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EXTERNALLY AIDED PROJECTS

Activities under externally aided projects in ICFRE during the year have been as follows :

Project 1: UNDP-ICFRE PROJECT - STRENGTHENING AND DEVELOPING OF ICFRE.

UNDP-ICFRE Project for Strengthening and Developing of Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education launched on 4.9.1992 with UNDP assistance of US $ 2.56 million and Indian contribution of Rs.21.94 million is a five year, project aiming at poverty alleviation through enhancement of the contribution of forestry to rural development in India. The project is designed to strengthen the capacities and capabilities of ICFRE Institutes and their personnel to undertake and extend forestry research. The project has been extended and is to be completed in March, 1999.

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE PROJECT

- Establishment of a solid research base to increase forest productivity and support afforestation; reforestation and rehabilitation of degraded forests and village commons; and agroforestry on farmlands.
- Development of extension mechanisms, to transfer proven research results and tested technologies to users.
- Upgradation of research capability at the national and international level to integrate efforts of many well knit and multidisciplinary teams of skilled scientists and technicians.

Beneficiaries

The ultimate beneficiaries are the farmers, poor tribals, economically backward classes and also the wood based industries. Forestry researchers having experience of interaction with the international researchers and exposure to the advances in research through course on forest genetics, Seed technology, evergreen forests, deciduous forests, arid zone forestry, research methodology and tree physiology are utilizing their newly acquired skill for furthering the cause of forestry research.

Highlights of the Project

The main achievements of the project during the year 1997-98 are as under :

1. **International Consultancy**

The Tripartite Mid Term Review of the Project recommended that the present project should have a follow up phase to consolidate the result of research so far conducted and to develop extension linkages including technology development and its transfer through adoptive research to tackle the twin problem of poverty alleviation and environmental degradation. Accordingly SSPD document has been prepared by Dr. Haluk Hilmi, an international consultant for a grant of US $ 120,000 for preparation of the follow-up project.

2. **National Consultancy and Awarding of Sub-Contracts**

UNDP Project provides for employment of National Consultants and award of Sub-contract in different fields. During the year, National Consultancy on Research Review and Consolidation of TFRI Jabalpur was completed. Research Review and Consolidation for AFRI, Jodhpur is under progress. Consultancy has been awarded for Research Review and consolidation of FRI, Dehra Dun which is in progress.

Sub-contracts on "Economics of tree growing on farm lands" for FRI Dehra Dun and HFRI, Shimla; Demand Supply Studies of Social Forestry Products in areas under IWST and IFGTB jurisdiction; and Socio-economic studies to link people with regeneration and protection of forest in areas under IFGTB and IWST have been completed. During the year following Sub-contracts were awarded:-

(i) Socio-economic Studies to link people with regeneration and protection of forests. awarded to M/s Himalayan Village Resource Development Society, Dehra Dun for areas pertaining to TFRI, Jabalpur.

(ii) Demand and Supply Studies of Social Forestry Products -The work is under progress.

(iii) Documentation of Economics of Tree Growing on Farm Land- awarded to Sycom Project consultant, New Delhi and Tree Land Development Services, Bangalore. Tree Land Development Services, Bangalore has completed the report and draft report has been given by Sycom Project consultant, which is under scrutiny.

Film on UNDP/ICFRE Project Activities: To make a TV film on UNDP/ICFRE Project activities highlighting project achievements and benefit derived, a work order has been given to M/s Saral Sheel Communication, New Delhi. The film is to be made on Betacom. The film shooting has been done. The final product is awaited.

3. **Technology transfer and demonstration**

The project envisages to demonstrate forestry programme for alleviation of poverty in 100 demonstration villages spread over 20 districts in 13 states of the country. Looking at the success of the programme, the Steering Committee of the project advised that 20 more villages be adopted in eco-fragile zones of Eastern and Western Himalayas. Accordingly 10 villages have been adopted in Garhwal and 10 in Arunachal Pradesh. The State forest departments have been provided technical know-how through closer interaction between ICFRE scientists and the implementing field agencies in maintaining 10,000 hectare of seed production areas of various multipurpose tree species and 50000 plus trees identified in different forest types distributed all over the country. Demonstration trainings in collection of quality seed from seed production areas and superior planting material production by improved methods of biotechnology have been provided to state forest departments. During the year; 116 foresters, NGOs and farmers have been given training in identification and inoculation of VAM and Rhizobia. Similarly, 978 foresters, 373 NGOs and 1172 farmers have been trained in Seed Technology and Plantation Management. Lab to land transfer of technology has been achieved through the following programmes/measures :

Training packages on Seed Technology; plantation management; VAM; Rhizobia working, choice of species, manuring, irrigation intensity, etc.

Distribution of 4.5 lakh genetically superior quality seedlings of MPT species to farmers in 120 adopted villages for increasing the biomass productivity.

Distribution of brochures, leaflets, pamphlets, handbills in Hindi, English and local languages during demonstrations, exhibitions and Kisan Melas.

International work-shop on "Forestry Research in Conservation of Natural Forests was organised in April, 1997 at ICFRE, Dehra Dun. The Workshop emphasized the need to increase productivity at all levels by adopting strategy involving extensive plantation, developing suitable agroforestry models, development of effective participatory management programmes and suitable legislative measures. The Workshop was attended by foresters, Scientists from ICFRE, State Forest Deptt., Forest Development Corp., Forestry Universities, Large number of NGOs. International representation was received from FAO, FORSPA, Australia, Ford Foundation and ODA.

Project 2: ICFRE-NABARD PROJECT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AGROFORESTRY MODELS FOR VARIOUS AGRO-ECOLOGICAL REGIONS OF INDIA.

Agro and farm forestry hold the key to rural development. The programme benefits almost all sections of rural society, be they landless people, the small and marginal farmers, village artisans, etc. Agroforestry is a handy tool for rural self sufficiency in food, fodder and timber alongwith agri-goods.

It is in this context that formulation of agroforestry models assumes importance. Keeping this in view, ICFRE has finalised a five year project starting from September 1995 for "Development of Agroforestry models in four agro-ecological regions of India" with NABARD which has approved a grant of Rs.1.26 crores from its R&D funds for the implementation of the project. The grant will be available on quarterly reimbursement basis on furnishing a certificate of utilisation. The ICFRE Institutes identified as nodal institute for research in the four agro-ecological zones are :

- **Hot semi-arid loamy soils:** Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding, Coimbatore.
- **Hot sub-humid -Red black soils:** Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur.
- **Hot sub-humid-alluvial soil:** Centre for Social Forestry and Eco-rehabilitation, Allahabad.
- **Hot arid-desert and saline soils:** Arid Forest Research Institute, Jodhpur.

Activities

The project is aimed at developing site specific, user friendly silvi-agri, silvi-horti and silvi-pastoral model suitable for agro-ecological regions of the country. Following are the specific objectives of the project:

- Conduct agroforestry Design and Diagnostic survey in 1-3 villages in each identified micro-watershed to evaluate weaknesses, constraints and the potential of the existing land use system.
- Conducting economic analysis of existing agroforestry system in the selected watersheds.
- Selecting multipurpose tree species for investigation in agroforestry and other associated system.
- Introducing bio-fertilizers in agroforestry plantations and evaluating their potential in enhancing productivity.
- Designing experiments on models for improving land use in different agro-ecological regions.

- Designing appropriate land use/management plan for selected watersheds under different agro-ecological regions.
- Seeking improvement of crop productivity through introduction of suitable tree species as part of the integrated watershed management.
- Establish demonstration plots based on research findings.

Watersheds

12 Micro-watersheds covering the total area of 6600 ha in 16 villages will be tackled in 5 years under this project.

Work progress

Highlights of the work carried out during the year are as under :

i) JRFs have been appointed and posted in different institutes.

ii) Hydro-geomorphological maps, soil maps, land use and land cover maps by taking the help of maps available at NRSA and AISLUS organisations have been prepared for selected micro-watersheds.

iii) Surveys have been carried out for identifying the user needs and demand for different tree species and agricultural species.

(a) Nurseries at the project sites have been established and more than 1.50 lakh seedling have been raised so far (about 50,000 seedling raised in 1997-98).

(b) Working group for each micro-watersheds have been identified and village committees have been formed for establishing closer linkages.

(c) Design and Diagnostic (D & D) survey, Data Collection on existing AF system and their economic analysis have been completed.

(d) Biofertiliser is in continuous production. This has been applied in the nurseries as well as in the field and studies vis-a-vis control are being carried out.

(e) Different Agroforestry models have been designed and laid down in the field. More than 94,000 plants have been planted under different agroforestry models. 46000 plants has been raised during 1997-98.

(f) Data on different growth parameters like height and girth from plantation raised during 1996 and 1997 are being recorded and analysed.

(g) Data have been recorded to study different constraints and weaknesses which influences productivity, soil fertility, information regarding use of different agricultural input.

(h) Farmers have been demonstrated techniques of planting various species as well as soil and moisture conservation methods.

(i) Contour bunds have been formed in slopes of class IV lands in different watersheds. Construction of check dams, gully plugging initiated.

(j) 302 farmers, 2 NGOs, 22 forest officials were trained during the year under agroforestry training and useful extension material was distributed amongst farmers.

Monitoring of Project

Project Director, NABARD Project is responsible for monitoring of the progress at ICFRE level. A Project Monitoring Committee monitors project progress and render advice at NABARD level. The Project Monitoring Committee meeting was held at ICFRE, Dehra Dun in September, 1997 and some useful suggestions were provided by NABARD. It was informed that project will be completed by September 2000.

Reimbursements

NABARD grant is made available on reimbursement basis on production of certified statement of expenditure. So far against the total expenditure of Rs.26.43 lakhs and Rs.22.76 lakhs have been reimbursed in nine installments.

Project 3: WORLD BANK ASSISTED FORESTRY RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND EXTENSION PROJECT (1997-98).

Forestry Research, Education and Extension (FREE) Project was launched on 30th September, 1994 with the assistance of the World Bank. Executing agencies are the Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF), and the states of Himachal Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. Total estimated cost of the project is Rs. 2151.48 million equivalent to US $ 56.4 million. IDA credit is for US $ 47.0 million equivalent. The project period is five years with the following components under ICFRE.

Research Management

For establishment of Indian Forestry Research Information System (IFRIS), international and national consultants have been working on development of a management information system. Technical Review of all ongoing projects including projects under FREEP was carried out both by national and international consultants arranged by Winrock International for ICFRE Institutes at FRI Dehra Dun, HFRI Shimla, TFRI Jabalpur and IFG&TB Coimbatore during the year 1997-98. Research Advisory Group (RAG) annual meetings were held in all institutes in which current research programmes; research needs of SFDs, ICFRE; collaboration with SFDs, universities; and research priority of all states were discussed.

Research Programme Support

31 research programmes covering many forestry disciplines taken up during 1994 at ICFRE institutes are progressing satisfactorily as per review by World Bank Supervision Mission (8th - 11th March 1998). Planting Stock Improvement Programme is one primary concern identified in the project. Till March 1998, following achievements have been made :

(i) 1200 ha Seed Production Area (SPA) surveyed and culling operation in 336.7 ha completed.

(ii) 94.67 ha Clonal Seed Orchards (CSO) established.

(iii) 21.86 ha vegetative multiplication garden established and 36.07 ha identified.

(iv) 224 research projects have been sanctioned to SFDs, Universities and Private Sector Organisations involving Rs.170.53 million.

(v) A new library building of National Forest Library and Information Centre (NFLIC) has been constructed and occupied.

(vi) 128 kbps leased line has been taken for VSNL for speeding communication link.

(vii) Work on collection and documentation of grey literatures has started. State consultants in 14 States have been appointed beside the Chief Consultant at Dehra Dun.

(viii) Local Area Network (LAN) has been established at Dehra Dun.

The project also includes a provision to develop a "Forest Statistical Unit" within ICFRE to co-ordinate compilation and analysis of national forest statistics. Data from 17 States/UTs on "Forestry Statistics India 1996" has been collected and data from remaining States & UT's is being obtained. Bio-metrical support provided to 14 research projects of different Institutes of ICFRE. Consultancy for Developing National Forestry Database Management System awarded to M/s CMC Limited. Consultants have submitted draft System Requirement Study (SRS) which is under examination.

Forestry Education

This involves development and validation of forestry curricula in formal education through provision of funds for review and revision of work and development of Deemed University, Dehra Dun. Two M.Sc. Courses (Forestry, and Wood Science & Technology), were started in addition to the two on going P.G. Diploma Courses (Plantation Technology, and Pulp and paper Technology). In the above four courses, 84 students were enrolled during the year 1997-98. Four co-ordinators for the courses continued to be in position. To build up research manpower, currently 122 JRFs, 15 SRFs and 21 Research Associates are in position. 22 RS's and 3 SRFs have been selected and likely to join soon.

Ph.D. Degrees were awarded to 22 persons during the year under report by Deemed University FRI.

Forestry Extension

One Industrial Technology demonstration with WIMCO is under progress. Demonstration of IWST technologies (27th Feb - 1st March'98) at Hyderabad and in House demonstration of FRI technologies to various user groups were held on 5th March 1998. 7 proposals worth Rs. 0.8 million were approved under Extension support Fund during the year under report. Published 5 pamphlets/leaflets, on different techniques and 4 Technical bulletins/Brochures. Participated in National and International Book Fair and Book Exhibition during the year under report.

Films on 7 topics are under different stages of finalisation of scripting, shooting, editing and production. Organised one International Seminar on Sandal at Bangalore from 18-19th Dec., 1997 and a workshop on demonstration of Nursery Techniques on 13-14th Oct. 1997 at TFRI Jabalpur was held.

Free Project Evaluation by Mid Term Review Mission of World Bank

Review of progress of ongoing projects under different components at ICFRE H.Q. and ICFRE Institutes was carried out by Mid Term Review Mission of World Bank form 28th May 1997 to 18th June 1997 by visiting various field sites of Institutes.

Progress in some of the components of the regional institutes viz. Planting Stock Improvement Programme, Delay in procurement of land from SFDs for civil works were found to be slow. Besides these, progress in development of IFRIS, IFLIN, Library Networking was also not as per schedule.

However, the World Bank advised to prepare a three month Action Plan from July' 97 to Sept.'97 with committed targets and schedule. The progress of three months Action Plan was reviewed by the World Bank in Nov. 1997 and had shown satisfaction over the progress achieved till Sept., 1997.

The World Bank Supervision Mission was at ICFRE H.Q., Dehra Dun between 8th March 1998 to 11th March 1998 and reviewed the progress of FREEP.

Steering Committee

The Steering Committee constituted during the year 1994 reviewed the progress of FREEP in Nov., 1997 against the annual action plan of year 1997-98.

Project 4: ICFRE-IDRC RESEARCH PROJECT ON HIMALAYA ECO-REHABILITATION.

This project commenced in April, 93 with the following specific objectives and activities, aims at several important and highly relevant issues which were addressed simultaneously. The countries involved in this project are India, Nepal, China and Bhutan. This was a 3 years project but was extended upto March, 1999. IDRC has a contribution of 500,000 $ CAD and ICFRE contributed 137,609 $ CAD plus infrastructure facilities.

The Specific objectives and activities of the project are :

(1) Assessment and quantification of damages due to shifting cultivation, mining and other land use system using GIS techniques.

(2) Identification and testing of appropriate intervention to contain shifting cultivation.

(3) Rehabilitation of mine damaged areas with specific and replicable micro interventions.

(4) Base line and socio-economic impact studies.

(5) Strengthening of socio-economic and inter disciplinary research capabilities of ICFRE.

(6) Review and recommending of a natural/regional land use policy with particular reference to rehabilitation of Himalaya.

The assessment of the extent of degradation through GIS technique, review of policy issues in the participating countries and preparation of socio-economic profile of the study area were done in some parts of the Himalaya. Studies in mined lands particularly in Himachal Pradesh were given higher priority. Socio-economically viable technology packages were tested for rehabilitation and the integrated development and sustainable management projects, in the mine affected mini-watershed of Mussoorie intensified.

Project 5: IDRC/INBAR PROJECT ON "BAMBOO AGROFORESTRY TECHNOLOGY FOR DEGRADED LANDS".

An IDRC (INBAR) funded project for establishment of appropriate agroforestry models for Bamboo cultivation on degraded agricultural land is operative in Jabalpur district of Madhya Pradesh since 1st January 1995. This project envisages a comprehensive programme of research and development to maximize sustainable productive use of degraded agricultural lands with soil and water conservation measures.

Specific objectives of the project are :

1. To develop appropriate bamboo agroforestry models for use in the region.

2. To determine ecological/socio-economic viability and acceptability of the research results obtained.

3. To strengthen collaborative research activities of the region with regard to above study.

Major activities during the year were raising of agricultural intercrops both in Rabi and Kharif besides maintaining the rapidly growing bamboos through watering, weeding, soil mounding etc. Soil samples were collected and analysed for various properties. Infection of VAM on soil spores and roots of bamboos were also studied and analysed. Bamboo-niger, bamboo-soyabean, Bamboo-mustard, Bamboo-wheat, bamboo-urad, and bamboo-arhar models were developed. Major thrust have been on assessment of impact of these models on the ecological and socio-economic conditions.

These models have attracted local farmers, Bansods (bamboo craftsmen) and people in general. The technology developed was appreciated by land owners for large scale adoption of the bamboo agroforestry system on degraded agricultural lands.

Project 6: IDRC PROJECT ON "SURVEY, CULTIVATION AND EXTENSION OF SOME RARE MEDICINAL PLANTS OF NORTH-WESTERN HIMALAYA".

The IDRC funded project started in November 95 envisaged survey of some vital plant resources viz. *Taxus baccata, Nardostachys jatamansi, Picrorrhiza kurroa* and *Colchicum luteum* of North-West Himalayas, their germplasm collection for *ex-situ* conservation, cultivation and provenance trials and development of suitable extension packages.

The specific objectives of the project were :

A. Survey of identified species for their natural occurrence and distribution in North-West Himalayan zone.

B. Collection of germplasm and establishment of gene pools at the FRI Research Station, Mussoorie Region.

C. Cultivation trials of the project species.

D. Establish demonstration plot/nursery at Mussoorie Regions, Dehra Dun.

E. Screening for identification of best growing and active principle rich provenance.

Under this project, survey work for natural distribution of *Taxus baccata, Picrorrhiza kurroa,* and *Nardostachys jatamansi* was carried out in Garhwal region of U.P. Collection of germplasm was carried out in Garhwal region of U.P. and some localities of J&K and H.P. Propagation trials of *Nardostachys jatamansi* and *Picrorrhiza kurroa* were also carried out simultaneously in the laboratory. Extraction of Kutkin and essential oil from *Picrorrhiza kurroa* and *Nardostachys jatamansi* from Garhwal Hills was also done.

Project 7: INTERNATIONAL NEEM NETWORK PROJECT.

This project on *Azadirachta indica* A. Juss started in 1993, is being implemented in 17 Neem growing countries of the World, including India. The project is being coordinated by FAO with the support of CIRAD – forest (France), DANIDA forest seed Centre (DESC, Denmark), Forest/Fuelwood Research & Development project (F/FRED, Bangkok). In India, International Neem provenance trials were laid under the project in 1996 by AFRI, Jodhpur, TFRI, Jabalpur & IFGTB, Coimbatore.

During July –August 1997, a workshop of the International Neem Network countries was organised at Yangon, Myanmar. The ICFRE's team presented a status report on International Neem provenance trials in India. This workshop was a milestone as it finalised and adopted guidelines for assessment and analysis of the trials. In fact, ICFRE scientists played a key role in drafting of these International guidelines. During the year under review, the internationally

adopted guideline and reporting formats were used by the three ICFRE Institutes to record and analyse the information of the trials.

Project 8: CONSERVATION OF INDIGENOUS POPLARS IN INDIA (TO/94/02/T)".

This FAO funded project on conservation of Indigenous Poplars covers areas in Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Eastern Himalayas. The main objective of the project is the conservation of India's indigenous Poplars viz.; *Populus ciliata, P. alba, P. euphratica* and *P. gamblei* throughout their range, as a basis for future conservation, breeding and improvement programmes. The specific objectives are : (a) To carryout survey of the species. (b) To develop a strategy and priorities for conservation of the target species, based on the survey of their status. (c) To prepare project proposals for the target species.

To fulfill the objectives of the project the job was entrusted to Forest Research Institute, Dehra Dun to cover Himalayas in U.P.; Himalayan Forest Research Institute, Shimla to cover Himalaya in Himachal Pradesh and; Institute of Rain and Moist Deciduous Forest to cover poplar areas in eastern Himalayas.

Extensive survey on the occurrence of *P. ciliata,* and *P. gamblei* was undertaken in Arunachal Pradesh. Survey was also undertaken in respect of *P. gamblei* occurring in Hapoli Forest Division, Lower Subansari District, Lohit Forest Division and in two block with four compartments at Yachuli Forest Range. *P. gamblei* is well established with species like *Schima wallichii, Alnus nepalensis, Michelia* sp., *Albizia* sp., *Callicarpa arborea, Quercus* spp., and *Cinnamomum* sp., in areas under Yachuli Forest Range (Block: MAI Nyuch). *P. ciliata* is found growing predominantly around nalas between hills. The areas covered include West Kamang and Twang District, Sera bomdila, Jung, Thingrinalla, Dhirang, Jamatang and Rupa etc. where *P. ciliata* occurs in pure stands with other species like *Alnus nepalensis, Rhododendron,* Oak, *Prunus* sp., *Illicium grifithii,* Bamboo, *Salix* sp. Survey has been carried out in areas of Uttarkashi Forest Division, Pithoragarh, Almora and Nainital Forest Division in U.P. hills during May-June, 1998. A proposal for continuing the activity for further 5 years is being prepared.

Project 9: ICFRE FORD FOUNDATION PROJECT ON PRODUCTIVITY ENHANCEMENT - MANAGEMENT FOR PEOPLES' PARTICIPATION.

This project on Productivity Enhancement-Management for Peoples' Participation with the assistance of Ford Foundation was started in 1995. The project period is 4 years. Total assistance for the project is US $ 2,00,000. The main objectives are as follows :

1. Socio-economic Surveys for documentation of short term and long term needs and expectations of people for development of socially acceptable and economically viable technology.
2. To develop site-specific models of rehabilitation/forest regeneration for maximising the production of goods and services for meeting local demands and attracting forest community participation.

The major forest types covered under the study are :

i) Dry sal forests of Central India.

ii) Dry deciduous teak forests of Central India.

iii) Dry deciduous mixed forest of low hills in North India.

The project is being implemented by Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur and FRI, Dehra Dun. Three sites identified for studies are located at Jabalpur in M.P., Sambalpur in

Orissa, and Yamuna Nagar in Haryana. Socio-economic studies of the villages identified under the project have been completed using Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) and Rapid Rural Appraisal (RRA) techniques.

Madhya Pradesh Site: Socio-economic and demographic surveys were conducted through Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) technique, in all the selected villages. The results of socio-economic and demographic surveys have been compiled and analysed. Formulation of local yield tables of *Madhuca longifolia* flowers and seeds and fruits of *char* i.e. *Buchanania lanzan* based on girth class and crown area, is in progress. The yield figures from marked *mahua* and *char* trees have been compiled. The data collected during vegetational survey have been analyzed and relative density, frequency, dominance etc. have been calculated.

Orissa Site: PRA (Participatory Rural Appraisal) of village Radhiapali was recast and reviewed. Fresh PRA of newly selected village Kunjapali was conducted by the project team. Vegetation studies of the five villages namely Radhiapali, Kunjapali, Gadgadabhal, Krishna Nagar and Gheekundi has been completed. Yield study of *Mahua* flowers was completed. Demonstration and extension of Mushroom cultivation as a support activity was initiated in July, 1997 in both the villages. The cultivation is going on in village Kunjapali and production and expenditure details have been regularly recorded. During the year 1996 and 1997, the villagers were motivated to plant seeds/seedlings of MPT species in their own homestead plots and fields so as to get fodder and fuelwood on sustained basis.

Haryana Site: The project is being implemented in Yamuna Nagar, Haryana. This being as a representative area of "dry deciduous mixed forest of low hills in North India". The study area under the project is the forest under Chhichhrauli and Sidhaura Ranges of Yamuna Nagar Forest Division and five villages near it. Socio-economic survey through participatory rural appraisal, social mapping and other related techniques has been carried out. Survey and identification of timber and non-timber forest produces including grasses and medicinal plants has also been carried out.