the highest concentration level. Based on the environmental standards for soil quality in Nigeria [20], virtually all the sites were impacted by Cu, Mn, Ni, Cd, As and Cr except Zn. The level of impact was quantified in percentage and arranged in decrease order of 82, 62, 52, 39, 24 and 12% for Cu, As, Cr, Ni, Pb and Mn respectively.

Elevation and Spatial Distribution of Heavy Metals

Elevation of the sampling sites were determined and their co-ordinates measured and the results were presented in one dimensional contour plot with colours to distinguish various sampling sites. Also, three dimensional view of the entire elevation result differentiating the sample site with colours was presented. The elevation plots shown in Figure 2 revealed that the elevation decreased in the following order SS2> SS1> SS3>SS4>SS5. Spatial distribution patterns of the heavy metals in all the sampling points were represented in one and three dimensional distribution plot shown in Figures 3-7 representing

Cu, Zn, Cd, Pb and Mn. Plots for Ni, Cr and as are not shown for brevity. Colours and contour points in the plots were used to interpret the pattern of distributions in the sites. Red and purple colours depict dense and sparse distributions respectively. In Figure 3, Distribution of Cu recorded the highest concentration value in SS4 at contour points presenting dense distribution value of between 0.6-0.62mg/kg and the lowest values at contour points showing sparse distribution value range of 0.28-0.34 in SS2. The apparent Cu distribution variance as shown in the fig. might have been due to difference in elevation. Being the main discharge point, it is expected that the concentration values of all the metals under investigation would have been high at SS2 but due to high elevation it is possible that metals like Cu is likely to be leached to the lower elevation [17] due to low affinity to the soil matrix, giving rise to the seeming high Cu concentration value at SS4. Natural occurrence could have also contributed to such glaring increase in SS4 as reported by [11] Figure 4 shows the distribution of Zn in various sampling locations. Distribution in soil sampling SS3 was observed to have the highest value with contour points depicting dense distribution value of between 0.7-0.74mg/kg while the lowest distribution was observed in SS1, SS2, and SS4 with contour points showing sparse distribution value within the range of between -0.05 to 0mg//kg. The site (SS3) is the former discharge area which has not received the paint effluent for a considerable long time ought to record low metal concentration value due to natural attenuation, but the prevailing high Zn distribution pattern could be a case of natural Zn deposit in SS3. It is also possible that Zn substance which is a component of the former discharge might have remained recalcitrant in soil of SS3 site [21]. Distribution of manganese was dense in SS2 with contour point showing values between 6.3 and 6.5 mg/kg and sparsely distributed at SS3 with contour points showcasing Mn values of between 3.5 and 3.9 mg/kg as

depicted in Figure 5. The skewed manganese distribution to SS2 is expected because the site is the main discharge point where the major effluents from the paint manufacturing cluster is discharged. In essence, the high Mn value observed in SS2 could be attributed to high bioavailability occasioned by effluent discharge. Change of elevation did not make much impact on Mn distribution probably due to apparent slight difference in elevation. Most importantly, it is possible that the soils of SS2 have higher sorption capacity for manganese ions [22] than SS4 and SS5 which receive similar impact. Also, the seeming high manganese distribution could be attributed to effects of soil properties such Ph, organic matter, ion-exchange [23] Distribution of Cd was observed to have recorded the highest value in the control site, SS1 with contour points indicating Cd values between 0.09 - 0.095mg/kg and lowest value at SS4 with contour points 0- 0.005mg/kg. High Cd value recorded in the control site could be as a result of natural occurrence and as well suggested that the paint effluent contains low Cd value. It is also possibly that Cd essentially underwent certain reactions with other effluent ingredients in the sampling sites, leading to its sequestration [24]. In SS2 and SS5, Pb distributions recorded the lowest values of -0.01 and 0mg/kg with highest values of between 0.13 and 0.15mg/kg in SS4 while the same contour value 0.05 and 0.08mg/kg, in between the extreme values were observed in SS1 and SS3. Distributions of Ni, Cr and as were prominent in all the paint effluent receiving sites (SS2, SS3, SS4 and SS5) but quite negligible in the control site, suggesting the paint effluent had impacted on the sites with the heavy metals. Although their contour diagrams are not shown for brevity, the distributions were dense in the sites SS2, SS3, SS4 and SS5) with average contour values of Ni, Cr and as at 1.2, 2.1 and 3.5mg/kg respectively.

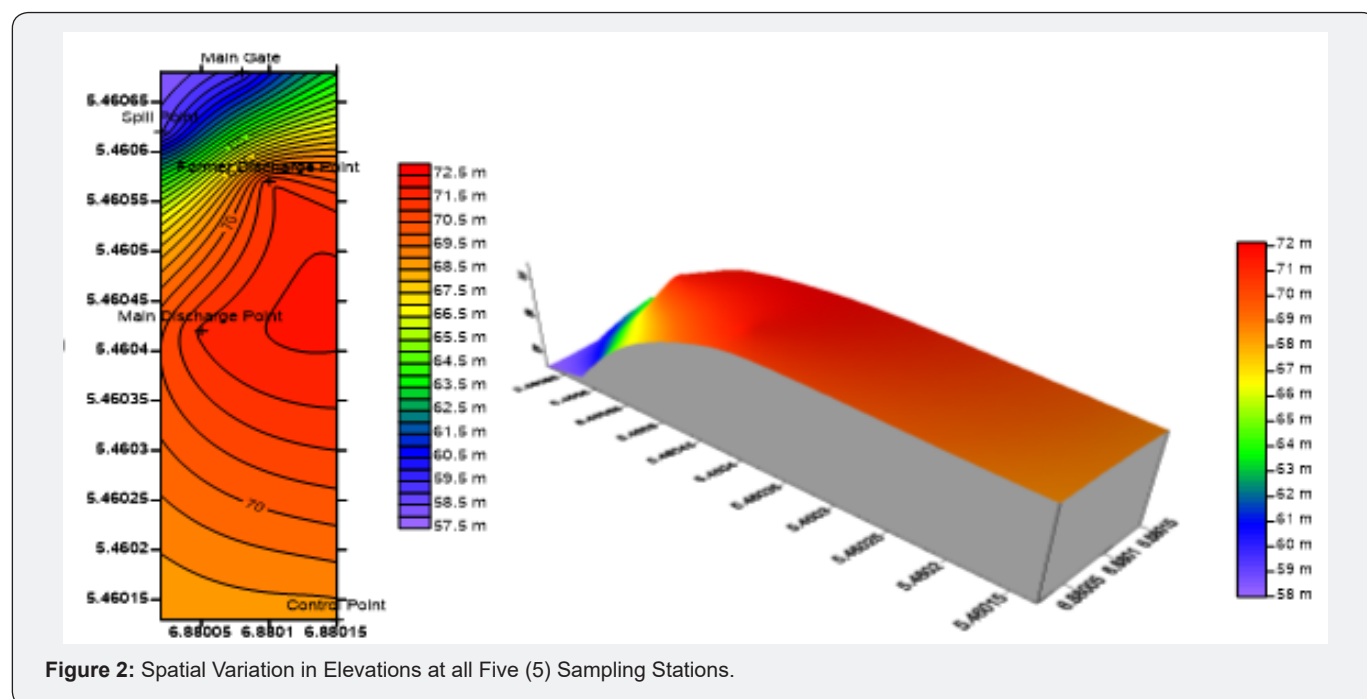


Figure 2: Spatial Variation in Elevations at all Five (5) Sampling Stations.

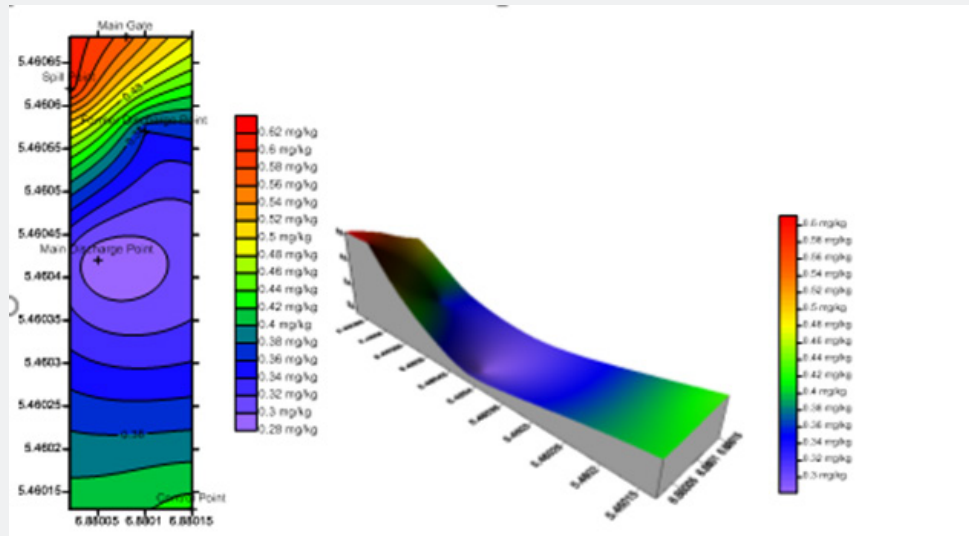


Figure 3: Spatial Distribution of Cu in soil of the study Area.

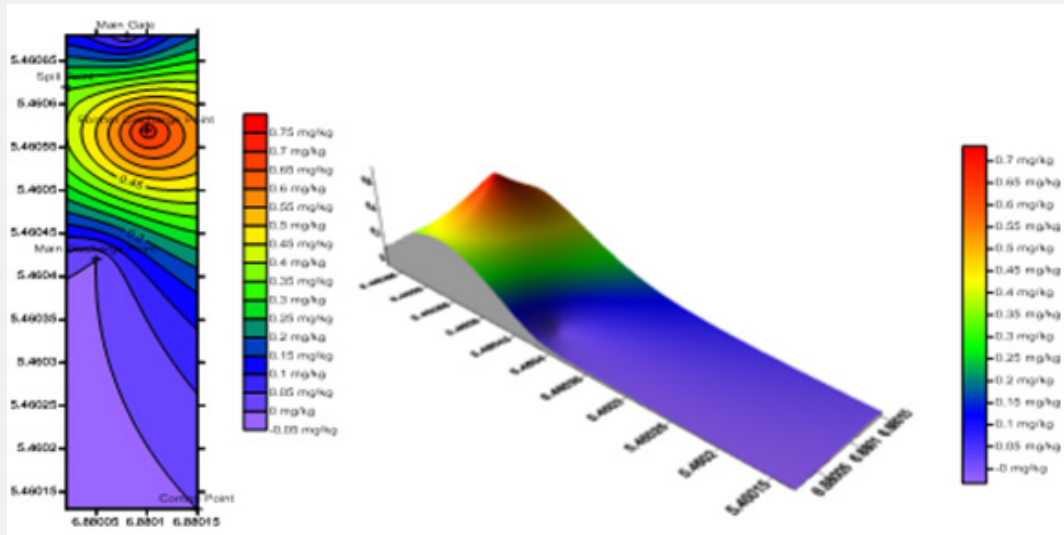


Figure 4: Spatial Distribution of Zn in Soil of the Study Area.

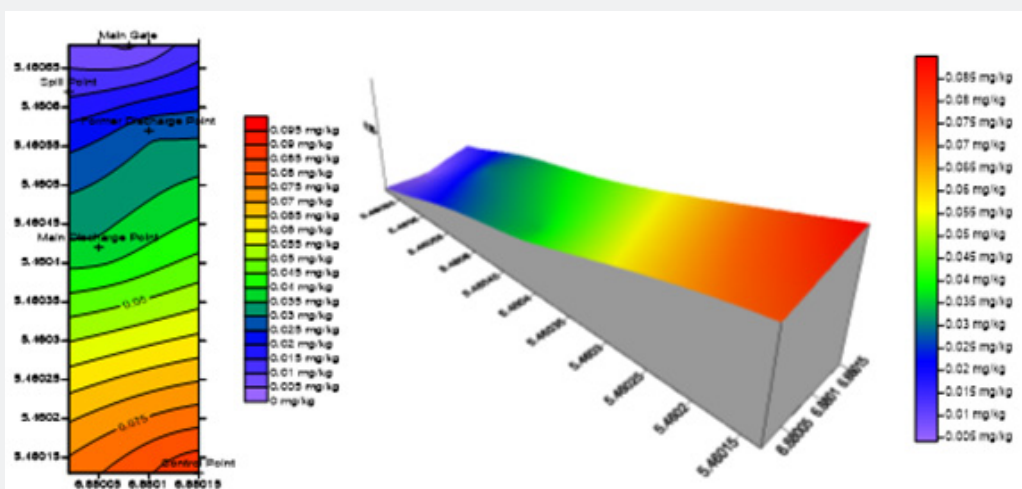


Figure 5: Spatial Distribution of Mn in Soil of the Study Area.

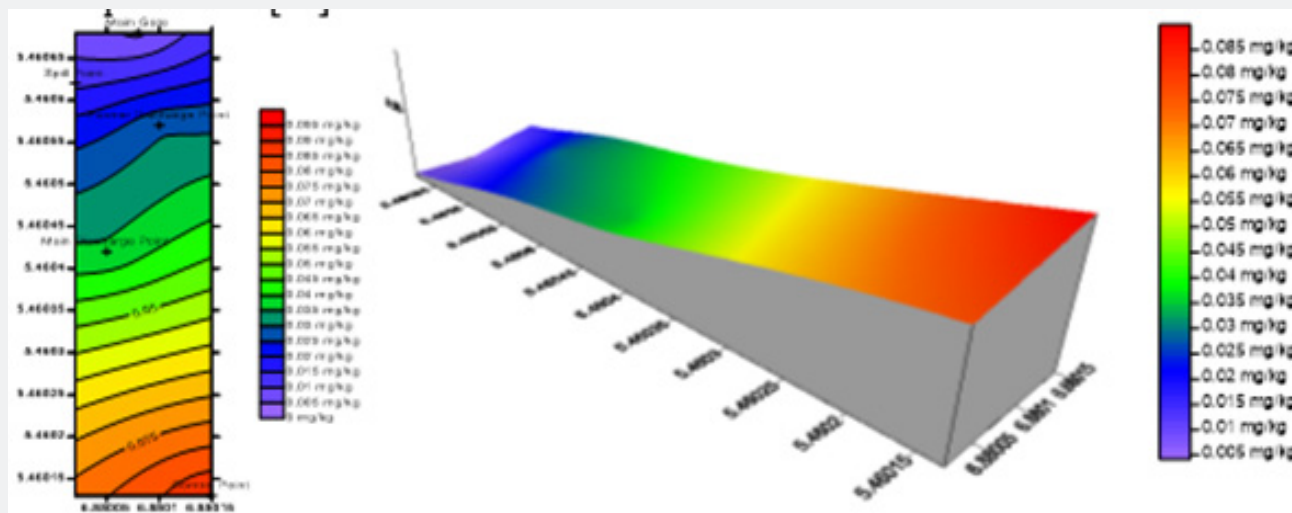


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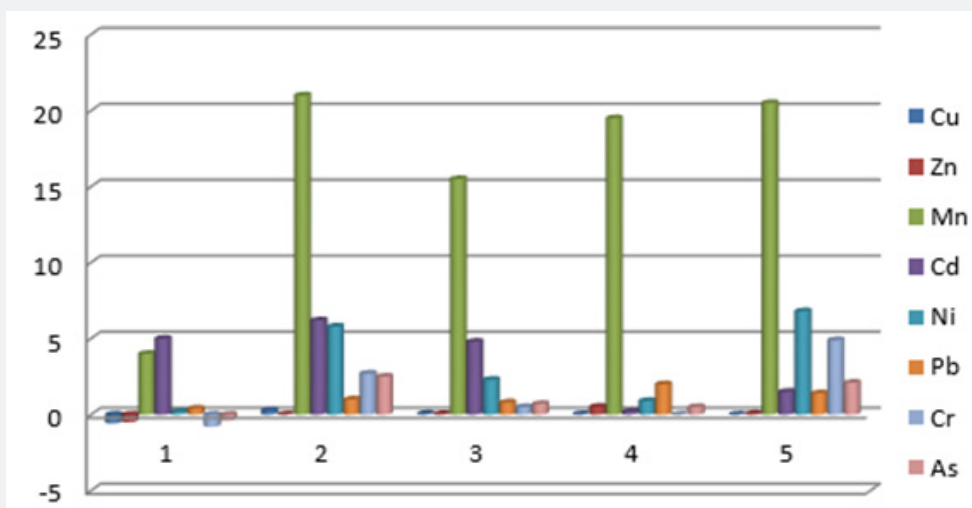


Figure 7: Heavy metal Pollution indices of the study sites.

Pollution and Index Models

Table 1 shows various index ranges for pollution index, pollution load index, geo-accumulation index and potential

ecological risk index. The table describes categories of soil contamination status with corresponding index values which was used as reference point to infer the contamination level of the soil in the present study.

Table 1: Showing the Index Standards.

PI	Category	PLI	Category	GAI	Category	E_I	Category	PERI	Category
PI<1	low contamination factor	PLI<1	Soil Perfection	GAI<0	Practically uncontaminated	<40	Slight	<90	Slight
1<PI<3	Moderate contamination factor	PLI=1	Baseline level of pollutants	0<GAI<1	Moderately uncontaminated	40-80	Moderate	90-180	Moderate
3<PI<6	Considerable contamination factor	PLI>1	Deterioration of site	1<GAI<2	Moderately contaminated	80-160	Strong	180-360	Strong
6>PI	Very high contamination factor			2<GAI<3	Heavily contaminated	160-320	Very strong	380-720	Very strong
				5<GAI<6	Extremely contaminated	>320	Highly strong	>720	Highly strong

Figure 7 shows the pollution index (PI) pattern of the heavy metals in various study sites. Soils from the control site i.e SS1 had PI ranging between -0.8- 0.4 for Cr, Cu, Zn, As, Ni and Pb. Also, the soil has PI values of 4 and 5 respectively for Mn and Cd. Given the observation, Table 1 categorized the soil as being contaminated with Cr, Cu, Zn, As, Ni and Pb at low level and moderately contaminated with Mn and Cd. With the average PI value range of 0.02 - 1, soils of SS2 were contaminated at low level with Zn, Cu and Pb but the soils had moderate contaminations of Cr and As having average PI values of 2.7 and 2.5 respectively. Also, soils from SS2 were considerably contaminated by Ni and Cd with mean PI values of 5.2 and 6.2 respectively and highly contaminated with Mn having the highest mean PI value of 21 as shown on Table 1. Like in SS2, contaminations of Zn and Cu were very low in the soils from SS3, SS4 and SS5 hence PI range value of 0.01- 0.068. Contamination of Mn was also very high in the soils SS3, SS4 and SS5 with PI values of 15.5, 19.5 and 21.5 respectively. Soils of SS3, SS4 and SS5 were contaminated with Cd and Ni at between low and high levels with PI range values of 0.2- 6.8 whereas Pb, Cr and As contaminated the soils at between low and moderate levels.

Figure 8 represents the degree of contamination of various study sites by the metals. All the sites including the control site (SS1), recorded pronounced value for Mn, however Mn had the highest degree of contamination in SS2, the effluent receiving site, with marginal difference in SS1. Also, the degree of Cd contamination was prominent in SS1 indicating that Mn and Cd predominantly originated from natural sources. Apparently, the varying degrees of contamination values for As, Ni, Cu, Zn, Cr and Pb observed in the other sites, could be traced to anthropogenic sources. On the average, the degree of contamination of the sites by the heavy metals was highest for Mn and lowest for Cu. nevertheless, the degree of heavy metal contamination in the soils of the study sites decreased in this order- Mn>Cd>Ni>Cr>Pb>As>Zn>Cu. Pollution load indices

of the heavy metals in all the sites are presented in Figure 9. The lowest PLI value (0.5) of the heavy metals observed in SS1 suggested soil perfection (PLI<1) in the site. The perceived low PLI value is indicative of low influence of anthropogenic activity in the study site. The other study sites (SS2, SS3, SS4 and SS5) had high heavy metal PLI values of 3.62, 2.84 2.00 and 2.82 respectively. The prevailing PLI values is an evidence of high heavy metal impact on the soils which depicts soil deterioration (PLI>1) as shown on the Table 1. The average pollution load index value of all the sites was also determined and the value is at 2.63, placing the average soil quality at the category of soil deterioration as presented on the table Data analysis to determine goe-accumulation and ecological potential risk of the investigated metals was carried out. From the goe accumulation analysis which was compared with the index standard shown on Table 1, the study area was practically uncontaminated with Zn and Pb, moderately uncontaminated with Cu, Ni, Cr and As, moderately contaminated with Mn and heavily contaminated with Cd. Goe-accumulation of metal in soils is apparently a function of soil property and affinity of the metals to the soil [25] and also dependent on the level of pollution of groundwater [26]. The implication of low accumulation index of the metals is that the less amount of the metal is sorbed or diffused into the soil matrix perhaps due to lack of strong affinity to the soil. The prevailing condition allows heavy metals advection through the pore water to the aquifer, which portends danger to ground water. Conversely, high metal Goe-accumulation encourages low advection with the soil bulk water flow, thus posing less danger to groundwater [27,28] In view of the present scenario, Zn, Pb, Cu, Ni, Cr and As are likely threats to portability of groundwater. The single potential ecological risk index analysis for individual metals shows that the study site is at strong risk of Cd and Mn pollution whereas the study site is at within the range of slight and moderate ecological risk of pollution of the metals. On the average, the potential ecological risk of study site by the metals is strong.

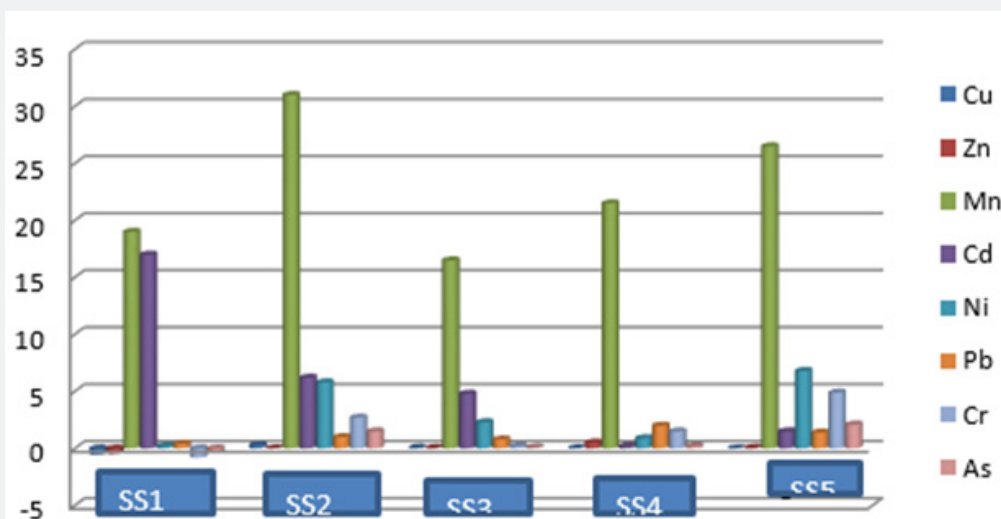


Figure 8: Degree of contamination by heavy metals in various sites.

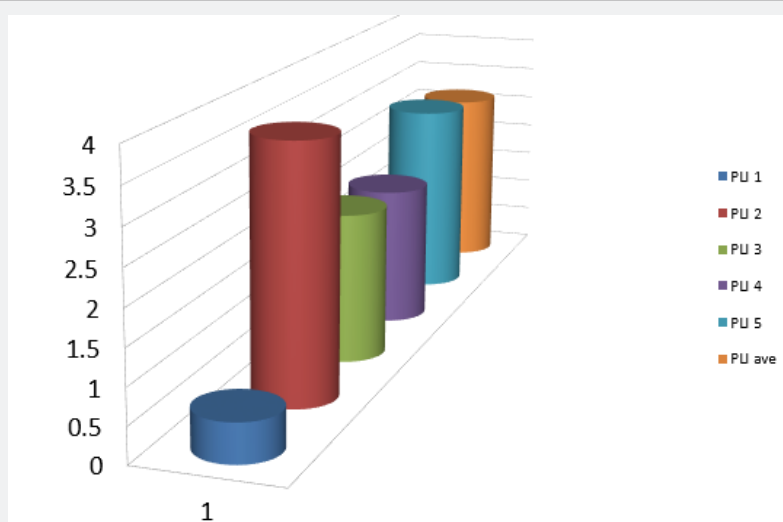


Figure 9: Pollution load index in various sampling sites and average pollution index of the sites.

Statistical Analysis

A correlational analysis was performed to know if the metals are associated with one another. Specifically, a bivariate

correlational analysis is carried out using Pearson’s correlation coefficient formula to determine the level of association between any two of the metals. The results of the analysis is shown in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Results of Bivariate Correlations between the Metals.

		Cu	Zn	Mn	Cd	Pb	Ni	Cr	As
Cu	Pearson Correlation	1	-.461	-.078	-.626	.880*	-.197	-.180	-.293
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.435	.900	.259	.049	.751	.772	.633
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Zn	Pearson Correlation	-.461	1	.540	-.387	-.024	.874	.953*	.920*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.435		.348	.519	.969	.052	.012	.027
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Mn	Pearson Correlation	-.078	.540	1	-.248	.245	.769	.620	.802
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.900	.348		.688	.691	.128	.265	.102
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Cd	Pearson Correlation	-.626	-.387	-.248	1	-.871	-.509	-.622	-.439
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.259	.519	.688		.055	.381	.263	.459
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Pb	Pearson Correlation	.880*	-.024	.245	-.871	1	.287	.257	.175
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.049	.969	.691	.055		.640	.676	.778
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Ni	Pearson Correlation	-.197	.874	.769	-.509	.287	1	.903*	.982**
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.751	.052	.128	.381	.640		.036	.003
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Cr	Pearson Correlation	-.180	.953*	.620	-.622	.257	.903*	1	.933*
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.772	.012	.265	.263	.676	.036		.021
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
As	Pearson Correlation	-.293	.920*	.802	-.439	.175	.982**	.933*	1
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.633	.027	.102	.459	.778	.003	.021	
	N	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5

*. Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).

** . Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

The results in Table 2 show that there is significant correlation coefficient between Cu and Pb at 5% significant level since the probability value (P-value) of 0.049 ($P < 0.05$) was obtained. This correlation coefficient was found to be positively high. This implies that as the quantity of Cu increases, the quantity of Pb also increases. This further implies that Cu has strong positive association with Pb. It was found out that associations between Cu and the other metals under study were insignificant since the correlation coefficient between Cu and each of them was not significant at 5% level of significance ($P < 0.05$). The results also show that Zn is significantly and positively correlated with Cr and As each at 5% level of significance since $P = 0.012 < 0.05$ and $P = 0.027 < 0.05$. Thus, as the quantity of Zn increases, so do the quantities of Cr and As. In the same vein, Zn had strong positive associations with Cr and As. Similarly, Ni was significantly correlated with Cr and As at 5% and 10% levels of significance respectively with the respective P-values 0.036 and 0.003. Therefore, as the quantity of Cr increases, so does the quantity of As. Given that some of the metals are significantly correlated, the presence of a given metal can be used to account for the presence of another metal that is correlated with it. Therefore, a principal component analysis was carried out to identify the two most important metals that can account for variation in the other metals. The results of the principal component analysis are shown in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Principal Component Analysis Results showing Total Variation.

Components	Initial Eigenvalues		
	Total	Percentage of Variance	Cumulative Percentage
1	4.742	59.278	59.278
2	2.538	31.726	91.004
3	0.631	7.886	98.80
4	0.089	1.110	100.00
5	5.697 E -0.16	7.122 E -0.15	100.00
6	9.492 E -0.17	1.186 E -0.15	100.00
7	-1.377 E -0.16	-1.721 E -0.15	100.00
8	-1.502 E -0.16	-1.877 E -0.15	100.00

The results of the principal component analysis show that the total variations can be explained by the first two components, 59.278% and 31.726% respectively. This implies that only these two components are significant in explaining the variations. Therefore, contributions of the other components are not important. The results show that these two components explained 91.004% of the total variation. The two components are identified in Table 4 below. Table 4 shows that As and Cu can explain about 91% of the variations of the metals in the discharge points since as explained the highest variation in the first component (0.979) and Cu explained the highest variation

in the second component (0.987). Therefore, the two significant metals in the discharge points are As and Cu. This further implies that as contains some of the metals found in the sites especially the metals in the first component while Cu contains the rest of the metals (especially the ones in the second component). This further implies that the presence of as in a site could be used to explain the presence of Ni, Cr, Zn, Mn, Pb and Cd in that site. On the other hand, the presence of Cu in a site could be used to explain the presence of Pb in that site. In order to find out if there is significant difference in the mean deposits of the metals among the sites (discharge points) which will go a long way to determining the site that is most highly potential at risk, analysis of variance and post-hoc analyses were carried out. The results are shown in Tables 5 & 6 respectively. The results in Table 5 show that there is no significant difference in the mean deposits of the metals at the discharge points. Following this, a Post-Hoc analysis was carried out to find out if there exist significant difference in the mean deposits of the metals between any pair of discharge points. This was done with the aid of the Least-Square Significant Difference. The results are shown in Table 6 below. The results show that significant differences exist only in the mean deposits between the Control Site (SS1) and the main Discharge point (SS2) on one hand and between the Control Site (SS1) and the Spill point (SS5) on the other hand. These results imply that deposition of refuse at any site contributes to the quantity of metals formed in that site. This further implies that underground water at the main Discharge point and Spill point face more risk of being contaminated by the metals.

Table 4: Component Matrix.

Elements	Components	
	1	2
As	0.979	
Ni	0.973	
Cr	0.966	
Zn	0.900	-0.335
Mn	0.765	
Cu		0.987
Pb	0.346	0.931
Cd	0.613	-0.734

Table 5: Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) Results.

Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.	
Between Groups	52.062	4	13.016	2.223	.087
Within Groups	204.958	35	5.856		
Total	257.020	39			

Table 6: Results of Multiple Comparison Test in the Mean Deposits of the Metals between Pair of Sites (Post-Hoc Analysis).

(I) Sites	(J) Sites	Mean Difference (I-J)	Std. Error	Sig.	95% Confidence Interval	
					Lower Bound	Upper Bound
1	2	-2.804375*	1.209951	.026	-5.26071	-.34804
	3	-1.333500	1.209951	.278	-3.78983	1.12283
	4	-.890375	1.209951	.467	-3.34671	1.56596
	5	-2.986625*	1.209951	.019	-5.44296	-.53029
2	1	2.804375*	1.209951	.026	.34804	5.26071
	3	1.470875	1.209951	.232	-.98546	3.92721
	4	1.914000	1.209951	.123	-.54233	4.37033
	5	-.182250	1.209951	.881	-2.63858	2.27408
3	1	1.333500	1.209951	.278	-1.12283	3.78983
	2	-1.470875	1.209951	.232	-3.92721	.98546
	4	.443125	1.209951	.716	-2.01321	2.89946
	5	-1.653125	1.209951	.181	-4.10946	.80321
4	1	.890375	1.209951	.467	-1.56596	3.34671
	2	-1.914000	1.209951	.123	-4.37033	.54233
	3	-.443125	1.209951	.716	-2.89946	2.01321
	5	-2.096250	1.209951	.092	-4.55258	.36008
5	1	2.986625*	1.209951	.019	.53029	5.44296
	2	.182250	1.209951	.881	-2.27408	2.63858
	3	1.653125	1.209951	.181	-.80321	4.10946
	4	2.096250	1.209951	.092	-.36008	4.55258

Conclusion

Applications of pollution indexes and statistical models on the Assessment and distributions of the heavy metals on the typical Paint Manufacturing Waste Contaminated soil of Niger Delta Nigeria has been studied. Concentration values of the metals virtually exceeded the limits prescribed by the WHO standards. Comparing the heavy metal concentration values in the various sampling sites of the study area with the control site, high values were apparent on the study sites. Elevation of the sites affected the distribution of heavy metals in, as the sites in the low elevation experienced high concentration values despite the proximity of the waste source. Given the pollution index, geo-accumulation and ecological model analysis, the sites were reasonably contaminated with Mn and Cd. Strong correlation existed between Cu and Pb, Zn with As and Cr, Ni with Cr and As. There was no significant difference in the mean concentration values of the metals at the discharge points, however, significant difference was glaring in the metal discharge between (SS1), and SS2, SS3 SS4 and SS5 respectively. This study therefore provides insight to policy makers and other stakeholders on the extent of soil pollution by the paintoriented waste in a typical Niger delta soil. It is also important to know that heavy metals which significantly contaminated the soil accumulate on the soil matrix, perhaps translocate to plant tissues, and may not pose much threat to ground water, but by contaminant migration principles, the other metals which are not much in the soil might have by advection, move with the bulk soil water flow to aquifer.

The subsequent research studies can leverage on this hypothesis to ascertain this postulation on the study site.

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