

which do not have potentially available lands for *Jatropha* cultivation. Overall, the optimisation results reveal a decentralised operation of the *Jatropha* value chains for biodiesel provision of the country.

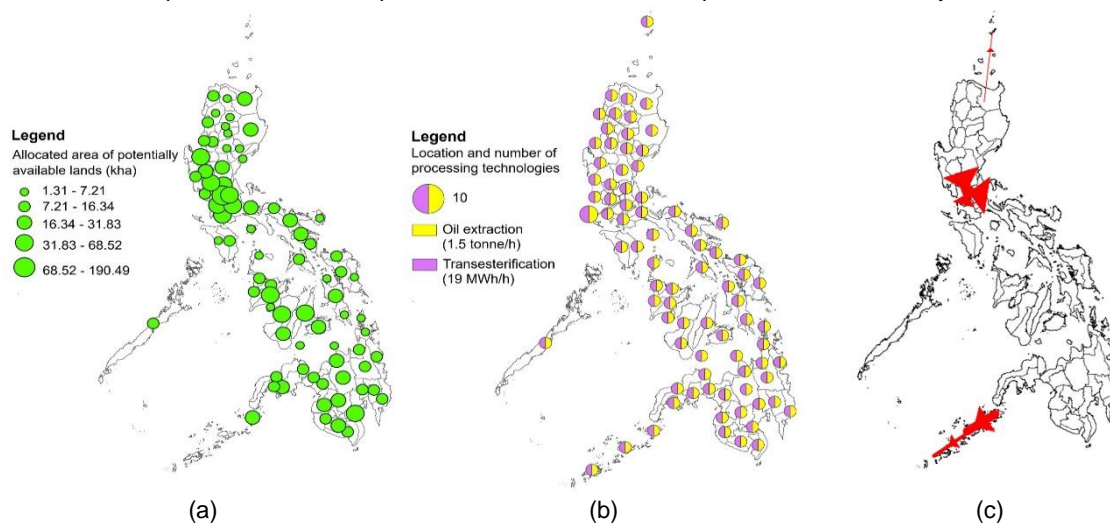


Figure 4. Optimisation results: (a) allocated areas for *Jatropha* cultivation; (b) location and number of processing technologies; and (c) barge transport of *Jatropha* fruit.

6. Conclusions

The land suitability modelling revealed 16 million ha of potentially available lands in the Philippines for sustainable cultivation of *Jatropha*, which would not result in land-use conversion of forests and protected areas. Then a mixed-integer linear programming model was developed for the simultaneous planning, design and operation of multi-product *Jatropha* value chains. The model was applied to a case study for the total provision of the annual biodiesel demand of the Philippines. The optimal *Jatropha* value chains were both economically and environmentally favourable within the planning horizon. A decentralised design and operation of the optimal *Jatropha* value chains for biodiesel provision of the country is recommended.

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