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Observation of SARA for Sustainable Harvesting of Plantations

From the beginning of its Mega Captive Plantation Project thru Contract for farming, SARA had a plan for plantations every year with a harvesting cycle of 5 years to ensure the pulp wood in a sustainable manner for WCPM in nearby areas i.e.250 Km. radius from Dandeli. Since 2006 SARA started its plantation activities and every year planted area with an intension that SARA will harvest mature plantation every year from 2011 to ensure sustained availability of pulp wood.

Upto 2015 SARA has been covered around 49000 acres of plantation area. After harvesting of first plantation of 2006 in 2011 and then 2007 plantation in 2012 and in the same manner SARA harvested the plantation of 2010 in 2015. It was decided by the SARA management that during 2016 SARA will manage the existing plantations concentrate on the productivity enhancement measures by technical review.

SARA has a well qualified, trained, professional, competent plantation team who are assessing the health, growth and survival of standing plantations with an intention that SARA will be covering potential area which is free from any disputes and not come in the forest or restricted area. SARA technical team will be submitting the report by the end of this year leading by the Section head of respective section. On the basis of report SARA management will go ahead for new plantation in 2017.

SARA believes in sustainability and committed to follow the objective of SARA and always devoted in the favour of farm communities. SARA has no any intension to stop or abandoned the nursery and plantation activities. Further if SARA stop plantation in those areas where there is no potential looking to cost economics or yield potential then SARA will find out opportunity to compensate the same by covering potential area at other locations.

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Director/Associate Director

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