

Foreign Funding Agency/Institution/individual	Name of Agency
Experts/Researcher/Academician:	Field of Expertise
Environmentalists:	Field of Interest
Tribals or their representatives:	Area or Region
Forest dwellers or their representatives:	Region/Name of Forest
Interested citizens/others:	Occupation

B. FOREST POLICY FRAMEWORK AND IMPLEMENTATION

7. Are you aware of the policies of the Central and/or the State Government relating to Forests [√ Mark the appropriate]

- Yes Partly Yes No

8. If yes, do you feel that formulation of forest policy has been done on the basis of suggestions of the village communities.

- Yes No Do not know

9. If you are aware or partly aware of the forest policies of the Government, then please express your opinion about them. [√ Mark the appropriate]

- You like them You dislike them You have a mixed reaction
- Can't say anything

10. In case you like the forest policies of the Government, enumerate not more than five reasons of your liking [Please write down below]

- 1] 2] 3]
- 4] 5]

11. In case you dislike the forest policies of the Government, enumerate not than five reasons of your disliking [Please write down below]

- 1] 2] 3]
- 4] 5]

19. Do you think that the forestry sector gets sufficient fund to support forestry activities? [Mark the appropriate box]
- Yes Partly yes No
- Can't say anything
20. If your answer is not "Yes" then please indicate various ways by which adequate resources could be mobilized to support forestry activities in the country.
21. Do you think that the forestry sector has effective mechanism to monitor and evaluate forest policies? [Mark the appropriate box]
- Yes Partly yes No Can't say anything
22. From ecological, economic, social and cultural point of view what, in your opinion, has been the impact of the existing forest policies of the Government and their implementation?
23. Do you think the forest department of your State is able to implement the forest policies effectively, if not that what are your suggestions?
24. Is the current forest policy promoting development and extension of new technology adequately?
25. Do you think that corporate or private sector should have a role to play in the development of forests, if so in what way?
26. Should non-forest activity be permitted in forest area? If yes then which type can be permitted and what steps should be taken so as to ensure increase in forest cover and preservation of biodiversity.
27. What steps should be taken to control illicit felling of trees and encroachments in the forest area?
28. To what extent and in what manner and in which forest should the felling of trees be, if at all, permitted?
29. To what extent the Joint Forest Management Programme has been successful and what improvements are needed to make it more successful?
30. What has been your opinion about contribution of villagers for conservation of forests?

31. Do you think that there should be a change in the existing forest policies of the Government? If yes then what changes should be there so that the forest cover increases to 25 per cent by 2007 and 33 per cent by 2012 while keeping in mind the applicability of the principle of sustainable development?
32. Do you have any other suggestion to make on policy framework and implementation, if yes, please enumerate.

C. LEGAL FRAMEWORK

33. In your opinion what is the level of legal awareness in the country, especially among forest dweller? [√ Mark the appropriate box]
- Very high High Low Very low
 Can't say anything
34. If your answer is not “very high” or “high” then please suggest steps that Government should take to increase legal awareness.
35. What is your opinion about Forest Laws/Rules? [√ Mark the appropriate]

Name of law	Doesn't require change	Minor changes required	Major changes required	Can't say
India/State Forest Act 1927/xx				
Wildlife Protection Act, 1972				
Forest Conservation Act, 1980				
Environment Protection Act, 1986				
Regulations on felling of trees on private land				
Transit of Forest Produce Rules				
Others				

43. Do you know that the policy of the Government to establish wildlife national parks and sanctuaries is not only to provide habitat and protection to wild animals but it also ensures collect and regulate water flow, biodiversity, genetic resources and ecology? [Mark the appropriate box]

Yes

No

44. What are your suggestions for the policy of national parks and sanctuaries [Name any five below]

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

45. What are your suggestions for providing adequate protection to wild animals, plants and water? [Name any five below]

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

46. What is the role, which can be played by the tribal and the local communities leaving and around the forest sanctuaries and national parks in the preservation, development and protection of biodiversity, ecology, wild life, water resources and water biodiversity and forest?

47. Are you aware of existence of communities who preserves and conserve sacred groves, wildlife and natural habitat. Is there any need to give protection and encouragement to such efforts?

48. What are your suggestions for man animals conflicts like damage to life and property by elephants, panthers, wild pigs ,Neelgai and monkeys in particular [Name any five below]

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

49. Do you have any other suggestion on wildlife, if yes, please enumerate.

F. CURRENT STATUS OF FORESTRY INSTITUTIONS (Ministry of Environment & Forests, State Forest Department, ICFRE, FSI, WII, IIFM, IGNFA, DFE etc.

58. Is forestry research/education institutions able to fulfill their objectives for which they were established? (√ Mark the appropriate box.)

Yes Partly Yes No Can't say anything.

59. If your answer is partly yes or no, then please suggest various steps you think should be taken to improve their effectiveness.

60. Are you satisfied with the pace of development of new products, processes and technologies in forestry sector in the country? (√ Mark the appropriate box.)

Yes Partly Yes No You have a mixed reaction

Can't say anything

61. If your answer is not 'yes', then please suggest various steps you think should be taken to promote faster development of new products, processes and technologies in forestry sector.

62. Is there any shortage of trained manpower in the forestry sector? (√ Mark the appropriate box.)

Yes Partly Yes No You have a mixed reaction

Can't say anything

63. If your answer is not 'yes', then please suggest various steps you think should be taken to fill this gap.

64. You may be aware that the State Forest Departments in the last decade have tried to involve people in the management of forests by constituting committees such as Forest Protection Committee (FPC), Village forest committee (VFC), Eco-development Committee (EDC), Van Panchayat, etc. What is your opinion about the working of these committees? (√ Mark the appropriate box.)

Type of committee	Your opinion				
	Working very effectively	Working effectively	Just satisfactory	Not satisfactory	Totally ineffective
VFC					
FPC					
EDC					
VP					

65. Has involvement of people in the forest management led to empowerment of the communities? (✓ Mark the appropriate box.)
- Yes Partly Yes No You have a mixed reaction.
- Can't say anything.
66. Do you think that the forestry sector through participatory approach can significantly contribute in ensuring livelihood security of the people living in and around forests? (✓ Mark the appropriate box.)
- Yes Partly Yes No You have a mixed reaction
- Can't say anything.
67. In your opinion, what steps should be taken to increase the contribution of the forestry sector in livelihoods of the people living in and around forests?
68. In your opinion, what steps should be taken to ensure livelihood security of the people living in and around forest
69. Do the JFM framework provides for well-defined role for the NGOs? (✓ Mark the appropriate box)
- Yes Partly yes No Can't say
70. Has there been increase in income generation of the people through their involvement in Forest Management (✓ the appropriate)
- Yes Partly yes No Can't say
71. Has there been increase in the availability of forest produce to .the people through their involvement in Forest Management (✓ the appropriate)
- Yes Partly yes No Can't say
72. In what sphere or areas do you feel that there is need for research and development for solving recurring problems relating to forest conservation and management e.g. Sal borer, exotic weeds, drying of Sissoo, forest fires etc.
73. What do you think about the present research and management activities for the development of fuel wood, fodder, bamboo, medicinal plants and other non-wood forest products for their increased and sustained availability?

74. Do you think that the JFM approach can significantly contribute to the sustainability of livelihoods of the people living in and around forests? (✓ Mark the appropriate box.)

Yes Partly yes No Can't say

75. If your answer is 'yes' then please suggest various steps that forest department should take to make livelihoods of the people living in and around forests sustainable.

76. Has there been an increase in forest cover in your constituency? (✓ Mark the appropriate box)

Yes No Can't say

77. If forest cover in your area has not increased in the last 10 years, then enumerate five reasons for this (Please write down below)

78. In your opinion, what steps should be taken to increase the forest cover and achieve the target of 25% by 2007 and 33% by 2012 (enumerate 5 steps below)

79. How can the participation of tribal and other people help in implementing the Government forest policies and assist in increasing the forest cover (enumerate 5 steps below)

80. Does policy provide enough encouragement to the private sector to invest in forestry sector (plantation/forest based industry)? (✓ Mark the appropriate box.)

Yes PartlyYes No You have a mixed reaction

Can't say anything.

81. If your answer is not 'yes' then please suggest various steps you think should be taken to promote private investment in forestry sector.

82. Does policy provide enough encouragement to the private sector to develop & extent new technology? (✓ Mark the appropriate box.)

Yes PartlyYes No You have a mixed reaction

Can't say anything.

83. If your answer is not 'yes' then please suggest various steps you think should be taken to promote involvement of private sector in development and extension of new technology.

