

## **FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE**

The Forests are fast vanishing from our country due to extensive and unabated deforestation, over exploitation of forest resources, abuse of land and population explosion and thus hit ecology of the country. Hence, it has been stressed the need for the tree cover to combat the global warming. The conservation of the natural resources like medicinal plants, wildlife resources, mangroves to be protected under the Bio Diversity Act and Wildlife Protection Act.

At present there is an urgent need of attention towards tree cover to recoup green vegetation. Rehabilitation and maintenance of tree cover by planting timber value, fuel value seedlings and fruit tree saplings in Public, Private and Government Institutions, Industries and farmers field. It will lead to REVIVAL OF GREEN VEGETATION after the “THANE” cyclone calamity of December 2011.

The scheme envisages afforestation in urban and rural areas, waste lands, tank beds and banks of rivers, canals, road side and coastal areas. Conservation and creation of mangrove plantation in the back water areas, creation of bio-wall plantation in coastal areas, sand dune stabilization and conservation and protection of wild animals are the thrust areas. Promoting agro forestry, distribution of elite high yielding varieties to the farmers and taking up plantations in industrial sites are being implemented. Parks and gardens have been developed under recreational forestry in the urban areas as well as rural areas to add green cover, control air and noise pollution and serve dual purpose educative and recreational.

During 12<sup>th</sup> Five Year Plan around 220 ha. is proposed to be covered under all afforestation programmes (Social Forestry, Twenty Point Programme & Farm Forestry). Around 7,50,000 nos. of seedlings are proposed to be planted and distributed.

The Department of Forest & Wild life had taken measures to protect the wild life by controlling poaching activities and launched awareness campaigns. The Comprehensive Management Action Plan of Ossudu Sanctuary has been submitted to Ministry of Environment & Forests for funding to enable its scientific development over a period of 5 years. The Animal Rescue Centre of the department attracts several visitors including the student community. The department had also undertaken monitoring of marine turtles arrivals over the past two yeas.

## OUTLAY AT A GLANCE

Sector : FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE

No. of Schemes : 3

Department : FORESTS AND WILDLIFE

(₹ in lakh)

Eleventh Plan 2007-12 Actual Expenditure	:	930.06
Annual Plan 2011-12 Actual Expenditure	:	199.94
Annual Plan 2012-13 Approved Outlay	:	236.73
Annual Plan 2012-13 Revised Outlay	:	187.66
Annual Plan 2013-14 Proposed Outlay	:	210.00

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Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Eleventh Plan 2007-12	Annual Plan 2011-12	Annual Plan 2012-13		Annual Plan 2013-14	
		Actual Expdr.	Actual Expdr.	Approved Outlay	Revised Outlay	Proposed Outlay	Of which Capital Content
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
1	Social Forestry, Afforestation and implementation of improved technologies in forestry extension	642.53	142.70	166.00	152.97	185.00	--
2	Preservation, Conservation, Protection and Development of Forests & Wildlife	186.62	46.96	41.00	18.82	13.00	--
3	Strengthening of the Directorate of Forests and Wildlife	100.91	10.28	29.73	15.87	12.00	--
<b>Total</b>		<b>930.06</b>	<b>199.94</b>	<b>236.73</b>	<b>187.66</b>	<b>210.00</b>	<b>--</b>

## Scheme No. 1

Sector : FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE

Implementing FORESTS AND  
Department : WILDLIFE

**1. Name of the Scheme** : Social Forestry, Afforestation and implementation of improved technologies in forestry extension

**2. Objective of the Scheme** :

Maintenance and enhancement of green cover by planting tree seedling along the roadsides to increase tree cover in Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam region.

**3. Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**

- i) 1,85,985 nos. of seedlings planted along the roadsides, institutional buildings, schools, public places, tank bunds etc.,
- ii) 7,81,899 nos. of seedlings distributed to public, private, Govt. Institution, Industries and farmers.
- iii) 36 Ha. of new bio wall plantation created along coastal villages.
- iv) Clonal seedlings of casuarinas junguniana distributed to farmers to an extent of 44 Ha.
- v) Tree plantation taken up to create an extent of 167 Ha of green cover at various places spread all over Puducherry.

**4. Physical Achievements for the Annual Plan 2012-13:**

- i) Maintenance and enhancement green cover by planting tree seedling along the roadside to increase tree cover in Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam region to an extent of 50 Ha. will be done.
- ii) 1,50,000 nos. of tree seedlings were distributed to public private and Govt. institution, Industries and Farmers.
- iii) Distribution of quality planting material of elite casuarinas seedling will be done.

**5. Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:**

- i) Planting and distribution of about 1.50 lakhs nos. of tree seedlings of timber and fuel value.
- ii) 50 Ha. Public and Govt. land will be covered under afforestation.
- iii) Popularization of fast growing native tree species.

**6. Remarks** : Continuing Scheme

Sector : FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE

Implementing Department : FORESTS AND WILDLIFE

**1. Name of the Scheme** : Preservation, Conservation, Protection and Development of Forests and Wildlife

**2. Objective of the Scheme** :

Implementation of measures relating to issues concerning Preservation, Conservation, Protection and Development of Forests and Wildlife in the Union Territory of Puducherry with specific reference to enforcement and management of protected areas.

**3. Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**

- i) Mobile protection squad constituted and periodical raids were conducted to contain wildlife poaching activities.
- ii) A rescue centre for wildlife animals established and the rescued animals maintained.
- iii) Efforts taken to declared Ossudu lake as Bird Sanctuary and prepare the CMAP.

**4. Physical Achievements for the Annual Plan 2012-13:**

- i) Marine turtle protection programme taken up and around 1,300 nos. of turtle hatchlings released back.
- ii) Maintenance and up keep of Rescue and Rehabilitation Centre run by the Department.
- iii) Effective implementation of Indian Forest Act and Wildlife Protection Act to contain poaching activities through regular and periodical enforcement measures.
- iv) Monitoring the health of the two temple elephants and taking steps for their participation of the rejuvenation camp.

**5. Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:**

- i) Implementation of CMAP related with Ossudu Bird Sanctuary will be done.
- ii) Implementation of Marine turtle protection programme will be done.
- iii) Enforcement of Forests and Wildlife protection measures to check incidence of tree felling and wildlife poaching will be made.

**6. Remarks** : Continuing Scheme

**Scheme No. 3**

Sector : FORESTRY AND WILDLIFE

Implementing Department : FORESTS AND WILDLIFE

**1. Name of the Scheme** : Strengthening of the Directorate of Forests and Wildlife.

**2. Objective of the Scheme** :

Taking required measures to improve the human resources availability in the department for better management of Forests and Wildlife resources and strengthening of the required infrastructure of the department for efficient functioning.

**3. Actual Physical Achievements during Eleventh Five Year Plan (2007-12) :**

- i) Mobile protection squad constituted.
- ii) Animal rescue and rehabilitation personnel identified and trained.

**4. Physical Achievements for the Annual Plan 2012-13:**

Construction of chain link fencing to protect Ossudu bird sanctuary completed.

**5. Proposed Physical Targets for Annual Plan 2013-14:**

- i) Creation of 42 posts of technical personnel and Ministerial staff for the Department of Forests and Wildlife.
- ii) Creation of 89 posts of Mazdoors for regularization of full time Casual Labourers.

**6. Remarks** : Continuing Scheme