# FOREST & TREE RESOURCES IN STATES AND UNION TERRITORIES

### Introduction

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This chapter gives information on the forest and tree cover of different States and Union Territories as per the present assessment and changes with respect to the previous assessment.

It also gives statistics about total population, urban, rural, tribal, livestock population and average population density. Forest cover within and outside recorded forest areas for 24 states and within and outside green wash boundaries for 11 States/UTs have also been given. Altitude and slope wise forest cover under different density classes and forest cover information in different forest types has also been given for each States and UTs. In addition statistics on tree cover, growing stock in recorded forest and TOF are separately given. Apart from the regular features of ISFR like forest carbon, bamboo resource, map and forest cover under different categories of fire proneness, major NTFPs, major invasive species and dia-class distribution of dominant forest species are also being presented.

District wise forest cover has been given for all the States/UTs. Change in the forest cover is based on the satellite data of the years 2019-20. The change in the different categories of forest cover and dynamics of the changes are sown for each of the States/UTs.

# ANDHRA PRADESH

**Geographical Area** 

1,62,968 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 12° 37' N to 19° 55' N Longitude- 76° 45' E to 84° 46' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

49.39 million

Urban 14.61 million (29.58 %) Rural 34.78 million (70.42 %) Tribal 2.63 million (5.32 %)

### **Average Population Density**

308 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 56.10 million

**No. of Districts** 

13

No. of Hill Districts

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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### Table 13.1.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 16,297            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 16,297            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 3,688             | 22.63      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 3,400             | 20.86      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 209               | 1.28       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 155               | 0.95       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 414               | 2.54       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 940               | 5.77       |
| Current fallows                            | 1,443             | 8.86       |
| Net area sown                              | 6,048             | 37.11      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### **13.1.1** Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

 Table 13.1.2

 Forest Cover of Andhra Pradesh
 (in sq km)

 Class
 Area
 % of GA

 VDF
 1,994.28
 1.22

 MDF
 13,928.75
 8.55

 OF
 13,861.27
 8.51

29,784.30

8,276.09

Total

Scrub

### Figure 13.1.1 Forest Cover of Andhra Pradesh

### Table 13.1.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

18.28

5.08

| District                          | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asses              | sment          |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                                   | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Anantapur                         | 19,130        | 0.00                    | 212.22                  | 785.78         | 998.00    | 5.22  | 11.17                       | 1,100.38 |
| Chittoor                          | 15,152        | 0.00                    | 1,245.35                | 2,028.33       | 3,273.68  | 21.61 | 73.25                       | 1,240.83 |
| East Godavari <sup>T</sup>        | 12,805        | 1,103.32                | 2,586.75                | 1,431.13       | 5,121.20  | 39.99 | 127.10                      | 143.59   |
| Guntur                            | 11,391        | 1.00                    | 290.33                  | 601.59         | 892.92    | 7.84  | 4.92                        | 456.87   |
| Krishna                           | 8,727         | 38.00                   | 138.95                  | 486.81         | 663.76    | 7.61  | 13.58                       | 25.27    |
| Kurnool                           | 17,658        | 87.00                   | 1,509.88                | 582.62         | 2,179.50  | 12.34 | 6.93                        | 682.02   |
| Prakasam                          | 17,626        | 254.61                  | 1,802.59                | 1,276.48       | 3,333.68  | 18.91 | 29.84                       | 1,217.30 |
| Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore       | 13,076        | 27.00                   | 629.90                  | 812.03         | 1,468.93  | 11.23 | 127.27                      | 787.18   |
| Srikakulam <sup>™</sup>           | 5,837         | 0.00                    | 154.12                  | 706.71         | 860.83    | 14.75 | 41.52                       | 389.64   |
| <b>Visakhapatnam</b> <sup>T</sup> | 11,161        | 67.31                   | 1,875.27                | 1,831.30       | 3,773.88  | 33.81 | 17.45                       | 853.86   |
| Vizianagaram <sup>T</sup>         | 6,539         | 0.00                    | 231.00                  | 882.58         | 1,113.58  | 17.03 | 61.59                       | 352.43   |
| West Godavari <sup>™</sup>        | 8,507         | 376.04                  | 544.15                  | 808.12         | 1,728.31  | 20.32 | 123.91                      | 3.60     |
| YSR Kadapa/ Cuddapah              | 15,359        | 40.00                   | 2,708.24                | 1,627.79       | 4,376.03  | 28.49 | 8.37                        | 1,023.12 |
| Grand Total                       | 1,62,968      | 1,994.28                | 13,928.75               | 13,861.27      | 29,784.30 | 18.28 | 646.90                      | 8,276.09 |

# 13.1.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

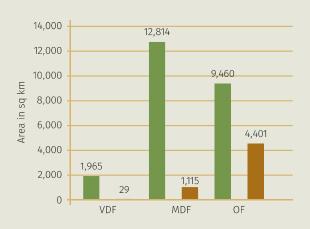
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Table 13.1.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

|       | Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |        |        |       |
|-------|--|--------|---|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF   | MDF  | OF     | Total   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 1,965 | 12,814   | 9,460  | 24,239  | 29    | 1,115  | 4,401  | 5,545 |
| 8.10% | 52.87%   | 39.03% |   | 0.52% | 20.11% | 79.37% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Andhra Pradesh, RFA boundaries have been used.



■ Inside RFA Forest
■ Outside RFA and O

Figure 13.1.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Andhra Pradesh

### Table 13.1.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

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|--|-------|------------|---------------|-------|----------|------------|
|  |       | 20         | 21 Assessment | i     |          | Total      |
| Class  | VDF   | MDF        | OF            | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019  |
| Very Dense Forest  | 1,993 | 0          | 0             | 0     | 1        | 1,994      |
| Moderately Dense Forest                                      | 1     | 13,913     | 4             | 3     | 17       | 13,938     |
| Open Forest  | 0     | 11         | 13,066        | 10    | 118      | 13,205     |
| Scrub  | 0     | 2          | 141           | 8,033 | 79       | 8,255      |
| Non Forest   | 0     | 3          | 650           | 230   | 1,24,693 | 1,25,576   |
| Total ISFR 2021  | 1,994 | 13,929     | 13,861        | 8,276 | 1,24,908 | 1,62,968   |
| Net Change   | 0     | <b>-</b> 9 | 656           | 21    | -668     |            |

### Table 13.1.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 1,35,122          | 1,082 | 8,549  | 10,683 | 20,314 | 6,313 |
| 500-1000          | 25,747            | 840   | 5,222  | 3,019  | 9,081  | 1,666 |
| 1000-2000         | 2,099             | 72    | 158    | 159    | 389    | 297   |
| Total             | 1,62,968          | 1,994 | 13,929 | 13,861 | 29,784 | 8,276 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.1.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,31,263          | 525   | 4,201  | 6,539  | 11,265 | 4,311 |
| 5-10               | 10,695            | 376   | 2,318  | 1,874  | 4,568  | 1,312 |
| 10-15              | 6,738             | 324   | 2,069  | 1,566  | 3,959  | 915   |
| 15-20              | 5,500             | 288   | 1,899  | 1,405  | 3,592  | 721   |
| 20-25              | 4,285             | 239   | 1,606  | 1,164  | 3,009  | 532   |
| 25-30              | 2,718             | 154   | 1,079  | 788    | 2,021  | 315   |
| >30                | 1,769             | 88    | 757    | 525    | 1,370  | 170   |
| Total              | 1,62,968          | 1,994 | 13,929 | 13,861 | 29,784 | 8,276 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

### Figure 13.1.3

Forest Cover Map of Andhra Pradesh



### 13.1.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Andhra Pradesh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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Table 13.1.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest  | 1,752.05  | 4.64                        |
| 2.         | 4A/L1 Littoral forest                        | 51.93     | 0.14                        |
| 3.         | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                       | 404.14    | 1.07                        |
| 4.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                       | 551.72    | 1.46                        |
| 5.         | 5A/C2 Dry red sanders-bearing forest         | 1,085.99  | 2.88                        |
| 6.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest    | 14,970.34 | 39.66                       |
| 7.         | 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest             | 0.62      | 0.00                        |
| 8.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest    | 0.68      | 0.00                        |
| 9.         | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                    | 12,892.22 | 34.16                       |
| 10.        | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                    | 35.98     | 0.10                        |
| 11.        | 5/E4 <i>Hardwickia</i> forest                | 8.73      | 0.02                        |
| 12.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                       | 297.85    | 0.79                        |
| 13.        | 5/2S1 Secondary dry deciduous forest         | 724.19    | 1.92                        |
| 14.        | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest                  | 1,659.27  | 4.40                        |
| 15.        | 6A/C2 Carnatic umbrella thorn forest         | 21.75     | 0.06                        |
| 16.        | 6A/DS1 Southern thorn scrub                  | 12.80     | 0.03                        |
| 17.        | 6A/DS2 Southern <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub       | 0.26      | 0.00                        |
| 18.        | 7/C1 Tropical dry evergreen forest           | 434.95    | 1.15                        |
| 19.        | 7/DS1 Tropical dry evergreen scrub           | 17.60     | 0.05                        |
|            | Sub Total                                    | 34,923.07 | 92.53                       |
| 20.        | TOF/Plantation                               | 2,469.17  | 6.54                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                 | 37,392.24 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover) |           |                             |
| 21.        | 5/DS4 Dry grassland                          | 352.08    | 0.93                        |
|            | Grand Total                                  | 37,744.32 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

### **Table 13.1.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 1,150.13     | 3.86                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 3,832.50     | 12.87                      |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 4,915.11     | 16.50                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 4,153.69     | 13.95                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 15,732.57    | 52.95                      |
|            | Total                        | 29,784.00    | 100.00                     |

# 13.1.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

### Figure 13.1.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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### 13.1.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Andhra Pradesh has been estimated as given in following table.

### Table 13.1.10 Tree Cover in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 3,914           | 4,679           | 765                        |

### 13.1.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.1.11 Extent of TOF in Andhra Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 5,545                           | 4,679      | 10,224        |

### 13.1.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Andhra Pradesh is given in the Table 13.1.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.1.13

### **Table 13.1.12 Growing Stock in Andhra Pradesh**

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 119.02             | 115.71             | -3.31                         | 2.64                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 67.68              | 73.16              | 5.48                          | 4.11                 |

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Table 13.1.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Andhra Pradesh

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |  |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |  |
| 1.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 62,213         | 1,972 | 169 |  |  |
| 2.      | Xylia xylocarpa      | 36,842         | 6,785 | 503 |  |  |
| 3.      | Lannea coromandelica | 21,499         | 2,486 | 42  |  |  |
| 4.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 16,112         | 2,016 | 169 |  |  |
| 5.      | Hardwickia binata    | 14,453         | 1,642 | 85  |  |  |

### 13.1.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Andhra Pradesh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.1.14 and Table 13.1.15 respectively

Table 13.1.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Andhra Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica        | 28.83                     |
| 2.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 9.61                      |
| 3.         | Azadirachta indica      | 9.25                      |
| 4.         | Cocos nucifera          | 8.47                      |
| 5.         | Anacardium occidentale  | 6.03                      |

Table 13.1.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Andhra Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera     | 15.87                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica | 12.49                     |
| 3.         | Pongamia pinnata   | 7.36                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica   | 7.13                      |
| 5.         | Tectona grandis    | 6.54                      |

### 13.1.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 230.22 million tonnes (844.14 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 3.20 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Andhra Pradesh is given in the following table.

Table 13.1.16 Forest Carbon in Andhra
Pradesh in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 63,951        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 25,064        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 979           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 3,171         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,37,057      |
|         | Total        | 2,30,222      |

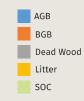


Figure 13.1.5 Forest Carbon in Andhra Pradesh

### 13.1.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.1.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Andhra Pradesh

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 6,104  | 4.08                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 2,244  | 4.21                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 27,219 | 6.77                        |

### 13.1.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.1.18 and Table 13.1.19 respectively.

Table 13.1.18 Major NTFP species in Andhra Pradesh

| Sl. No. | Species                 | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Solanum nigrum          | Herbs      | 84.55                  |
| 2.      | Hemidesmus indicus      | Climber    | 8.81                   |
| 3.      | Cardiospermum helicabum | Climber    | 6.63                   |

Table 13.1.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Andhra Pradesh (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara      | 253              |
| 2.      | Ageratum conyzoides | 183              |
| 3.      | Chromolaena odorata | 99               |
| 4.      | Cuscuta spp.        | 49               |
| 5.      | Prosopis juliflora  | 46               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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### **13.2**

# ARUNACHAL PRADESH

**Geographical Area** 

83,743 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude 26° 28' N to 29° 30' N Longitude 91° 30' E to 97° 30' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

1.38 million

Urban 0.32 million (22.94 %) Rural 1.06 million (77.06 %) Tribal 0.95 million (68.79 %)

### **Average Population Density**

17 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 1.41 million

### **No. of Districts**

16

No. of Hill Districts

16

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

16

### Table 13.2.1 Land Use Pattern

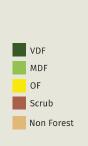
| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 8,374             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 7,172             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 6,669             | 92.99      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 62                | 0.86       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 18                | 0.25       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 34                | 0.47       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 61                | 0.85       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 61                | 0.86       |
| Current fallows                            | 34                | 0.47       |
| Net area sown                              | 233               | 3.25       |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### **13.2.1** Forest Cover

Figure 13.2.1

Forest Cover of Arunachal Pradesh



| Table 13.2<br>Arunachal | of<br>(in sq km) |         |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------|
| Class                   | Area             | % of GA |
| VDF                     | 21,058.37        | 25.15   |
| MDF                     | 30,175.56        | 36.03   |
| OF                      | 15,196.74        | 18.15   |
| Total                   | 66,430.67        | 79.33   |
| Scrub                   | 796.98           | 0.95    |

Table 13.2.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Arunachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| District  | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |           | %of   | Change  | Scrub  |
|---|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|---------|--------|
|   | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    |         |        |
| Changlang™  | 4,662         | 1,809.08                | 1,327.54                | 844.39         | 3,981.01  | 85.39 | -5.75   | 10.68  |
| Dibang Valley™ & Lower Dibang Valley™                       | 13,029        | 1,688.91                | 4,806.97                | 2,583.83       | 9,079.71  | 69.69 | -128.19 | 83.24  |
| East Kameng <sup>™</sup> & West Kameng <sup>™</sup>         | 11,556        | 3,504.95                | 4,478.14                | 2,241.25       | 10,224.34 | 88.48 | -9.78   | 166.20 |
| East Siang <sup>™</sup>                                     | 3,603         | 876.18                  | 1,261.58                | 773.91         | 2,911.67  | 80.81 | 42.57   | 12.98  |
| Kurung Kumey <sup>™</sup> &<br>Lower Subansiri <sup>™</sup> | 9,548         | 3,120.32                | 3,821.11                | 1,439.86       | 8,381.29  | 87.78 | 11.17   | 67.19  |
| Lohit <sup>™</sup> & Anjaw <sup>™</sup>                     | 11,402        | 2,016.68                | 3,805.80                | 1,547.55       | 7,370.03  | 64.64 | -217.57 | 83.45  |
| Papum Pare <sup>TH</sup>                                    | 3,462         | 981.00                  | 1,473.11                | 741.92         | 3,196.03  | 92.32 | 11.12   | 7.60   |
| Tawang <sup>TH</sup>  | 2,172         | 325.81                  | 410.82                  | 412.64         | 1,149.27  | 52.91 | -24.88  | 106.79 |
| Tirap™  | 2,362         | 736.80                  | 646.96                  | 469.67         | 1,853.43  | 78.47 | -7.56   | 76.03  |
| Upper Siang <sup>™</sup>                                    | 6,590         | 1,551.83                | 2,479.31                | 1,329.12       | 5,360.26  | 81.34 | -0.47   | 111.98 |
| Upper Subansiri <sup>™</sup>                                | 7,032         | 1,813.33                | 2,567.30                | 1,180.36       | 5,560.99  | 79.08 | 7.99    | 45.09  |
| West Siang <sup>™</sup>                                     | 8,325         | 2,633.48                | 3,096.92                | 1,632.24       | 7,362.64  | 88.44 | 64.24   | 25.75  |
| Grand Total   | 83,743        | 21,058.37               | 30,175.56               | 15,196.74      | 66,430.67 | 79.33 | -257.11 | 796.98 |

### 13.2.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.2.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Arunachal Pradesh

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover<br>(or Green Wa | Outside the Re | corded Forest | Area   |       |
|--|--------|--------|------------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total                        | VDF MDF OF     |               |        |       |
| 19,637   | 27,171 | 11,872 | 58,680                       | 1,421          | 3,005         | 3,325  | 7,751 |
| 33.46%   | 46.31% | 20.23% |                              | 18.33%         | 38.77%        | 42.90% |       |

<sup>#</sup> in case of Arunachal Pradesh, Green Wash boundaries have been used

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Figure 13.2.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of Green
Wash in
Arunachal
Pradesh

Table 13.2.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Arunachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

|                         |        |                 |        |       | ( = - ) |           |  |
|-------------------------|--------|-----------------|--------|-------|---------|-----------|--|
|                         |        | 2021 Assessment |        |       |         |           |  |
| Class                   | VDF    | MDF             | OF     | Scrub | NF      | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 20,918 | 64              | 76     | 14    | 23      | 21,095    |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 124    | 29,790          | 386    | 128   | 129     | 30,557    |  |
| Open Forest             | 7      | 267             | 14,109 | 111   | 542     | 15,036    |  |
| Scrub                   | 0      | 0               | 18     | 188   | 23      | 229       |  |
| Non Forest              | 9      | 55              | 608    | 356   | 15,798  | 16,826    |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 21,058 | 30,176          | 15,197 | 797   | 16,515  | 83,743    |  |
| Net Change              | -37    | -381            | 161    | 568   | -311    |           |  |

Table 13.2.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Arunachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

|                   |                   |        |        |        |        | ` ' ' |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF    | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-500             | 11,136            | 1,509  | 3,313  | 2,320  | 7,142  | 70    |
| 500-1000          | 11,082            | 2,843  | 4,151  | 3,156  | 10,150 | 47    |
| 1000-2000         | 23,752            | 7,977  | 9,831  | 4,601  | 22,409 | 59    |
| 2000-3000         | 17,965            | 6,676  | 8,864  | 1,707  | 17,247 | 29    |
| 3000-4000         | 13,370            | 2,032  | 3,900  | 3,096  | 9,028  | 358   |
| >4000             | 6,438             | 21     | 117    | 317    | 455    | 234   |
| Total             | 83,743            | 21,058 | 30,176 | 15,197 | 66,431 | 797   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.2.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Arunachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF    | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 7,629             | 701    | 1,804  | 1,217  | 3,722  | 77    |
| 5-10               | 5,608             | 1,435  | 1,961  | 911    | 4,307  | 52    |
| 10-15              | 8,588             | 2,508  | 2,998  | 1,449  | 6,955  | 78    |
| 15-20              | 11,278            | 3,355  | 3,964  | 1,960  | 9,279  | 102   |
| 20-25              | 12,494            | 3,649  | 4,456  | 2,209  | 10,314 | 115   |
| 25-30              | 12,172            | 3,431  | 4,474  | 2,213  | 10,118 | 115   |
| >30                | 25,974            | 5,979  | 10,519 | 5,238  | 21,736 | 258   |
| Total              | 83,743            | 21,058 | 30,176 | 15,197 | 66,431 | 797   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

### Figure 13.2.3

Forest Cover Map of Arunachal Pradesh

### Very Dense Forest

Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest

Scrub

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Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary

State Boundary
District Boundary

Capital

### 13.2.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Arunachal Pradesh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

### Table 13.2.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Arunachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 1B/C1 Assam Valley tropical wet evergreen forest (Dipterocarpus) | 1,505.16 | 2.07                        |
| 2.         | 1B/C2a <i>Kayea</i> forest                                       | 745.68   | 1.03                        |
| 3.         | 1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub                               | 103.86   | 0.14                        |
| 4.         | 2B/ C1a Assam alluvial plains semi-evergreen forest              | 3,961.00 | 5.44                        |
| 5.         | 2B/C1b Eastern sub-montane semi-evergreen forest                 | 2,330.86 | 3.20                        |
| 6.         | 2B/C1/1S1 Sub-Himalayan light alluvial semi-evergreen forest     | 4,077.78 | 5.60                        |
| 7.         | 2B/C1/2S2 Eastern alluvial secondary semi-evergreen forest       | 3,777.01 | 5.19                        |
| 8.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                              | 1,133.65 | 1.56                        |
| 9.         | 3C/C3/2S2 Secondary Euphorbiaceous scrub                         | 0.26     | 0.00                        |

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| ın | SA | km |
|----|----|----|
|    |    |    |

| 3/1S2b Terminalia-Duabanga  8B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest  8B/C2 Khasi subtropical wet hill forest | 854.57<br>15,667.69   | % of the total mapped area*   |
|---|---|---|
| 8B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest  | 15,667.69   | 1.17  |
| 8B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest  | 15,667.69   |   |
| <u> </u>  | •   |   |
| 8B/C2 <i>Khasi</i> subtropical wet hill forest  |   | 21.53   |
|   | 1,253.62  | 1.72  |
| 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest  | 718.82  | 0.99  |
| 11B/C1 East Himalayan wet temperate forest  | 16,531.13   | 22.72   |
| 12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )   | 211.82  | 0.29  |
| 12/C3a East Himalayan mixed coniferous forest   | 4,333.74  | 5.96  |
| 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes  | 66.17   | 0.09  |
| 13/C6 East Himalayan dry temperate coniferous forest  | 540.45  | 0.74  |
| 14/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest  | 7,810.33  | 10.73   |
| 15/C1 Birch/ <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub forest   | 159.22  | 0.22  |
| 16/C1 Dry alpine scrub  | 481.74  | 0.66  |
| Sub Total   | 66,264.56   | 91.05   |
| TOF/ Plantation   | 652.68  | 0.90  |
| Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)  | 66,917.24   |   |
| Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)   |   |   |
| 9/C2/DS1 Assam subtropical pine savannah  | 36.07   | 0.05  |
| 12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures   | 375.10  | 0.52  |
| 15/C3 Alpine pastures   | 5,446.34  | 7.48  |
| Sub Total   | 5,857.51  | 8.05  |
| Grand Total   | 72,774.75   | 100.00  |
|   | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest  11B/C1 East Himalayan wet temperate forest  12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )  12/C3a East Himalayan mixed coniferous forest  12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes  13/C6 East Himalayan dry temperate coniferous forest  14/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest  15/C1 Birch/Rhododendron scrub forest  16/C1 Dry alpine scrub  Sub Total  TOF/ Plantation  Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)  Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)  9/C2/DS1 Assam subtropical pine savannah  12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures  15/C3 Alpine pastures  Sub Total | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest 718.82 11B/C1 East Himalayan wet temperate forest 11B/C1 East Himalayan wet temperate forest 12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> ) 211.82 12/C3a East Himalayan mixed coniferous forest 4,333.74 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes 66.17 13/C6 East Himalayan dry temperate coniferous forest 540.45 14/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest 7,810.33 15/C1 Birch/ <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub forest 159.22 16/C1 Dry alpine scrub 481.74  Sub Total 66,264.56 TOF/ Plantation 652.68  Total (Forest Cover & Scrub) 66,917.24  Grassland forest types (outside forest cover) 9/C2/DS1 Assam subtropical pine savannah 36.07 12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures 375.10 15/C3 Alpine pastures 5,446.34  Sub Total 5,857.51 |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

### 13.2.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.2.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 35.16        | 0.06                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 959.77       | 1.44                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 2,744.50     | 4.13                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 4,459.72     | 6.71                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 58,231.85    | 87.66                      |
|            | Total                        | 66,431.00    | 100.00                     |



Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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### 13.2.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Arunachal Pradesh has been estimated as given in following table.

### **Table 13.2.10 Tree Cover in Arunachal Pradesh**

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 848             | 1,001           | 153                        |

### 13.2.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.2.11 Extent of TOF in Arunachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 7,751                           | 1,001      | 8,752         |

### 13.2.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Arunachal Pradesh is given in the Table 13.2.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.2.13

Table 13.2.12 Growing Stock in Arunachal Pradesh

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 458.00             | 418.99             | -39.01                        | 9.55                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 75.08              | 73.48              | -1.60                         | 4.13                 |

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Table 13.2.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Arunachal Pradesh (in '000)

|         |                       | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|-----------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species               | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Castanopsis spp.      | 67,024         | 15,779 | 4,717 |
| 2.      | Terminalia myriocarpa | 18,087         | 11,137 | 1,782 |
| 3.      | Shorea assamica       | 17,733         | 5,082  | 891   |
| 4.      | Ficus spp.            | 15,005         | 2,055  | 1,782 |
| 5.      | Duabanga grandiflora  | 10,170         | 4,197  | 1,164 |

### 13.2.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Arunachal Pradesh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.2.14 and Table 13.2.15 respectively

Table 13.2.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Arunachal Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Castanopsis spp.      | 17.46                     |
| 2.         | Pinus excelsa         | 12.67                     |
| 3.         | Citrus spp.           | 4.45                      |
| 4.         | Terminalia myriocarpa | 4.43                      |
| 5.         | Macaranga spp.        | 2.60                      |

Table 13.2.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Arunachal Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Gmelina arborea          | 6.39                      |
| 2.         | Areca catechu            | 6.06                      |
| 3.         | Mangifera indica         | 5.10                      |
| 4.         | Grevillea robusta        | 4.04                      |
| 5.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 3.90                      |

### 13.2.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 1,023.84 million tonnes (3,754.08 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 14.21% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Arunachal Pradesh is given in the following table.

Table 13.2.16 Forest Carbon in Arunachal

Pradesh in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 3,40,351      |
| 2.      | BGB          | 1,02,229      |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 9,163         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 11,802        |
| 5.      | SOC          | 5,60,298      |
|         | Total        | 10,23,843     |

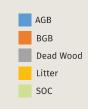


Figure 13.2.5 Forest Carbon in Arunachal Pradesh

### 13.2.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.2.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Arunachal Pradesh

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 15,739 | 10.53                       |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 8,824  | 16.54                       |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 46,546 | 11.58                       |

### 13.2.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.2.18 and Table 13.2.19 respectively.

Table 13.2.18 Major NTFP species in Arunachal Pradesh

| Sl. No. | Species                                 | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|---|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Piper spp./Piper longum/ Piper mullesua | Climber    | 46.27                  |
| 2.      | Swertia chiraita                        | Herbs      | 24.38                  |
| 3.      | Thysanolaena maxima                     | Herbs      | 12.94                  |
| 4.      | Acorus calamus                          | Herbs      | 5.97                   |
| 5.      | Oroxylum indicum                        | Tree       | 4.48                   |

Table 13.2.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Arunachal Pradesh

| (in: | sq km |
|------|-------|
|------|-------|

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata | 295              |
| 2.      | Mikania micrantha   | 277              |
| 3.      | Ageratum conyzoides | 73               |
| 4.      | Lantana camara      | 63               |
| 5.      | Acacia farnesiana   | 53               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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# 13.3 ASSAM

### **Geographical Area**

78,438 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude 24° 07' N to 28° 00' N Longitude 89° 42' E to 96° 02' E

### Population (as per Census 2011)

31.21 million

Urban 4.40 million (14.10 %) Rural 26.81 million (85.90 %) Tribal 3.88 million (12.45 %)

### **Average Population Density**

398 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 17.23 million

**No. of Districts** 

27

No. of Hill Districts

7

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

19

### Table 13.3.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 7,844             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 7,844             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,853             | 23.62      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 2,509             | 31.99      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 180               | 2.29       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 221               | 2.82       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 160               | 2.04       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 92                | 1.18       |
| Current fallows                            | 106               | 1.35       |
| Net area sown                              | 2,723             | 34.71      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### **13.3.1** Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub

Non Forest

Figure 13.3.1 Forest Cover of Assam

Table 13.3.2 Forest Cover of Assam (in sq km) % of GA Class Area VDF 3,016.67 3.85 MDF 9,991.02 12.74 OF 15,303.82 19.50 Total 28,311.51 36.09 Scrub 227.94 0.29

Table 13.3.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Assam

| District                         | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                                  | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment | Januar |
| Baksa <sup>T</sup>               | 2,457         | 154.50                  | 130.56                  | 277.83         | 562.89    | 22.91 | 3.22                        | 7.23   |
| Barpeta <sup>T</sup>             | 2,282         | 0.00                    | 33.42                   | 84.28          | 117.70    | 5.16  | 2.52                        | 1.09   |
| Bongaigaon                       | 1,093         | 0.00                    | 62.32                   | 188.37         | 250.69    | 22.94 | 0.56                        | 0.11   |
| Cachar <sup>™</sup>              | 3,786         | 183.15                  | 985.06                  | 1,059.34       | 2,227.55  | 58.84 | 5.21                        | 17.43  |
| Chirang                          | 1,923         | 395.58                  | 107.87                  | 198.78         | 702.23    | 36.52 | 2.39                        | 5.34   |
| Darrang <sup>™</sup>             | 1,585         | 0.00                    | 14.10                   | 79.98          | 94.08     | 5.94  | 4.65                        | 1.15   |
| Dhemaji <sup>™</sup>             | 3,237         | 68.65                   | 123.20                  | 164.83         | 356.68    | 11.02 | 11.88                       | 5.56   |
| Dhubri <sup>T</sup>              | 2,176         | 0.98                    | 22.65                   | 83.02          | 106.65    | 4.90  | 8.19                        | 3.84   |
| Dibrugarh <sup>™</sup>           | 3,381         | 105.78                  | 68.70                   | 584.04         | 758.52    | 22.43 | 3.29                        | 7.30   |
| Dima Hasao <sup>H</sup>          | 4,888         | 268.66                  | 1,455.08                | 2,428.18       | 4,151.92  | 84.94 | <b>-</b> 55.01              | 8.59   |
| Goalpara <sup>™</sup>            | 1,824         | 13.73                   | 139.14                  | 251.74         | 404.61    | 22.18 | 8.87                        | 2.18   |
| Golaghat                         | 3,502         | 22.95                   | 118.12                  | 533.13         | 674.20    | 19.25 | 4.29                        | 6.74   |
| Hailakandi                       | 1,327         | 15.97                   | 360.97                  | 391.15         | 768.09    | 57.88 | -6.25                       | 1.49   |
| Jorhat <sup>T</sup>              | 2,851         | 12.00                   | 104.70                  | 449.12         | 565.82    | 19.85 | 5.72                        | 7.87   |
| Kamrup <sup>™</sup>              | 3,105         | 50.00                   | 454.06                  | 462.64         | 966.70    | 31.13 | 3.23                        | 3.25   |
| Kamrup Metropolitan <sup>T</sup> | 955           | 0.00                    | 224.32                  | 238.51         | 462.83    | 48.46 | 2.78                        | 0.75   |
| Karbi-Anglong <sup>H</sup>       | 10,434        | 662.07                  | 3,657.48                | 3,514.36       | 7,833.91  | 75.08 | -55.27                      | 83.66  |
| Karimganj                        | 1,809         | 3.00                    | 299.88                  | 553.58         | 856.46    | 47.34 | 5.03                        | 1.05   |
| Kokrajhar <sup>T</sup>           | 3,296         | 437.60                  | 270.40                  | 460.86         | 1,168.86  | 35.46 | 2.29                        | 4.08   |
| <b>L</b> akhimpur <sup>™</sup>   | 2,277         | 28.40                   | 85.47                   | 196.68         | 310.55    | 13.64 | 3.98                        | 1.87   |
| Morigaon <sup>T</sup>            | 1,551         | 10.00                   | 42.15                   | 124.26         | 176.41    | 11.37 | 2.30                        | 4.05   |
| Naogaon <sup>H</sup>             | 3,973         | 50.28                   | 360.29                  | 503.86         | 914.43    | 23.02 | 3.17                        | 11.37  |
| Nalbari <sup>T</sup>             | 1,052         | 0.00                    | 30.93                   | 81.07          | 112.00    | 10.65 | 4.89                        | 0.01   |
| Sivasagar <sup>T</sup>           | 2,668         | 8.97                    | 150.50                  | 540.52         | 699.99    | 26.24 | 10.03                       | 5.25   |
| Sonitpur <sup>T</sup>            | 5,204         | 108.88                  | 255.79                  | 706.69         | 1,071.36  | 20.59 | 1.75                        | 15.33  |
| Tinsukia <sup>T</sup>            | 3,790         | 407.83                  | 350.49                  | 825.06         | 1,583.38  | 41.78 | 0.81                        | 15.58  |
| Udalguri <sup>™</sup>            | 2,012         | 7.69                    | 83.37                   | 321.94         | 413.00    | 20.53 | 0.48                        | 5.77   |
| Grand Total                      | 78,438        | 3,016.67                | 9,991.02                | 15,303.82      | 28,311.51 | 36.09 | -15.00                      | 227.94 |

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### 13.3.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.3.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Assam

(in sq km)

| Forest Cov<br>(or Green |        | Recorded Fores | t Area | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Area  |
|-------------------------|--------|----------------|--------|---|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF                     | MDF    | OF             | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 2,748                   | 8,566  | 8,689          | 20,003 | 269   | 1,425  | 6,615  | 8,309 |
| 13.74%                  | 42.82% | 43.44%         |        | 3.24%   | 17.15% | 79.61% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Assam, GW boundaries have been used.



Figure 13.3.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of GW
in Assam

Table 13.3.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Assam

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |        |       |        |           |  |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|--|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF     | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 2,770 | 12              | 2      | 0     | 11     | 2,795     |  |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 247   | 9,948           | 14     | 1     | 69     | 10,279    |  |  |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 8               | 14,869 | 32    | 344    | 15,253    |  |  |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 7      | 160   | 6      | 173       |  |  |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 23              | 412    | 35    | 49,468 | 49,938    |  |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 3,017 | 9,991           | 15,304 | 228   | 49,898 | 78,438    |  |  |
| Net Change              | 222   | -288            | 51     | 55    | -40    |           |  |  |

Table 13.3.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Assam

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 72,348            | 2,344 | 7,761 | 12,899 | 23,004 | 191   |
| 500-1000          | 5,315             | 388   | 2,082 | 2,146  | 4,616  | 36    |
| 1000-2000         | 775               | 285   | 148   | 259    | 692    | 1     |
| Total             | 78,438            | 3,017 | 9,991 | 15,304 | 28,312 | 228   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.3.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Assam

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 61,901            | 1,777 | 3,842 | 8,707  | 14,326 | 160   |
| 5-10               | 6,929             | 395   | 2,277 | 2,504  | 5,176  | 31    |
| 10-15              | 4,156             | 265   | 1,643 | 1,788  | 3,696  | 17    |
| 15-20              | 2,643             | 216   | 1,074 | 1,158  | 2,448  | 11    |
| 20-25              | 1,511             | 162   | 615   | 647    | 1,424  | 6     |
| 25-30              | 759               | 104   | 308   | 312    | 724    | 2     |
| >30                | 539               | 98    | 232   | 188    | 518    | 1     |
| Total              | 78,438            | 3,017 | 9,991 | 15,304 | 28,312 | 228   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

### Figure 13.3.3

Forest Cover Map of Assam



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### 13.3.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Assam as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.3.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Assam

| Table | e 15.5.8 Area Statistics of the Forest Types found in Assam      |           | (in sq km)     |
|-------|--|-----------|----------------|
| Sl.   | Forest Type  | Area      | % of the total |
| No.   |  |           | mapped area*   |
| 1.    | 1B/C1 Assam Valley tropical wet evergreen forest (Dipterocarpus) | 1,006.79  | 3.51           |
| 2.    | 1B/C2a <i>Kayea</i> forest                                       | 216.12    | 0.75           |
| 3.    | 1B/C2b <i>Mesua</i> forest                                       | 5.53      | 0.02           |
| 4.    | 1B/C3 Cachar tropical evergreen forest                           | 886.92    | 3.1            |
| 5.    | 2B/ C1a Assam alluvial plains semi-evergreen forest              | 453.68    | 1.58           |
| 6.    | 2B/C1/1S1 Sub-Himalayan light alluvial semi-evergreen forest     | 356.00    | 1.24           |
| 7.    | 2B/C1/1S2 <i>Syzygium</i> parkland                               | 19.43     | 0.07           |
| 8.    | 2B/C1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub                           | 84.52     | 0.29           |
| 9.    | 2B/C1/2S2 Eastern alluvial secondary semi-evergreen forest       | 348.87    | 1.22           |
| 10.   | 2B/C2 Cachar semi-evergreen forest                               | 10,719.16 | 37.41          |
| 11.   | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                              | 857.76    | 2.99           |
| 12.   | 3C/C1a(ii) <i>Khasi</i> hill sal                                 | 40.39     | 0.14           |
| 13.   | 3C/C1b (i) East Himalayan upper <i>bhabar</i> sal                | 670.56    | 2.34           |
| 14.   | 3C/C2d (iv) App. Kamrup sal                                      | 759.57    | 2.65           |
| 15.   | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest               | 5,095.46  | 17.78          |
| 16.   | 3C/C3/2S1 Northern secondary moist mixed deciduous forest        | 505.65    | 1.76           |
| 17.   | 3C/1S1 Low alluvial savannah woodland (Salmalia-Albizia)         | 13.69     | 0.05           |
| 18.   | 3/1S2(a) Terminalia-Lagerstroemia                                | 2.83      | 0.01           |
| 19.   | 4C/FS3 Creeper swamp forest                                      | 0.09      | 0.00           |
| 20.   | 4D/SS1 Eastern seasonal swamp forest                             | 0.88      | 0.00           |
| 21.   | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest                                  | 24.19     | 0.08           |
| 22.   | 8B/DS1 Assam subtropical hill savannah woodland                  | 9.79      | 0.03           |
| 23.   | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest                               | 119.72    | 0.42           |
|       | Sub Total  | 22,197.60 | 77.44          |
| 24.   | TOF/Plantation   | 6,302.34  | 21.99          |
|       | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                                     | 28,499.94 |                |
|       | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)                    |           |                |
| 25.   | 4D/2S1 Syzygium parkland   | 0.65      | 0.00           |
| 26.   | 4D/2S2 Eastern wet alluvial grassland                            | 153.18    | 0.57           |
|       | Sub Total  | 153.83    | 0.57           |
|       | Grand Total  | 28,653.77 | 100.00         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

### **Table 13.3.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 3,166.11     | 11.18                      |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 4,871.05     | 17.20                      |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 3,400.46     | 12.01                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 2,653.93     | 9.37                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 14,220.45    | 50.24                      |
|            | Total                        | 28,312.00    | 100.00                     |

### **Fire Prone Forest** 13.3.3 Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Figure 13.3.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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### 13.3.4 **Tree Cover**

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Assam has been estimated as given in following table.

Table 13.3.10 Tree Cover in Assam

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1,408           | 1,630           | 222                        |

### 11.3.5 **Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)**

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

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### Table 13.3.11 Extent of TOF in Assam

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 8,309                           | 1,630      | 9,939         |

### 13.3.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Assam is given in the Table 13.3.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.3.13

Table 13.3.12 Growing Stock in Assam

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 115.40             | 112.68             | -2.72                         | 2.57                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 22.96              | 23.94              | 0.98                          | 1.35                 |

### Table 13.3.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Assam

(in '000)

|         |  | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|--|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                                      | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Schima wallichii                             | 15,948         | 2,714 | 75  |
| 2.      | Tectona grandis                              | 11,449         | 2,520 | 59  |
| 3.      | Albizia spp.                                 | 9,119          | 2,717 | 144 |
| 4.      | Bombax ceiba                                 | 2,554          | 2,692 | 443 |
| 5.      | Stereospermum personatum/ colais/chelonoides | 1,625          | 1,639 | 449 |

### 13.3.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Assam in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.3.14 and Table 13.3.15 respectively.

Table 13.3.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Assam

| Sl.<br>No. | Species          | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu    | 33.68                     |
| 2.         | Tectona grandis  | 4.26                      |
| 3.         | Gmelina arborea  | 3.70                      |
| 4.         | Albizia spp.     | 3.55                      |
| 5.         | Mangifera indica | 3.23                      |

Table 13.3.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Assam

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu            | 42.07                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera           | 11.11                     |
| 3.         | Mangifera indica         | 8.90                      |
| 4.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 3.62                      |
| 5.         | Anthocephalus cadamba    | 3.23                      |

### 13.3.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 271.37 million tonnes (995.02 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 3.77 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Assam is given in the following table.

Table 13.3.16 Forest Carbon in Assam in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 87,070        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 21,495        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 1,875         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 4,890         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,56,042      |
|         | Total        | 2,71,372      |



Figure 13.3.5 Forest Carbon in Assam

### 13.3.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.3.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Assam

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 10,659 | 7.13                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 5,656  | 10.60                       |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 38,600 | 9.60                        |

### 13.3.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.3.18 and Table 13.3.19 respectively.

Table 13.3.18 Major NTFP species in Assam

| Sl. No. | Species                                  | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Shorea robusta                           | Tree       | 41.64                  |
| 2.      | Bombax spp. / Bombax ceiba               | Tree       | 13.83                  |
| 3.      | Terminalia belerica                      | Tree       | 11.10                  |
| 4.      | Piper spp./ Piper longum/ Piper mullesua | Climber    | 8.65                   |
| 5.      | Smilax china                             | Climber    | 6.92                   |

Table 13.3.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Assam (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                | Estimated Extent |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata    | 457              |
| 2.      | Mikania micrantha      | 242              |
| 3.      | Lantana camara         | 175              |
| 4.      | Microcystis aeruginosa | 22               |
| 5.      | Imperata cylindrica    | 21               |

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Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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# 13.4 BIHAR

### **Geographical Area**

94,163 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude 24° 16' N to 27° 45' N Longitude 83° 16' E to 88° 30' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

104.10 million

Urban 11.76 million (11.29 %) Rural 92.34 million (88.71 %) Tribal 1.34 million (1.28 %)

### **Average Population Density**

1,106 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 32.93 million

### **No. of Districts**

38

No. of Hill Districts

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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### Table 13.4.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 9,416             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 9,360             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 622               | 6.65       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 2,150             | 22.97      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 15                | 0.16       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 248               | 2.65       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 44                | 0.47       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 120               | 1.28       |
| Current fallows                            | 919               | 9.82       |
| Net area sown                              | 5,242             | 56.00      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### 13.4.1 Forest Cover

Figure 13.4.1 Forest Cover of Bihar



Table 13.4.2 **Forest Cover of Bihar** (in sq km) Class % of GA Area VDF 333.42 0.35 MDF 3,285.83 3.49 OF 3,761.54 4.00 Total 7,380.79 7.84 Scrub 235.89 0.25

Table 13.4.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Bihar

| District       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Araria         | 2,830         | 0.00                    | 8.10                    | 142.78         | 150.88   | 5.33  | -0.13                       | 0.38  |
| Arwal          | 638           | 0.00                    | 1.63                    | 2.51           | 4.14     | 0.65  | 0.14                        | 0.39  |
| Aurangabad     | 3,305         | 0.00                    | 62.44                   | 97.41          | 159.85   | 4.84  | 3.09                        | 16.85 |
| Banka          | 3,020         | 0.00                    | 99.96                   | 177.06         | 277.02   | 9.17  | 16.29                       | 21.59 |
| Begusarai      | 1,918         | 0.00                    | 28.93                   | 53.65          | 82.58    | 4.31  | 0.63                        | 0.00  |
| Bhagalpur      | 2,569         | 0.00                    | 46.41                   | 23.52          | 69.93    | 2.72  | 0.20                        | 0.00  |
| Bhojpur        | 2,395         | 0.00                    | 19.44                   | 12.55          | 31.99    | 1.34  | -0.26                       | 1.25  |
| Buxar          | 1,703         | 0.00                    | 2.94                    | 2.95           | 5.89     | 0.35  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Darbhanga      | 2,279         | 0.00                    | 43.54                   | 94.44          | 137.98   | 6.05  | 0.32                        | 0.00  |
| East Champaran | 3,968         | 0.00                    | 64.61                   | 101.19         | 165.80   | 4.18  | 1.94                        | 0.00  |
| Gaya           | 4,976         | 0.00                    | 132.03                  | 470.52         | 602.55   | 12.11 | 12.24                       | 66.50 |
| Gopalganj      | 2,033         | 0.00                    | 2.64                    | 5.92           | 8.56     | 0.42  | 3.65                        | 0.00  |
| Jamui          | 3,098         | 28.97                   | 352.76                  | 279.44         | 661.17   | 21.34 | 13.22                       | 3.21  |
| Jehanabad      | 931           | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 4.43           | 4.43     | 0.48  | 4.43                        | 5.13  |
| Kaimur         | 3,332         | 0.00                    | 519.83                  | 531.73         | 1,051.56 | 31.56 | -4.83                       | 25.65 |
| Katihar        | 3,057         | 0.00                    | 6.22                    | 55.76          | 61.98    | 2.03  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Khagaria       | 1,486         | 0.00                    | 3.18                    | 15.27          | 18.45    | 1.24  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Kishanganj     | 1,884         | 0.00                    | 16.32                   | 87.23          | 103.55   | 5.50  | -0.15                       | 0.00  |
| Lakhisarai     | 1,228         | 17.00                   | 143.5                   | 22.91          | 183.41   | 14.94 | 3.00                        | 4.80  |
| Madhepura      | 1,788         | 0.00                    | 0.93                    | 51.91          | 52.84    | 2.96  | -0.04                       | 0.40  |
| Madhubani      | 3,501         | 0.00                    | 40.39                   | 164.98         | 205.37   | 5.87  | 1.30                        | 0.00  |
| Munger         | 1,419         | 37.97                   | 223.61                  | 24.43          | 286.01   | 20.16 | 2.41                        | 9.43  |
| Muzaffarpur    | 3,172         | 0.00                    | 52.17                   | 114.12         | 166.29   | 5.24  | 4.47                        | 0.00  |
| Nalanda        | 2,355         | 0.00                    | 6.86                    | 31.71          | 38.57    | 1.64  | 6.72                        | 10.59 |
| Nawada         | 2,494         | 0.00                    | 214.68                  | 302.20         | 516.88   | 20.72 | 3.38                        | 18.13 |
| Patna          | 3,202         | 0.00                    | 19.55                   | 8.48           | 28.03    | 0.88  | 4.49                        | 0.54  |
| Purnia         | 3,229         | 0.00                    | 5.00                    | 50.67          | 55.67    | 1.72  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |

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(in sq km)

| District       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | essment        |          | %of   |       | Scrub  |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-------|--------|
|                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    |       |        |
| Rohtas         | 3,881         | 0.14                    | 351.25                  | 318.52         | 669.91   | 17.26 | -2.32 | 40.92  |
| Saharsa        | 1,687         | 0.00                    | 4.17                    | 30.22          | 34.39    | 2.04  | -0.23 | 0.00   |
| Samastipur     | 2,904         | 0.00                    | 105.39                  | 48.83          | 154.22   | 5.31  | 0.86  | 0.00   |
| Saran          | 2,641         | 0.00                    | 26.28                   | 33.04          | 59.32    | 2.25  | 0.19  | 0.00   |
| Sheikhpura     | 689           | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 0.19           | 1.19     | 0.17  | 0.19  | 0.00   |
| Sheohar        | 349           | 0.00                    | 2.00                    | 19.57          | 21.57    | 6.18  | 0.99  | 0.00   |
| Sitamarhi      | 2,294         | 0.00                    | 37.41                   | 110.38         | 147.79   | 6.44  | 0.01  | 0.00   |
| Siwan          | 2,219         | 0.00                    | 2.11                    | 5.55           | 7.66     | 0.35  | 0.50  | 0.00   |
| Supaul         | 2,425         | 0.00                    | 3.89                    | 130.43         | 134.32   | 5.54  | -4.46 | 0.00   |
| Vaishali       | 2,036         | 0.00                    | 86.19                   | 29.51          | 115.70   | 5.68  | 3.88  | 0.00   |
| West Champaran | 5,228         | 249.34                  | 548.47                  | 105.53         | 903.34   | 17.28 | -1.32 | 10.13  |
| Grand Total    | 94,163        | 333.42                  | 3,285.83                | 3,761.54       | 7,380.79 | 7.84  | 74.80 | 235.89 |

### 13.4.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.4.4 Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Bihar

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |        |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|---|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 314  | 2,457  | 2,060  | 4,831   | 19    | 829    | 1,702  | 2,550 |
| 6.50%  | 50.86% | 42.64% |   | 0.74% | 32.51% | 66.75% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Bihar, RFA boundaries have been used.

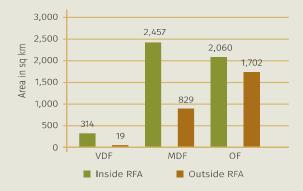


Figure 13.4.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Bihar

Table 13.4.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Bihar

(in sq km)

|                         |     | 2021 Assessment |       |       |        |           |  |
|-------------------------|-----|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|--|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 333 | 0               | 0     | 0     | 0      | 333       |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0   | 3,244           | 27    | 7     | 2      | 3,280     |  |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 33              | 3,612 | 17    | 31     | 3,693     |  |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0               | 62    | 172   | 16     | 250       |  |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 9               | 61    | 40    | 86,497 | 86,607    |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 333 | 3,286           | 3,762 | 236   | 86,546 | 94,163    |  |
| Net Change              | 0   | 6               | 69    | -14   | -61    |           |  |

Table 13.4.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Bihar

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 93,821            | 330 | 3,145 | 3,637 | 7,112 | 232   |
| 500-1000          | 342               | 3   | 141   | 125   | 269   | 4     |
| Total             | 94,163            | 333 | 3,286 | 3,762 | 7,381 | 236   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.4.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Bihar

(in sq km)

| Slope (In degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 91,177            | 172 | 2,132 | 2,942 | 5,246 | 150   |
| 5-10               | 1,576             | 72  | 487   | 372   | 931   | 32    |
| 10-15              | 594               | 38  | 277   | 177   | 492   | 19    |
| 15-20              | 363               | 25  | 176   | 116   | 317   | 13    |
| 20-25              | 222               | 15  | 105   | 72    | 192   | 10    |
| 25-30              | 122               | 7   | 57    | 43    | 107   | 7     |
| >30                | 109               | 4   | 52    | 40    | 96    | 5     |
| Total              | 94,163            | 333 | 3,286 | 3,762 | 7,381 | 236   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

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Figure 13.4.3 Forest Cover Map of Bihar

# LEGEND Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

### 13.4.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Bihar as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.4.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Bihar

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                       | Area   | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 2/E1 Cane brakes                                  | 2.61   | 0.03                        |
| 2.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest                          | 4.16   | 0.06                        |
| 3.         | 3C/C2b(I) Bhabar-dun sal                          | 278.11 | 3.68                        |
| 4.         | 3C/C3a West Gangetic moist mixed deciduous forest | 176.39 | 2.33                        |
| 5.         | 4D/SS2 <i>Barringtonia</i> swamp forest           | 1.63   | 0.02                        |
| 6.         | 4D/2S2 Eastern wet alluvial grassland             | 11.36  | 0.15                        |
| 7.         | 5B/C1a Dry Siwalik sal forest                     | 392.89 | 5.20                        |

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                  | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| 9.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest    | 2,266.39 | 29.97                       |
| 10.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                    | 246.39   | 3.26                        |
| 11.        | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                 | 327.59   | 4.33                        |
| 12.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                       | 69.34    | 0.92                        |
| 13.        | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest              | 2.61     | 0.03                        |
|            | Sub Total                                    | 5,360.05 | 70.89                       |
| 14.        | TOF/Plantation                               | 2,195.82 | 29.04                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                 | 7,555.87 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover) |          |                             |
| 15.        | 4D/2S2 Eastern wet alluvial grassland        | 5.28     | 0.07                        |
|            | Grand Total                                  | 7,561.15 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

### 13.4.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Figure 13.4.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



**Table 13.4.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|---------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone         | 24.38        | 0.33                       |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone       | 471.89       | 6.39                       |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone            | 984.48       | 13.34                      |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone        | 1,173.58     | 15.90                      |
| 5.      | Less fire prone              | 4,726.67     | 64.04                      |
|         | Total                        | 7,381.00     | 100.00                     |

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### 13.4.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Bihar has been estimated as given in following table.

### Table 13.4.10 Tree Cover in Bihar

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 2,003           | 2,341           | 338                        |

### 13.4.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.14.11 Extent of TOF in Bihar

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 2,550                           | 2,341      | 4,891         |

### 13.4.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Bihar is given in the Table 13.4.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.4.13

### Table 13.4.12 Growing Stock in Bihar

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 26.73              | 30.52              | 3.79                          | 0.70                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 40.46              | 41.04              | 0.58                          | 2.31                 |

### Table 13.4.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Bihar

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Shorea robusta       | 20,756         | 4,788 | 514 |
| 2.      | Lannea coromandelica | 11,323         | 434   | 67  |
| 3.      | Madhuca latifolia    | 7,377          | 654   | 139 |
| 4.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 7,058          | 708   | 137 |
| 5.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 6,266          | 482   | 0   |

### 13.4.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Bihar in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.4.14 and Table 13.4.15 respectively.

Table 13.4.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Bihar

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica        | 34.16                     |
| 2.         | Dalbergia sissoo        | 11.52                     |
| 3.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 7.86                      |
| 4.         | Litchi senensis         | 3.86                      |
| 5.         | Syzygium cumini         | 3.39                      |

Table 13.4.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Ribar

| Sl.<br>No. | Species          | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Litchi senensis  | 13.87                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica | 13.80                     |
| 3.         | Bombax ceiba     | 8.82                      |
| 4.         | Dalbergia sissoo | 5.73                      |
| 5.         | Psidium guajava  | 4.53                      |

### 13.4.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 56.88 million tonnes (208.56 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 0.79% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Bihar is given in the following table.

Table 13.4.16 Forest Carbon in Bihar in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 14,743        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 5,249         |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 231           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 785           |
| 5.      | SOC          | 35,873        |
|         | Total        | 56,881        |



Figure 13.4.5 Forest Carbon in Bihar

### 13.4.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

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Table 13.4.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Bihar

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 1,103 | 0.74                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 235   | 0.44                        |
| Total equivalent green weight ( in '000 tonnes)      | 1,672 | 0.42                        |

#### 13.4.10 Major Invasive Species

Major invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.4.18.

Table 13.4.18 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Bihar (in sq km)

| Species             | Estimated Extent   |
|---------------------|--|
| Lantana camara      | 261  |
| Chromolaena odorata | 47   |
| Argemone mexicana   | 17   |
| Cassia tora         | 15   |
| Senna occidentalis  | 14   |
|                     | Lantana camara Chromolaena odorata Argemone mexicana Cassia tora |

Major invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

# 13.5

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#### **Geographical Area**

1,35,192 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude 17°47' N to 24°06' N Longitude 80°15' E to 84°24' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

25.55 million

Urban 5.94 million (23.24 %) Rural 19.61 million (76.76 %) Tribal 7.82 million (30.62 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

189 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 15.04 million

No. of Districts

18

No. of Hill Districts

(

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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#### Table 13.5.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 13,519            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 13,790            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 6,314             | 45.79      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 1,031             | 7.48       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 883               | 6.40       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 1                 | 0.01       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 365               | 2.65       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 253               | 1.83       |
| Current fallows                            | 290               | 2.10       |
| Net area sown                              | 4,653             | 33.74      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### **13.5.1** Forest Cover

Figure 13.5.1 Forest Cover of Chhattisgarh



**Table 13.5.2 Forest Cover of Chhattisgarh** (in sq km)

| ŭ     |           | , , ,   |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| Class | Area      | % of GA |
| VDF   | 7,068.21  | 5.23    |
| MDF   | 32,278.59 | 23.87   |
| OF    | 16,369.80 | 12.11   |
| Total | 55,716.60 | 41.21   |
| Scrub | 615.26    | 0.45    |

Table 13.5.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| District                        | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | essment        |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                                 | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Bastar <sup>T</sup>             | 10,470        | 937.72                  | 2,104.39                | 1,190.24       | 4,232.35  | 40.42 | -0.51                       | 41.52  |
| Bijapur <sup>™</sup>            | 8,530         | 2,047.13                | 2,991.56                | 1,499.57       | 6,538.26  | 76.65 | 26.11                       | 4.47   |
| Bilaspur <sup>™</sup>           | 8,272         | 399.22                  | 1,569.99                | 491.59         | 2,460.80  | 29.75 | 3.91                        | 46.12  |
| <b>Dantewada</b> <sup>™</sup>   | 8,298         | 250.57                  | 2,325.76                | 1,896.47       | 4,472.80  | 53.90 | 9.65                        | 39.28  |
| Dhamtari                        | 4,084         | 49.00                   | 1,384.66                | 426.29         | 1,859.95  | 45.54 | 0.83                        | 10.66  |
| Durg <sup>T</sup>               | 8,535         | 44.00                   | 511.74                  | 221.41         | 777.15    | 9.11  | 0.76                        | 20.86  |
| Janjgir-Champa                  | 3,853         | 2.00                    | 22.25                   | 127.17         | 151.42    | 3.93  | 1.53                        | 13.93  |
| Jashpur <sup>T</sup>            | 5,838         | 225.31                  | 1,316.76                | 576.56         | 2,118.63  | 36.29 | 2.86                        | 21.52  |
| Kabeerdham                      | 4,235         | 80.61                   | 1,077.87                | 389.40         | 1,547.88  | 36.55 | -0.84                       | 12.58  |
| Korba                           | 6,598         | 203.00                  | 2,313.03                | 884.90         | 3,400.93  | 51.54 | 7.23                        | 91.02  |
| Koriya                          | 6,604         | 80.88                   | 2,580.69                | 1,443.80       | 4,105.37  | 62.16 | 8.76                        | 60.20  |
| Mahasamund                      | 4,790         | 4.00                    | 515.34                  | 428.90         | 948.24    | 19.80 | 3.27                        | 29.75  |
| Narayanpur <sup>™</sup>         | 4,653         | 1,126.69                | 1,688.70                | 982.04         | 3,797.43  | 81.61 | 1.13                        | 19.64  |
| Raigarh <sup>T</sup>            | 7,086         | 237.96                  | 1,590.95                | 794.54         | 2,623.45  | 37.02 | 3.12                        | 27.70  |
| Raipur                          | 12,383        | 146.00                  | 2,402.93                | 1,086.92       | 3,635.85  | 29.36 | 5.93                        | 53.83  |
| Rajnandgaon <sup>™</sup>        | 8,070         | 31.00                   | 1,755.64                | 752.81         | 2,539.45  | 31.47 | 4.27                        | 46.81  |
| Surguja <sup>T</sup>            | 15,732        | 714.29                  | 3,923.54                | 2,471.93       | 7,109.76  | 45.19 | 27.15                       | 67.27  |
| Uttar BastarKanker <sup>T</sup> | 7,161         | 488.83                  | 2,202.79                | 705.26         | 3,396.88  | 47.44 | 0.87                        | 8.10   |
| Grand Total                     | 1,35,192      | 7,068.21                | 32,278.59               | 16,369.80      | 55,716.60 | 41.21 | 106.03                      | 615.26 |

# 13.5.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

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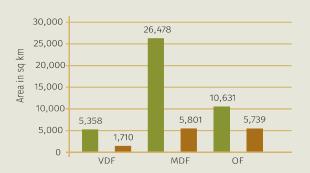
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Table 13.5.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cov<br>(or Green | ver Inside the Wash) | Recorded Fore | st Area | Forest Co<br>(or Green | ver Outside the<br>Wash) | Recorded Fores | st Area |
|-------------------------|----------------------|---------------|---------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------|
| VDF                     | MDF                  | OF            | Total   | VDF                    | MDF                      | OF             | Total   |
| 5,358                   | 26,478               | 10,631        | 42,467  | 1,710                  | 5,801                    | 5,739          | 13,250  |
| 12.62%                  | 62.35%               | 25.03%        |         | 12.91%                 | 43.78%                   | 43.31%         |         |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Chhattisgarh, RFA boundaries has been used



■ Inside RFA■ Outside RFA

Figure 13.5.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of RFA
in Chhattisgarh

#### Table 13.5.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

|                         |       | Total  |        |       |        |           |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 7,048 | 2      | 11     | 0     | 7      | 7,068     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 20    | 32,108 | 35     | 6     | 29     | 32,198    |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 156    | 16,141 | 14    | 34     | 16,345    |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0      | 32     | 566   | 12     | 610       |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 13     | 151    | 29    | 78,778 | 78,971    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 7,068 | 32,279 | 16,370 | 615   | 78,860 | 1,35,192  |
| Net Change              | 0     | 81     | 25     | 5     | -111   |           |

#### Table 13.5.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 88,516            | 3,430 | 16,045 | 9,634  | 29,109 | 420   |
| 500-1000          | 45,491            | 3,583 | 15,888 | 6,500  | 25,971 | 182   |
| 1000-2000         | 1,185             | 55    | 346    | 236    | 637    | 13    |
| Total             | 1,35,192          | 7,068 | 32,279 | 16,370 | 55,717 | 615   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.5.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,06,433          | 4,051 | 17,624 | 11,007 | 32,682 | 354   |
| 5-10               | 16,248            | 1,503 | 7,062  | 2,744  | 11,309 | 130   |
| 10-15              | 6,477             | 829   | 3,822  | 1,252  | 5,903  | 72    |
| 15-20              | 3,345             | 413   | 2,081  | 710    | 3,204  | 36    |
| 20-25              | 1,638             | 177   | 1,024  | 393    | 1,594  | 15    |
| 25-30              | 696               | 67    | 433    | 180    | 680    | 6     |
| >30                | 355               | 28    | 233    | 84     | 345    | 2     |
| Total              | 1,35,192          | 7,068 | 32,279 | 16,370 | 55,717 | 615   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.5.3
Forest Cover
Map of
Chhattisgarh



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### 13.5.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Chhattisgarh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.5.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                 | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3B/C1c Slightly moist teak forest           | 3,619.06  | 6.44                        |
| 2.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest | 8,778.21  | 15.61                       |
| 3.         | 3C/C2e (i) Moist peninsular high level sal  | 843.59    | 1.50                        |
| 4.         | 3C/C2e (ii) Moist peninsular low level sal  | 9,350.91  | 16.63                       |
| 5.         | 3/E1 <i>Terminalia tomentosa</i> forest     | 11.92     | 0.02                        |
| 6.         | 3/2S1 Dry bamboo brakes                     | 0.76      | 0.00                        |
| 7.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                      | 242.52    | 0.43                        |
| 8.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 15,315.84 | 27.24                       |
| 9.         | 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest            | 8,591.22  | 15.28                       |
| 10.        | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 7,388.21  | 13.14                       |
| 11.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                   | 627.82    | 1.12                        |
| 12.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                      | 840.04    | 1.50                        |
|            | Sub Total                                   | 55,610.10 | 98.91                       |
| 13.        | TOF/Plantation                              | 609.99    | 1.09                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                | 56,220.09 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub

#### 13.5.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.5.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 1,935.04     | 3.47                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 3,655.58     | 6.56                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 8,159.70     | 14.64                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 11,275.57    | 20.24                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 30,691.11    | 55.09                      |
|            | Total                        | 55,717.00    | 100.00                     |

#### Figure 13.5.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes





#### 13.5.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Chhattisgarh has been estimated as given in following table.

Table 13.5.10 Tree Cover in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 4,248           | 5,355           | 1,107                      |

#### 13.5.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.5.11 Extent of TOF in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 13,250                          | 5,355      | 18,605        |

# 13.5.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Chhattisgarh is given in the Table 13.5.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.5.13.

#### Table 13.5.12 Growing Stock in Chhattisgarh

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 358.96             | 389.64             | 30.68                         | 8.88                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 99.92              | 117.30             | 17.38                         | 6.59                 |

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Table 13.5.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Chhattisgarh

(in '000)

|         |                       | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|-----------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species               | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Shorea robusta        | 2,87,993       | 77,599 | 4,445 |
| 2.      | Terminalia tomentosa  | 73,428         | 17,772 | 893   |
| 3.      | Diospyros melanoxylon | 63,521         | 9,934  | 565   |
| 4.      | Anogeissus latifolia  | 58,889         | 7,922  | 165   |
| 5.      | Lannea coromandelica  | 58,490         | 8,362  | 85    |

#### 13.5.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Chhattisgarh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.5.14 and Table 13.5.15 respectively.

Table 13.5.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Chhattisgarh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species           | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Shorea robusta    | 23.33                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica  | 7.18                      |
| 3.         | Butea monosperma  | 6.49                      |
| 4.         | Acacia arabica    | 5.90                      |
| 5.         | Madhuca latifolia | 5.86                      |

Table 13.5.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Chhattisgarh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica    | 14.67                     |
| 2.         | <i>Moringa</i> spp. | 9.64                      |
| 3.         | Azadirachta indica  | 7.23                      |
| 4.         | Tectona grandis     | 6.00                      |
| 5.         | Psidium guajava     | 5.30                      |

#### 13.5.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 496.44 million tonnes (1,820.28 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 6.89% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Chhattisgarh is given in the following table.

Table 13.5.16 Forest Carbon in Chhattisgarh

| in differe | ent pools    | (in '000 tonnes) |
|------------|--------------|------------------|
| Sl. No.    | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon    |
| 1.         | AGB          | 1,52,714         |
| 2.         | BGB          | 48,947           |
| 3.         | Dead wood    | 2,520            |
| 4.         | Litter       | 8,487            |
| 5.         | SOC          | 2,83,769         |
|            | Total        | 4,96,437         |



Figure 13.5.5 Forest Carbon in Chhattisgarh

# 13.5.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.5.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Chhattisgarh

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 10,467 | 7.00                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 2,800  | 5.25                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 16,780 | 4.17                        |

#### 13.5.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.5.18 and Table 13.5.19 respectively.

Table 13.5.18 Major NTFP species in Chhattisgarh

| Sl. No. | Species  | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Shorea robusta   | Tree       | 42.88                  |
| 2.      | Ocimum spp. (Ocimum gratissimum/<br>Ocimum sanctum/Ocimum<br>tenuiflorum/ Ocimum americanum) | Herbs      | 11.76                  |
| 3.      | Buchanania lanzan  | Tree       | 8.69                   |
| 4.      | Diospyros melanoxylon  | Tree       | 8.48                   |
| 5.      | Anogeissus latifolia   | Tree       | 7.67                   |

Table 13.5.19 Major invasive species in the state inside the RFA/Green Wash in Chhattisgarh

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara        | 728              |
| 2.      | Ageratum conyzoides   | 495              |
| 3.      | Cassia tora           | 333              |
| 4.      | Triumfetta rhomboidea | 200              |
| 5.      | Chromolaena odorata   | 183              |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

1,483 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude 28°22' N to 28°54' N Longitude 76°48' E to 77°23'E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

16.79 million

Urban 16.37 million (97.50 %) Rural 0.42 million (2.50 %) Tribal Nil

#### **Average Population Density**

11,320 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.36 million

#### No. of Districts

9

No. of Hill Districts

С

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

#### Table 13.6.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 148               |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 147               | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1                 | 0.68       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 93                | 63.27      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 1                 | 0.68       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 10                | 6.80       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 8                 | 5.44       |
| Current fallows                            | 12                | 8.16       |
| Net area sown                              | 22                | 14.97      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### **13.6.1** Forest Cover



#### Table 13.6.2 Forest Cover of Delhi (in sq km) % of GA Class Area VDF 6.72 0.45 56.60 MDF 3.82 OF 131.68 8.88 Total 195.00 13.15 Scrub 0.38 0.03

Figure 13.6.1 Forest Cover of Delhi

#### Table 13.6.3 District-wise Forest Cover in Delhi

(in sq km)

| District         | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | essment        |        | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                  | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total  | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Central Delhi    | 21            | 0.00                    | 2.08                    | 2.93           | 5.01   | 23.86 | 0.07                        | 0.00  |
| East Delhi       | 63            | 0.00                    | 1.05                    | 2.79           | 3.84   | 6.10  | 0.09                        | 0.00  |
| New Delhi        | 35            | 1.69                    | 5.47                    | 9.31           | 16.47  | 47.06 | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| North Delhi      | 61            | 0.00                    | 2.82                    | 1.89           | 4.71   | 7.72  | 0.13                        | 0.00  |
| North-East Delhi | 62            | 0.00                    | 0.99                    | 3.15           | 4.14   | 6.68  | 0.15                        | 0.00  |
| North-West Delhi | 443           | 0.09                    | 8.93                    | 8.51           | 17.53  | 3.96  | -0.51                       | 0.07  |
| South Delhi      | 247           | 2.59                    | 17.75                   | 64.30          | 84.64  | 34.27 | 0.01                        | 0.23  |
| South-West Delhi | 421           | 2.35                    | 14.93                   | 34.53          | 51.81  | 12.31 | -0.38                       | 0.08  |
| West Delhi       | 130           | 0.00                    | 2.58                    | 4.27           | 6.85   | 5.27  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Grand Total      | 1,483         | 6.72                    | 56.60                   | 131.68         | 195.00 | 13.15 | -0.44                       | 0.38  |

#### 13.6.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.6.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Delhi

(in sq km)

| Forest Cov<br>(or Green |        | Recorded Fores | st Area | Forest Cover<br>(or Green W | Outside the Rash) | ecorded Fore | est Area |
|-------------------------|--------|----------------|---------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------|
| VDF                     | MDF    | OF             | Total   | VDF                         | MDF               | OF           | Total    |
| 3.19                    | 16.05  | 39.93          | 59.17   | 3.53                        | 40.55             | 91.75        | 135.83   |
| 5.39%                   | 27.13% | 67.48%         |         | 2.60%                       | 29.85%            | 67.55%       |          |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Delhi, RFA boundaries have been used.

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100 91.75 90 80 70 Area in sq km 60 50 40.55 39.93 40 30 20 16.05 10 3.53 3.19 VDF MDF

■ Inside RFA

Figure 13.6.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of RFA
in Delhi

#### Table 13.6.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Delhi

(in sq km)

|                         | 2021 Assessment |       |        | Total |          |           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF             | MDF   | OF     | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 6.72            | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.00  | 0.00     | 6.72      |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0.00            | 56.33 | 0.00   | 0.00  | 0.09     | 56.42     |
| Open Forest             | 0.00            | 0.08  | 130.64 | 0.08  | 1.50     | 132.30    |
| Scrub                   | 0.00            | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.30  | 0.00     | 0.30      |
| Non Forest              | 0.00            | 0.19  | 1.04   | 0.00  | 1,286.03 | 1,287.26  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 6.72            | 56.60 | 131.68 | 0.38  | 1,287.62 | 1,483.00  |
| Net Change              | 0.00            | 0.18  | -0.62  | 0.08  | 0.36     |           |

Outside RFA

#### Table 13.6.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Delhi

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 1,483             | 6.72 | 56.60 | 131.68 | 195.00 | 0.38  |
| Total             | 1,483             | 6.72 | 56.60 | 131.68 | 195.00 | 0.38  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.6.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Delhi

(in sq km)

|                   | <u> </u>          |      |       |        |        |       |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| Slope(in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-5               | 1,407             | 6.72 | 52.57 | 121.44 | 180.73 | 0.37  |
| 5-10              | 70                | 0.00 | 4.03  | 9.30   | 13.33  | 0.00  |
| 10-15             | 5                 | 0.00 | 0.00  | 0.94   | 0.94   | 0.01  |
| 15-20             | 1                 | 0.00 | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Total             | 1,483             | 6.72 | 56.60 | 131.68 | 195.00 | 0.38  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

#### Figure 13.6.3

Forest Cover Map of Delhi

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Very Dense Forest

Moderately Dense Forest

Open Forest

Scrub

Non-Forest Water-bodies

International Boundary

State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

#### 13.6.2 **Forest Types**

The area under different forest types of Delhi as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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Table 13.6.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Delhi

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                               | Area   | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest | 20.51  | 10.48                       |
| 2.         | 6B/C2 Ravine thorn forest                 | 62.95  | 32.16                       |
|            | Sub Total                                 | 83.46  | 42.64                       |
| 3.         | TOF/Plantation                            | 112.28 | 57.36                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)              | 195.74 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

# 13.6.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.



#### **Table 13.6.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 195.00       | 100.00                     |
|            | Total                        | 195.00       | 100.00                     |

Figure 13.6.4
Fire prone
forest areas
under
different fire
prone classes

#### 13.6.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Delhi has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.6.10 Tree Cover in Delhi

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 129             | 147             | 18                         |

#### 13.6.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.6.11 Extent of TOF in Delhi

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 136                             | 147        | 283           |

#### 13.6.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Delhi is given in the Table 13.6.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.6.13.

#### Table 13.6.12 Growing Stock in Delhi

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 0.54               | 0.51               | -0.03                         | 0.01                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 1.69               | 1.75               | 0.06                          | 0.10                 |

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Table 13.6.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Delhi

(in sq km)

|         |                         | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                 | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Prosopis juliflora      | 475            | 25    | 6   |
| 2.      | Acacia lenticularis     | 172            | 8     | 0   |
| 3.      | Azadirachta indica      | 45             | 18    | 0   |
| 4.      | Holoptelea integrifolia | 33             | 4     | 0   |
| 5.      | Ficus virene            | 6              | 8     | 0   |

#### 13.6.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Delhi in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.6.14 and Table 13.6.15 respectively

Table 13.6.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Delhi

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Prosopis juliflora    | 29.52                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica    | 13.06                     |
| 3.         | Eucalyptus spp.       | 8.07                      |
| 4.         | Leucaena leucocephala | 7.72                      |
| 5.         | Ficus spp.            | 5.29                      |

Table 13.6.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Delhi

| _          |                       |                           |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica    | 10.77                     |
| 2.         | Prosopis juliflora    | 8.11                      |
| 3.         | Polyalthia longifolia | 6.20                      |
| 4.         | Morus spp.            | 6.03                      |
| 5.         | Ficus religiosa       | 5.80                      |

#### 13.6.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 1.20 million tonnes (4.40 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.02% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Delhi is given in the following table.

Table 13.6.16 Forest Carbon in Delhi in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 263           |
| 2.      | BGB          | 78            |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 5             |
| 4.      | Litter       | 17            |
| 5.      | SOC          | 839           |
|         | Total        | 1,202         |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.6.5 Forest Carbon in Delhi

### 13.6.9 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.6.17 and Table 13.6.18 respectively.

Table 13.6.17 Major NTFP species in Delhi

| Sl. No. | Species                  | Plant type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara           | Shrub      | 37.74                  |
| 2.      | Cassia tora              | Herbs      | 24.53                  |
| 3.      | Carissa opaca            | Shrub      | 20.75                  |
| 4.      | Parthenium hysterophorus | Herbs      | 9.43                   |
| 5.      | Flacourtia indica        | Tree       | 5.66                   |

Table 13.6.18 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Delhi

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species              | Estimated Extent |
|---------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Prosopis juliflora   | 3.00             |
| 2.      | Lantana camara       | 0.27             |
| 3.      | Cassia tora          | 0.12             |
| 4.      | Achyranthes aspera   | 0.12             |
| 5.      | Ageratina adenophora | 0.12             |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

# 13.7 **GOA**

#### **Geographical Area**

3,702 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 14° 53'N to 15° 40' N Longitude-73° 40' E to 74° 21' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

1.46 million

Urban 0.91 million (62.17 %) Rural 0.55 million (37.83 %) Tribal 0.15 million (10.23 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

394 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.18 million

#### No. of Districts

2

No. of Hill Districts

С

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

#### Table 13.7.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 370               |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 361               | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 125               | 34.63      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 37                | 10.25      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1                 | 0.28       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 1                 | 0.28       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 53                | 14.68      |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | -                 | -          |
| Current fallows                            | 15                | 4.15       |
| Net area sown                              | 129               | 35.73      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.7.1 Forest Cover



#### Table 13.7.2 Forest Cover

| of Goa | of Goa (in sq km |         |  |  |  |
|--------|------------------|---------|--|--|--|
| Class  | Area             | % of GA |  |  |  |
| VDF    | 537.53           | 14.52   |  |  |  |
| MDF    | 576.49           | 15.57   |  |  |  |
| OF     | 1,130.19         | 30.53   |  |  |  |
| Total  | 2,244.21         | 60.62   |  |  |  |
| Scrub  | 0.00             | 0.00    |  |  |  |

Figure 13.7.1 Forest Cover of Goa

#### Table 13.7.3 District-wise Forest Cover in Goa

(in sq km)

| District    | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|             | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>Assess-<br>ment |       |
| North Goa   | 1,736         | 127.00                  | 229.77                  | 578.95         | 935.72   | 53.90 | 2.81                        | 0.00  |
| South Goa   | 1,966         | 410.53                  | 346.72                  | 551.24         | 1,308.49 | 66.56 | 3.91                        | 0.00  |
| Grand Total | 3,702         | 537.53                  | 576.49                  | 1,130.19       | 2,244.21 | 60.62 | 6.72                        | 0.00  |

### 13.7.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.7.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Goa

(in sq km)

| Forest Cov<br>(or Green V | er Inside the R<br>Wash) | ecorded Fores | t Area | Forest Co<br>(or Green | over Outside the Recorded Forest Area<br>n Wash) |        |       |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|--------|------------------------|--|--------|-------|
| VDF                       | MDF                      | OF            | Total  | VDF                    | MDF  | OF     | Total |
| 516                       | 329                      | 375           | 1,220  | 22                     | 247  | 755    | 1,024 |
| 42.30%                    | 26.97%                   | 30.73%        |        | 2.15%                  | 24.12%   | 73.73% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Goa, RFA boundaries have been used.

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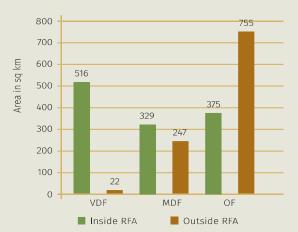


Figure 13.7.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Goa

Table 13.7.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Goa

(in sq km)

|                         |     | 2021 Assessment |       |       |       |           |
|-------------------------|-----|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 538 | 0               | 0     | 0     | 0     | 538       |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0   | 576             | 0     | 0     | 0     | 576       |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 0               | 1123  | 0     | 0     | 1,123     |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0               | 0     | 0     | 0     | 0         |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 0               | 7     | 0     | 1,458 | 1,465     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 538 | 576             | 1,130 | 0     | 1,458 | 3,702     |
| Net Change              | 0   | 0               | 7     | 0     | -7    |           |

#### Table 13.7.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Goa

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 3,549             | 442 | 557 | 1,102 | 2,101 | 0     |
| 500-1000          | 153               | 96  | 19  | 28    | 143   | 0     |
| Total             | 3,702             | 538 | 576 | 1,130 | 2,244 | 0     |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.7.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Goa

(in sq km)

|                    |                   |     |     |       |       | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|---------------------------------------|
| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub                                 |
| 0-5                | 1,918             | 99  | 212 | 507   | 818   | 0                                     |
| 5-10               | 795               | 122 | 148 | 284   | 554   | 0                                     |
| 10-15              | 463               | 118 | 104 | 162   | 384   | 0                                     |
| 15-20              | 273               | 93  | 64  | 89    | 246   | 0                                     |
| 20-25              | 136               | 55  | 29  | 45    | 129   | 0                                     |
| 25-30              | 64                | 28  | 12  | 22    | 62    | 0                                     |
| >30                | 53                | 23  | 7   | 21    | 51    | 0                                     |
| Total              | 3,702             | 538 | 576 | 1,130 | 2,244 | 0                                     |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

#### Figure 13.7.3

Forest Cover Map of Goa

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Very Dense Forest

Moderately Dense Forest
Open Forest
Scrub
Non-Forest
Water-bodies
International Boundary

District Boundary

Capital

State Boundary

# 13.7.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Goa as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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#### Table 13.7.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Goa

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                 | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 1A/C4 West Coast tropical evergreen forest  | 506.33   | 22.63                       |
| 2.         | 2A/C2 West Coast semi-evergreen forest      | 483.38   | 21.60                       |
| 3.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest | 906.80   | 40.53                       |
| 4.         | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                      | 26.00    | 1.16                        |
| 5.         | 5/E7 Laterite thorn forest                  | 0.50     | 0.02                        |
|            | Sub Total                                   | 1,923.01 | 85.94                       |
| 6.         | TOF/Plantation                              | 314.48   | 14.06                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                | 2,237.49 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

#### **Table 13.7.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 2,244.00        | 100.00                     |
|            | Total                        | 2,244.00        | 100.00                     |

# 13.7.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### Figure 13.7.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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#### 13.7.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Goa has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.7.10 Tree Cover in Goa

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 272             | 244             | -28                        |

#### 13.7.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.7.11 Extent of TOF in Goa

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1,024                           | 244        | 1,268         |

#### 13.7.6 Growing Stock in Forest

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Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Goa is given in the Table 13.7.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.7.13

#### Table 13.7.12 Growing Stock in Goa

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 11.16              | 12.87              | 1.71                          | 0.29                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 4.03               | 4.15               | 0.12                          | 0.23                 |

#### Table 13.7.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Goa

(in '000)

|         |                                       |       | Dia class (cm) |     |
|---------|---------------------------------------|-------|----------------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                               | 10-30 | 30-60          | >60 |
| 1.      | Terminalia paniculata                 | 7,178 | 1,875          | 174 |
| 2.      | Anacardium occidentale                | 3,993 | 201            | 0   |
| 3.      | Xylia xylocarpa                       | 3,323 | 563            | 27  |
| 4.      | Terminalia Tomentosa                  | 2,925 | 616            | 67  |
| 5.      | Lagerstroemia lanceolata/ inicrocarpa | 536   | 281            | 107 |

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#### 13.7.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Goa in rural and urban areas are given in the Table 13.7.14 and Table 13.7.15 respectively.

Table 13.7.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Goa

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca triandra         | 26.63                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera         | 17.41                     |
| 3.         | Anacardium occidentale | 10.68                     |
| 4.         | Acacia auriculiformis  | 6.53                      |
| 5.         | Terminalia paniculata  | 3.49                      |

Table 13.7.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Goa

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera           | 39.4                      |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica         | 9.62                      |
| 3.         | Tectona grandis          | 3.99                      |
| 4.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 3.75                      |
| 5.         | Areca triandra           | 3.34                      |

#### 13.7.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size 25.24 million tonnes (92.55 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.35 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Goa is given in the following table.

Table 13.7.16 Forest Carbon in Goa in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 8,863         |
| 2.      | BGB          | 2,606         |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 232           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 448           |
| 5.      | SOC          | 13,095        |
|         | Total        | 25,244        |



Figure 13.7.5 Forest Carbon in Goa

#### 13.7.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.7.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Goa

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |     | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-----|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 288 | 0.19                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 30  | 0.06                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 257 | 0.06                        |

### 13.7.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.7.18 and Table 13.7.19 respectively.

Table 13.7.18 Major NTFP species in Goa

| Sl. No. | Species               | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Terminalia paniculata | Tree       | 45.58                  |
| 2.      | Terminalia tomentosa  | Tree       | 21.22                  |
| 3.      | Xylia xylocarpa       | Tree       | 18.43                  |
| 4.      | Syzigium cumini       | Tree       | 4.65                   |
| 5.      | Terminalia belerica   | Tree       | 3.26                   |

Table 13.7.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green wash in Goa

(in sa km)

|         | <u> </u>              | (111) pe 111)    |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata   | 37               |
| 2.      | Cassia tora           | 8                |
| 3.      | Ageratina adenophora  | 1                |
| 4.      | Triumfetta rhomboidea | 0.86             |
| 5.      | Acacia farnesiana     | 0.45             |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

1,96,244 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 20° 07'N to 24° 43' N Longitude-68° 10' E to 74° 29' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

60.44 million

Urban 25.74 million (42.60 %) Rural 34.70 million (57.40 %) Tribal 8.92 million (14.75 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

308 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 27.12 million

#### **No. of Districts**

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No. of Hill Districts

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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#### Table 13.8.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000ha) | Percentage |
|--|------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 19,602           |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 19,069           | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,834            | 9.63       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 3,723            | 19.52      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 851              | 4.46       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 4                | 0.02       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 1,960            | 10.28      |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 16               | 0.08       |
| Current fallows                            | 379              | 1.99       |
| Net area sown                              | 10,302           | 54.02      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### **13.8.1** Forest Cover

Figure 13.8.1
Forest Cover of Gujarat



Table 13.8.2 Forest Cover (in sq km) of Gujarat Class Area % of GA VDF 377.68 0.19 MDF 5,032.19 2.56 OF 9,516.00 4.85 Total 14,925.87 7.60 Scrub 2,828.20 1.44

Table 13.8.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| District                  | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub    |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                           | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>Assess-<br>ment |          |
| Ahmadabad                 | 8,107         | 0.00                    | 10.56                   | 103.05         | 113.61    | 1.40  | -17.60                      | 31.16    |
| Amreli                    | 7,397         | 0.00                    | 64.69                   | 200.49         | 265.18    | 3.58  | 4.78                        | 90.15    |
| Anand                     | 3,204         | 0.00                    | 6.17                    | 27.81          | 33.98     | 1.06  | -16.50                      | 14.27    |
| Banas Kantha <sup>T</sup> | 10,743        | 0.00                    | 354.78                  | 461.93         | 816.71    | 7.60  | -5.79                       | 116.50   |
| Bharuch <sup>™</sup>      | 6,509         | 0.00                    | 56.02                   | 216.93         | 272.95    | 4.19  | -4.57                       | 7.22     |
| Bhavnagar                 | 10,034        | 0.00                    | 47.28                   | 245.27         | 292.55    | 2.92  | -0.66                       | 79.12    |
| Dahod                     | 3,642         | 1.00                    | 115.06                  | 405.98         | 522.04    | 14.33 | -7.78                       | 29.35    |
| Gandhinagar               | 2,140         | 0.00                    | 9.40                    | 90.69          | 100.09    | 4.68  | 8.04                        | 37.84    |
| Jamnagar                  | 14,184        | 0.00                    | 53.70                   | 423.55         | 477.25    | 3.36  | 6.14                        | 158.94   |
| Junagadh                  | 8,831         | 15.00                   | 938.10                  | 785.73         | 1,738.83  | 19.69 | 45.52                       | 85.74    |
| Kachchh/Kutch             | 45,674        | 0.00                    | 282.89                  | 2156.59        | 2,439.48  | 5.34  | 94.19                       | 1,506.26 |
| Kheda                     | 3,953         | 0.00                    | 15.04                   | 72.95          | 87.99     | 2.23  | -6.45                       | 31.56    |
| Mehsana                   | 4,401         | 0.00                    | 10.72                   | 153.61         | 164.33    | 3.73  | 5.71                        | 30.48    |
| Narmada                   | 2,817         | 20.00                   | 442.80                  | 464.43         | 927.23    | 32.92 | -20.77                      | 23.17    |
| Navsari                   | 2,246         | 18.00                   | 121.95                  | 222.13         | 362.08    | 16.12 | -0.35                       | 7.66     |
| Panch Mahals <sup>™</sup> | 5,231         | 0.00                    | 201.71                  | 531.08         | 732.79    | 14.01 | 22.73                       | 50.80    |
| Patan                     | 5,792         | 0.00                    | 0.89                    | 97.46          | 98.35     | 1.70  | -4.16                       | 93.04    |
| Porbandar                 | 2,316         | 0.00                    | 16.15                   | 110.12         | 126.27    | 5.45  | -0.41                       | 40.74    |
| Rajkot                    | 11,198        | 0.00                    | 2.64                    | 153.64         | 156.28    | 1.40  | 1.96                        | 98.84    |
| Sabarkantha <sup>™</sup>  | 7,394         | 29.00                   | 298.61                  | 483.97         | 811.58    | 10.98 | -3.69                       | 101.78   |
| Surat <sup>™</sup>        | 4,549         | 5.00                    | 285.08                  | 209.05         | 499.13    | 10.97 | -0.93                       | 77.92    |
| Surendranagar             | 10,423        | 0.00                    | 5.78                    | 157.06         | 162.84    | 1.56  | -11.15                      | 48.10    |
| Tapi <sup>™</sup>         | 3,139         | 79.68                   | 469.28                  | 236.38         | 785.34    | 25.02 | -7.07                       | 5.84     |
| The Dangs <sup>™</sup>    | 1,766         | 210.00                  | 739.82                  | 404.26         | 1,354.08  | 76.67 | -8.54                       | 3.00     |
| Vadodara <sup>™</sup>     | 7,546         | 0.00                    | 139.50                  | 452.71         | 592.21    | 7.85  | -11.00                      | 37.91    |
| Valsad <sup>™</sup>       | 3,008         | 0.00                    | 343.57                  | 649.13         | 992.70    | 33.00 | 6.89                        | 20.81    |
| Grand Total               | 1,96,244      | 377.68                  | 5,032.19                | 9,516.00       | 14,925.87 | 7.61  | 68.54                       | 2,828.20 |

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#### 13.8.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.8.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |       | orest Area |        |       |
|--|--------|---|-------|-------|------------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF  | Total | VDF   | MDF        | OF     | Total |
| 356  | 4,016  | 5,463   | 9,835 | 22    | 1,016      | 4,053  | 5,091 |
| 3.62%  | 40.83% | 55.55%  |       | 0.43% | 19.96%     | 79.61% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Gujarat RFA boundaries have been used.

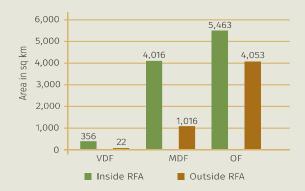


Figure 13.8.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of RFA
in Gujarat

Table 13.8.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Gujarat

(in sq km)

|                         |     | 2021 Assessment |       |       | Total    |           |
|-------------------------|-----|-----------------|-------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 378 | 0               | 0     | 0     | 0        | 378       |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0   | 5,022           | 5     | 1     | 64       | 5,092     |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 5               | 8,966 | 49    | 367      | 9,387     |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0               | 254   | 2,548 | 192      | 2,994     |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 5               | 291   | 230   | 1,77,867 | 1,78,393  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 378 | 5,032           | 9,516 | 2,828 | 1,78,490 | 196,244   |
| Net Change              | 0   | -60             | 129   | -166  | 97       |           |

Table 13.8.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 1,95,407          | 329 | 4,693 | 9,305 | 14,327 | 2,823 |
| 500-1000          | 830               | 49  | 338   | 210   | 597    | 4     |
| 1000-2000         | 7                 | 0   | 1     | 1     | 2      | 1     |
| Total             | 1,96,244          | 378 | 5,032 | 9,516 | 14,926 | 2,828 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.8.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,85,312          | 121 | 2,265 | 6,466 | 8,852  | 2,431 |
| 5-10               | 6,265             | 73  | 1,060 | 1,399 | 2,532  | 250   |
| 10-15              | 2,322             | 67  | 736   | 799   | 1,602  | 82    |
| 15-20              | 1,257             | 56  | 489   | 460   | 1,005  | 40    |
| 20-25              | 659               | 37  | 282   | 244   | 563    | 16    |
| 25-30              | 291               | 17  | 133   | 105   | 255    | 6     |
| >30                | 138               | 7   | 67    | 43    | 117    | 3     |
| Total              | 1,96,244          | 378 | 5,032 | 9,516 | 14,926 | 2,828 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure. 13.8.3 Forest Cover Map of Gujarat



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# 13.8.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Gujarat as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.8.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                 | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest                    | 800.31    | 4.48                        |
| 2.         | 3B/C1c Slightly moist teak forest           | 689.16    | 3.86                        |
| 3.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest | 1,204.97  | 6.75                        |
| 4.         | 4B/TS1 Mangrove scrub                       | 618.70    | 3.47                        |
| 5.         | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                      | 558.57    | 3.13                        |
| 6.         | 5A/C1a Very dry teak forest                 | 770.57    | 4.32                        |
| 7.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                      | 2,041.02  | 11.43                       |
| 8.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 2,254.66  | 12.63                       |
| 9.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 944.55    | 0.21                        |
| 10.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                   | 756.74    | 5.29                        |
| 11.        | 5/DS4 Dry grass land                        | 372.49    | 4.24                        |
| 12.        | 5/E1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> Forest       | 65.76     | 2.09                        |
| 13.        | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                | 2.07      | 0.37                        |
| 14.        | 5/E3 <i>Babul</i> forest                    | 59.48     | 0.01                        |
| 15.        | 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest                    | 98.30     | 0.33                        |
| 16.        | 5/E8c <i>Salvadora - Tamarix</i> scrub      | 153.83    | 0.55                        |
| 17.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brake                       | 121.51    | 0.86                        |
| 18.        | 5/1S1 Dry tropical riverain forest          | 2.08      | 0.68                        |
| 19.        | 5/2S1 Secondary dry deciduous forest        | 36.67     | 0.01                        |
| 20.        | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest                 | 49.43     | 0.28                        |
| 21.        | 6B/C1 Desert thorn forest                   | 1,333.94  | 7.47                        |
| 22.        | 6B/DS2 Tropical <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub      | 964.40    | 5.40                        |
| 23.        | 6/E2 <i>Acacia senegal</i> forest           | 944.04    | 5.29                        |
| 24.        | 6/E3 <i>Rann</i> saline thorn forest        | 590.37    | 3.31                        |
| 25.        | 6/E4 <i>Salvadora</i> scrub                 | 22.23     | 0.12                        |
|            | Sub Total                                   | 15,455.85 | 86.58                       |
| 26.        | TOF/Plantation                              | 2,395.59  | 13.42                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                | 17,851.44 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

#### Figure 13.8.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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#### 13.8.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### **Table 13.8.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 8.08            | 0.05                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 384.42          | 2.58                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 523.32          | 3.51                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 975.10          | 6.53                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 13,035.08       | 87.33                      |
|            | Total                        | 14,926.00       | 100.00                     |

#### 13.8.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Gujrat has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.8.10 Tree Cover in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 6,912           | 5,489           | -1,423                     |

#### 13.8.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

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#### Table 13.8.11 Extent of TOF in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 5,091                           | 5,489      | 10,580        |

#### 13.8.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Gujarat is given in the Table 13.8.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.8.13

#### Table 13.8.12 Growing Stock in Gujarat

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 48.31              | 51.22              | 2.91                          | 1.17                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 82.60              | 78.74              | -3.86                         | 4.43                 |

#### Table 13.8.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Gujarat

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Tectona grandis      | 52,619         | 2,911 | 200 |
| 2.      | Butea monosperma     | 18,199         | 1,086 | 38  |
| 3.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 12,000         | 1,525 | 0   |
| 4.      | Lannea coromandelica | 8,894          | 1,581 | 105 |
| 5.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 8,822          | 750   | 0   |

### 13.8.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Gujarat in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.8.14 and Table 13.8.15 respectively

Table 13.8.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Gujarat

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica | 27.81                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica   | 9.71                      |
| 3.         | Prosopis juliflora | 6.34                      |
| 4.         | Acacia arabica     | 6.29                      |
| 5.         | Tectona grandis    | 3.76                      |

Table 13.8.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Gujarat

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica       | 23.81                     |
| 2.         | Pittosprorum ferrugineum | 5.89                      |
| 3.         | Polyalthia spp.          | 5.72                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica         | 5.53                      |
| 5.         | Jonesia asoca            | 3.84                      |

#### 13.8.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size 107.77 million tonnes (395.16 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 1.50 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Gujarat is given in the following table.

Table 13.8.16 Forest Carbon in

Gujarat in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 28,602        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 9,814         |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 502           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 1,634         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 67,214        |
| Total   |              | 1,07,766      |

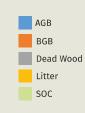


Figure 13.8.5 Forest Carbon in Gujarat

#### 13.8.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.7.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Gujarat

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 3,547  | 2.37                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 878    | 1.65                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 10,560 | 2.63                        |

#### 13.8.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.8.18 and Table 13.8.19 respectively.

Table 13.8.18 Major NTFP species in Gujarat

| Sl. No.    | Species   | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|------------|---|------------|------------------------|
| 1.         | Ocimum spp. (Ocimum gratissimum/                      | Herbs      | 41.24                  |
|            | Ocimum sanctum/Ocimum tenuiflorum/ Ocimum americanum) |            |                        |
| 2          | Butea monosperma                                      | Tree       | 10.76                  |
| 2.         | ·   |            |                        |
| <i>3</i> . | Cassia tora   | Shrub      | 9.96                   |
| 4.         | Prosopis juliflora                                    | Tree       | 9.07                   |
| 5.         | Diospyros melanoxylon                                 | Tree       | 7.61                   |

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Table 13.8.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Gujarat

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Prosopis juliflora  | 143              |
| 2.      | Cassia tora         | 132              |
| 3.      | Ageratum conyzoides | 74               |
| 4.      | Lantana camara      | 69               |
| 5.      | Senna occidentalis  | 36               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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# 13.9 HARYANA

**Geographical Area** 

44,212 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 27°39' N to 30°55' N Longitude-74°27' E to 77° 36' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

25.35 million

Urban 8.84 million (34.87 %) Rural 16.51 million (65.13 %) Tribal NIL

### **Average Population Density**

573 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 8.82 million

### No. of Districts

21

No. of Hill Districts

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

### Table 13.9.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 4,421             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 4,371             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 36                | 0.82       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 553               | 12.65      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 24                | 0.55       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 6                 | 0.14       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 49                | 1.12       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 75                | 1.72       |
| Current fallows                            | 111               | 2.54       |
| Net area sown                              | 3,517             | 80.46      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### 13.9.1 Forest Cover

**Figure 13.9.1**Forest Cover of Haryana



**Table 13.9.2 Forest Cover of Haryana** (in sq km)

| Class Area |          | % of GA |
|------------|----------|---------|
| VDF        | 28.00    | 0.06    |
| MDF        | 445.38   | 1.01    |
| OF         | 1,130.10 | 2.56    |
| Total      | 1,603.48 | 3.63    |
| Scrub      | 158.93   | 0.36    |

Table 13.9.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Haryana

(in sq km)

| District     | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Assessment         |                |          |       | Change                      | Scrub  |
|--------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|              | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Ambala       | 1,574         | 0.00                    | 16.94                   | 35.33          | 52.27    | 3.32  | 0.92                        | 0.83   |
| Bhiwani      | 4,778         | 0.00                    | 8.12                    | 103.30         | 111.42   | 2.33  | -2.39                       | 14.18  |
| Faridabad    | 741           | 0.00                    | 26.37                   | 52.86          | 79.23    | 10.69 | -0.71                       | 17.72  |
| Fatehabad    | 2,538         | 0.00                    | 3.23                    | 15.26          | 18.49    | 0.73  | 0.49                        | 0.91   |
| Gurgaon      | 1,258         | 0.00                    | 32.65                   | 81.06          | 113.71   | 9.04  | -2.47                       | 17.51  |
| Hisar        | 3,983         | 0.00                    | 11.12                   | 46.24          | 57.36    | 1.44  | -0.28                       | 5.39   |
| Jhajjar      | 1,834         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 25.41          | 25.41    | 1.39  | -0.52                       | 4.27   |
| Jind         | 2,702         | 0.00                    | 4.98                    | 17.36          | 22.34    | 0.83  | 1.34                        | 0.02   |
| Kaithal      | 2,317         | 0.00                    | 23.48                   | 35.34          | 58.82    | 2.54  | 1.75                        | 0.09   |
| Karnal       | 2,520         | 0.00                    | 3.45                    | 28.19          | 31.64    | 1.26  | -0.60                       | 1.02   |
| Kurukshetra  | 1,530         | 0.00                    | 16.40                   | 23.72          | 40.12    | 2.62  | 0.37                        | 2.08   |
| Mahendragarh | 1,899         | 0.00                    | 20.82                   | 82.56          | 103.38   | 5.44  | 0.09                        | 34.29  |
| Mewat        | 1,507         | 0.00                    | 13.76                   | 96.65          | 110.41   | 7.33  | <b>-</b> 0.77               | 25.81  |
| Palwal       | 1,359         | 0.00                    | 1.94                    | 11.62          | 13.56    | 1.00  | -0.41                       | 0.00   |
| Panchkula    | 898           | 6.00                    | 150.67                  | 235.43         | 392.10   | 43.66 | 1.40                        | 22.59  |
| Panipat      | 1,268         | 0.00                    | 3.14                    | 13.31          | 16.45    | 1.30  | 0.57                        | 1.23   |
| Rewari       | 1,594         | 0.00                    | 11.46                   | 51.64          | 63.10    | 3.96  | 0.65                        | 8.67   |
| Rohtak       | 1,745         | 0.00                    | 2.44                    | 17.95          | 20.39    | 1.17  | -0.74                       | 0.46   |
| Sirsa        | 4,277         | 0.00                    | 2.95                    | 55.30          | 58.25    | 1.36  | 1.65                        | 0.06   |
| Sonipat      | 2,122         | 0.00                    | 2.83                    | 19.21          | 22.04    | 1.04  | 1.07                        | 0.87   |
| Yamunanagar  | 1,768         | 22.00                   | 88.63                   | 82.36          | 192.99   | 10.92 | -0.37                       | 0.93   |
| Grand Total  | 44,212        | 28.00                   | 445.38                  | 1,130.10       | 1,603.48 | 3.63  | 1.04                        | 158.93 |

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# 13.9.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.9.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Haryana

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |        | orest Area |       |
|--|--------|--------|---|-------|--------|------------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF   | MDF    | OF         | Total |
| 22   | 155    | 197    | 374   | 6     | 290    | 933        | 1,229 |
| 5.88%  | 41.44% | 52.68% |   | 0.49% | 23.60% | 75.91%     |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Haryana, RFA boundaries have been used.

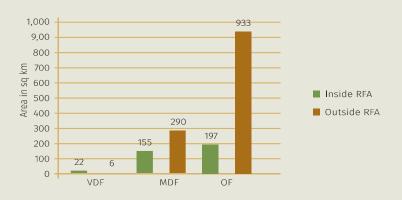


Figure 13.9.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of RFA
in Haryana

Table 13.9.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Haryana

(in sq km)

|                         | 2021 Assessment |     |       |       |        |           |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF             | MDF | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 28              | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0      | 28        |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0               | 436 | 6     | 1     | 8      | 451       |
| Open Forest             | 0               | 6   | 1,048 | 8     | 61     | 1,123     |
| Scrub                   | 0               | 0   | 10    | 141   | 3      | 154       |
| Non Forest              | 0               | 3   | 66    | 9     | 42,378 | 42,456    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 28              | 445 | 1,130 | 159   | 42,450 | 44,212    |
| Net Change              | 0               | -6  | 7     | 5     | -6     |           |

Table 13.9.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Haryana

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 43,838            | 16  | 330 | 975   | 1,321 | 149   |
| 500-1000          | 330               | 12  | 94  | 135   | 241   | 9     |
| 1000-2000         | 44                | 0   | 21  | 20    | 41    | 1     |
| Total             | 44,212            | 28  | 445 | 1,130 | 1,603 | 159   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.9.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Haryana

(in sq km)

| Slope (in Degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 42,615            | 14  | 238 | 789   | 1,041 | 100   |
| 5-10               | 1,104             | 7   | 75  | 130   | 212   | 23    |
| 10-15              | 228               | 4   | 55  | 85    | 144   | 14    |
| 15-20              | 126               | 2   | 37  | 55    | 94    | 10    |
| 20-25              | 74                | 1   | 22  | 37    | 60    | 6     |
| 25-30              | 41                | 0   | 12  | 21    | 33    | 4     |
| >30                | 24                | 0   | 6   | 13    | 19    | 2     |
| Total              | 44,212            | 28  | 445 | 1,130 | 1,603 | 159   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

### Figure 13.9.3

Forest Cover Map of Haryana



### 13.9.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Haryana as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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Table 13.9.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Haryana

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                               | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 5B/C1a Dry Siwalik sal forest             | 46.15    | 2.63                        |
| 2.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest | 518.73   | 29.53                       |
| 3.         | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                 | 32.07    | 1.82                        |
| 4.         | 5/E1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> forest     | 97.71    | 5.56                        |
| 5.         | 5/E1/DS1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> scrub  | 21.46    | 1.22                        |
| 6.         | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                    | 7.11     | 0.40                        |
| 7.         | 6B/C1 Desert thorn forest                 | 86.71    | 4.94                        |
| 8.         | 6B/C2 Ravine thorn forest                 | 258.61   | 14.72                       |
| 9.         | 6/1S1 Desert dune scrub                   | 102.76   | 5.85                        |
| 10.        | 9/C1a Lower or Siwalik chir pine forest   | 12.94    | 0.74                        |
|            | Sub Total                                 | 1,184.25 | 67.41                       |
| 11.        | TOF/Plantation                            | 572.48   | 32.59                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)              | 1,756.73 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

### **13.9.3** Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Figure 13.9.4 Fire prone forest areas

under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

**Table 13.9.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Fire Prone      | Forest   | % of Total Forest |
|-----|------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| No. | Classes                | Cover    | Cover             |
| 1.  | Extremely fire prone   | 0.00     | 0.00              |
| 2.  | Very highly fire prone | 20.40    | 1.27              |
| 3.  | Highly fire prone      | 66.81    | 4.17              |
| 4.  | Moderately fire prone  | 154.50   | 9.64              |
| 5.  | Less fire prone        | 1,361.29 | 84.92             |
|     | Total                  | 1,603.00 | 100.00            |

### 13.9.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Haryana has been estimated as given in following table.

### Table 13.9.10 Tree Cover in Haryana

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1,565           | 1,425           | -140                       |

### 13.9.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.9.11 Extent of TOF in Haryana

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1,229                           | 1,425      | 2,654         |

### 13.9.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Haryana is given in the Table 13.9.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.9.13

Table 13.9.12 Growing Stock in Haryana

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 4.22               | 4.31               | 0.09                          | 0.10                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 17.56              | 19.26              | 1.70                          | 1.08                 |

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Table 13.9.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Haryana

(in '000)

|         |                    | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |  |  |
|---------|--------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Species            | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |  |  |
| 1.      | Acacia tortolis    | 3,083          | 71    | 0   |  |  |  |
| 2.      | Eucalyptus spp.    | 2,446          | 533   | 34  |  |  |  |
| 3.      | Acacia catechu     | 2,550          | 69    | 0   |  |  |  |
| 4.      | Prosopis juliflora | 2,250          | 105   | 0   |  |  |  |
| 5.      | Dalbergia sissoo   | 1,459          | 344   | 0   |  |  |  |

# 13.9.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Haryana in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.9.14 and Table 13.9.15 respectively.

Table 13.9.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Haryana

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Eucalyptus spp.    | 29.23                     |
| 2.         | Dalbergia sissoo   | 11.04                     |
| 3.         | Prosopis cineraria | 9.03                      |
| 4.         | Azadirachta indica | 6.65                      |
| 5.         | Populus spp.       | 5.79                      |

Table 13.8.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Haryana

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica | 12.69                     |
| 2.         | Eucalyptus spp.    | 11.69                     |
| 3.         | Melia azadirachta  | 7.43                      |
| 4.         | <i>Morus</i> spp.  | 6.82                      |
| 5.         | Prosopis juliflora | 6.30                      |

### 13.9.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 10.23 million tonnes (37.51 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 0.14 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Haryana is given in the following table.

Table 13.9.16 Forest Carbon in
Haryana in different pools (in '00

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 2,326         |
| 2.      | BGB          | 836           |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 41            |
| 4.      | Litter       | 139           |
| 5.      | SOC          | 6,890         |
|         | Total        | 10,232        |

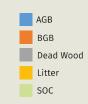


Figure 13.9.5 Forest Carbon in Haryana

### 13.9.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.9.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Haryana

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |    | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|----|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 39 | 0.03                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 15 | 0.03                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 33 | 0.01                        |

# 13.9.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.9.18 and Table 13.9.19 respectively

Table 13.9.18 Major NTFP Species in Haryana

| Sl. No. | Species              | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Adhatoda vasica      | Shrub      | 47.06                  |
| 2.      | Achyranthes aspera   | Herbs      | 33.33                  |
| 3.      | Abrus precatorius    | Climber    | 9.80                   |
| 4.      | Cucumis pubescens    | Climber    | 7.84                   |
| 5.      | Asparagus adscendens | Shrub      | 1.96                   |

Table 13.9.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Haryana

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara        | 41               |
| 2.      | Prosopis juliflora    | 29               |
| 3.      | Saccharum spontanem   | 29               |
| 4.      | Ageratum houstonianum | 14               |
| 5.      | Leucanea leucocephala | 8                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

55,673 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 30°22' N to 33°12' N Longitude- 75°45' E to 79°04' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

6.86 million

Urban 0.69 million (10.03 %) Rural 6.17 million (89.97 %) Tribal 0.39 million (5.71%)

### **Average Population Density**

123 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 4.84 million

### **No. of Districts**

12

**No. of Hill Districts** 

12

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

3

### Table 13.10.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 5,567             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 4,577             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,124             | 24.56      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 1,136             | 24.82      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1,501             | 32.79      |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 68                | 1.49       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 120               | 2.62       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 20                | 0.44       |
| Current fallows                            | 65                | 1.42       |
| Net area sown                              | 543               | 11.86      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### 13.10.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.10.2 Forest Cover of **Himachal Pradesh** (in sq km) % of GA Class Area VDF 3,162.99 5.68 7,100.13 12.75 MDF OF 5,179.83 9.30 Total 15,442.95 27.73 0.58 Scrub 321.78

Figure 13.10.1 Forest Cover of Himachal Pradesh

### Table 13.10.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| District                    | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Assessment         |                |           |       | Change                      | Scrub  |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                             | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Bilaspur <sup>H</sup>       | 1,167         | 21.25                   | 192.03                  | 168.30         | 381.58    | 32.70 | 0.88                        | 1.93   |
| Chamba <sup>™</sup>         | 6,522         | 767.89                  | 1,011.92                | 673.51         | 2,453.32  | 37.62 | -1.84                       | 21.49  |
| Hamirpur <sup>H</sup>       | 1,118         | 37.85                   | 115.40                  | 203.17         | 356.42    | 31.85 | 1.52                        | 12.20  |
| Kangra <sup>H</sup>         | 5,739         | 297.56                  | 1,289.74                | 769.97         | 2,357.27  | 41.08 | 3.08                        | 16.42  |
| Kinnaur™                    | 6,401         | 79.81                   | 329.28                  | 236.22         | 645.31    | 10.08 | -0.68                       | 61.94  |
| Kullu <sup>H</sup>          | 5,503         | 587.59                  | 877.60                  | 510.38         | 1,975.57  | 35.90 | -0.72                       | 25.10  |
| Lahaul & Spiti <sup>™</sup> | 13,841        | 15.00                   | 30.67                   | 113.18         | 158.85    | 1.15  | -1.50                       | 14.59  |
| Mandi <sup>H</sup>          | 3,950         | 371.74                  | 757.03                  | 646.60         | 1,775.37  | 44.95 | 2.35                        | 20.25  |
| Shimla <sup>H</sup>         | 5,131         | 764.89                  | 1,073.52                | 584.10         | 2,422.51  | 47.21 | 3.10                        | 31.28  |
| Sirmaur <sup>H</sup>        | 2,825         | 156.98                  | 669.54                  | 567.04         | 1,393.56  | 49.33 | 2.69                        | 55.52  |
| Solan <sup>H</sup>          | 1,936         | 43.78                   | 443.56                  | 403.52         | 890.86    | 46.02 | 0.57                        | 52.33  |
| Una <sup>H</sup>            | 1,540         | 18.65                   | 309.84                  | 303.84         | 632.33    | 41.06 | -0.02                       | 8.73   |
| Grand Total                 | 55,673        | 3,162.99                | 7,100.13                | 5,179.83       | 15,442.95 | 27.73 | 9.43                        | 321.78 |

# 13.10.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

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Table 13.10.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Co<br>(or Greer | over Outside th<br>n Wash) | e Recorded Fo | orest Area |       |
|--|--------|--------|------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|------------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total                  | VDF                        | MDF           | OF         | Total |
| 2,820  | 4,923  | 2,901  | 10,644                 | 343                        | 2,177         | 2,279      | 4,799 |
| 26.49%   | 46.25% | 27.26% |                        | 7.15%                      | 45.36%        | 47.49%     |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Himachal Pradesh, Green Wash boundaries have been used.

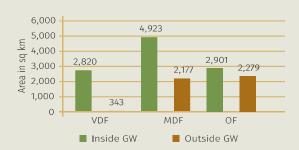


Fig 13.10.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Himachal Pradesh

Table 13.10.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |       |       |        |           |  |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|--|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 3,110 | 3               | 0     | 0     | 0      | 3,113     |  |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 51    | 7,068           | 5     | 1     | 1      | 7,126     |  |  |
| Open Forest             | 2     | 29              | 5,150 | 1     | 13     | 5,195     |  |  |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 2     | 312   | 1      | 315       |  |  |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 0               | 23    | 8     | 39,893 | 39,924    |  |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 3,163 | 7,100           | 5,180 | 322   | 39,908 | 55,673    |  |  |
| Net Change              | 50    | -26             | -15   | 7     | -16    |           |  |  |

Table 13.10.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 2,925             | 25    | 448   | 358   | 831    | 16    |
| 500-1000          | 7,625             | 234   | 1,917 | 1,577 | 3,728  | 63    |
| 1000-2000         | 9,628             | 696   | 1,677 | 1,562 | 3,935  | 125   |
| 2000-3000         | 8,101             | 1,836 | 2,207 | 1,057 | 5,100  | 30    |
| 3000-4000         | 6,848             | 372   | 847   | 617   | 1,836  | 71    |
| >4000             | 20,546            | 0     | 4     | 9     | 13     | 17    |
| Total             | 55,673            | 3,163 | 7,100 | 5,180 | 15,443 | 322   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.10.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 6,362             | 90    | 427   | 545   | 1,062  | 28    |
| 5-10               | 5,614             | 153   | 804   | 707   | 1,664  | 27    |
| 10-15              | 6,424             | 284   | 979   | 726   | 1,989  | 36    |
| 15-20              | 7,274             | 425   | 1,072 | 730   | 2,227  | 45    |
| 20-25              | 7,570             | 503   | 1,076 | 693   | 2,272  | 49    |
| 25-30              | 7,224             | 521   | 999   | 613   | 2,133  | 46    |
| >30                | 15,205            | 1,187 | 1,743 | 1,166 | 4,096  | 91    |
| Total              | 55,673            | 3,163 | 7,100 | 5,180 | 15,443 | 322   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

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Very Dense Forest

Moderately Dense Forest

Open Forest

Scrub

Non-Forest

Water-bodies

International Boundary

State Boundary

District Boundary

Capital

Figure 13.10.3
Forest Cover
Map of
Himachal
Pradesh

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# 13.10.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Himachal Pradesh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.10.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

|   | f the total pped area* 1.02 0.46 12.29 0.73 0.03 |
|---|--|
| 2.5B/C1a Dry Siwalik sal forest94.503.5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest2,516.364.5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub150.515.5/DS3 Euphorbia scrub5.15 | 0.46<br>12.29<br>0.73                            |
| 3.5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest2,516.364.5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub150.515.5/DS3 Euphorbia scrub5.15                                     | 12.29<br>0.73                                    |
| 4.       5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub       150.51         5.       5/DS3 Euphorbia scrub       5.15   | 0.73   |
| 5.         5/DS3 Euphorbia scrub         5.15   |  |
|   | 0.03   |
| 6. 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes 80.63   |  |
|   | 0.39   |
| 7. 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest 1.27   | 0.01   |
| 8. 9/C1a Lower or Siwalik chir pine forest 1,434.74   | 7.01   |
| 9. 9/C1b Upper or Himalayan chir pine forest 1,324.88   | 6.47   |
| 10. 9/C1/DS1 Himalayan subtropical scrub 81.49  | 0.40   |
| 11. 12/C1a <i>Ban</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. incana</i> ) 813.58  | 3.97   |
| 12. 12/C1b <i>Moru</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. dilatata</i> ) 11.58  | 0.06   |
| 13. 12/C1c Moist deodar forest ( <i>Cedrus</i> ) 2,117.65   | 10.34  |
| 14. 12/C1d Western mixed coniferous forest (spruce, blue pine, silver fir) 2,875.96   | 14.05  |
| 15. 12/C1e Moist temperate deciduous forest 109.80  | 0.54   |
| 16. 12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> ) 467.73  | 2.28   |
| 17. 12/C1/DS1 Oak scrub 235.36  | 1.15   |
| 18. 12/C1/DS2 Himalayan temperate secondary scrub 128.51  | 0.63   |
| 19. 12/C2a Kharsu oak forest ( <i>Q. semecarpifolia</i> ) 153.51  | 0.75   |
| 20. 12/C2b West Himalayan upper oak/fir forest 141.84   | 0.69   |
| 21. 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes 12.00  | 0.06   |
| 22. 12/E1 Cypress forest 8.64   | 0.04   |
| 23. 12/1S1 Alder forest 3.58  | 0.02   |
| 24. 13/C1 Dry broadleaved and coniferous forest ( <i>Q. ilex-P. gerardiana</i> ) 7.43   | 0.04   |
| 25. 13/C2a Neoza pine forest ( <i>P. gerardiana</i> ) 129.54  | 0.63   |
| 26. 13/C2b Dry deodar forest ( <i>Cedrus</i> ) 228.73   | 1.12   |
| 27. 13/C3 West Himalayan dry temperate deciduous forest 0.11  | 0.00   |
| 28. 13/C4 West Himalayan high level dry blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> ) 69.56  | 0.34   |
| 29. 13/C5 West Himalayan dry juniper forest ( <i>J. macropoda</i> ) 62.56   | 0.30   |
| 30. 13/1S2 <i>Populus/Salix</i> forest 4.58   | 0.02   |
| 31. 14/C1a West Himalayan sub-alpine fir forest 119.77  | 0.58   |
| 32. 14/C1b West Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest 541.70  | 2.65   |
| 33. 15/C1 Birch/ <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub forest 45.62   | 0.22   |
| 34. 15/C2 Deciduous alpine scrub 9.78   | 0.05   |
| 35. 15/E1 Dwarf <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub 2.65  | 0.01   |
| 36. 16/C1 Dry alpine scrub 148.12   | 0.72   |

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                   | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 37.        | 16/E1 Dwarf juniper scrub                     | 187.58    | 0.92                        |
|            | Sub Total                                     | 14,535.63 | 70.99                       |
| 38.        | TOF/Plantation                                | 1,213.17  | 5.92                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                  | 15,748.80 |                             |
|            | Grassland Forest Types (outside forest cover) |           |                             |
| 39.        | 12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures           | 1,004.58  | 4.91                        |
| 40.        | 15/C3 Alpine pastures                         | 3,721.73  | 18.18                       |
|            | Sub Total                                     | 4,726.31  | 23.09                       |
|            | Grand Total                                   | 20,475.11 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total Map Area, therefore, is some of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types(found in non-forest)

### 13.10.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

### **Table 13.10.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 6.81            | 0.04                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 305.56          | 1.98                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 999.03          | 6.47                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 14,131.60       | 91.51                      |
|            | Total                        | 15,443.00       | 100.00                     |

Figure 13.10.4
Fire prone
forest areas
under
different fire
prone classes

# Extremely Fire Prone Very Highly Fire Prone Highly Fire Prone Moderately Fire Prone Less Fire Prone Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Ocapital

### 13.10.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Himachal Pradesh has been estimated as given in following table.

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#### Table 13.10.10 Tree Cover in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 829             | 675             | -154                       |

### 13.10.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.10.11 Extent of TOF in Himachal Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 4,799                           | 675        | 5,474         |

### 13.10.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Himachal Pradesh is given in the Table 13.10.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.10.13.

### Table 13.10.12 Growing Stock in Himachal Pradesh

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 347.07             | 345.62             | -1.45                         | 7.88                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 25.19              | 28.30              | 3.11                          | 1.59                 |

### Table 13.10.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Himachal Pradesh

(in '000)

|         |                  | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species          | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Pinus roxburghii | 52,131         | 20,874 | 1,766 |
| 2.      | Cedrus deodara   | 35,634         | 13,880 | 3,805 |
| 3.      | Pinus excelsa    | 30,638         | 12,142 | 3,643 |
| 4.      | Abies pindrow    | 11,169         | 9,017  | 3,043 |
| 5.      | Abies smithiana  | 13,471         | 5,459  | 4,260 |

# 13.10.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Himachal Pradesh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.10.14 and Table 13.10.15 respectively

Table 13.10.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Himachal Pradesh

| _          |                          |                           |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
| 1.         | Pinus roxburghii         | 23.05                     |
| 2.         | Cedrus deodara           | 7.95                      |
| 3.         | Acacia catechu           | 5.68                      |
| 4.         | Grewia oppositifolia     | 5.61                      |
| 5.         | Quercus leucotrichophora | 4.93                      |

Table 13.10.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Himachal Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species              | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Pinus roxburghii     | 11.46                     |
| 2.         | Grewia oppositifolia | 7.27                      |
| 3.         | Mangifera indica     | 5.97                      |
| 4.         | Morus spp.           | 5.87                      |
| 5.         | Cedrus deodara       | 4.27                      |

### 13.10.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 258.07 million tonnes (946.26 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 3.58 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Himachal Pradesh is given in the following table.

Table 13.10.16 Forest Carbon in Himachal Pradesh in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 1,14,269      |
| 2.      | BGB          | 31,880        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 2,657         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 3,328         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,05,937      |
|         | Total        | 2,58,071      |



Figure 13.10.5 Forest Carbon in Himachal Pradesh

# 13.10.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.10.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Himachal Pradesh

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 1,027 | 0.69                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 671   | 1.26                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 2,876 | 0.72                        |

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# 13.10.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and Invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.10.18 and Table 13.10.19 respectively.

### Table 13.10.18 Major NTFP species in Himachal Pradesh

| Sl. No. | Species               | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Berberis aristata     | Shrub      | 71.19                  |
| 2.      | Skimmia laureola      | Shrub      | 10.22                  |
| 3.      | Trillidium govanianum | Herbs      | 5.02                   |
| 4.      | Bauhinia vahlii       | Climber    | 4.83                   |
| 5.      | Zanthoxylum armatum   | Shrub      | 4.09                   |

Table 13.10.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Himachal Pradesh (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                | Estimated Extent |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1       | Lantana camara         | 321              |
| 2       | Ageratina adenophora   | 19               |
| 3       | Ageratum conyzoides    | 18               |
| 4       | Melochia corchorifolia | 15               |
| 5       | Dioscorea deltoidea    | 14               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

79,716 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 22° 00' N to 24°37' N Longitude- 83° 15' E to 87° 01' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

32.99 million

Urban 7.93 million (24.05 %) Rural 25.06 million (75.95 %) Tribal 8.65 million (26.21%)

### **Average Population Density**

414 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 18.05 million

No. of Districts

24

No. of Hill Districts

C

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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### Table 13.11.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 7,972             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 7,970             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 2,239             | 28.09      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 1,281             | 16.07      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 127               | 1.59       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 121               | 1.52       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 368               | 4.62       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 1,105             | 13.86      |
| Current fallows                            | 1,285             | 16.13      |
| Net area sown                              | 1,444             | 18.12      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### **13.11.1** Forest Cover

Figure 13.11.1 Forest Cover of Jharkhand



| Table 13.11.2 Forest Cover |            |         |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|------------|---------|--|--|--|
| of Jharl                   | (in sq km) |         |  |  |  |
| Class                      | Area       | % of GA |  |  |  |
| VDF                        | 2,601.05   | 3.26    |  |  |  |
| MDF                        | 9,688.91   | 12.16   |  |  |  |
| OF                         | 11,431.18  | 14.34   |  |  |  |
| Total                      | 23,721.14  | 29.76   |  |  |  |
| Scrub                      | 584.20     | 0.73    |  |  |  |

Table 13.11.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| District                         | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 As                 | sessment       |           | %of   | Change<br>wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment | Scrub  |
|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|---------------------------------------|--------|
|                                  | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    |                                       |        |
| Bokaro                           | 2,883         | 60.99                   | 231.94                  | 283.07         | 576.00    | 19.98 | 2.45                                  | 37.95  |
| Chatra                           | 3,718         | 244.28                  | 871.73                  | 666.08         | 1,782.09  | 47.93 | 4.74                                  | 23.57  |
| Deoghar <sup>™</sup>             | 2,477         | 0.00                    | 14.30                   | 191.50         | 205.80    | 8.31  | 2.09                                  | 14.04  |
| Dhanbad                          | 2,040         | 0.00                    | 44.00                   | 174.18         | 218.18    | 10.70 | 4.67                                  | 16.05  |
| Dumka <sup>™</sup>               | 3,761         | 0.00                    | 259.40                  | 318.23         | 577.63    | 15.36 | 0.32                                  | 44.55  |
| East Singhbhum <sup>™</sup>      | 3,562         | 54.81                   | 591.69                  | 434.19         | 1,080.69  | 30.34 | 1.31                                  | 20.91  |
| Garhwa <sup>™</sup>              | 4,093         | 125.14                  | 415.60                  | 890.98         | 1,431.72  | 34.98 | 40.13                                 | 44.32  |
| Giridih                          | 4,962         | 77.16                   | 338.56                  | 490.19         | 905.91    | 18.26 | 4.67                                  | 28.92  |
| Godda <sup>™</sup>               | 2,266         | 12.81                   | 271.88                  | 138.66         | 423.35    | 18.68 | 0.00                                  | 14.27  |
| <b>G</b> umla <sup>™</sup>       | 5,360         | 304.69                  | 585.81                  | 552.65         | 1,443.15  | 26.92 | 0.89                                  | 8.25   |
| Hazaribagh                       | 3,555         | 230.11                  | 348.54                  | 784.54         | 1,363.19  | 38.35 | 10.42                                 | 15.99  |
| Jamtara <sup>T</sup>             | 1,811         | 0.00                    | 20.84                   | 85.18          | 106.02    | 5.85  | 5.38                                  | 5.32   |
| Khunti <sup>T</sup>              | 2,535         | 72.97                   | 344.59                  | 496.18         | 913.74    | 36.04 | 8.25                                  | 3.11   |
| Koderma                          | 2,540         | 80.80                   | 494.43                  | 447.82         | 1,023.05  | 40.28 | -0.42                                 | 6.37   |
| Latehar <sup>™</sup>             | 4,291         | 480.36                  | 1,308.93                | 613.75         | 2,403.04  | 56.00 | -3.30                                 | 9.30   |
| Lohardaga <sup>™</sup>           | 1,502         | 174.03                  | 218.40                  | 111.99         | 504.42    | 33.58 | -0.20                                 | 7.66   |
| Pakur <sup>T</sup>               | 1,811         | 2.96                    | 172.40                  | 111.64         | 287.00    | 15.85 | -0.13                                 | 20.06  |
| Palamu <sup>™</sup>              | 4,393         | 62.82                   | 512.73                  | 640.18         | 1,215.73  | 27.67 | 14.95                                 | 84.23  |
| Ramgarh                          | 1,341         | 30.96                   | 109.32                  | 190.98         | 331.26    | 24.70 | 2.26                                  | 14.49  |
| Ranchi <sup>T</sup>              | 5,097         | 62.89                   | 363.91                  | 741.98         | 1,168.78  | 22.93 | 4.29                                  | 27.98  |
| Sahibganj <sup>T</sup>           | 2,063         | 17.74                   | 258.73                  | 297.48         | 573.95    | 27.82 | 1.60                                  | 47.53  |
| Saraikela-Kharsawan <sup>™</sup> | 2,657         | 22.03                   | 213.84                  | 338.73         | 574.60    | 21.63 | 0.56                                  | 21.87  |
| Simdega <sup>™</sup>             | 3,774         | 21.97                   | 343.54                  | 877.89         | 1,243.40  | 32.95 | 2.48                                  | 20.28  |
| West Singhbhum <sup>™</sup>      | 7,224         | 461.53                  | 1,353.80                | 1,553.11       | 3,368.44  | 46.63 | 2.32                                  | 47.18  |
| Grand Total                      | 79,716        | 2,601.05                | 9,688.91                | 11,431.18      | 23,721.14 | 29.76 | 109.73                                | 584.20 |

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# 13.11.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

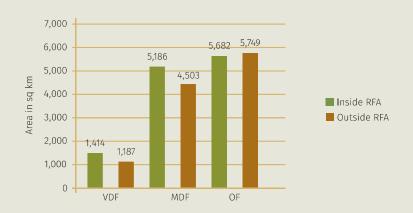
### Table 13.11.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

|        |        |        |        | rest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area  Green Wash)  Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area  (or Green Wash) |        |        | t Area |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|---|--------|--------|--------|
| VDF    | MDF    | OF     | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  |
| 1,414  | 5,186  | 5,682  | 12,282 | 1,187   | 4,503  | 5,749  | 11,439 |
| 11.51% | 42.23% | 46.26% |        | 10.37%  | 39.37% | 50.26% |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Jharkhand, RFA boundaries have been used.

Figure 13.11.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of
RFA in
Jharkhand



### Table 13.11.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| Table 15.11.5 Forest cover change Matrix for Markhana |       |       |        |       |        |           |  |
|---|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|--|
|   |       | Total |        |       |        |           |  |
| Class   | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest                                     | 2,586 | 13    | 3      | 0     | 1      | 2,603     |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest                               | 11    | 9,615 | 34     | 1     | 26     | 9,687     |  |
| Open Forest   | 3     | 37    | 11,164 | 3     | 114    | 11,321    |  |
| Scrub   | 0     | 1     | 61     | 567   | 59     | 688       |  |
| Non Forest  | 1     | 23    | 169    | 13    | 55,211 | 55,417    |  |
| Total ISFR 2021                                       | 2,601 | 9,689 | 11,431 | 584   | 55,411 | 79,716    |  |
| Net Change  | -2    | 2     | 110    | -104  | -6     |           |  |

### Table 13.11.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| Table 15.11.0 Actione Wise Forest cover in Junification |                   |       |       |        |        |       |
|---|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| Altitude Zone (m)                                       | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-500   | 61,272            | 1,041 | 6,726 | 8,385  | 16,152 | 552   |
| 500-1000  | 18,051            | 1,493 | 2,839 | 3,006  | 7,337  | 32    |
| 1000-2000   | 393               | 67    | 124   | 40     | 232    | 0     |
| Total   | 79,716            | 2,601 | 9,689 | 11,431 | 23,721 | 584   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table13.11.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 65,120            | 1,211 | 4,737 | 6,886  | 12,834 | 337   |
| 5-10               | 8,083             | 676   | 2,257 | 2,235  | 5,168  | 111   |
| 10-15              | 3,260             | 384   | 1,284 | 1,104  | 2,772  | 61    |
| 15-20              | 1,790             | 203   | 764   | 641    | 1,608  | 38    |
| 20-25              | 915               | 87    | 399   | 351    | 837    | 22    |
| 25-30              | 390               | 30    | 172   | 157    | 359    | 11    |
| >30                | 158               | 10    | 76    | 57     | 143    | 4     |
| Total              | 79,716            | 2,601 | 9,689 | 11,431 | 23,721 | 584   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

### Figure 13.11.3

Forest Cover Map of Jharkhand

# Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

# 13.11.2 Forest Types

The Area under different forest types of Jharkhand as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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### Table 13.11.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3C/C2e (ii) Moist peninsular low level sal | 566.05    | 2.33                        |
| 2.         | 3C/C2e (iii) Moist peninsular valley sal   | 64.47     | 0.27                        |
| 3.         | 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest           | 12,969.73 | 53.37                       |
| 4.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest  | 8,283.65  | 34.09                       |
| 5.         | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                  | 815.38    | 3.36                        |
| 6.         | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest               | 11.06     | 0.05                        |
| 7.         | 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest                   | 1.03      | 0.00                        |
| 8.         | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                     | 131.84    | 0.54                        |
|            | Sub Total                                  | 22,843.21 | 94.01                       |
| 9.         | TOF/Plantation                             | 1,456.25  | 5.99                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)               | 24,299.46 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

### **Table 13.11.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 47.36        | 0.20                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 480.45       | 2.03                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 2,159.16     | 9.10                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 4,227.02     | 17.82                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 16,807.01    | 70.85                      |
|            | Total                        | 23,721.00    | 100.00                     |
|            |                              |              |                            |

# 13.11.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

### Figure 13.11.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary

District Boundary

Capital

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### 13.11.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Jharkhand has been estimated as given in following table.

### Table 13.11.10 Tree Cover in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 2,657           | 2,867           | 210                        |

### 13.11.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.11.11 Extent of TOF in Jharkhand

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 11,439                          | 2,867      | 14,306        |

### 13.11.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Jharkhand is given in the Table 13.11.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.11.13.

### Table 13.11.12 Growing Stock in Jharkhand

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 96.22              | 100.80             | 4.58                          | 2.30                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 71.93              | 74.35              | 2.42                          | 4.18                 |

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Table 13.11.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Jharkhand

(in '000)

|         |                          | Dia class (cm) |        |     |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|--------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60 |
| 1.      | Shorea robusta           | 1,81,819       | 12,537 | 834 |
| 2.      | Terminalia tomentosa     | 21,830         | 2,778  | 128 |
| 3.      | Madhuca latifolia        | 16,832         | 3,596  | 422 |
| 4.      | Anogeissus latifolia     | 18,487         | 1,375  | 0   |
| 5.      | Lagerstroemia parviflora | 18,217         | 1,559  | 0   |

### 13.11.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Jharkhand in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.11.14 and Table 13.11.15 respectively.

Table 13.11.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Jharkhand

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Shorea robusta        | 12.37                     |
| 2.         | Butea monosperma      | 10.28                     |
| 3.         | Acacia auriculiformis | 8.25                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica      | 7.41                      |
| 5.         | Phoenix sylvestris    | 6.26                      |

Table 13.11.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Jharkhand

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica         | 11.71                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica       | 7.75                      |
| 3.         | <i>Moringa</i> spp.      | 7.53                      |
| 4.         | Cassia siamea            | 7.08                      |
| 5.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 4.90                      |

### 13.11.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 184.81 million tonnes (677.64 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.57 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Jharkhand is given in the following table.

Table 13.11.16 Forest Carbon in

Jharkhand in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 51,017        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 20,189        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 774           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 2,536         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,09,665      |
|         | Total        | 1,84,811      |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.11.5 Forest Carbon in Jharkhand

# 13.11.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.11.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Jharkhand

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 3,717 | 2.49                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 996   | 1.87                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 6,147 | 1.53                        |

# 13.11.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.11.18 and Table 13.11.19 respectively.

Table 13.11.18 Major NTFP species in Jharkhand

| Sl. No. | Species               | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Shorea robusta        | Tree       | 66.89                  |
| 2.      | Buchanania lanzan     | Tree       | 7.63                   |
| 3.      | Madhuca indica        | Tree       | 7.25                   |
| 4.      | Diospyros melanoxylon | Tree       | 5.14                   |
| 5.      | Butea monosperma      | Tree       | 4.15                   |

Table 13.11.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Jharkhand (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara        | 342              |
| 2.      | Chromolaena odorata   | 85               |
| 3.      | Ageratum houstonianum | 18               |
| 4.      | Acacia farnesiana     | 14               |
| 5.      | Imperata cylindrica   | 3                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

1,91,791 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 11° 30' N to 18° 30' N Longitude- 74° 00' E to 78° 30' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

61.10 million

Urban 23.63 million (38.67%) Rural 37.47 million (61.33%) Tribal 4.25 million (6.96%)

### **Average Population Density**

319 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 27.70 million

No. of Districts

30

No. of Hill Districts

6

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

5

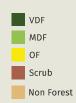
### Table 13.12.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 19,179            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 19,050            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 3,073             | 16.13      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 2,294             | 12.04      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 905               | 4.75       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 274               | 1.44       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 400               | 2.10       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 688               | 3.61       |
| Current fallows                            | 1,521             | 7.99       |
| Net area sown                              | 9,895             | 51.94      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### **13.12.1** Forest Cover

Figure 13.12.1 Forest Cover of Karnataka



| Table 13.12.2 Forest Cover |   |  |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|--|
| of Karnataka               |   |  |  |
| Area                       | % of GA                                     |  |  |
| 4,532.94                   | 2.36  |  |  |
| 20,984.85                  | 10.94                                       |  |  |
| 13,212.20                  | 6.89  |  |  |
| 38,729.99                  | 20.19                                       |  |  |
| 4,610.76                   | 2.40  |  |  |
|                            | Area 4,532.94 20,984.85 13,212.20 38,729.99 |  |  |

Table 13.12.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| District                      | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                | %of       | Change | Scrub                       |          |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                               | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA     | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Bagalkot                      | 6,552         | 0.00                    | 18.99                   | 238.24         | 257.23    | 3.93   | 4.26                        | 393.02   |
| Ballari                       | 8,461         | 0.00                    | 110.19                  | 627.30         | 737.49    | 8.72   | -1.73                       | 485.08   |
| Belagavi <sup>H</sup>         | 13,433        | 35.99                   | 736.99                  | 392.68         | 1,165.66  | 8.68   | 24.06                       | 671.67   |
| Bengaluru                     | 2,196         | 0.00                    | 24.88                   | 263.60         | 288.48    | 13.14  | 1.05                        | 7.45     |
| Bengaluru Rural               | 2,298         | 0.00                    | 24.04                   | 133.98         | 158.02    | 6.88   | -4.73                       | 27.00    |
| Bidar                         | 5,448         | 0.00                    | 21.48                   | 76.10          | 97.58     | 1.79   | 9.16                        | 46.28    |
| Chamarajanagar                | 5,648         | 93.19                   | 1,525.16                | 1,112.85       | 2,731.20  | 48.36  | 7.01                        | 125.82   |
| Chikkamagaluru™               | 7,202         | 901.63                  | 2,584.95                | 478.92         | 3,965.50  | 55.06  | 13.72                       | 77.10    |
| Chikkballapura                | 4,244         | 0.00                    | 19.73                   | 255.59         | 275.32    | 6.49   | 5.62                        | 184.37   |
| Chitradurga                   | 8,436         | 0.00                    | 47.06                   | 559.94         | 607.00    | 7.20   | 30.39                       | 618.33   |
| Dakshina Kannada <sup>™</sup> | 4,861         | 557.88                  | 1,471.73                | 1,035.37       | 3,064.98  | 63.05  | 0.32                        | 2.85     |
| Davanagere                    | 5,924         | 11.00                   | 167.02                  | 535.56         | 713.58    | 12.05  | 4.01                        | 323.80   |
| Dharwad                       | 4,260         | 0.00                    | 223.71                  | 151.20         | 374.91    | 8.80   | 0.49                        | 3.52     |
| Gadag                         | 4,657         | 0.00                    | 0.23                    | 140.82         | 141.05    | 3.03   | -0.57                       | 117.63   |
| Hassan                        | 6,814         | 147.67                  | 771.51                  | 565.63         | 1,484.81  | 21.79  | 6.37                        | 73.39    |
| Haveri                        | 4,823         | 0.00                    | 144.76                  | 202.37         | 347.13    | 7.20   | 3.88                        | 102.29   |
| Kalaburagi                    | 10,954        | 0.00                    | 91.93                   | 102.96         | 194.89    | 1.78   | -0.16                       | 40.89    |
| Kodagu <sup>™</sup>           | 4,102         | 794.32                  | 1,886.30                | 577.29         | 3,257.91  | 79.42  | -5.47                       | 2.16     |
| Kolar                         | 3,979         | 0.00                    | 58.05                   | 325.67         | 383.72    | 9.64   | 2.33                        | 67.95    |
| Koppal                        | 5,570         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 35.96          | 35.96     | 0.65   | 2.64                        | 168.95   |
| Mandya                        | 4,962         | 0.00                    | 114.15                  | 394.18         | 508.33    | 10.24  | 9.01                        | 103.68   |
| Mysuru <sup>™</sup>           | 6,307         | 124.96                  | 586.74                  | 351.35         | 1,063.05  | 16.86  | 10.22                       | 36.02    |
| Raichur                       | 8,442         | 0.00                    | 0.94                    | 43.29          | 44.23     | 0.52   | 0.00                        | 184.91   |
| Ramanagara                    | 3,516         | 0.00                    | 196.71                  | 477.30         | 674.01    | 19.17  | 9.32                        | 176.23   |
| Shivamogga <sup>H</sup>       | 8,478         | 481.89                  | 2,827.90                | 963.39         | 4,273.18  | 50.40  | 2.40                        | 22.33    |
| Tumakuru                      | 10,597        | 0.00                    | 72.34                   | 1,250.73       | 1,323.07  | 12.49  | 39.03                       | 402.96   |
| Udupi <sup>™</sup>            | 3,582         | 216.53                  | 1,383.74                | 656.46         | 2,256.73  | 63.00  | <b>-</b> 26.65              | 0.00     |
| Uttara Kannada <sup>H</sup>   | 10,277        | 1,167.88                | 5,856.60                | 1,106.46       | 8,130.94  | 79.12  | 7.19                        | 3.49     |
| Vijayapura                    | 10,498        | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 27.12          | 27.12     | 0.26   | 2.07                        | 8.71     |
| Yadgir                        | 5,270         | 0.00                    | 17.02                   | 129.89         | 146.91    | 2.79   | -0.73                       | 132.88   |
| Grand Total                   | 1,91,791      | 4,532.94                | 20,984.85               | 13,212.20      | 38,729.99 | 20.19  | 154.51                      | 4,610.76 |

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# 13.12.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.12.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |       |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|---|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
|  | VDF    | MDF    | OF  | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  |
|  | 3,679  | 12,721 | 6,148   | 22,548 | 854   | 8,264  | 7,064  | 16,182 |
|  | 16.32% | 56.41% | 27.27%  |        | 5.28% | 51.07% | 43.65% |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Karnataka, RFA boundaries have been used.



Figure 13.12.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of RFA
in Karnataka

Table 13.12.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Karnataka

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |        |       |          |           |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF     | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 4,499 | 0               | 0      | 0     | 2        | 4,501     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 34    | 20,954          | 2      | 0     | 58       | 21,048    |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 12              | 12,898 | 19    | 97       | 13,026    |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 1               | 71     | 4,381 | 31       | 4,484     |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 18              | 241    | 211   | 1,48,262 | 1,48,732  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 4,533 | 20,985          | 13,212 | 4,611 | 1,48,450 | 1,91,791  |
| Net Change              | 32    | -63             | 186    | 127   | -282     |           |

### Table 13.12.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 41,511            | 1,457 | 5,755  | 2,917  | 10,129 | 318   |
| 500-1000          | 1,46,593          | 2,618 | 13,490 | 9,789  | 25,897 | 4,213 |
| 1000-2000         | 3,687             | 458   | 1,740  | 506    | 2,704  | 80    |
| Total             | 1,91,791          | 4,533 | 20,985 | 13,212 | 38,730 | 4,611 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.12.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,61,569          | 949   | 9,552  | 8,576  | 19,077 | 2,686 |
| 5-10               | 15,763            | 978   | 5,364  | 2,408  | 8,750  | 1,004 |
| 10-15              | 6,715             | 905   | 2,890  | 900    | 4,695  | 387   |
| 15-20              | 3,796             | 721   | 1,640  | 618    | 2,979  | 275   |
| 20-25              | 2,122             | 482   | 848    | 370    | 1,700  | 158   |
| 25-30              | 1,085             | 259   | 450    | 203    | 912    | 73    |
| >30                | 741               | 239   | 241    | 137    | 617    | 28    |
| Total              | 1,91,791          | 4,533 | 20,985 | 13,212 | 38,730 | 4,611 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

### Figure 13.12.3

Forest Cover Map of Karnataka





### 13.12.2

# **Forest Types**

The Area under different forest types of Karnataka as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.



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Table 13.12.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 1A/C4 West Coast tropical evergreen forest                   | 5,143.60  | 11.91                       |
| 2.         | 2A/C2 West Coast semi-evergreen forest                       | 4,366.52  | 10.11                       |
| 3.         | 2A/2S1 West Coast secondary evergreen Dipterocarp forest     | 326.31    | 0.76                        |
| 4.         | 2/E3 Moist bamboo brakes                                     | 1.79      | 0.00                        |
| 5.         | 2/E4 Lateritic semi-evergreen forest                         | 155.60    | 0.36                        |
| 6.         | 3B/C1a Very moist teak forest                                | 84.59     | 0.20                        |
| 7.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest                                     | 1,771.05  | 4.10                        |
| 8.         | 3B/C1c Slightly moist teak forest                            | 942.15    | 2.18                        |
| 9.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest                  | 4,718.62  | 10.93                       |
| 10.        | 3B/C2/2S1 Southern secondary moist mixed deciduous forest    | 657.51    | 1.52                        |
| 11.        | 4B/TS1 Mangrove scrub  | 10.04     | 0.02                        |
| 12.        | 5A/C1a Very dry teak forest                                  | 20.47     | 0.05                        |
| 13.        | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                                       | 2,427.23  | 5.62                        |
| 14.        | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest                    | 3,093.68  | 7.17                        |
| 15.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                                    | 2,950.85  | 6.83                        |
| 16.        | 5/E4 <i>Hardwickia</i> forest                                | 409.55    | 0.95                        |
| 17.        | 5/E7 Laterite thorn forest                                   | 122.34    | 0.28                        |
| 18.        | 5/2S1 Secondary dry deciduous forest                         | 37.43     | 0.09                        |
| 19.        | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest                                  | 1,891.25  | 4.39                        |
| 20.        | 6A/DS1 Southern thorn scrub                                  | 3,220.54  | 7.46                        |
| 21.        | 8A/C1 Nilgiri subtropical hill forest                        | 364.46    | 0.84                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 32,715.58 | 75.77                       |
| 22.        | TOF/Plantation   | 10,343.97 | 23.96                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                                 | 43,059.55 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)                |           |                             |
| 23.        | 5/DS4 Dry grassland  | 51.11     | 0.12                        |
| 24.        | 8A/C1/DS1 South Indian sub-tropical hill savannah (woodland) | 66.82     | 0.15                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 117.93    | 0.27                        |
|            | Grand Total  | 43,177.48 | 100.00                      |

\*Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

### **Table 13.12.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 71.58        | 0.18                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 930.93       | 2.40                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 2,506.25     | 6.47                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 2,989.30     | 7.72                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 32,231.94    | 83.23                      |
|            | Total                        | 38,730.00    | 100.00                     |

### 13.12.3

# Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

### Figure 13.12.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



### 13.12.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Karnataka has been estimated as given in following table.

### Table 13.12.10 Tree Cover in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 6,257           | 7,494           | 1,237                      |

### 13.12.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.12.11 Extent of TOF in Karnataka

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 16,182                          | 7,494      | 23,676        |

### 13.12.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Karnataka is given in the Table 13.12.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.12.13.

### Table 13.12.12 Growing Stock in Karnataka

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 334.08             | 302.14             | -31.94                        | 6.89                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 103.03             | 121.72             | 18.69                         | 6.84                 |

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Table 13.12.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Karnataka

(in '000)

|         |                          | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Terminalia paniculata    | 44,233         | 12,727 | 2,690 |
| 2.      | Tectona grandis          | 36,695         | 8,889  | 796   |
| 3.      | Xylia xylocarpa          | 29,607         | 8,914  | 700   |
| 4.      | Terminalia tomentosa     | 28,690         | 8,335  | 1,446 |
| 5.      | Lagerstroemia lanceolata | 10,310         | 5,209  | 1,008 |

### 13.12.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Karnataka in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.12.14 and Table 13.12.15 respectively.

Table 13.12.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Karnataka

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu         | 22.99                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera        | 12.81                     |
| 3.         | Azadirachta indica    | 11.66                     |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica      | 6.11                      |
| 5.         | Acacia auriculiformis | 3.74                      |

Table 13.12.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Karnataka

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera        | 24.80                     |
| 2.         | Areca catechu         | 21.01                     |
| 3.         | Acacia auriculiformis | 4.93                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica      | 4.61                      |
| 5.         | Tectona grandis       | 3.55                      |
|            |                       |                           |

### 13.12.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 376.40 million tonnes (1,380.13 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 5.22 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Karnataka is given in the following table.

Table 13.12.16 Forest Carbon in
Karnataka in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |  |  |  |
|---------|--------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| 1.      | AGB          | 1,22,741      |  |  |  |
| 2.      | BGB 36,7°    |               |  |  |  |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 2,890         |  |  |  |
| 4.      | Litter       | 6,380         |  |  |  |
| 5.      | SOC          | 2,07,668      |  |  |  |
|         | Total        | 3,76,395      |  |  |  |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.12.5 Forest Carbon in Karnataka

### 13.12.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.12.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Karnataka

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 8,624  | 5.77                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 2,653  | 4.97                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 35,008 | 8.71                        |

# 13.12.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.12.18 and Table 13.12.19 respectively.

Table 13.12.18 Major NTFP species in Karnataka

| Sl. No. | Species  | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Cymbopogan citrates  | Herbs      | 45.51                  |
| 2.      | Piper spp./Piper longum/<br>Piper mullesua   | Climber    | 19.55                  |
| 3.      | Asparagus racemosa   | Climber    | 13.78                  |
| 4.      | Curcuma aromatica  | Herbs      | 7.69                   |
| 5.      | Ocimum spp. (Ocimum<br>gratissimum/Ocimum sanctum<br>/Ocimum tenuiflorum/ Ocimum americanum) | Herbs      | 6.41                   |

Table 13.12.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Karnataka (in sq km

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara      | 1,432            |
| 2.      | Chromolaena odorata | 1,243            |
| 3.      | Ageratum conyzoides | 70               |
| 4.      | Acacia farnesiana   | 61               |
| 5.      | Cassia tora         | 54               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

38,852 sq km

### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 8° 17' N to 12° 47' N Longitude- 74° 52' E to 77° 24' E

### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

33.41 million

Urban 15.94 million (47.70%) Rural 17.47 million (52.30%) Tribal 0.48 million (1.45%)

### **Average Population Density**

860 per sq km

### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 2.73 million

### No. of Districts

14

No. of Hill Districts

10

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

9

### Table 13.13.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 3,886             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 3,886             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,082             | 27.84      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 559               | 14.38      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 2                 | 0.05       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 96                | 2.47       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 49                | 1.27       |
| Current fallows                            | 58                | 1.49       |
| Net area sown                              | 2,040             | 52.50      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

### 13.13.1 Forest Cover

Figure 13.13.1 Forest Cover of Kerala



| Table 13.13.2 Forest Cover |            |         |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|------------|---------|--|--|--|
| of Kerala                  | (in sq km) |         |  |  |  |
| Class                      | Area       | % of GA |  |  |  |
| VDF                        | 1,944.32   | 5.00    |  |  |  |
| MDF                        | 9,472.00   | 24.38   |  |  |  |
| OF 9,837.17                |            | 25.32   |  |  |  |
| Total                      | 21,253.49  | 54.70   |  |  |  |
| Scrub                      | 29.90      | 0.08    |  |  |  |

Table 13.13.3 District-wise Forest Cover in Kerala

(in sq km)

| District                        | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                 | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Alappuzha                       | 1,415         | 0.00                    | 27.00                   | 53.54          | 80.54     | 5.69  | 0.64                        | 0.00  |
| Ernakulam™                      | 3,063         | 165.52                  | 614.40                  | 604.56         | 1,384.48  | 45.20 | 18.77                       | 5.60  |
| Idukki <sup>TH</sup>            | 4,356         | 355.72                  | 1,783.33                | 1,016.27       | 3,155.32  | 72.44 | 4.67                        | 2.51  |
| Kannur <sup>™</sup>             | 2,961         | 58.00                   | 489.63                  | 1,121.23       | 1,668.86  | 56.36 | 14.89                       | 0.18  |
| Kasaragod™                      | 1,989         | 1.90                    | 288.70                  | 692.97         | 983.57    | 49.45 | 17.09                       | 0.00  |
| Kollam™                         | 2,483         | 104.40                  | 656.88                  | 572.50         | 1,333.78  | 53.72 | 11.27                       | 0.00  |
| Kottayam                        | 2,206         | 11.31                   | 525.73                  | 562.01         | 1,099.05  | 49.82 | <b>-</b> 5.24               | 0.00  |
| Kozhikode <sup>H</sup>          | 2,345         | 70.77                   | 409.94                  | 967.11         | 1,447.82  | 61.74 | 10.85                       | 0.80  |
| Malappuram <sup>™</sup>         | 3,554         | 142.67                  | 424.68                  | 1,416.32       | 1,983.67  | 55.82 | 2.34                        | 6.47  |
| Palakkad <sup>™</sup>           | 4,482         | 402.14                  | 637.77                  | 1,063.77       | 2,103.68  | 46.94 | 20.09                       | 12.71 |
| Pathanamthitta                  | 2,652         | 164.92                  | 1,229.12                | 554.88         | 1,948.92  | 73.49 | -6.60                       | 0.51  |
| Thiruvananthapuram <sup>™</sup> | 2,189         | 59.12                   | 702.42                  | 555.50         | 1,317.04  | 60.17 | 13.11                       | 0.07  |
| Thrissur                        | 3,027         | 218.86                  | 477.79                  | 469.60         | 1,166.25  | 38.53 | 7.03                        | 0.62  |
| Wayanad™                        | 2,130         | 188.99                  | 1,204.61                | 186.91         | 1,580.51  | 74.20 | 0.29                        | 0.43  |
| Grand Total                     | 38,852        | 1,944.32                | 9,472.00                | 9,837.17       | 21,253.49 | 54.70 | 109.20                      | 29.90 |

# 13.13.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

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Table 13.13.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Kerala

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover C<br>(or Green Was | Outside the Rec | orded Forest Ar | ea     |        |
|--|--------|--------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|--------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total                           | VDF             | MDF             | OF     | Total  |
| 1,804  | 5,299  | 2,576  | 9,679                           | 140             | 4,173           | 7,261  | 11,574 |
| 18.64%   | 54.75% | 26.61% |                                 | 1.21%           | 36.05%          | 62.74% |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Kerala, RFA boundaries have been used

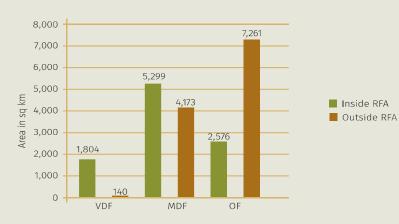


Figure 13.13.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Kerala

Table 13.13.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Kerala

(in sq km)

| 2021 Assessment         |       |       |       | Total |        |           |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 1,928 | 5     | 1     | 0     | 1      | 1,935     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 15    | 9,423 | 35    | 0     | 35     | 9,508     |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 1     | 9,604 | 1     | 95     | 9,701     |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0     | 0     | 13    | 0      | 13        |
| Non Forest              | 1     | 43    | 197   | 16    | 17,438 | 17,695    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 1,944 | 9,472 | 9,837 | 30    | 17,569 | 38,852    |
| Net Change              | 9     | -36   | 136   | 17    | -126   |           |

#### Table 13.13.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Kerala

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 28,678            | 178   | 5,193 | 7,985 | 13,356 | 13    |
| 500-1000          | 6,478             | 837   | 2,889 | 1,167 | 4,893  | 8     |
| 1000-2000         | 3,441             | 750   | 1,343 | 650   | 2,743  | 4     |
| 2000-3000         | 255               | 179   | 47    | 35    | 261    | 5     |
| Total             | 38,852            | 1,944 | 9,472 | 9,837 | 21,253 | 30    |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.13.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Kerala

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 17,923            | 169   | 2,206 | 3,913 | 6,288  | 7     |
| 5-10               | 8,347             | 271   | 2,268 | 2,623 | 5,162  | 5     |
| 10-15              | 4,607             | 322   | 1,713 | 1,432 | 3,467  | 4     |
| 15-20              | 3,051             | 335   | 1,271 | 866   | 2,472  | 4     |
| 20-25              | 2,137             | 305   | 932   | 544   | 1,781  | 4     |
| 25-30              | 1,402             | 236   | 616   | 319   | 1,171  | 4     |
| >30                | 1,385             | 306   | 466   | 140   | 912    | 2     |
| Total              | 38,852            | 1,944 | 9,472 | 9,837 | 21,253 | 30    |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

**Figure 13.13.3**Forest Cover
Map of Kerala



## 13.13.2

# **Forest Types**

The Area under different forest types of Kerala as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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Table 13.13.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Kerala

(in sq km)

|            | 21   |                         | , , ,                       |
|------------|--|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area                    | % of the total mapped area* |
| 1.         | 1A/C3 Southern hilltop tropical evergreen forest     | 294.34                  | 1.38                        |
| 2.         | 1A/C4 West Coast tropical evergreen forest           | 3,005.85                | 14.10                       |
| 3.         | 1/E2 Wet bamboo brakes                               | 25.04                   | 0.12                        |
| 4.         | 1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub                   | 18.60                   | 0.09                        |
| 5.         | 2A/C2 West Coast semi-evergreen forest               | 2,664.21                | 12.50                       |
| 6.         | 3B/C1a Very moist teak forest                        | 162.58                  | 0.76                        |
| 7.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest                             | 130.69                  | 0.61                        |
| 8.         | 3B/C1c Slightly moist teak forest                    | 442.38                  | 2.07                        |
| 9.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest          | 1,704.93                | 8.00                        |
| 10.        | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                               | 8.90                    | 0.04                        |
| 11.        | 4C/FS1 <i>Myristica</i> swamp forest                 | 1.56                    | 0.01                        |
| 12.        | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest            | 331.95                  | 1.56                        |
| 13.        | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest                          | 1.03                    | 0.00                        |
| 14.        | 11A/C1 Southern montane wet temperate forest         | 303.98                  | 1.43                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 9,096.04                | 42.67                       |
| 15.        | TOF/Plantation                                       | 12,061.62               | 56.58                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                         | 21,157.66               |                             |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)        |                         |                             |
| 16.        | 5/DS4 Dry grassland                                  | 11.41                   | 0.05                        |
| 17.        | 11A/C1/DS2 Southern montane wet grassland            | 149.12                  | 0.70                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 160.53                  | 0.75                        |
|            | Grand Total  | 21,318.19               | 100.00                      |
| _          | 11A/C1/DS2 Southern montane wet grassland  Sub Total | 149.12<br><b>160.53</b> | ,                           |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.13.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Table 13.13.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|---------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone      | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone    | 54.79        | 0.26                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone         | 461.06       | 2.17                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone     | 1,266.42     | 5.96                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone           | 19,470.73    | 91.61                      |
|            | Total                     | 21,253.00    | 100.00                     |

#### Figure 13.13.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



#### 13.13.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Kerala has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.13.10 Tree Cover in Kerala

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 2,936           | 2,820           | -116                       |

#### 13.13.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.13.11 Extent of TOF in Kerala

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 11,574                          | 2,820      | 14,394        |

#### 13.13.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Kerala is given in the Table 13.13.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.13.13.

#### Table 13.13.12 Growing Stock in Kerala

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 147.10             | 160.53             | 13.43                         | 3.66                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 55.26              | 61.04              | 5.78                          | 3.43                 |

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Table 13.13.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Kerala

(in '000)

|         |   |        | Dia class (cm) |       |
|---------|---|--------|----------------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species   | 10-30  | 30-60          | >60   |
| 1.      | Tectona grandis                                     | 12,882 | 5,220          | 391   |
| 2.      | Terminalia paniculata                               | 9,523  | 4,809          | 1,455 |
| 3.      | Xylia xylocarpa                                     | 10,490 | 3,941          | 498   |
| 4.      | Syzygium cumini/ jambolanum(Old)/ Eugenia jambolana | 4,159  | 1,677          | 546   |
| 5.      | Lagerstroemia lanceolata/ inicrocarpa               | 1,455  | 1,323          | 601   |

## 13.13.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Kerala in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.13.14 and Table 13.13.15 respectively.

Table 13.13.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Kerala

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Hevea brasiliensis       | 36.01                     |
| 2.         | Areca catechu            | 17.83                     |
| 3.         | Cocos nucifera           | 12.21                     |
| 4.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 4.09                      |
| 5.         | Swietenia mahagoni       | 3.09                      |

Table 13.13.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Kerala

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera           | 33.84                     |
| 2.         | Areca catechu            | 13.42                     |
| 3.         | Hevea brasiliensis       | 8.39                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica         | 6.67                      |
| 5.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 6.37                      |

#### 13.13.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 205.52 million tonnes (753.57 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.85 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Kerala is given in the following table.

Table 13.13.16 Forest Carbon in

| Kerala in | different pools | (in '000 tonnes) |  |  |
|-----------|-----------------|------------------|--|--|
| Sl. No.   | Carbon Pools    | Forest Carbon    |  |  |
| 1.        | AGB             | 61,802           |  |  |
| 2.        | BGB             | 17,440           |  |  |
| 3.        | Dead wood       | 1,534            |  |  |
| 4.        | Litter          | 3,198            |  |  |
| 5.        | SOC             | 1,21,549         |  |  |
|           | Total           | 2,05,523         |  |  |



Figure 13.13.5 Forest Carbon in Kerala

# 13.13.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.13.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Kerala

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 2,404  | 1.61                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 1,087  | 2.04                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 14,681 | 3.65                        |

# 13.13.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.13.18 and Table 13.13.19 respectively.

Table 13.13.18 Major NTFP Species in Kerala

| Sl. No. | Species                                | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Hydrocotyle asiatica                   | Herbs      | 52.01                  |
| 2.      | Piper spp./Piper longum/Piper mullesua | Climber    | 29.93                  |
| 3.      | Curcuma zedoaria                       | Herbs      | 3.68                   |
| 4.      | Rubia cordifolia                       | Climber    | 3.01                   |
| 5.      | Phyllanthus amarus                     | Herbs      | 2.68                   |

Table 13.13.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green wash in Kerala (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species              | Estimated Extent |
|---------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata  | 362              |
| 2.      | Lantana camara       | 87               |
| 3.      | Ageratum conyzoides  | 29               |
| 4.      | Ageratina adenophora | 9                |
| 5.      | Mikania micrantha    | 3                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

3,08,252 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 21° 17' N to 26° 52' N Longitude- 74° 08' E to 82° 49' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

72.63 million

Urban 20.07 million (27.63 %) Rural 52.56 million (72.37 %) Tribal 15.32 million (21.09 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

236 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 36.33 million

**No. of Districts** 

50

No. of Hill Districts

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

24

## Table 13.14.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 30,825            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 30,756            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 8,708             | 28.31      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 3,504             | 11.39      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1,337             | 4.35       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 20                | 0.07       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 967               | 3.14       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 486               | 1.58       |
| Current fallows                            | 543               | 1.77       |
| Net area sown                              | 15,191            | 49.39      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.14.1 Forest Cover

Figure 13.14.1 Forest Cover of Madhya Pradesh

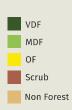


Table 13.14.2 Forest Cover of
Madhya Pradesh (in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of GA |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| VDF   | 6,664.95  | 2.16    |
| MDF   | 34,209.02 | 11.10   |
| OF    | 36,618.63 | 11.88   |
| Total | 77,492.60 | 25.14   |
| Scrub | 5,456.55  | 1.77    |

Table 13.14.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Madhya Pradesh

| District                  | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | essment        |          | % of  | Change                      | Scrub  |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                           | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Alirajpur <sup>™</sup>    | 3,182         | 0.00                    | 207.29                  | 474.06         | 681.35   | 21.41 | -3.07                       | 29.72  |
| Anuppur <sup>™</sup>      | 3,747         | 108.31                  | 337.50                  | 411.66         | 857.47   | 22.88 | -11.21                      | 46.23  |
| Ashoknagar                | 4,674         | 0.00                    | 265.93                  | 421.32         | 687.25   | 14.70 | -1.79                       | 123.91 |
| Balaghat <sup>™</sup>     | 9,229         | 1,407.64                | 2,630.88                | 884.26         | 4,922.78 | 53.34 | <b>-</b> 9.28               | 28.06  |
| Barwani <sup>T</sup>      | 5,427         | 0.00                    | 186.79                  | 717.57         | 904.36   | 16.66 | -23.63                      | 33.67  |
| <b>Betul</b> <sup>T</sup> | 10,043        | 230.11                  | 1,922.32                | 1,510.36       | 3,662.79 | 36.47 | -0.91                       | 157.62 |
| Bhind                     | 4,459         | 0.00                    | 28.08                   | 198.48         | 226.56   | 5.08  | 119.81                      | 283.24 |
| Bhopal                    | 2,772         | 0.00                    | 120.77                  | 207.79         | 328.56   | 11.85 | -0.11                       | 70.31  |
| Burhanpur                 | 3,427         | 57.92                   | 625.89                  | 603.75         | 1,287.56 | 37.57 | <b>-</b> 7.00               | 37.74  |
| Chhatarpur                | 8,687         | 184.01                  | 817.24                  | 755.89         | 1,757.14 | 20.23 | -1.41                       | 282.18 |
| Chhindwara <sup>™</sup>   | 11,815        | 575.68                  | 2,021.61                | 2,010.84       | 4,608.13 | 39.00 | 20.12                       | 284.14 |
| Damoh                     | 7,306         | 2.00                    | 844.92                  | 1,739.79       | 2,586.71 | 35.41 | -0.47                       | 126.22 |
| Datia                     | 2,902         | 0.00                    | 91.13                   | 121.65         | 212.78   | 7.33  | 10.50                       | 68.07  |
| <b>Dewas</b> <sup>T</sup> | 7,020         | 12.00                   | 935.21                  | 1,000.06       | 1,947.27 | 27.74 | -8.60                       | 43.44  |
| <b>Dhar</b> <sup>T</sup>  | 8,153         | 0.00                    | 115.64                  | 528.62         | 644.26   | 7.90  | <b>-</b> 6.99               | 81.95  |
| Dindori <sup>T</sup>      | 7,470         | 1,084.98                | 1,271.24                | 666.21         | 3,022.43 | 40.46 | -9.53                       | 123.13 |
| East Nimar <sup>™</sup>   | 7,352         | 147.80                  | 1,153.11                | 784.48         | 2,085.39 | 28.36 | -3.73                       | 21.94  |
| Guna                      | 6,390         | 2.00                    | 414.00                  | 911.50         | 1,327.50 | 20.77 | -2.24                       | 156.80 |
| Gwalior                   | 4,560         | 1.00                    | 323.69                  | 902.14         | 1,226.83 | 26.90 | 5.65                        | 132.71 |
| Harda <sup>™</sup>        | 3,334         | 19.00                   | 523.70                  | 396.61         | 939.31   | 28.17 | <b>-</b> 16.95              | 3.06   |
| Hoshangabad <sup>™</sup>  | 6,703         | 271.64                  | 1,366.15                | 783.41         | 2,421.20 | 36.12 | -1.45                       | 9.34   |
| Indore                    | 3,898         | 0.00                    | 348.10                  | 326.51         | 674.61   | 17.31 | -4.12                       | 21.69  |
| Jabalpur <sup>T</sup>     | 5,211         | 40.26                   | 501.04                  | 560.53         | 1,101.83 | 21.14 | -12.10                      | 106.51 |
| Jhabua <sup>™</sup>       | 3,600         | 0.00                    | 30.69                   | 189.52         | 220.21   | 6.12  | -1.46                       | 160.07 |
| Katni                     | 4,950         | 93.90                   | 607.87                  | 654.85         | 1,356.62 | 27.41 | <b>-</b> 4.68               | 36.16  |
| Mandla <sup>™</sup>       | 5,800         | 691.78                  | 1,092.55                | 792.65         | 2,576.98 | 44.43 | -0.53                       | 36.93  |
| Mandsaur                  | 5,535         | 0.00                    | 42.01                   | 198.67         | 240.68   | 4.35  | -0.91                       | 108.31 |
| Morena <sup>T</sup>       | 4,989         | 0.00                    | 96.12                   | 665.55         | 761.67   | 15.27 | 21.50                       | 367.86 |

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|                         |               |                         |                         |                |           |       |                             | (in sq km) |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|------------|
| District                | Geo-graphical |                         |                         | sessment       |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub      |
|                         | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |            |
| Narsinghpur             | 5,133         | 61.00                   | 655.81                  | 623.97         | 1,340.78  | 26.12 | -1.98                       | 90.26      |
| Neemuch                 | 4,256         | 0.04                    | 119.22                  | 669.74         | 789.00    | 18.54 | -6.69                       | 387.01     |
| Panna                   | 7,135         | 82.95                   | 1476.06                 | 1,189.59       | 2,748.60  | 38.52 | 5.89                        | 190.67     |
| Raisen                  | 8,466         | 22.55                   | 1,302.18                | 1,346.59       | 2,671.32  | 31.55 | -4.94                       | 142.75     |
| Rajgarh                 | 6,153         | 0.00                    | 37.86                   | 133.94         | 171.80    | 2.79  | -0.29                       | 78.14      |
| Ratlam <sup>™</sup>     | 4,861         | 0.00                    | 2.53                    | 72.63          | 75.16     | 1.55  | 15.31                       | 111.54     |
| Rewa                    | 6,314         | 60.91                   | 377.18                  | 363.11         | 801.20    | 12.69 | 20.05                       | 97.12      |
| Sagar                   | 10,252        | 1.00                    | 1,138.81                | 1,645.43       | 2,785.24  | 27.17 | <b>-</b> 9.30               | 186.83     |
| Satna                   | 7,502         | 12.00                   | 904.19                  | 835.33         | 1,751.52  | 23.35 | -1.38                       | 165.39     |
| Sehore                  | 6,578         | 20.70                   | 614.84                  | 714.61         | 1,350.15  | 20.53 | <b>-</b> 7.75               | 53.85      |
| Seoni <sup>T</sup>      | 8,758         | 237.07                  | 1,787.12                | 1,038.84       | 3,063.03  | 34.97 | -6.56                       | 70.51      |
| Shahdol <sup>T</sup>    | 6,205         | 122.03                  | 818.26                  | 1,014.41       | 1,954.70  | 31.50 | -16.01                      | 44.25      |
| Shajapur                | 6,195         | 0.00                    | 2.44                    | 59.47          | 61.91     | 1.00  | -1.44                       | 64.90      |
| Sheopur <sup>T</sup>    | 6,606         | 6.00                    | 1,394.25                | 2,043.66       | 3,443.91  | 52.13 | -16.09                      | 130.51     |
| Shivpuri                | 10,066        | 18.00                   | 779.39                  | 1,749.14       | 2,546.53  | 25.30 | 6.61                        | 209.74     |
| Sidhi <sup>T</sup>      | 4,851         | 315.96                  | 881.29                  | 805.27         | 2,002.52  | 41.28 | 33.36                       | 47.02      |
| Singrauli <sup>™</sup>  | 5,675         | 393.73                  | 992.29                  | 776.84         | 2,162.86  | 38.11 | <b>-</b> 17.27              | 54.41      |
| Tikamgarh               | 5,048         | 1.00                    | 89.73                   | 295.58         | 386.31    | 7.65  | -0.33                       | 135.96     |
| Ujjain                  | 6,091         | 0.00                    | 2.60                    | 34.10          | 36.70     | 0.60  | 0.48                        | 55.83      |
| Umaria <sup>™</sup>     | 4,076         | 377.98                  | 1,092.66                | 530.60         | 2,001.24  | 49.10 | -21.34                      | 22.90      |
| Vidisha                 | 7,371         | 1.00                    | 344.52                  | 431.24         | 776.76    | 10.54 | -0.70                       | 89.85      |
| West Nimar <sup>™</sup> | 8,025         | 1.00                    | 474.32                  | 825.81         | 1,301.13  | 16.21 | -4.93                       | 46.10      |
| Grand Total             | 3,08,252      | 6,664.95                | 34,209.02               | 36,618.63      | 77,492.60 | 25.14 | 10.11                       | 5,456.55   |

# 13.13.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.14.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Madhya Pradesh (in sq km)

|       | Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        |        |
|-------|--|--------|--------|---|--------|--------|--------|
| VDF   | MDF  | OF     | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  |
| 6,251 | 30,195   | 28,326 | 64,772 | 414   | 4,014  | 8,293  | 12,721 |
| 9.65% | 46.62%   | 43.73% |        | 3.25%   | 31.56% | 65.19% |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Madhya Pradesh, RFA boundaries have been used.

Figure 13.14.2
Forest Cover
Inside and
Outside of
RFA in
Madhya
Pradesh

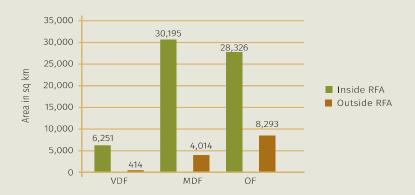


Table 13.14.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Madhya Pradesh

(in sq km)

|                         |       | Total  |        |       |          |           |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 6,660 | 9      | 3      | 0     | 4        | 6,676     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 5     | 34,165 | 51     | 4     | 116      | 34,341    |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 24     | 35,875 | 71    | 495      | 36,465    |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0      | 510    | 5,289 | 203      | 6,002     |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 11     | 180    | 93    | 2,24,484 | 2,24,768  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 6,665 | 34,209 | 36,619 | 5,457 | 2,25,302 | 3,08,252  |
| Net Change              | -11   | -132   | 154    | -545  | 534      |           |

Table 13.14.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Madhya Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 2,31,982          | 2,092 | 20,996 | 25,805 | 48,893 | 4,423 |
| 500-1000          | 75,712            | 4,461 | 13,063 | 10,726 | 28,250 | 1,027 |
| 1000-2000         | 558               | 112   | 150    | 88     | 350    | 7     |
| Total             | 3,08,252          | 6,665 | 34,209 | 36,619 | 77,493 | 5,457 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.14.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Madhya Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 2,65,973          | 3,339 | 21,040 | 25,224 | 49,603 | 4,403 |
| 5-10               | 25,674            | 1,604 | 7,038  | 5,931  | 14,573 | 707   |
| 10-15              | 9,369             | 905   | 3,372  | 2,826  | 7,103  | 224   |
| 15-20              | 4,283             | 470   | 1,626  | 1,498  | 3,594  | 80    |
| 20-25              | 1,884             | 219   | 719    | 719    | 1,657  | 29    |
| 25-30              | 708               | 86    | 271    | 277    | 634    | 9     |
| >30                | 361               | 42    | 143    | 144    | 329    | 5     |
| Total              | 3,08,252          | 6,665 | 34,209 | 36,619 | 77,493 | 5,457 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

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#### Figure 13.14.3

Forest Cover Map of Madhya Pradesh



# 13.14.2 Forest Types

The Area under different forest types of Madhya Pradesh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.14.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Madhya Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                 | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3B/C1c Slightly moist teak forest           | 1,889.89  | 2.26                        |
| 2.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest | 1,909.35  | 2.28                        |
| 3.         | 3C/C2e (i) Moist peninsular high level sal  | 2,746.69  | 3.29                        |
| 4.         | 4E/RS1 Riparian fringing forest             | 15.07     | 0.02                        |
| 5.         | 5A/C1a Very dry teak forest                 | 712.34    | 0.85                        |
| 6.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                      | 22,283.27 | 26.68                       |
| 7.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 20,147.88 | 24.12                       |
| 8.         | 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest            | 4,152.12  | 4.97                        |
| 9.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 15,752.36 | 18.86                       |
| 10.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                   | 5,468.47  | 6.55                        |
| 11.        | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                   | 1.15      | 0.00                        |
| 12.        | 5/E1 Anogeissus pendula forest              | 2,813.01  | 3.37                        |
| 13.        | 5/E1/DS1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> scrub    | 368.80    | 0.44                        |
| 14.        | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                | 388.48    | 0.46                        |
| 15.        | 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest                    | 194.38    | 0.23                        |
| 16.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                      | 734.60    | 0.88                        |
| 17.        | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest             | 1,370.77  | 1.64                        |
| 18.        | 6B/C2 Ravine thorn forest                   | 882.97    | 1.06                        |

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Type                                   | Area      | % of the total |
|-----|---|-----------|----------------|
| No. |   |           | mapped area*   |
| 19. | 8A/C3 Central Indian subtropical hill forest  | 1.35      | 0.00           |
|     | Sub Total                                     | 81,832.95 | 97.96          |
| 20. | TOF/Plantation                                | 1,651.45  | 1.98           |
|     | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                  | 83,484.40 |                |
|     | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover) |           |                |
| 21. | 3C/C2/DS1 Moist sal savannah                  | 40.41     | 0.05           |
| 22. | 5/DS4 Dry grassland                           | 6.83      | 0.01           |
|     | Total   | 47.24     | 0.06           |
|     | Grand Total                                   | 83,531.64 | 100.00         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019).Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.14.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### Figure 13.14.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

#### LEGEND

Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

**Table 13.14.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 336.52       | 0.43                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 4,730.92     | 6.11                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 10,889.70    | 14.05                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 15,231.85    | 19.66                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 46,304.01    | 59.75                      |
|            | Total                        | 77,493.00    | 100.00                     |

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#### 13.14.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Madhya Pradesh has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.14.10 Tree Cover in Madhya Pradesh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 8,339           | 8,054           | -285                       |

## 13.14.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.14.11 Extent of TOF in Madhya Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 12,721                          | 8,054      | 20,775        |

## 13.14.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Madhya Pradesh is given in the Table 13.14.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.14.13

#### Table 13.14.12 Growing Stock in Madhya Pradesh

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 342.62             | 374.44             | 31.82                         | 8.53                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 106.39             | 118.05             | 11.66                         | 6.63                 |

#### Table 13.14.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Madhya Pradesh (in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |        |     |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|--------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60 |
| 1.      | Tectona grandis      | 3,00,466       | 34,156 | 0   |
| 2.      | Shorea robusta       | 1,03,481       | 31,613 | 987 |
| 3.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 79,178         | 9,423  | 313 |
| 4.      | Lannea coromandelica | 69,528         | 13,578 | 126 |
| 5.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 57,431         | 18,915 | 383 |

#### 13.14.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Madhya Pradesh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.14.14 and Table 13.14.15 respectively.

Table 13.14.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Madhya Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Butea monosperma    | 19.34                     |
| 2.         | Acacia arabica      | 13.15                     |
| 3.         | Azadirachta indica  | 7.10                      |
| 4.         | Zizyphus mauritiana | 6.40                      |
| 5.         | Tectona grandis     | 6.37                      |

Table 13.14.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) Madhya Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica    | 13.85                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica      | 11.09                     |
| 3.         | Leucaena leucocephala | 7.12                      |
| 4.         | Psidium guajava       | 6.89                      |
| 5.         | Zizyphus mauritiana   | 3.84                      |

#### 13.14.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 609.25 million tonnes (2,233.92 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 8.46 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Madhya Pradesh is given in the following table.

Table 13.14.16 Forest Carbon in Madhya
Pradesh in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 1,71,587      |
| 2.      | BGB          | 67,160        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 2,676         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 8,356         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 3,59,174      |
|         | Total        | 6,09,250      |

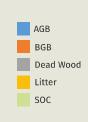


Figure 13.14.5 Forest Carbon in Madhya Pradesh

# 13.14.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Madhya Pradesh

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Table 13.14.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Madhya Pradesh

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 18,394 | 12.31                       |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 4,762  | 8.93                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 22,284 | 5.54                        |

# 13.14.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.14.18 and Table 13.14.19 respectively.

Table 13.14.18 Major NTFP species in Madhya Pradesh

| Sl. No. | Species                          | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Helicteres isora                 | Shrub      | 43.71                  |
| 2.      | Buchanania Lanzan                | Tree       | 28.62                  |
| 3.      | Boswellia serrata                | Tree       | 12.44                  |
| 4.      | Embilica officinalis/Phyllanthus | Tree       | 7.49                   |
| 5.      | Terminalia belerica              | Tree       | 2.71                   |

Table 13.14.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green wash in Madhya Pradesh (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species              | Estimated Extent |
|---------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara       | 2,852            |
| 2.      | Cassia tora          | 1,324            |
| 3.      | Ageratina adenophora | 547              |
| 4.      | Ageratum conyzoides  | 439              |
| 5.      | Senna occidentalis   | 229              |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

307,713 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 15° 35' N to 22° 02' N Longitude- 72° 36' E to 80° 54' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

112.37 million

Urban 50.82 million (45.22 %) Rural 61.55 million (54.78%) Tribal 10.51 million (9.35 %)

# **Average Population Density**

365 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 32.48 million

## **No. of Districts**

35

**No. of Hill Districts** 

7

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

12

#### Table 13.15.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 30,771            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 30,742            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 5,220             | 16.98      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 3,485             | 11.34      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1,287             | 4.19       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 256               | 0.83       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 924               | 3.01       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 1,261             | 4.10       |
| Current fallows                            | 1,366             | 4.44       |
| Net area sown                              | 16,943            | 55.11      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

## 13.15.1 Forest Cover



| <b>Table 13.15.2 Forest Cover of Maharashtra</b> (in sq km) |           |       |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Class   | % of GA   |       |  |  |  |  |  |
| VDF   | 8,733.75  | 2.84  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MDF   | 20,589.00 | 6.69  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OF  | 21,475.01 | 6.98  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total   | 50,797.76 | 16.51 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scrub   | 4,247.39  | 1.38  |  |  |  |  |  |

**Figure 13.15.1**Forest Cover of Maharashtra

# Table 13.15.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Maharashtra

| District                       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Ahmednagar <sup>™</sup>        | 17,048        | 0.00                    | 68.79                   | 210.10         | 278.89   | 1.64  | 12.00                       | 556.55 |
| Akola                          | 5,673         | 11.00                   | 108.12                  | 222.41         | 341.53   | 6.02  | 1.16                        | 15.29  |
| Amravati <sup>™</sup>          | 12,210        | 618.47                  | 1,458.36                | 1,091.28       | 3,168.11 | 25.95 | 0.34                        | 112.82 |
| Aurangabad                     | 10,131        | 20.00                   | 105.70                  | 444.52         | 570.22   | 5.63  | 2.29                        | 168.98 |
| Beed                           | 10,693        | 0.00                    | 12.32                   | 149.23         | 161.55   | 1.51  | -2.48                       | 359.10 |
| Bhandara                       | 4,087         | 170.86                  | 561.52                  | 265.37         | 997.75   | 24.41 | -1.17                       | 18.57  |
| Buldhana                       | 9,661         | 25.00                   | 143.11                  | 426.57         | 594.68   | 6.16  | 3.08                        | 161.20 |
| Chandrapur <sup>™</sup>        | 11,443        | 1,320.89                | 1,555.39                | 1,173.99       | 4,050.27 | 35.40 | -4.19                       | 44.06  |
| <b>Dhule</b> <sup>T</sup>      | 7,195         | 0.00                    | 68.57                   | 233.09         | 301.66   | 4.19  | 0.39                        | 112.54 |
| <b>Gadchiroli</b> <sup>™</sup> | 14,412        | 4,705.05                | 3,288.46                | 1,909.31       | 9,902.82 | 68.71 | -14.12                      | 17.35  |
| Gondia                         | 5,234         | 895.40                  | 739.26                  | 310.95         | 1,945.61 | 37.17 | 7.02                        | 27.18  |
| Hingoli                        | 4,827         | 0.00                    | 9.09                    | 102.91         | 112.00   | 2.32  | 1.99                        | 48.88  |
| Jalgaon <sup>™</sup>           | 11,765        | 51.00                   | 347.31                  | 754.44         | 1,152.75 | 9.80  | 5.91                        | 97.55  |
| Jalna                          | 7,694         | 0.00                    | 8.22                    | 26.31          | 34.53    | 0.45  | <b>-</b> 1.95               | 50.11  |
| Kolhapur <sup>н</sup>          | 7,685         | 64.00                   | 1,019.47                | 702.11         | 1,785.58 | 23.23 | -0.74                       | 102.35 |
| Latur                          | 7,157         | 0.00                    | 0.04                    | 13.08          | 13.12    | 0.18  | 0.10                        | 19.04  |
| Mumbai City                    | 157           | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 3.20           | 3.20     | 2.04  | 0.20                        | 0.00   |
| Mumbai Suburban                | 446           | 0.00                    | 67.05                   | 71.92          | 138.97   | 31.16 | -0.89                       | 0.04   |
| Nagpur <sup>™</sup>            | 9,892         | 400.25                  | 902.15                  | 696.39         | 1,998.79 | 20.21 | -1.59                       | 73.90  |
| Nanded                         | 10,528        | 58.00                   | 442.07                  | 438.72         | 938.79   | 8.92  | 2.03                        | 122.06 |
| Nandurbar <sup>™</sup>         | 5,955         | 0.00                    | 403.68                  | 791.61         | 1,195.29 | 20.07 | -0.70                       | 30.23  |
| Nashik <sup>™</sup>            | 15,530        | 0.00                    | 346.45                  | 733.31         | 1,079.76 | 6.95  | 3.21                        | 348.82 |
| Osmanabad                      | 7,569         | 0.00                    | 2.03                    | 47.50          | 49.53    | 0.65  | -0.13                       | 45.93  |
| Parbhani                       | 6,214         | 0.00                    | 3.51                    | 36.31          | 39.82    | 0.64  | -0.61                       | 47.44  |
| Pune <sup>TH</sup>             | 15,643        | 0.00                    | 760.99                  | 955.50         | 1,716.49 | 10.97 | 5.63                        | 510.33 |

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(in sq km)

| District                | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Assessment         |                |           |       | Change                      | Scrub    |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                         | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Raigad <sup>H</sup>     | 7,152         | 13.00                   | 1,254.21                | 1,683.80       | 2,951.01  | 41.26 | 11.55                       | 86.23    |
| Ratnagiri <sup>H</sup>  | 8,208         | 34.94                   | 1,889.14                | 2,287.86       | 4,211.94  | 51.32 | -0.96                       | 3.28     |
| Sangli                  | 8,572         | 0.00                    | 94.90                   | 55.67          | 150.57    | 1.76  | 0.44                        | 169.22   |
| Satara <sup>H</sup>     | 10,480        | 117.00                  | 569.68                  | 591.51         | 1,278.19  | 12.20 | -0.18                       | 366.20   |
| Sindhudurg <sup>H</sup> | 5,207         | 90.93                   | 1,383.88                | 1,348.87       | 2,823.68  | 54.23 | -4.30                       | 29.04    |
| Solapur                 | 14,895        | 0.00                    | 4.98                    | 41.88          | 46.86     | 0.31  | -2.81                       | 64.54    |
| Thane <sup>T</sup>      | 9,558         | 0.00                    | 1,293.03                | 1,699.91       | 2,992.94  | 31.31 | <b>-</b> 5.15               | 259.03   |
| Wardha                  | 6,309         | 9.97                    | 409.91                  | 444.41         | 864.29    | 13.70 | 2.34                        | 56.21    |
| Washim                  | 4,901         | 5.00                    | 101.51                  | 189.88         | 296.39    | 6.05  | -0.37                       | 30.60    |
| Yavatmal <sup>™</sup>   | 13,582        | 122.99                  | 1,166.10                | 1,321.09       | 2,610.18  | 19.22 | 2.86                        | 92.72    |
| Grand Total             | 3,07,713      | 8,733.75                | 20,589.00               | 21,475.01      | 50,797.76 | 16.51 | 20.20                       | 4,247.39 |

# 13.15.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.15.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Maharashtra

(in sq km)

|        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        |       | Area   |        |        |
|--------|---|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| VDF    | MDF   | OF     | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  |
| 8,476  | 15,068  | 12,496 | 36,040 | 258   | 5,521  | 8,979  | 14,758 |
| 23.52% | 41.81%  | 34.67% |        | 1.75% | 37.41% | 60.84% |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Maharashtra, RFA boundaries have been used.



Figure 13.15.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Maharashtra

Table 13.15.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Maharashtra

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |        |       |          |           |  |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|--|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF     | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |  |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 8,704 | 6               | 2      | 0     | 9        | 8,721     |  |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 29    | 20,491          | 8      | 0     | 44       | 20,572    |  |  |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 86              | 21,301 | 3     | 95       | 21,485    |  |  |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 38     | 4,189 | 29       | 4,256     |  |  |
| Non Forest              | 1     | 6               | 126    | 55    | 2,52,491 | 2,52,679  |  |  |
| Total ISFR 2019         | 8,734 | 20,589          | 21,475 | 4,247 | 2,52,668 | 3,07,713  |  |  |
| Net Change              | 13    | 17              | -10    | -9    | -11      |           |  |  |

#### Table 13.15.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Maharashtra

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 2,37,017          | 7,604 | 15,453 | 16,110 | 39,167 | 1,336 |
| 500-1000          | 66,142            | 1,082 | 4,753  | 5,060  | 10,895 | 2,806 |
| 1000-2000         | 4,554             | 48    | 383    | 305    | 736    | 105   |
| Total             | 3,07,713          | 8,734 | 20,589 | 21,475 | 50,798 | 4,247 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.15.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Maharashtra

(in sq km)

| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |                   |       |        |        |        |       |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Slope (in degrees)                    | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-5                                   | 2,58,652          | 6,162 | 9,348  | 10,334 | 25,844 | 1,533 |
| 5-10                                  | 23,811            | 1,217 | 3,928  | 4,383  | 9,528  | 1,039 |
| 10-15                                 | 11,555            | 667   | 2,970  | 2,928  | 6,565  | 721   |
| 15-20                                 | 6,633             | 379   | 2,044  | 1,818  | 4,241  | 468   |
| 20-25                                 | 3,707             | 188   | 1,219  | 1,065  | 2,472  | 275   |
| 25-30                                 | 1,896             | 78    | 637    | 549    | 1,264  | 139   |
| >30                                   | 1,459             | 43    | 443    | 398    | 884    | 72    |
| Total                                 | 3,07,713          | 8,734 | 20,589 | 21,475 | 50,798 | 4,247 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

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#### Figure 13.15.3

(in sq km)

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Forest Cover Map of Maharashtra



# 13.15.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Maharashtra as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.15.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Maharashtra

|            | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·       |           | ()                          |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                 | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
| 1.         | 2A/C2 West coast semi-evergreen forest      | 6,659.15  | 12.10                       |
| 2.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest                    | 5,715.15  | 10.38                       |
| 3.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest | 11,353.06 | 20.63                       |
| 4.         | 4A/L1 Littoral forest                       | 1.11      | 0.00                        |
| 5.         | 4B/TS1 Mangrove scrub                       | 28.33     | 0.05                        |
| 6.         | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                      | 291.94    | 0.53                        |
| 7.         | 4E/RS1 Riparian fringing forest             | 1.18      | 0.00                        |
| 8.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                      | 9,536.93  | 17.34                       |
| 9.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 14,390.79 | 26.15                       |
| 10.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                   | 4,354.34  | 7.91                        |
| 11.        | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                | 45.02     | 0.08                        |
| 12.        | 5/E3 Babul forest                           | 9.30      | 0.02                        |
|            |   |           |                             |

5/E4 Hardwickia forest

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Type                           | Area      | % of the total |
|-----|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|
| No. |                                       |           | mapped area*   |
| 14. | 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest              | 10.01     | 0.02           |
| 15. | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                | 254.70    | 0.46           |
| 16. | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest           | 219.22    | 0.40           |
| 17. | 8A/C2 Western subtropical hill forest | 661.19    | 1.20           |
|     | Sub Total                             | 53,592.70 | 97.38          |
| 18. | TOF/ Plantation                       | 1,441.35  | 2.62           |
|     | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)          | 55,034.05 | 100.00         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

#### **Table 13.15.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 470.68       | 0.93                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 3,585.37     | 7.06                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 8,540.70     | 16.81                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 9,377.92     | 18.46                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 28,823.33    | 56.74                      |
|            | Total                        | 50,798.00    | 100.00                     |

# 13.15.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### Figure 13.15.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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#### 13.15.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Maharashtra has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.15.10 Tree Cover in Maharashtra

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 10,806          | 12,108          | 1,302                      |

## 13.15.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.15.11 Extent of TOF in Maharashtra

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 14,758                          | 12,108     | 26,866        |

## 13.15.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Maharashtra is given in the Table 13.15.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.15.13.

#### Table 13.15.12 Growing Stock in Maharashtra

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 231.76             | 235.50             | 3.74                          | 5.37                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 177.12             | 187.69             | 10.57                         | 10.55                |

Table 13.15.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Maharashtra

(in '000)

|         |                      |          | Dia class (cm) |     |
|---------|----------------------|----------|----------------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30    | 30-60          | >60 |
| 1.      | Tectona grandis      | 2,28,206 | 22,210         | 369 |
| 2.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 1,02,049 | 13,564         | 427 |
| 3.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 56,588   | 6,184          | 131 |
| 4.      | Lannea coromandelica | 34,533   | 5,763          | 59  |
| 5.      | Madhuca latifolia    | 11,486   | 5,404          | 563 |

# 13.15.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Maharashtra in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.15.14 and Table 13.15.15 respectively.

Table 13.15.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Maharashtra

| Sl.<br>No. | Species              | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica   | 15.37                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica     | 9.69                      |
| 3.         | Acacia arabica       | 6.53                      |
| 4.         | Tectona grandis      | 6.47                      |
| 5.         | Terminalia crenulata | 5.44                      |

Table 13.15.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Maharashtra

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera      | 11.80                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica    | 10.48                     |
| 3.         | Azadirachta indica  | 8.47                      |
| 4.         | <i>Moringa</i> spp. | 3.53                      |
| 5.         | Areca triandra      | 3.31                      |

#### 13.15.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 451.61 million tonnes (1,655.90 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalent) which is 6.27 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Maharashtra is given in the following table.

Table 13.15.16 Forest Carbon in Maharashtra in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools F | orest Carbon |  |
|---------|----------------|--------------|--|
| 1.      | AGB            | 1,37,831     |  |
| 2.      | BGB            | 42,353       |  |
| 3.      | Dead wood      | 2,316        |  |
| 4.      | Litter         | 7,928        |  |
| 5.      | SOC            | 2,61,178     |  |
|         | Total 4,51,606 |              |  |
|         |                |              |  |

AGB BGB Dead Wood Litter SOC

Figure 13.15.5 Forest Carbon in Maharashtra

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## 13.15.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.15.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Maharashtra

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 13,526 | 9.05                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 4,117  | 7.72                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 29,112 | 7.24                        |

# 13.15.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.15.18 and Table 13.15.19 respectively.

Table 13.15.18 Major NTFP species in Maharashtra

| Sl. No. | Species  | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Ocimum spp. (Ocimum gratissimum/<br>Ocimum sanctum/Ocimum<br>tenuiflorum/ Ocimum americanum) | Herbs      | 68.86                  |
| 2.      | Butea monosperma   | Tree       | 7.51                   |
| 3.      | Helicteres isora   | Shrub      | 5.85                   |
| 4.      | Acacia catechu   | Tree       | 3.43                   |
| 5.      | Syzigium cumini  | Tree       | 3.20                   |

Table 13.15.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Maharashtra

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara        | 702              |
| 2.      | Cassia tora           | 528              |
| 3.      | Cyperus rotundus      | 170              |
| 4.      | Triumfetta rhomboidea | 153              |
| 5.      | Ageratum conyzoides   | 87               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

22,327 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 23° 50' N to 25°42' N Longitude- 92° 59' E to 94°46' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

2.86 million

Urban 0.84 million (29.21 %) Rural 2.02 million (70.79 %) Tribal 1.17 million (40.88 %)

## **Average Population Density**

115 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.70 million

#### No. of Districts

9

No. of Hill Districts

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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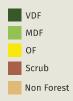
## Table 13.16.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 2,233             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 2,166             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,685             | 77.79      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 27                | 1.24       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1                 | 0.05       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 6                 | 0.28       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 1                 | 0.05       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Current fallows                            | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Net area sown                              | 446               | 20.59      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

## 13.16.1 Forest Cover

Figure 13.16.1 Forest Cover of Manipur



| Table 13.16.2 Forest Cover of Manipur (in sq km) |           |         |  |  |  |
|--|-----------|---------|--|--|--|
| Class  | Area      | % of GA |  |  |  |
| VDF  | 904.99    | 4.05    |  |  |  |
| MDF  | 6,228.49  | 27.90   |  |  |  |
| OF   | 9,464.79  | 42.39   |  |  |  |
| Total  | 16,598.27 | 74.34   |  |  |  |
| Scrub  | 1,214.98  | 5.44    |  |  |  |

Table 13.16.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Manipur

(in sq km)

| District                 | 2021 Assessment            |                         |                         |                | %of       | Change | Scrub                       |          |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|--------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                          | Geo-graphical<br>Area (GA) | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA     | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Bishnupur <sup>TH</sup>  | 496                        | 0.00                    | 0.78                    | 21.50          | 22.28     | 4.49   | 0.78                        | 2.14     |
| Chandel™                 | 3,313                      | 11.30                   | 929.21                  | 1,870.56       | 2,811.07  | 84.85  | <b>-</b> 52.28              | 145.71   |
| Churachandpur™           | 4,570                      | 42.19                   | 1,593.15                | 2,243.70       | 3,879.04  | 84.88  | -40.47                      | 163.69   |
| Imphal East™             | 709                        | 0.00                    | 56.62                   | 207.80         | 264.42    | 37.29  | <b>-</b> 9.84               | 13.51    |
| Imphal West <sup>™</sup> | 519                        | 0.00                    | 14.68                   | 37.27          | 51.95     | 10.01  | 0.20                        | 9.40     |
| Senapati <sup>™</sup>    | 3,271                      | 264.74                  | 695.58                  | 1,131.47       | 2,091.79  | 63.95  | -44.79                      | 317.65   |
| Tamenglong™              | 4,391                      | 392.15                  | 1,696.10                | 1,706.37       | 3,794.62  | 86.42  | -49.82                      | 194.72   |
| Thoubal™                 | 514                        | 0.00                    | 1.15                    | 58.20          | 59.35     | 11.55  | -11.41                      | 11.90    |
| Ukhrul™                  | 4,544                      | 194.61                  | 1,241.22                | 2,187.92       | 3,623.75  | 79.75  | -41.00                      | 356.26   |
| Grand Total              | 22,327                     | 904.99                  | 6,228.49                | 9,464.79       | 16,598.27 | 74.34  | -248.63                     | 1,214.98 |

# 13.16.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.16.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Manipur

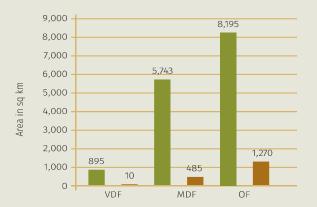
| Forest Co<br>(or Green | over Inside the<br>n Wash) | Recorded For | est Area | Forest Cov<br>(or Green | ver Outside the<br>Wash) | Recorded Fores | t Area |
|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------|
| VDF                    | MDF                        | OF           | Total    | VDF                     | MDF                      | OF             | Total  |
| 895                    | 5,743                      | 8,195        | 14,833   | 10                      | 485                      | 1,270          | 1,765  |
| 6.03%                  | 38.72%                     | 55.25%       |          | 0.57%                   | 27.48%                   | 71.95%         |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Manipur, Green Wash boundaries have been used.

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■ Inside GW

Outside GW



## Figure 13.16.2 Forest Cover

Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Manipur

Table 13.16.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Manipur

(in sq km)

|                         |     | 2021 Assessment |       |       |       |           |  |
|-------------------------|-----|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|--|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 899 | 0               | 0     | 0     | 6     | 905       |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 6   | 6,177           | 57    | 15    | 131   | 6,386     |  |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 51              | 9,221 | 61    | 223   | 9,556     |  |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0               | 81    | 1,030 | 70    | 1,181     |  |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 0               | 106   | 109   | 4,084 | 4,299     |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 905 | 6,228           | 9,465 | 1,215 | 4,514 | 22,327    |  |
| Net Change              | 0   | -158            | -91   | 34    | 215   |           |  |

Table 13.16.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Manipur

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 3,303             | 11  | 999   | 2,011 | 3,021  | 60    |
| 500-1000          | 9,066             | 28  | 2,079 | 3,639 | 5,746  | 447   |
| 1000-2000         | 9,342             | 517 | 3,037 | 3,741 | 7,295  | 655   |
| 2000-3000         | 616               | 349 | 113   | 74    | 536    | 53    |
| Total             | 22,327            | 905 | 6,228 | 9,465 | 16,598 | 1,215 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.16.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Manipur

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 2,934             | 28  | 225   | 501   | 754    | 47    |
| 5-10               | 2,361             | 87  | 547   | 1,097 | 1,731  | 137   |
| 10-15              | 3,630             | 147 | 955   | 1,753 | 2,855  | 239   |
| 15-20              | 4,275             | 172 | 1,237 | 2,078 | 3,487  | 280   |
| 20-25              | 3,902             | 158 | 1,246 | 1,860 | 3,264  | 240   |
| 25-30              | 2,753             | 126 | 974   | 1,246 | 2,346  | 158   |
| >30                | 2,472             | 187 | 1,044 | 930   | 2,161  | 114   |
| Total              | 22,327            | 905 | 6,228 | 9,465 | 16,598 | 1,215 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

#### Figure 13.16.3

Forest Cover Map of Manipur

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Very Dense Forest

Moderately Dense Forest

Open Forest

Scrub

Non-Forest

Water-bodies
International Boundary

State Boundary

District Boundary

O Capital

# 13.16.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Manipur as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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| Table 13.16.8  | Area st | tatistics        | of the I | oract Types  | found in      | Maninur  |
|----------------|---------|------------------|----------|--------------|---------------|----------|
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(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 2B/C1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub             | 1,263.20  | 6.93                        |
| 2.         | 2B/C2 Cachar semi-evergreen forest                 | 2,852.67  | 15.65                       |
| 3.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                | 1,324.51  | 7.27                        |
| 4.         | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest | 4,413.95  | 24.22                       |
| 5.         | 8B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest   | 6,199.75  | 34.02                       |
| 6.         | 8B/C2 <i>Khasi</i> subtropical wet hill forest     | 423.94    | 2.33                        |
| 7.         | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest                 | 632.86    | 3.47                        |
| 8.         | 11B/C1b <i>Buk</i> oak forest                      | 530.44    | 2.91                        |
| 9.         | 11B/C2 Naga hills wet temperate forest             | 243.92    | 1.34                        |
| 10.        | 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes                       | 13.49     | 0.07                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 17,898.73 | 98.21                       |
| 11.        | TOF/Plantation                                     | 129.64    | 0.71                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                       | 18,028.37 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)      |           |                             |
| 12.        | 4D/2S2 Eastern wet alluvial grassland              | 135.48    | 0.74                        |
| 13.        | 9/C2/DS1 Assam subtropical pine savannah           | 60.15     | 0.34                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 195.63    | 1.08                        |
|            | Grand Total  | 18,224.00 | 100.00                      |
|            | <u> </u>   |           |                             |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

## 13.16.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### Table 13.16.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 1,636.46     | 9.86                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 6,167.06     | 37.16                      |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 5,423.48     | 32.68                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 2,096.16     | 12.62                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 1,274.84     | 7.68                       |
|            | Total                        | 16,598.00    | 100.00                     |

**Figure. 13.16.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

# Extremely Fire Prone Very Highly Fire Prone Highly Fire Prone Moderately Fire Prone Less Fire Prone Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

#### 13.16.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Manipur has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.16.10 Tree Cover in Manipur

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 173             | 169             | -4                         |

#### 13.16.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

## Table 13.16.11 Extent of TOF Manipur

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1,765                           | 169        | 1,934         |

# 13.16.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Manipur is given in the Table 13.16.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.16.13.

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#### Table 13.16.12 Growing Stock in Manipur

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 42.03              | 54.99              | 12.96                         | 1.25                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 6.07               | 5.10               | -0.97                         | 0.29                 |

#### Table 13.16.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Manipur

(in '000)

|         |                                      | Dia class (cm) |       |       |  |
|---------|--------------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|--|
| Sl. No. | Species                              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60   |  |
| 1.      | Schima wallichii                     | 30,022         | 3,002 | 1,201 |  |
| 2.      | Quercus spp.                         | 14,969         | 1,201 | 0     |  |
| 3.      | Castanopsis spp.                     | 12,609         | 0     | 0     |  |
| 4.      | Duabanga grandiflora/ sonneratioides | 4,804          | 600   | 600   |  |
| 5.      | Pinus kesiya/insularis               | 3,575          | 1,072 | 0     |  |

# 13.16.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Manipur in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.16.14 and Table 13.16.15 respectively.

Table 13.16.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Manipur

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | <i>Quercus</i> spp. | 15.45                     |
| 2.         | Castanopsis spp.    | 12.25                     |
| 3.         | Pinus kesiya        | 10.89                     |
| 4.         | Schima wallichii    | 10.25                     |
| 5.         | <i>Albizia</i> spp. | 3.09                      |

Table 13.16.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Manipur

| Sl.<br>No. | Species          | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica | 12.25                     |
| 2.         | Eucalyptus spp.  | 7.78                      |
| 3.         | Areca catechu    | 5.92                      |
| 4.         | Cedrela toona    | 5.82                      |
| 5.         | Syzygium cumini  | 5.46                      |

#### 13.16.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 176.93 million tonnes (648.74 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 2.46% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Manipur is given in the following table.

# Table 13.16.16 Forest Carbon in Manipur in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No.         | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.              | AGB          | 47,590        |
| 2.              | BGB          | 14,101        |
| 3.              | Dead wood    | 880           |
| <u>4.</u><br>5. | Litter       | 2,652         |
| 5.              | SOC          | 1,11,708      |
|                 | Total        | 1,76,931      |



Figure 13.16.5 Forest Carbon in Manipur

## 13.16.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table

Table 13.16.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Manipur

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 8,377  | 5.61                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 1,568  | 2.94                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 11,321 | 2.82                        |

#### 13.16.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.16.18 and Table 13.16.19 respectively.

Table 13.16.18 Major NTFP species in Manipur

| Sl. No. | Species                                      | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Embilica officinalis/Phyllanthus             | Tree       | 37.14                  |
| 2.      | Parkia javancia/timoriana                    | Tree       | 20.00                  |
| 3.      | Bombax spp./Bombax ceiba                     | Tree       | 20.00                  |
| 4.      | Thysanolaena maxima                          | Herbs      | 17.14                  |
| 5.      | Acquillaria mallaccensis/Aquilaria agallocha | Tree       | 5.71                   |

# Table 13.16.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Manipur

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                | Estimated Extent |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata    | 49               |
| 2.      | Mikania micrantha      | 43               |
| 3.      | Microcystis aeruginosa | 8                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

22,429 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 24° 58' N to 26° 07' N Longitude-89° 48' E to 92° 51' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

2.96 million

Urban 0.59 million (20.07 %) Rural 2.37 million (79.93 %) Tribal 2.56 million (21.09 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

132 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 1.95 million

**No. of Districts** 

7

No. of Hill Districts

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

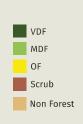
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#### Table 13.17.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 2,243             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 2,196             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 929               | 42.30      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 254               | 11.57      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 165               | 7.51       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 384               | 17.49      |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 153               | 6.97       |
| Current fallows                            | 58                | 2.64       |
| Net area sown                              | 253               | 11.52      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.17.1 Forest Cover



# Table 13.17.2 Forest Cover of Meghalaya (i

(in sq km)

| Class | Area     | % of GA |  |  |  |
|-------|----------|---------|--|--|--|
| VDF   | 560.16   | 2.50    |  |  |  |
| MDF   | 9,159.89 | 40.84   |  |  |  |
| OF    | 7,326.02 | 32.66   |  |  |  |
| Total | 17046.07 | 76.00   |  |  |  |
| Scrub | 662.89   | 2.96    |  |  |  |

**Figure 13.17.1**Forest Cover of Meghalaya

#### Table 13.17.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| District                      | Geo-graphical 2021 Assessment |                         |                         |                |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                               | Area (GA)                     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| East Garo Hills <sup>™</sup>  | 2,603                         | 62.81                   | 1,072.48                | 1,120.63       | 2,255.92  | 86.67 | -32.04                      | 90.31  |
| East Khasi Hills™             | 2,748                         | 21.85                   | 965.82                  | 728.54         | 1,716.21  | 62.45 | 4.02                        | 110.88 |
| Jaintia Hills™                | 3,819                         | 126.36                  | 1,424.63                | 980.01         | 2,531.00  | 66.27 | -6.89                       | 106.86 |
| Ribhoi™                       | 2,448                         | 127.38                  | 1,095.66                | 915.27         | 2,138.31  | 87.35 | 0.97                        | 59.25  |
| South Garo Hills <sup>™</sup> | 1,887                         | 74.50                   | 977.40                  | 640.02         | 1,691.92  | 89.66 | -10.28                      | 21.41  |
| West Garo Hills <sup>™</sup>  | 3,677                         | 0.00                    | 1,251.83                | 1,580.62       | 2,832.45  | 77.03 | -27.77                      | 76.33  |
| West Khasi Hills™             | 5,247                         | 147.26                  | 2,372.07                | 1,360.93       | 3,880.26  | 73.95 | -0.73                       | 197.85 |
| Grand Total                   | 22,429                        | 560.16                  | 9,159.89                | 7,326.02       | 17,046.07 | 76.00 | -72.72                      | 662.89 |

# 13.17.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.17.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area or (Green Wash) in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |                 |        |        |       |
|--|--------|---|--------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF  | Total  | VDF MDF OF Tota |        |        |       |
| 512  | 7,652  | 6,634   | 14,798 | 48              | 1,508  | 692    | 2,248 |
| 3.46%  | 51.71% | 44.83%  |        | 2.14%           | 67.08% | 30.78% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Meghalaya, GW boundaries have been used.

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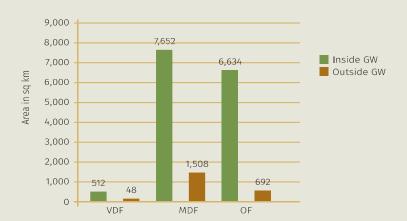


Figure 13.17.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of GW in Meghalaya

#### Table 13.17.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Meghalaya

(in sq km)

|                         | 2021 Assessment |       |       |       |       | Total     |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF             | MDF   | OF    | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 487             | 2     | 0     | 0     | 0     | 489       |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 73              | 9,112 | 37    | 6     | 39    | 9,267     |
| Open Forest             | 0               | 33    | 7,244 | 27    | 59    | 7,363     |
| Scrub                   | 0               | 1     | 18    | 576   | 5     | 600       |
| Non Forest              | 0               | 12    | 27    | 54    | 4,617 | 4,710     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 560             | 9,160 | 7,326 | 663   | 4,720 | 22,429    |
| Net Change              | 71              | -107  | -37   | 63    | 10    |           |

#### Table 13.17.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 10,152            | 269 | 4,241 | 4,070 | 8,580  | 229   |
| 500-1000          | 6,239             | 236 | 2,622 | 2,289 | 5,147  | 316   |
| 1000-2000         | 6,038             | 55  | 2,297 | 967   | 3,319  | 118   |
| Total             | 22,429            | 560 | 9,160 | 7,326 | 17,046 | 663   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.17.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

|                    | •                 |     |       |       |        |       |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-5                | 6,169             | 120 | 1,896 | 1,622 | 3,638  | 154   |
| 5-10               | 6,115             | 120 | 2,459 | 2,095 | 4,674  | 180   |
| 10-15              | 4,403             | 101 | 1,965 | 1,602 | 3,668  | 137   |
| 15-20              | 2,670             | 83  | 1,278 | 964   | 2,325  | 89    |
| 20-25              | 1,488             | 61  | 751   | 517   | 1,329  | 57    |
| 25-30              | 806               | 38  | 416   | 272   | 726    | 39    |
| >30                | 778               | 37  | 395   | 254   | 686    | 7     |
| Total              | 22,429            | 560 | 9,160 | 7,326 | 17,046 | 663   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)





#### 13.17.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Meghalaya as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.17.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 1B/C3 Cachar tropical evergreen forest             | 1,515.18  | 8.22                        |
| 2.         | 1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub                 | 485.43    | 2.63                        |
| 3.         | 2B/C1a Assam alluvial plains semi-evergreen forest | 129.03    | 0.70                        |
| 4.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                | 375.66    | 2.04                        |
| 5.         | 3C/C1a(ii) <i>Khasi</i> hill sal                   | 1,176.82  | 6.38                        |
| 6.         | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest | 8,692.38  | 47.14                       |
| 7.         | 8B/C2 <i>Khasi</i> subtropical wet hill forest     | 3,593.38  | 19.49                       |
| 8.         | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest                 | 1,169.30  | 6.34                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 17,137.18 | 92.94                       |
| 9.         | TOF/Plantation                                     | 581.44    | 3.15                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                       | 17,718.62 |                             |

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(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
|            | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover) |           |                             |
| 10.        | 9/C2/DS1 Assam subtropical pine savannah     | 719.70    | 3.91                        |
|            | Sub Total                                    | 719.70    | 3.91                        |
|            | Grand Total                                  | 18,438.32 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### **Table 13.17.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 1,588.24     | 9.32                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 3,505.49     | 20.56                      |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 3,716.73     | 21.80                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 2,900.24     | 17.02                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 5,335.30     | 31.30                      |
|            | Total                        | 17,046.00    | 100.00                     |

#### 13.17.3

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Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Figure 13.17.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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#### **13.17.4** Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Meghalaya has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.17.10 Tree Cover in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 710             | 698             | -12                        |

#### 11.17.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.17.11 Extent of TOF in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 2,248                           | 698        | 2,946         |

#### 13.17.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Meghalaya is given in the Table 13.17.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.17.13.

#### Table 13.17.12 Growing Stock in Meghalaya

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 31.28              | 35.54              | 4.26                          | 0.81                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 18.84              | 20.82              | 1.98                          | 1.17                 |

#### Table 13.17.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Meghalaya

(in '000)

|         |                          | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Schima wallichii         | 16,460         | 1,701 | 73  |
| 2.      | Pinus kesiya             | 6,802          | 1,511 | 121 |
| 3.      | Shorea robusta           | 2,894          | 429   | 0   |
| 4.      | Ficus spp.               | 1,935          | 143   | 70  |
| 5.      | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 855            | 400   | 32  |

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#### 13.17.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Meghalaya in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.17.14 and Table 13.17.15 respectively.

Table 13.17.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Meghalaya

| Sl.<br>No. | Species          | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Pinus kesiya     | 23.45                     |
| 2.         | Pinus roxburghii | 17.09                     |
| 3.         | Schima wallichii | 11.59                     |
| 4.         | Areca catechu    | 6.79                      |
| 5.         | Pinus pectula    | 5.71                      |

#### Table 11.17.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Meghalaya

| 8.         |                  |                           |  |  |  |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Sl.<br>No. | Species          | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |  |  |  |
| 1.         | Pinus kesiya     | 37.98                     |  |  |  |
| 2.         | Pinus pectula    | 14.18                     |  |  |  |
| 3.         | Pinus roxburghii | 8.15                      |  |  |  |
| 4.         | Areca catechu    | 4.47                      |  |  |  |
| 5.         | Schima khasiana  | 3.99                      |  |  |  |

#### 13.17.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 183.39 million tonnes (672.43 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.55 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Meghalaya is given in the following table.

Table 13.17.16 Forest Carbon in Meghalaya in different pools (

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 55,241        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 15,820        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 1,238         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 3,075         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,08,014      |
|         | Total        | 1,83,388      |



Figure 13.17.5 Forest Carbon in Meghalaya

#### 13.17.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

#### Table 13.17.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Meghalaya

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 5,007  | 3.35                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 2,199  | 4.12                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 24,745 | 6.16                        |

#### 13.17.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.17.18 and Table 13.17.19 respectively.

#### Table 13.17.18 Major NTFP species in Meghalaya

| Sl. No. | Species                             | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-------------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Thatch Grass                        | Herbs      | 25.99                  |
| 2.      | Careya arborea                      | Tree       | 19.49                  |
| 3.      | Terminalia belerica                 | Tree       | 15.52                  |
| 4.      | Bauhinia variegate/Phanera varigeta | Tree       | 11.91                  |
| 5.      | Embilica officinalis/Phyllanthus    | Tree       | 10.11                  |

#### Table 13.17.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Meghalaya

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                | Estimated Extent |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata    | 73               |
| 2.      | Lantana camara         | 21               |
| 3.      | Mikania micrantha      | 21               |
| 4.      | Microcystis aeruginosa | 1                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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## 13.18 MIZORAM

#### **Geographical Area**

21,081 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 21° 56' N to 24° 31' N Longitude- 92° 16' E to 93° 26' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

1.09 million

Urban 0.57 million (52.11 %) Rural 0.52 million (47.89 %) Tribal 1.03 million (94.43 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

52 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.31 million

#### **No. of Districts**

8

No. of Hill Districts

8

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

8

#### Table 13.18.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 2,108             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 2,040             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,585             | 77.70      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 75                | 3.68       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 11                | 0.54       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 41                | 2.01       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 7                 | 0.34       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 128               | 6.27       |
| Current fallows                            | 47                | 2.30       |
| Net area sown                              | 146               | 7.16       |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.18.1 Forest Cover

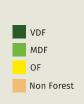


Table 13.18.2 Forest Cover of Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of GA |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| VDF   | 156.79    | 0.74    |
| MDF   | 5,715.24  | 27.11   |
| OF    | 11,947.97 | 56.68   |
| Total | 17,820.00 | 84.53   |
| Scrub | 0.90      | 0.00    |

#### Figure 13.18.1 Forest Cover of Mizoram

Table 13.18.3 District-wise Forest Cover in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| District               | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 As                 | sessment       |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                        | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Aizawl <sup>TH</sup>   | 3,576         | 30.30                   | 1,062.67                | 1,971.90       | 3,064.87  | 85.71 | -14.04                      | 0.03  |
| Champhai <sup>™</sup>  | 3,185         | 55.36                   | 942.90                  | 1,375.63       | 2,373.89  | 74.53 | -113.9                      | 0.11  |
| Kolasib <sup>™</sup>   | 1,382         | 1.24                    | 166.28                  | 983.88         | 1,151.40  | 83.31 | -1.15                       | 0.00  |
| Lawngtlai <sup>™</sup> | 2,557         | 0.00                    | 700.93                  | 1,479.99       | 2,180.92  | 85.29 | -19.16                      | 0.07  |
| Lunglei™               | 4,536         | 0.99                    | 1,187.08                | 2,825.85       | 4,013.92  | 88.49 | <b>-</b> 8.25               | 0.69  |
| Mamit <sup>™</sup>     | 3,025         | 52.02                   | 756.74                  | 1,909.94       | 2,718.70  | 89.87 | 1.83                        | 0.00  |
| Saiha <sup>™</sup>     | 1,399         | 0.00                    | 543.88                  | 628.98         | 1,172.86  | 83.84 | -12.63                      | 0.00  |
| Serchhip <sup>™</sup>  | 1,421         | 16.88                   | 354.76                  | 771.80         | 1,143.44  | 80.47 | <b>-</b> 18.21              | 0.00  |
| Grand Total            | 21,081        | 156.79                  | 5,715.24                | 11,947.97      | 17,820.00 | 84.53 | -185.51                     | 0.90  |

#### 13.18.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.18.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Forest Co<br>(or Green |        | er Inside the Recorded Forest Area Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |       |        |        |       |
|------------------------|--------|--|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF                    | MDF    | OF   | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 156                    | 5,624  | 11,776   | 17,556 | 1     | 91     | 172    | 264   |
| 0.89%                  | 32.03% | 67.08%   |        | 0.38% | 34.47% | 65.15% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Mizoram, Green Wash boundaries have been used.

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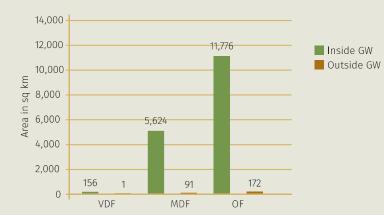


Figure 13.18.2
Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Mizoram

Table 13.18.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Mizoram

(in sq km)

|                         |     | Total |        |       |       |           |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|--------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF   | OF     | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 157 | 0     | 0      | 0     | 0     | 157       |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0   | 5,713 | 1      | 0     | 87    | 5,801     |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 0     | 11,881 | 0     | 167   | 12,048    |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0     | 0      | 1     | 0     | 1         |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 2     | 66     | 0     | 3,006 | 3,074     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 157 | 5,715 | 11,948 | 1     | 3,260 | 21,081    |
| Net Change              | 0   | -86   | -100   | 0     | 186   |           |

#### Table 13.18.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 9,163             | 8   | 1,816 | 6,186  | 8,010  | 0     |
| 500-1000          | 8,205             | 55  | 2,641 | 4,246  | 6,942  | 1     |
| 1000-2000         | 3,710             | 93  | 1,257 | 1,516  | 2,866  | 0     |
| 2000-3000         | 3                 | 1   | 1     | 0      | 2      | 0     |
| Total             | 21,081            | 157 | 5,715 | 11,948 | 17,820 | 1     |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.18.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,565             | 7   | 234   | 894    | 1,135  | 0     |
| 5-10               | 2,668             | 22  | 558   | 1,582  | 2,162  | 0     |
| 10-15              | 3,625             | 34  | 875   | 2,119  | 3,028  | 0     |
| 15-20              | 4,058             | 31  | 1,089 | 2,339  | 3,459  | 1     |
| 20-25              | 3,713             | 23  | 1,095 | 2,096  | 3,214  | 0     |
| 25-30              | 2,745             | 16  | 876   | 1,517  | 2,409  | 0     |
| >30                | 2,707             | 24  | 988   | 1,401  | 2,413  | 0     |
| Total              | 21,081            | 157 | 5,715 | 11,948 | 17,820 | 1     |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.18.3
Forest Cover
Map of Mizoram



#### 13.18.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Mizoram as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.18.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 2B/C1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub             | 74.10     | 0.41                        |
| 2.         | 2B/C2 Cachar semi-evergreen forest                 | 5,580.26  | 30.99                       |
| 3.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                | 6,600.03  | 36.65                       |
| 4.         | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest | 5,648.50  | 31.37                       |
| 5.         | 8B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest   | 7.94      | 0.04                        |
| 6.         | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest                 | 92.75     | 0.52                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 18,003.58 | 99.98                       |
| 7.         | TOF/Plantation                                     | 2.83      | 0.02                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                       | 18,006.41 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

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#### 13.18.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.18.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest Cover |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone      | 4,683.50     | 26.28                   |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone    | 8,862.58     | 49.73                   |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone         | 3,369.82     | 18.92                   |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone     | 543.28       | 3.05                    |
| 5.      | Less fire prone           | 360.82       | 2.02                    |
|         | Total                     | 17,820.00    | 100.00                  |

Figure 13.18.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



#### **13.18.4** Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Mizoram has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.18.10 Tree Cover in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 441             | 444             | 3                          |

#### 13.18.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.18.11 Extent of TOF in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 264                             | 444        | 708           |

#### 13.18.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Mizoram is given in the Table 13.18.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.18.13.

#### Table 13.18.12 Growing Stock in Mizoram

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019<br>Assessment | % of<br>Country's GS |
|------------|--|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in<br>Recorded Forest Area | 21.30           | 28.87           | 7.57                          | 0.66                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 44.11           | 46.05           | 1.94                          | 2.59                 |

#### Table 13.18.13 Diameter class distribution of top five species inside RFA in Mizoram

(in '000)

|         |                          | D      | Dia class (cm) |     |  |
|---------|--------------------------|--------|----------------|-----|--|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30  | 30-60          | >60 |  |
| 1.      | Macaranga spp.           | 15,552 | 173            | 0   |  |
| 2.      | Schima wallichii         | 11,628 | 1,281          | 46  |  |
| 3.      | Albizia spp.             | 6,050  | 782            | 46  |  |
| 4.      | Tectona grandis          | 5,687  | 792            | 0   |  |
| 5.      | Dysoxylum binectariferum | 573    | 34             | 92  |  |

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#### 13.18.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Mizoram in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.18.14 and Table 13.18.15 respectively.

#### Table 13.18.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) Mizoram

| Sl. No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Schima wallichii    | 9.95                      |
| 2.      | Castanopsis spp.    | 9.57                      |
| 3.      | <i>Quercus</i> spp. | 6.59                      |
| 4.      | Macaranga spp.      | 6.04                      |
| 5.      | Tectona grandis     | 4.48                      |

#### Table 13.18.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Mizoram

| Sl. No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Areca catechu            | 14.72                     |
| 2.      | Mangifera indica         | 12.97                     |
| 3.      | Schima wallichii         | 6.30                      |
| 4.      | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 5.74                      |
| 5.      | Albizia spp.             | 4.35                      |

#### 13.18.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 158.64 million tonnes (581.68 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.20% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Mizoram is given in the following table.

#### Table 13.18.16 Forest Carbon in Mizoram in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 48,157        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 10,622        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 758           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 3,140         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 95,961        |
|         | Total        | 1,58,638      |

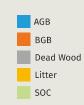


Figure 13.18.5 Forest Carbon in Mizoram

#### 13.18.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

#### Table 13.18.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Mizoram

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 4,561  | 3.05                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 1,490  | 2.79                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 12,585 | 3.13                        |

#### 13.18.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.18.18 and Table 13.18.19 respectively.

#### Table 13.18.18 Major NTFP species in Mizoram

| Sl. No. | Species                          | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Thysanolaena maxima              | Herbs      | 61.75                  |
| 2.      | Imperata cylindrica              | Herbs      | 10.76                  |
| 3.      | Hedyotes scandens                | Shrub      | 7.17                   |
| 4.      | Parkia javancia/timoriana        | Tree       | 3.59                   |
| 5.      | Embilica officinalis/Phyllanthus | Tree       | 3.19                   |

Table 13.18.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Mizoram

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata | 23               |
| 2.      | Mikania micrantha   | 9                |
| 3.      | Imperata cylindrica | 4                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

# 13.19 NAGALAND

**Geographical Area** 

16,579 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 25° 10' N to 27° 4' N Longitude- 93° 15' E to 95° 6' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

1.98 million

Urban 0.57 million (28.86%) Rural 1.41 million (71.14%) Tribal 1.71 million (86.48 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

119 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.91 million

#### **No. of Districts**

11

No. of Hill Districts

11

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

- 11

#### Table 13.19.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 1,658             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 1,653             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 863               | 52.21      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 96                | 5.81       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 90                | 5.44       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 66                | 3.99       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 109               | 6.60       |
| Current fallows                            | 44                | 2.66       |
| Net area sown                              | 385               | 23.29      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.19.1 Forest Cover



#### Table 13.19.2 Forest Cover of Nagaland (in sq km)

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|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| Class     | Area      | % of GA       |
| VDF       | 1,272.04  | 7.67          |
| MDF       | 4,449.07  | 26.84         |
| OF        | 6,530.03  | 39.39         |
| Total     | 12,251.14 | 73.90         |
| Scrub     | 824.30    | 4.97          |

Figure 13.19.1 Forest Cover of Nagaland

#### Table 13.19.3 District-wise Forest Cover in Nagaland

(in sq km)

| District                 | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         | nent      |       | Change                      | Scrub  |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Dimapur <sup>™</sup>     | 927           | 23.69                   | 153.56                  | 412.44         | 589.69    | 63.61 | <b>-</b> 2.40               | 9.23   |
| Kiphire <sup>™</sup>     | 1,130         | 150.26                  | 266.76                  | 376.46         | 793.48    | 70.22 | -41.10                      | 72.43  |
| Kohima <sup>™</sup>      | 1,463         | 134.19                  | 376.40                  | 683.89         | 1,194.48  | 81.65 | 11.82                       | 57.83  |
| Longleng™                | 562           | 0.00                    | 124.13                  | 245.85         | 369.98    | 65.83 | -2.42                       | 44.05  |
| Mokokchung <sup>TH</sup> | 1,615         | 1.70                    | 499.69                  | 825.74         | 1,327.13  | 82.18 | -0.48                       | 68.27  |
| Mon <sup>™</sup>         | 1,786         | 31.50                   | 418.97                  | 694.07         | 1,144.54  | 64.08 | -58.28                      | 98.80  |
| Peren <sup>TH</sup>      | 1,651         | 140.05                  | 640.23                  | 627.96         | 1,408.24  | 85.30 | -6.58                       | 89.39  |
| Phek <sup>™</sup>        | 2,026         | 272.17                  | 625.46                  | 696.06         | 1,593.69  | 78.66 | -22.12                      | 101.62 |
| Tuensang <sup>™</sup>    | 2,536         | 435.15                  | 529.72                  | 638.67         | 1,603.54  | 63.23 | -96.12                      | 166.64 |
| Wokha™                   | 1,628         | 0.76                    | 458.45                  | 858.78         | 1,317.99  | 80.96 | 12.18                       | 50.98  |
| Zunheboto™               | 1,255         | 82.57                   | 355.70                  | 470.11         | 908.38    | 72.38 | -29.76                      | 65.06  |
| Grand Total              | 16,579        | 1,272.04                | 4,449.07                | 6,530.03       | 12,251.14 | 73.90 | -235.26                     | 824.30 |

#### 13.19.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.19.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Nagaland

(in sq km)

|        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |       |       |        |        |       |
|--------|---|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF    | MDF   | OF     | Total | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 1,169  | 3,203   | 4,256  | 8,628 | 103   | 1,246  | 2,274  | 3,623 |
| 13.55% | 37.12%  | 49.33% |       | 2.84% | 34.39% | 62.77% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Nagaland, Green Wash boundaries have been used

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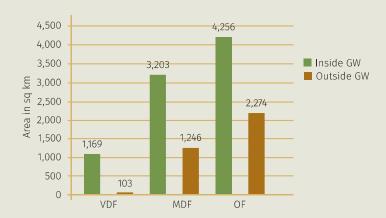


Figure 13.19.2
Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Nagaland

Table 13.19.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Nagaland

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |       |       |       |           |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 1,267 | 0               | 0     | 0     | 6     | 1,273     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 5     | 4,432           | 0     | 0     | 97    | 4,534     |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 17              | 6,368 | 45    | 249   | 6,679     |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 42    | 582   | 11    | 635       |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 0               | 120   | 197   | 3,141 | 3,458     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 1,272 | 4,449           | 6,530 | 824   | 3,504 | 16,579    |
| Net Change              | -1    | <b>-</b> 85     | -149  | 189   | 46    |           |

Table 13.19.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Nagaland

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 3,910             | 0     | 989   | 2,069 | 3,058  | 80    |
| 500-1000          | 5,051             | 8     | 1,256 | 2,293 | 3,557  | 313   |
| 1000-2000         | 6,520             | 558   | 1,969 | 2,076 | 4,603  | 421   |
| 2000-3000         | 1,075             | 692   | 228   | 90    | 1,010  | 10    |
| 3000-4000         | 23                | 14    | 7     | 2     | 23     | 0     |
| Total             | 16,579            | 1,272 | 4,449 | 6,530 | 12,251 | 824   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.19.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Nagaland

(in sq km)

|                    | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |       |       |       |        |       |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area                     | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-5                | 1,704                                 | 23    | 318   | 667   | 1,008  | 38    |
| 5-10               | 2,006                                 | 78    | 509   | 917   | 1,504  | 86    |
| 10-15              | 2,804                                 | 154   | 725   | 1,213 | 2,092  | 145   |
| 15-20              | 3,098                                 | 219   | 831   | 1,260 | 2,310  | 176   |
| 20-25              | 2,809                                 | 246   | 784   | 1,073 | 2,103  | 166   |
| 25-30              | 2,115                                 | 223   | 618   | 757   | 1,598  | 121   |
| >30                | 2,043                                 | 329   | 664   | 643   | 1,636  | 92    |
| Total              | 16,579                                | 1,272 | 4,449 | 6,530 | 12,251 | 824   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.19.3
Forest Cover
Map of Nagaland



#### 13.19.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Nagaland as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 1B/C1 Assam Valley tropical wet evergreen forest (Dipterocarpus) | 82.82     | 0.63                        |
| 2.         | 1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub                               | 639.37    | 4.86                        |
| 3.         | 2B/C1/2S2 Eastern alluvial secondary semi-evergreen forest       | 2,353.38  | 17.90                       |
| 4.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                              | 546.69    | 4.16                        |
| 5.         | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest               | 5,030.79  | 38.26                       |
| 6.         | 8B/C2 <i>Khasi</i> subtropical wet hill forest                   | 2,148.80  | 16.34                       |
| 7.         | 9/C2 Assam subtropical pine forest                               | 735.33    | 5.59                        |
| 8.         | 11B/C2 Naga hill wet temperate forest                            | 1,446.16  | 11.00                       |
| 9.         | 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes                                     | 9.16      | 0.08                        |
|            | Sub Total  | 12,992.50 | 98.82                       |
| 10.        | TOF/Plantation   | 129.39    | 0.98                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                                     | 13,121.89 |                             |

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(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                  | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
|            | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover) |          |                             |
| 11.        | 9/C2/DS1 Assam subtropical pine savannah     | 26.17    | 0.20                        |
|            | Grand Total                                  | 3,148.06 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.19.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.19.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest Cover |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone      | 352.24       | 2.88                    |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone    | 3,129.20     | 25.54                   |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone         | 4,849.90     | 39.59                   |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone     | 2,477.96     | 20.23                   |
| 5.      | Less fire prone           | 1,441.70     | 11.76                   |
|         | Total                     | 12,251.00    | 100.00                  |

**Figure. 13.19.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

5

#### 13.19.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Nagaland has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.19.10 Tree Cover in Nagaland

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 362             | 365             | 3                          |

#### 13.19.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.19.11 Extent of TOF in Nagaland

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 3,623                           | 365        | 3,988         |

#### 13.19.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Nagaland is given in the Table 13.19.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.19.13.

#### Table13.19.12 Growing Stock in Nagaland

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt 2019<br>Assessment | % of<br>Country's GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in<br>Recorded Forest Area | 29.52              | 30.28              | 0.76                          | 0.69                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 13.72              | 15.60              | 1.88                          | 0.88                 |

#### Table 13.19.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Nagaland

(in '000)

|         |                  | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |
|---------|------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|
| Sl. No. | Species          | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |
| 1.      | Schima wallichii | 9,748          | 1,826 | 0   |  |
| 2.      | Macaranga spp.   | 9,936          | 228   | 0   |  |

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|         |                     | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |
|---------|---------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|
| Sl. No. | Species             | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |
| 3.      | <i>Quercus</i> spp. | 7,707          | 1,598 | 0   |  |
| 4.      | Ficus spp.          | 5,897          | 456   | 456 |  |
| 5.      | Alnus spp.          | 1,826          | 913   | 0   |  |

#### 13.19.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Nagaland in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.19.14 and Table 13.19.15 respectively.

Table 13.19.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Nagaland

| Sl. No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Schima wallichii      | 8.46                      |
| 2.      | Alnus nepalensis      | 5.71                      |
| 3.      | Duabanga grandiflora  | 5.69                      |
| 4.      | Macaranga spp.        | 4.37                      |
| 5.      | Livistona jenkinsiana | 4.27                      |

Table 13.19.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Nagaland

| Sl. No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Areca catechu            | 12.53                     |
| 2.      | Mangifera indica         | 11.22                     |
| 3.      | Tectona grandis          | 5.72                      |
| 4.      | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 3.22                      |
| 5.      | Cocos nucifera           | 2.67                      |

#### 13.19.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 134.93 million tonnes (494.74 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 1.87 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Nagaland is given in the following table.

**Table 13.19.16 Forest Carbon in Nagaland in different pools** (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 39,339        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 10,618        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 854           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 2,006         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 82,115        |
|         | Total        | 1,34,932      |



Figure 13.19.5 Forest Carbon in Nagaland

#### 13.19.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.19.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Nagaland

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 3,947  | 2.64                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 2,705  | 5.07                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 32,402 | 8.06                        |

#### 13.19.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.19.18 and Table 13.19.19 respectively.

Table 13.19.18 Major NTFP species in Nagaland

| Sl. No. | Species                         | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|---------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Thysanolaena maxima             | Herbs      | 79.17                  |
| 2.      | Embilia officinalis/Phyllanthus | Tree       | 8.33                   |
| 3.      | Rhus semialata                  | Tree       | 6.25                   |
| 4.      | Oroxylum indicum                | Tree       | 4.17                   |
| 5.      | Litsea citara                   | Tree       | 2.08                   |

Table 13.19.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Nagaland

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. Species |                          | Estimated Extent |
|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1.              | Chromolaena odorata      | 43               |
| 2.              | Mikania micrantha        | 43               |
| 3.              | Ageratum conyzoides      | 3                |
| 4.              | Parthenium hysteropharus | 1                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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### 13.20 ODISHA

**Geographical Area** 

1,55,707 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 17° 47' N to 22° 34' N Longitude- 81° 22' E to 87° 29' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

41.97 million

Urban 7.00 million (16.68 %) Rural 34.97 million (83.32 %) Tribal 9.59 million (22.85 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

270 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 20.73 million

#### **No. of Districts**

30

No. of Hill Districts

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

12

#### Table 13.20.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 15,571            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 15,424            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 5,814             | 37.69      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 2,353             | 15.26      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 512               | 3.32       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 276               | 1.79       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 613               | 3.97       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 777               | 5.04       |
| Current fallows                            | 1,216             | 7.88       |
| Net area sown                              | 3,863             | 25.05      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### **13.20.1 Forest Cover**

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.20.2 Forest Cover of Odisha

(in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of GA |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| VDF   | 7,212.80  | 4.63    |
| MDF   | 20,994.90 | 13.49   |
| OF    | 23,948.25 | 15.38   |
| Total | 52,155.95 | 33.50   |
| Scrub | 4,923.70  | 3.16    |

Figure 13.20.1
Forest Cover of Odisha

#### Table 13.20.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Odisha

(in sq km)

| District                      | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 As                 | sessment       |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub    |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                               | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | ĞA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Angul                         | 6,375         | 370.53                  | 1,381.34                | 1,031.51       | 2,783.38 | 43.66 | 0.75                        | 83.30    |
| Balangir                      | 6,575         | 70.13                   | 223.25                  | 846.73         | 1,140.11 | 17.34 | 4.85                        | 138.72   |
| <b>Baleshwar</b> <sup>T</sup> | 3,806         | 22.98                   | 133.47                  | 228.78         | 385.23   | 10.12 | 2.67                        | 46.65    |
| Bargarh                       | 5,837         | 175.03                  | 374.33                  | 523.95         | 1,073.31 | 18.39 | 22.85                       | 23.30    |
| Baudh                         | 3,098         | 262.87                  | 562.45                  | 467.85         | 1,293.17 | 41.74 | 2.23                        | 57.73    |
| Bhadrak                       | 2,505         | 0.00                    | 8.70                    | 69.10          | 77.80    | 3.11  | -0.20                       | 0.00     |
| Cuttack                       | 3,932         | 52.93                   | 235.88                  | 539.48         | 828.29   | 21.07 | 23.91                       | 59.84    |
| Deogarh                       | 2,940         | 191.14                  | 667.59                  | 618.28         | 1,477.01 | 50.24 | -0.15                       | 13.90    |
| Dhenkanal                     | 4,452         | 173.92                  | 419.50                  | 842.10         | 1,435.52 | 32.24 | -10.09                      | 82.29    |
| Gajapati <sup>™</sup>         | 4,325         | 333.48                  | 776.54                  | 1,513.46       | 2,623.48 | 60.65 | 102.11                      | 239.42   |
| Ganjam                        | 8,206         | 164.45                  | 1,072.39                | 938.77         | 2,175.61 | 26.51 | 70.21                       | 918.26   |
| Jagatsinghpur                 | 1,668         | 0.00                    | 4.62                    | 132.18         | 136.80   | 8.20  | 0.52                        | 0.00     |
| Jajapur                       | 2,899         | 6.00                    | 71.85                   | 231.83         | 309.68   | 10.68 | 3.60                        | 47.00    |
| Jharsuguda                    | 2,114         | 2.95                    | 174.14                  | 158.28         | 335.37   | 15.86 | 2.73                        | 25.69    |
| Kalahandi <sup>™</sup>        | 7,920         | 358.88                  | 732.04                  | 1,348.04       | 2,438.96 | 30.79 | 19.16                       | 442.88   |
| Kandhamal <sup>™</sup>        | 8,021         | 661.73                  | 2,607.29                | 2,134.78       | 5,403.80 | 67.37 | 6.09                        | 552.36   |
| Kendrapara                    | 2,644         | 83.46                   | 88.43                   | 163.21         | 335.10   | 12.67 | 23.80                       | 1.73     |
| Kendujhar <sup>™</sup>        | 8,303         | 289.23                  | 1,418.47                | 1,511.22       | 3,218.92 | 38.77 | <b>-</b> 3.24               | 51.62    |
| Khordha                       | 2,813         | 20.98                   | 186.13                  | 301.05         | 508.16   | 18.06 | 41.07                       | 130.65   |
| Koraput <sup>T</sup>          | 8,807         | 57.76                   | 584.52                  | 1,516.69       | 2,158.97 | 24.51 | 60.70                       | 1,141.91 |
| Malkangiri <sup>™</sup>       | 5,791         | 158.24                  | 709.97                  | 1,456.25       | 2,324.46 | 40.14 | -11.71                      | 48.02    |
| Mayurbhanj <sup>™</sup>       | 10,418        | 1,335.21                | 1,717.71                | 1,046.19       | 4,099.11 | 39.35 | 4.94                        | 32.94    |
| Nabarangpur <sup>™</sup>      | 5,291         | 172.35                  | 445.85                  | 540.52         | 1,158.72 | 21.90 | 11.97                       | 47.76    |
| Nayagarh                      | 3,890         | 188.99                  | 965.56                  | 560.26         | 1,714.81 | 44.08 | 1.06                        | 170.39   |
| Nuapada                       | 3,852         | 86.26                   | 481.40                  | 721.17         | 1,288.83 | 33.46 | 14.37                       | 96.66    |
| Puri                          | 3,479         | 0.00                    | 54.13                   | 231.59         | 285.72   | 8.21  | 60.63                       | 3.68     |

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(in sq km)

| District                | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |           | %of   | Change Scru                 |          |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                         | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Rayagada <sup>T</sup>   | 7,073         | 373.37                  | 1,145.05                | 1,622.91       | 3,141.33  | 44.41 | -5.18                       | 357.91   |
| Sambalpur <sup>™</sup>  | 6,624         | 535.74                  | 1,710.22                | 1,093.97       | 3,339.93  | 50.42 | 47.64                       | 12.84    |
| Subarnapur              | 2,337         | 43.46                   | 185.62                  | 167.12         | 396.20    | 16.95 | 45.35                       | 8.98     |
| Sundargarh <sup>T</sup> | 9,712         | 1,020.73                | 1,856.46                | 1,390.98       | 4,268.17  | 43.95 | -5.20                       | 87.27    |
| Grand Total             | 1,55,707      | 7,212.80                | 20,994.90               | 23,948.25      | 52,155.95 | 33.50 | 537.44                      | 4,923.70 |

#### 13.20.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.20.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Odisha (in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |        |        |        |
|--|--------|--------|---|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  |
| 5,649  | 14,636 | 12,401 | 32,686  | 1,564 | 6,359  | 11,547 | 19,470 |
| 17.28%   | 44.78% | 37.94% |   | 8.03% | 32.66% | 59.31% |        |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Odisha, GW boundaries have been used.

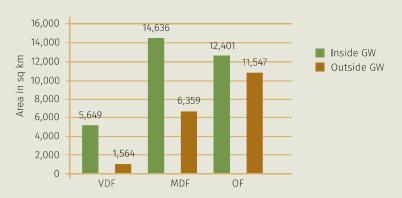


Figure 13.20.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of GW in Odisha

Table 13.20.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Odisha

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |        |       |        |           |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF     | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 5,984 | 736             | 219    | 12    | 19     | 6,970     |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 955   | 18,388          | 1,847  | 144   | 218    | 21,552    |  |
| Open Forest             | 220   | 1,422           | 19,906 | 676   | 873    | 23,097    |  |
| Scrub                   | 31    | 233             | 730    | 2,808 | 525    | 4,327     |  |
| Non Forest              | 23    | 216             | 1,246  | 1,284 | 96,992 | 99,761    |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 7,213 | 20,995          | 23,948 | 4,924 | 98,627 | 1,55,707  |  |
| Net Change              | 243   | -557            | 851    | 597   | -1,134 |           |  |

Table 13.20.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Odisha

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 1,19,476          | 3,609 | 13,434 | 16,549 | 33,592 | 2,719 |
| 500-1000          | 34,706            | 3,490 | 7,323  | 7,104  | 17,917 | 1,897 |
| 1000-2000         | 1,525             | 114   | 238    | 295    | 647    | 308   |
| Total             | 1,55,707          | 7,213 | 20,995 | 23,948 | 52,156 | 4,924 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.20.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Odisha

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,09,048          | 1,643 | 6,504  | 10,928 | 19,075 | 1,754 |
| 5-10               | 15,890            | 1,538 | 4,383  | 3,939  | 9,860  | 818   |
| 10-15              | 10,209            | 1,375 | 3,689  | 3,075  | 8,139  | 727   |
| 15-20              | 9,130             | 1,070 | 2,854  | 2,531  | 6,455  | 654   |
| 20-25              | 6,609             | 767   | 1,929  | 1,836  | 4,532  | 500   |
| 25-30              | 3,005             | 465   | 1,040  | 1,041  | 2,546  | 297   |
| >30                | 1,816             | 355   | 596    | 598    | 1,549  | 174   |
| Total              | 1,55,707          | 7,213 | 20,995 | 23,948 | 52,156 | 4,924 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.20.3 Forest Cover Map of Odisha



#### 13.20.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Odisha as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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Table 13.20.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Odisha

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type   | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 2B/C3 Odisha semi-evergreen forest                        | 79.51     | 0.14                        |
| 2.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                       | 197.10    | 0.35                        |
| 3.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest               | 1,157.79  | 2.07                        |
| 4.         | 3B/C2/2S1 Southern Secondary moist mixed deciduous forest | 400.35    | 0.72                        |
| 5.         | 3C/C1d Peninsular (coastal) sal forest                    | 4.42      | 0.01                        |
| 6.         | 3C/C2e (i) Moist peninsular high level sal                | 2,425.43  | 4.33                        |
| 7.         | 3C/C2e (ii) Moist peninsular low level sal                | 11,902.97 | 21.27                       |
| 8.         | 3C/C2e (iii) Moist peninsular valley sal                  | 911.33    | 1.63                        |
| 9.         | 3C/C3/2S1 Northern secondary moist mixed deciduous forest | 4,571.39  | 8.17                        |
| 10.        | 4A/L1 Littoral forest                                     | 135.02    | 0.24                        |
| 11.        | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                                    | 250.64    | 0.45                        |
| 12.        | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                                    | 154.86    | 0.28                        |
| 13.        | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest                 | 5,386.95  | 9.63                        |
| 14.        | 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest                          | 9,469.29  | 16.92                       |
| 15.        | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest                 | 11,327.16 | 20.24                       |
| 16.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                                 | 2,887.03  | 5.16                        |
| 17.        | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                              | 30.97     | 0.06                        |
| 18.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                                    | 861.00    | 1.54                        |
|            | Sub Total   | 52,153.21 | 93.21                       |
| 19.        | TOF/ Plantation   | 3,792.21  | 6.77                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                              | 55,945.42 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover)              |           |                             |
| 20.        | 3C/C2/DS1 Moist sal savannah                              | 9.66      | 0.02                        |
|            | Grand Total   | 55,955.08 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 3.20.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.20.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest Cover |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone      | 1,226.66     | 2.35                    |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone    | 3,930.36     | 7.54                    |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone         | 7,634.76     | 14.64                   |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone     | 10,086.77    | 19.34                   |
| 5.      | Less fire prone           | 29,277.45    | 56.13                   |
|         | Total                     | 52,156.00    | 100.00                  |

**Figure 13.20.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



#### 13.20.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Odisha has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.20.10 Tree Cover in Odisha

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 4,648           | 5,004           | 356                        |

#### 13.20.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.20.11 Extent of TOF in Odisha

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 19,470                          | 5,004      | 24,474        |

#### 13.20.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Odisha is given in the Table 13.20.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.20.13.

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#### Table 13.20.12 Growing Stock in Odisha

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt 2019<br>Assessment | % of<br>Country's GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in<br>Recorded Forest Area | 299.04             | 276.78             | -22.26                        | 6.31                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 95.02              | 106.87             | 11.85                         | 6.01                 |

#### Table 13.20.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Odisha

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Shorea robusta       | 2,10,944       | 34,744 | 3,088 |
| 2.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 48,064         | 7,941  | 820   |
| 3.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 47,458         | 8,197  | 355   |
| 4.      | Madhuca latifolia    | 19,269         | 7,791  | 888   |
| 5.      | Schleichera trijuga  | 10,133         | 4,817  | 678   |

#### 13.20.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Odisha in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.20.14 and Table 13.20.15 respectively.

Table 13.20.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Odisha

| Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%)  |
|--------------------|--|
| Shorea robusta     | 9.49   |
| Mangifera indica   | 7.63   |
| Butea monosperma   | 5.39   |
| Azadirachta indica | 5.29   |
| Madhuca latifolia  | 5.25   |
|                    | Shorea robusta  Mangifera indica  Butea monosperma  Azadirachta indica |

Table 13.20.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Odisha

| Sl. No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Mangifera indica   | 10.63                     |
| 2.      | Cocos nucifera     | 8.73                      |
| 3.      | Azadirachta indica | 6.59                      |
| 4.      | Moringa species    | 5.80                      |
| 5.      | Tectona grandis    | 5.70                      |

#### 13.20.8 Carbon Stock in Forest in Odisha

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 444.83 million tonnes (1,631.04 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 6.17 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Odisha is given in the following table.

#### Table 13.20.16 Forest Carbon in Odisha in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

|         | (III 000 tolliles |               |  |  |  |
|---------|-------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools      | Forest Carbon |  |  |  |
| 1.      | AGB               | 1,31,015      |  |  |  |
| 2.      | BGB               | 40,441        |  |  |  |
| 3.      | Dead wood         | 2,252         |  |  |  |
| 4.      | Litter            | 7,671         |  |  |  |
| 5.      | SOC               | 2,63,451      |  |  |  |
|         | Total             | 4,44,830      |  |  |  |



Figure 13.20.5 Forest Carbon in Odisha

#### 13.20.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.20.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Odisha

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 11,199 | 7.49                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 3,973  | 7.45                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 23,716 | 5.90                        |

#### 13.20.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.20.18 and Table 13.20.19 respectively.

Table 13.20.18 Major NTFP species in Odisha

| Sl. No. | Species               | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Shorea robusta        | Tree       | 58.39                  |
| 2.      | Madhuca indica        | Tree       | 15.52                  |
| 3.      | Buchanania Lanzan     | Tree       | 12.11                  |
| 4.      | Schleichera oleosa    | Tree       | 3.43                   |
| 5.      | Semecarpus anacardium | Tree       | 2.23                   |

#### Table 13.20.19 Major invasive species inside the State of Odisha with RFA/Green Wash in Odisha

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata   | 389              |
| 2.      | Lantana camara        | 137              |
| 3.      | Ageratum conyzoides   | 124              |
| 4.      | Acacia farnesiana     | 62               |
| 5.      | Dioscorea pentaphylla | 9                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of

their estimated extent.

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**Geographical Area** 

50,362 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 29° 33' N to 32° 32' N Longitude- 73° 53' E to 76° 56' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

27.74 million

Urban 10.40 million (37.48 %) Rural 17.34 million (62.52 %) Tribal NIL

#### **Average Population Density**

551 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 8.12 million

#### **No. of Districts**

20

No. of Hill Districts

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

#### Table 13.21.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 5,036             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 5,033             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 253               | 5.03       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 540               | 10.73      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 5                 | 0.10       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 8                 | 0.16       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 12                | 0.24       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 6                 | 0.12       |
| Current fallows                            | 85                | 1.69       |
| Net area sown                              | 4,124             | 81.93      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.21.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.21.2 Forest Cover of Punjab

(in sq km)

|       | (        |         |
|-------|----------|---------|
| Class | Area     | % of GA |
| VDF   | 10.58    | 0.02    |
| MDF   | 793.11   | 1.58    |
| OF    | 1,042.96 | 2.07    |
| Total | 1,846.65 | 3.67    |
| Scrub | 33.89    | 0.07    |

Figure 13.21.1 Forest Cover of Punjab

#### Table 13.21.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Punjab

(in sq km)

| District                   | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |          | %of   | Change                      | ge Scrub |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                            | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment | 30100    |
| Amritsar                   | 2,683         | 1.00                    | 10.47                   | 14.11          | 25.58    | 0.95  | -1.20                       | 1.22     |
| Barnala                    | 1,482         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 7.22           | 8.22     | 0.55  | -0.11                       | 0.00     |
| Bathinda                   | 3,353         | 0.00                    | 18.85                   | 37.59          | 56.44    | 1.68  | 1.01                        | 9.10     |
| Faridkot                   | 1,458         | 0.00                    | 3.94                    | 14.43          | 18.37    | 1.26  | -0.11                       | 1.00     |
| Fatehgarh Sahib            | 1,180         | 0.00                    | 3.74                    | 0.00           | 3.74     | 0.32  | 0.00                        | 0.00     |
| Firozpur                   | 5,305         | 0.00                    | 5.65                    | 48.99          | 54.64    | 1.03  | 20.98                       | 2.50     |
| Gurdaspur                  | 3,551         | 0.00                    | 103.39                  | 107.3          | 210.69   | 5.93  | -1.63                       | 0.97     |
| Hoshiarpur                 | 3,386         | 0.00                    | 369.57                  | 347.53         | 717.10   | 21.18 | -7.10                       | 7.00     |
| Jalandhar                  | 2,624         | 0.00                    | 1.88                    | 8.20           | 10.08    | 0.38  | <b>-</b> 0.53               | 1.00     |
| Kapurthala                 | 1,633         | 0.00                    | 1.93                    | 8.05           | 9.98     | 0.61  | 0.13                        | 1.00     |
| Ludhiana                   | 3,578         | 0.00                    | 22.86                   | 29.86          | 52.72    | 1.47  | -6.20                       | 1.21     |
| Mansa                      | 2,198         | 0.00                    | 0.98                    | 8.94           | 9.92     | 0.45  | -0.06                       | 0.52     |
| Moga                       | 2,242         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 8.45           | 8.45     | 0.38  | -0.44                       | 0.00     |
| Muktsar                    | 2,593         | 0.00                    | 5.97                    | 13.97          | 19.94    | 0.77  | 1.62                        | 0.00     |
| Patiala                    | 3,325         | 8.13                    | 27.78                   | 38.81          | 74.72    | 2.25  | -0.09                       | 2.34     |
| Rupnagar                   | 1,356         | 0.00                    | 105.07                  | 153.99         | 259.06   | 19.10 | -2.40                       | 3.03     |
| Sahibzada Ajit Singh Nagar | 1,094         | 0.00                    | 74.35                   | 66.04          | 140.39   | 12.83 | -0.34                       | 3.00     |
| Sangrur                    | 3,625         | 0.00                    | 6.00                    | 17.34          | 23.34    | 0.64  | 0.51                        | 0.00     |
| Shahid Bhagat Singh Nagar  | 1,282         | 0.00                    | 25.45                   | 99.92          | 125.37   | 9.78  | -6.39                       | 0.00     |
| Tarn Taran                 | 2,414         | 1.45                    | 4.23                    | 12.22          | 17.90    | 0.74  | 0.37                        | 0.00     |
| Grand Total                | 50,362        | 10.58                   | 793.11                  | 1,042.96       | 1,846.65 | 3.67  | -1.98                       | 33.89    |

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#### 13.21.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

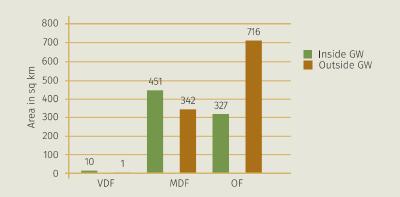
The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.21.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Punjab

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |        |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|---|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 10   | 451    | 327    | 788   | 1     | 342    | 716    | 1,059 |
| 1.27%  | 57.23% | 41.50% |   | 0.09% | 32.30% | 67.71% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Punjab, Green Wash boundaries have been used.



#### Figure 13.21.2

Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Punjab

**Table 13.21.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Punjab** 

(in sq km)

|                         |     | 2021 Assessment |       |       |        |           |  |
|-------------------------|-----|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|--|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 8   | 0               | 0     | 0     | 0      | 8         |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 3   | 792             | 0     | 0     | 6      | 801       |  |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 1               | 1,009 | 0     | 30     | 1,040     |  |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0               | 1     | 31    | 1      | 33        |  |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 0               | 33    | 3     | 48,444 | 48,480    |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 11  | 793             | 1,043 | 34    | 48,481 | 50,362    |  |
| Net Change              | 3   | -8              | 3     | 1     | 1      |           |  |

Table 13.21.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Punjab

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 49,882            | 11  | 573 | 888   | 1,472 | 34    |
| 500-1000          | 480               | 0   | 220 | 155   | 375   | 0     |
| Total             | 50,362            | 11  | 793 | 1,043 | 1,847 | 34    |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.21.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes Punjab

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 48,329            | 10  | 371 | 666   | 1,047 | 33    |
| 5-10               | 1,582             | 1   | 229 | 220   | 450   | 1     |
| 10-15              | 316               | 0   | 126 | 107   | 233   | 0     |
| 15-20              | 99                | 0   | 48  | 37    | 85    | 0     |
| 20-25              | 26                | 0   | 14  | 9     | 23    | 0     |
| 25-30              | 7                 | 0   | 4   | 3     | 7     | 0     |
| >30                | 3                 | 0   | 1   | 1     | 2     | 0     |
| Total              | 50,362            | 11  | 793 | 1,043 | 1,847 | 34    |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

**Figure 13.21.3** Forest Cover Map of Punjab





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#### 13.21.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Punjab as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

#### Table 13.21.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Punjab

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Type                               | Area     | % of the total |
|-----|---|----------|----------------|
| No. |   |          | mapped area*   |
| 1.  | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest | 1,241.19 | 65.97          |
| 2.  | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                 | 10.31    | 0.55           |
| 3.  | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                    | 31.10    | 1.65           |
| 4.  | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest           | 0.49     | 0.03           |
| 5.  | 6B/C2 Ravine thorn forest                 | 76.94    | 4.09           |
| 6.  | 6/1S1 Desert dune scrub                   | 10.26    | 0.54           |
| 7.  | 9/C1a Lower or Siwalik chir pine forest   | 27.76    | 1.47           |
|     | Sub Total                                 | 1,398.05 | 74.30          |
| 8.  | TOF/Plantation                            | 483.52   | 25.70          |
|     | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)              | 1,881.57 | 100.00         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

#### 13.21.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### Table 13.21.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total Forest Cover |
|---------|---------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone      | 0.00         | 0.00                    |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone    | 53.86        | 2.92                    |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone         | 254.95       | 13.80                   |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone     | 375.30       | 20.32                   |
| 5.      | Less fire prone           | 1,162.89     | 62.96                   |
|         | Total                     | 1,847.00     | 100.00                  |

Figure 13.21.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

# LEGEND Extremely Fire Prone Very Highly Fire Prone Highly Fire Prone Moderately Fire Prone Less Fire Prone Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

#### **13.21.4** Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Punjab has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.21.10 Tree Cover in Punjab

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1,592           | 1,138           | -454                       |

#### 13.21.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.21.11 Extent of TOF in Punjab

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1,059                           | 1,138      | 2,197         |

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#### 13.21.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Punjab is given in the Table 13.21.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.21.13.

#### Table 13.21.12 Growing Stock in Punjab

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt 2019<br>Assessment | % of<br>Country's GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 11.12              | 12.61              | 1.49                          | 0.29                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 18.56              | 20.31              | 1.75                          | 1.14                 |

#### Table 13.21.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Punjab

(in '000)

|         |                         | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |  |
|---------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Species                 | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |  |
| 1.      | Prosopis juliflora      | 14,136         | 835   | 56  |  |  |
| 2.      | Acacia catechu          | 11,241         | 111   | 0   |  |  |
| 3.      | Eucalyptus spp.         | 3,720          | 1,184 | 0   |  |  |
| 4.      | Lannea coromandelica    | 3,367          | 323   | 56  |  |  |
| 5.      | Holoptelea integrifolia | 2,205          | 607   | 0   |  |  |

#### 13.21.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Punjab in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.21.14 and Table 13.21.15 respectively.

Table 13.21.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Punjab

| Sl. No. | Species           | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Eucalyptus spp.   | 28.16                     |
| 2.      | Melia azadirachta | 19.51                     |
| 3.      | Dalbergia sissoo  | 8.20                      |
| 4.      | Populus spp.      | 8.19                      |
| 5.      | <i>Morus</i> spp. | 3.72                      |

Table 13.21.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Punjab

| Sl. No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|---------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.      | Eucalyptus spp.    | 20.48                     |
| 2.      | Melia azadirachta  | 19.95                     |
| 3.      | <i>Morus</i> spp.  | 6.92                      |
| 4.      | Dalbergia sissoo   | 4.13                      |
| 5.      | Azadirachta indica | 3.80                      |

#### 13.21.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 13.56 million tonnes (49.72 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalent) which is 0.19 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Punjab is given in the following table.

Table 13.21.16 Forest Carbon in Punjab in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 3,420         |
| 2.      | BGB          | 1,284         |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 56            |
| 4.      | Litter       | 175           |
| 5.      | SOC          | 8,623         |
|         | Total        | 13,558        |



Figure 13.21.5 Forest Carbon in Punjab

#### 13.21.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.21.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Punjab

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |     | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-----|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 280 | 0.19                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 28  | 0.05                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 113 | 0.03                        |

#### 13.21.10 Major Invasive Species

Major invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.21.18.

Table 13.21.18 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Punjab

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara        | 217              |
| 2.      | Ageratum houstonianum | 35               |
| 3.      | Leucanea leucocephala | 28               |
| 4.      | Senna occidentalis    | 13               |
| 5.      | Imperata cylindrica   | 13               |

Major invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.



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## 13.22 RAJASTHAN

#### **Geographical Area**

3,42,239 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 23°4′ N to 30° 11′ N Longitude- 69° 29' E to 78° 17' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

68.55 million

Urban 17.05 million (24.87%) Rural 51.50 million (75.13%) Tribal 9.24 million (13.48%)

#### **Average Population Density**

200 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 57.73 million

#### **No. of Districts**

**No. of Hill Districts** 

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

#### Table 13.22.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 34,224            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 34,287            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 2,756             | 8.04       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 4,366             | 12.73      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1,673             | 4.88       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 24                | 0.07       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 3,831             | 11.17      |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 1,992             | 5.81       |
| Current fallows                            | 1,742             | 5.08       |
| Net area sown                              | 17,903            | 52.22      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.22.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.22.2 Forest Cover of Rajasthan

(in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of GA |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| VDF   | 78.15     | 0.02    |
| MDF   | 4,368.65  | 1.28    |
| OF    | 12,208.16 | 3.57    |
| Total | 16,654.96 | 4.87    |
| Scrub | 4,808.51  | 1.41    |

Figure 13.22.1 Forest Cover of Rajasthan

Table 13.22.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Rajasthan

(in sq km)

| District               | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | %of            | Change   | Scrub |                             |        |
|------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                        | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Ajmer                  | 8,481         | 0.00                    | 46.49                   | 285.07         | 331.56   | 3.91  | 26.45                       | 175.72 |
| Alwar                  | 8,380         | 59.70                   | 334.65                  | 801.56         | 1,195.91 | 14.27 | -0.75                       | 243.08 |
| Banswara <sup>T</sup>  | 4,522         | 0.00                    | 38.52                   | 230.09         | 268.61   | 5.94  | 0.19                        | 60.17  |
| Baran                  | 6,992         | 0.00                    | 153.66                  | 856.39         | 1,010.05 | 14.45 | -0.94                       | 98.93  |
| Barmer                 | 28,387        | 0.00                    | 4.79                    | 284.43         | 289.22   | 1.02  | -0.57                       | 223.18 |
| Bharatpur              | 5,066         | 0.00                    | 26.33                   | 194.73         | 221.06   | 4.36  | -9.21                       | 77.15  |
| Bhilwara               | 10,455        | 0.00                    | 33.31                   | 191.00         | 224.31   | 2.15  | 0.12                        | 189.76 |
| Bikaner                | 30,239        | 0.88                    | 28.06                   | 250.77         | 279.71   | 0.92  | 24.10                       | 49.86  |
| Bundi                  | 5,776         | 1.00                    | 138.98                  | 424.37         | 564.35   | 9.77  | 7.17                        | 172.67 |
| Chittaurgarh           | 7,822         | 0.00                    | 222.01                  | 768.04         | 990.05   | 12.66 | 1.25                        | 107.42 |
| Churu                  | 13,835        | 0.00                    | 2.44                    | 75.25          | 77.69    | 0.56  | -4.31                       | 27.48  |
| Dausa                  | 3,432         | 0.00                    | 11.15                   | 105.45         | 116.60   | 3.40  | -0.40                       | 94.66  |
| Dhaulpur               | 3,033         | 0.00                    | 79.75                   | 339.32         | 419.07   | 13.82 | 0.07                        | 76.07  |
| Dungarpur <sup>™</sup> | 3,770         | 0.00                    | 42.53                   | 262.01         | 304.54   | 8.08  | 2.24                        | 83.37  |
| Ganganagar             | 10,978        | 0.00                    | 9.87                    | 105.22         | 115.09   | 1.05  | 2.17                        | 15.78  |
| Hanumangarh            | 9,656         | 1.01                    | 6.80                    | 85.16          | 92.97    | 0.96  | 3.01                        | 6.71   |
| Jaipur                 | 11,143        | 12.00                   | 97.20                   | 445.66         | 554.86   | 4.98  | 2.10                        | 272.85 |
| Jaisalmer              | 38,401        | 3.56                    | 48.64                   | 270.19         | 322.39   | 0.84  | -3.38                       | 206.14 |
| Jalor                  | 10,640        | 0.00                    | 22.67                   | 212.94         | 235.61   | 2.21  | -32.46                      | 221.89 |
| Jhalawar               | 6,219         | 0.00                    | 83.39                   | 353.28         | 436.67   | 7.02  | 1.09                        | 102.57 |
| Jhunjhunun             | 5,928         | 0.00                    | 20.79                   | 180.17         | 200.96   | 3.39  | 0.19                        | 179.54 |
| Jodhpur                | 22,850        | 0.00                    | 4.26                    | 104.99         | 109.25   | 0.48  | 1.47                        | 163.53 |
| Karauli                | 5,524         | 0.00                    | 96.04                   | 747.80         | 843.84   | 15.28 | -26.16                      | 300.54 |
| Kota                   | 5,217         | 0.00                    | 153.28                  | 391.55         | 544.83   | 10.44 | -1.90                       | 135.83 |
| Nagaur                 | 17,718        | 0.00                    | 14.11                   | 155.65         | 169.76   | 0.96  | 22.72                       | 87.71  |

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(in sq km)

| District                | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | essment        |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub    |
|-------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                         | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Pali                    | 12,387        | 0.00                    | 211.60                  | 489.26         | 700.86    | 5.66  | 26.01                       | 357.60   |
| Pratapgarh <sup>™</sup> | 4,449         | 0.00                    | 562.97                  | 470.80         | 1,033.77  | 23.24 | -4.14                       | 59.05    |
| Rajsamand               | 4,655         | 0.00                    | 129.94                  | 386.93         | 516.87    | 11.10 | -4.92                       | 126.06   |
| Sawai Madhopur          | 4,498         | 0.00                    | 171.30                  | 293.31         | 464.61    | 10.33 | 1.92                        | 138.52   |
| Sikar                   | 7,732         | 0.00                    | 31.51                   | 170.67         | 202.18    | 2.61  | 9.12                        | 198.68   |
| Sirohi <sup>™</sup>     | 5,136         | 0.00                    | 300.96                  | 597.46         | 898.42    | 17.49 | -13.49                      | 247.50   |
| Tonk                    | 7,194         | 0.00                    | 27.72                   | 138.18         | 165.90    | 2.31  | 0.84                        | 68.96    |
| Udaipur <sup>™</sup>    | 11,724        | 0.00                    | 1,212.93                | 1,540.46       | 2,753.39  | 23.49 | -4.15                       | 239.53   |
| Grand Total             | 3,42,239      | 78.15                   | 4,368.65                | 12,208.16      | 16,654.96 | 4.87  | 25.45                       | 4,808.51 |

#### 13.22.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.22.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Rajasthan (in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |            |       |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|---|------------|-------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF MDF OF |       |        |       |
| 74   | 3,999  | 8,487  | 12,560  | 4          | 370   | 3,721  | 4,095 |
| 0.59%  | 31.84% | 67.57% |   | 0.10%      | 9.03% | 90.87% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Rajasthan, RFA boundaries have been used.

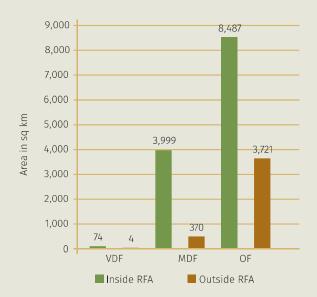


Figure 13.22.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Rajasthan

Table 13.22.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Rajasthan

(in sq km)

|                         |     | 2021 Assessment |        |       |          |           |
|-------------------------|-----|-----------------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF             | OF     | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 77  | 1               | 0      | 0     | 0        | 78        |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 1   | 4,272           | 36     | 3     | 30       | 4,342     |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 88              | 11,478 | 253   | 391      | 12,210    |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 1               | 258    | 4,064 | 437      | 4,760     |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 7               | 436    | 489   | 3,19,917 | 3,20,849  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 78  | 4,369           | 12,208 | 4,809 | 3,20,775 | 3,42,239  |
| Net Change              | 0   | 27              | -2     | 49    | -74      |           |

#### Table 13.22.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Rajasthan

(in sq km)

|                   |                   | -   |       |        |        |       |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-500             | 3,24,954          | 27  | 2,567 | 9,384  | 11,978 | 4,065 |
| 500-1000          | 17,070            | 51  | 1,688 | 2,776  | 4,515  | 739   |
| 1000-2000         | 215               | 0   | 114   | 48     | 162    | 5     |
| Total             | 3,42,239          | 78  | 4,369 | 12,208 | 16,655 | 4,809 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.22.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Rajasthan

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 3,15,978          | 21  | 1,569 | 7,215  | 8,805  | 3,471 |
| 5-10               | 15,796            | 15  | 849   | 1,922  | 2,786  | 597   |
| 10-15              | 4,729             | 12  | 673   | 1,175  | 1,860  | 294   |
| 15-20              | 2,656             | 11  | 542   | 822    | 1,375  | 196   |
| 20-25              | 1,650             | 9   | 382   | 565    | 956    | 129   |
| 25-30              | 901               | 6   | 219   | 324    | 549    | 78    |
| >30                | 529               | 4   | 135   | 185    | 324    | 44    |
| Total              | 3,42,239          | 78  | 4,369 | 12,208 | 16,655 | 4,809 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

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Figure 13.22.3 Forest Cover Map of Rajasthan

# Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

#### 13.22.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Rajasthan as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.22.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Rajasthan

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Type                               | Area      | % of the total |
|-----|---|-----------|----------------|
| No. |   |           | mapped area*   |
| 1.  | 5A/C1a Very dry teak forest               | 1,052.53  | 4.92           |
| 2.  | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                    | 45.03     | 0.22           |
| 3.  | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest | 8,294.34  | 38.78          |
| 4.  | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                 | 2,335.13  | 10.92          |
| 5.  | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                 | 2.87      | 0.01           |
| 6.  | 5/E1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> forest     | 3,162.27  | 14.78          |
| 7.  | 5/E1/DS1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> scrub  | 523.55    | 2.45           |
| 8.  | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest              | 151.04    | 0.71           |
| 9.  | 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest                  | 54.34     | 0.25           |
| 10. | 5/E6 <i>Aegle</i> forest                  | 1.69      | 0.01           |
| 11. | 5/E8a <i>Phoenix</i> savannah             | 2.03      | 0.01           |
| 12. | 5/1S1 Dry tropical riverain forest        | 49.86     | 0.23           |
| 13. | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest           | 304.35    | 1.42           |
| 14. | 6B/C1 Desert thorn forest                 | 813.43    | 3.80           |
| 15. | 6B/C2 Ravine thorn forest                 | 329.48    | 1.54           |
| 16. | 6B/DS1 Ziziphus scrub                     | 164.31    | 0.77           |
| 17. | 6B/DS2 Tropical <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub    | 2.92      | 0.01           |
| 18. | 6/E1 <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub               | 133.47    | 0.62           |
| 19. | 6/E2 <i>Acacia senegal</i> forest         | 46.44     | 0.22           |
| 20. | 6/1S1 Desert dune scrub                   | 969.52    | 4.53           |
|     | Sub Total                                 | 18,438.60 | 86.20          |
| 21. | TOF/Plantation                            | 2,950.95  | 13.80          |
|     | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)              | 21,389.55 | 100.00         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

**Table 13.22.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total Forest<br>Cover |
|---------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone       | 197.33          | 1.18                       |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone            | 366.57          | 2.20                       |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone        | 705.56          | 4.24                       |
| 5.      | Less fire prone              | 15.385.54       | 92.38                      |
|         | Total                        | 16.655.00       | 100.00                     |

### 13.22.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

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Figure 13.22.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

# LEGEND Extremely Fire Prone Very Highly Fire Prone Highly Fire Prone Moderately Fire Prone Less Fire Prone Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary O Capital

#### 13.22.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Rajasthan has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.22.10 Tree Cover in Rajasthan

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 8,112           | 8,733           | 621                        |

#### 13.22.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.22.11 Extent of TOF in Rajasthan

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 4,095                           | 8,733      | 12,828        |

#### 13.22.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Rajasthan is given in the Table 13.22.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.22.13.

Table 13.22.12 Growing Stock in Rajasthan

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 24.39              | 26.56              | 2.17                          | 0.61                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 89.07              | 90.63              | 1.56                          | 5.09                 |

#### Table 13.22.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Rajasthan

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Anogeissus pendula   | 51,228         | 606   | 27  |
| 2.      | Butea monosperma     | 18,945         | 2,121 | 53  |
| 3.      | Boswellia serrata    | 7,808          | 3,212 | 0   |
| 4.      | Acacia catechu       | 9,382          | 122   | 0   |
| 5.      | Lannea coromandelica | 7,340          | 1,958 | 52  |

#### 13.22.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Rajasthan in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.22.14 and Table 13.22.15 respectively

Table 13.22.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Rajasthan

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Prosopis cineraria | 22.45                     |
| 2.         | Prosopis juliflora | 10.13                     |
| 3.         | Acacia arabica     | 8.78                      |
| 4.         | Azadirachta indica | 8.33                      |
| 5.         | Acacia tortolis    | 7.40                      |

Table 13.22.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Rajasthan

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica  | 23.42                     |
| 2.         | Prosopis juliflora  | 14.89                     |
| 3.         | Acacia arabica      | 7.95                      |
| 4.         | Prosopis cineraria  | 5.92                      |
| 5.         | Zizyphus mauritiana | 4.00                      |

#### 13.22.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 110.77 million tonnes (406.16 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 1.54 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Rajasthan is given in the following table.

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#### Table 13.22.16 Forest Carbon in Rajasthan in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

|         |              | ``            |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
| 1.      | AGB          | 26,714        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 10,803        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 462           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 1,476         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 71,319        |
|         | Total        | 1,10,774      |

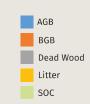


Figure 13.22.5 Forest Carbon in Rajasthan

#### 13.22.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.22.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Rajasthan

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 1,555 | 1.04                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 382   | 0.72                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 2,640 | 0.66                        |

#### 13.22.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.22.18 and Table 13.22.19 respectively.

Table 13.22.18 Major NTFP species in Rajasthan

| Sl. No. | Species                              | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--------------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Butea monosperma                     | Tree       | 48.33                  |
| 2.      | Boswellia serrata                    | Tree       | 23.15                  |
| 3.      | Diospyros melanoxylon                | Tree       | 10.48                  |
| 4.      | Wrightia arborea/ Wrightia tomentosa | Tree       | 7.30                   |
| 5.      | Aegla Marmelos                       | Tree       | 6.36                   |

Table 13.22.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Rajasthan (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Cassia tora           | 192              |
| 2.      | Lantana camara        | 108              |
| 3.      | Senna occidentalis    | 100              |
| 4.      | Prosopis juliflora    | 83               |
| 5.      | Triumfetta rhomboidea | 28               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

### 13.23 SIKKIM

#### **Geographical Area**

7,096 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 27° 04' N to 28° 07' N Longitude-88° 00' E to 88° 55' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

0.61 million

Urban 0.153 million (25.15 %) Rural 0.457 million (74.85 %) Tribal 0.206 million (33.72 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

86 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.29 million

**No. of Districts** 

4

**No. of Hill Districts** 

4

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

4

#### Table 13.23.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 710               |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 441               | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 334               | 75.74      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 10                | 2.27       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 4                 | 0.91       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 4                 | 0.91       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 5                 | 1.13       |
| Current fallows                            | 7                 | 1.58       |
| Net area sown                              | 77                | 17.46      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.23.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Figure 13.23.1 Forest Cover of Sikkim

| Table 13.<br>of Sikkin | <b>er</b><br>(in sq km) |         |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| Class                  | Area                    | % of GA |
| VDF                    | 1,101.82                | 15.53   |
| MDF                    | 1,551.06                | 21.86   |
| OF                     | 688.15                  | 9.69    |
| Total                  | 3,341.03                | 47.08   |
| Scrub                  | 296.44                  | 4.18    |

#### Table 13.23.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| District                   | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                            | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| East Sikkim <sup>™</sup>   | 954           | 271.67                  | 313.00                  | 128.60         | 713.27   | 74.77 | 0.55                        | 54.19  |
| North Sikkim <sup>™</sup>  | 4,226         | 410.36                  | 586.04                  | 285.91         | 1,282.31 | 30.34 | -1.74                       | 197.17 |
| South Sikkim <sup>TH</sup> | 750           | 173.39                  | 288.99                  | 108.76         | 571.14   | 76.15 | -0.68                       | 3.71   |
| West Sikkim <sup>™</sup>   | 1,166         | 246.40                  | 363.03                  | 164.88         | 774.31   | 66.41 | 0.41                        | 41.37  |
| Grand Total                | 7,096         | 1,101.82                | 1,551.06                | 688.15         | 3,341.03 | 47.08 | -1.46                       | 296.44 |

#### 13.23.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.23.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| Forest Co<br>(or Green | over Inside the<br>n Wash) | Recorded For | est Area | Forest Cover<br>(or Green Wa | Outside the Reash) | ea     |       |
|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|----------|------------------------------|--------------------|--------|-------|
| VDF                    | MDF                        | OF           | Total    | VDF                          | MDF                | OF     | Total |
| 832                    | 879                        | 343          | 2,054    | 270                          | 672                | 345    | 1,287 |
| 40.51%                 | 42.79%                     | 16.70%       |          | 20.98%                       | 52.21%             | 26.81% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Sikkim, RFA boundaries have been used.

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Inside RFA

Outside RFA

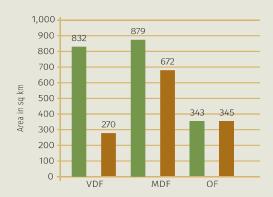


Figure 13.23.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Sikkim

Table 13.23.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Sikkim

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |     |       |       |           |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|-----------|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF  | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 1,101 | 1               | 0   | 0     | 0     | 1,102     |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 1     | 1,550           | 1   | 0     | 0     | 1,552     |  |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 0               | 685 | 1     | 2     | 688       |  |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 1   | 291   | 15    | 307       |  |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 0               | 1   | 4     | 3,442 | 3,447     |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 1,102 | 1,551           | 688 | 296   | 3,459 | 7,096     |  |
| Net Change              | 0     | -1              | 0   | -11   | 12    |           |  |

Table 13.23.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF  | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 50                | 0     | 20    | 16  | 36    | 1     |
| 500-1000          | 375               | 12    | 154   | 95  | 261   | 12    |
| 1000-2000         | 1,306             | 277   | 572   | 246 | 1,095 | 15    |
| 2000-3000         | 1,155             | 577   | 404   | 91  | 1,072 | 7     |
| 3000-4000         | 1,103             | 230   | 368   | 172 | 770   | 105   |
| >4000             | 3,107             | 6     | 33    | 68  | 107   | 156   |
| Total             | 7,096             | 1,102 | 1,551 | 688 | 3,341 | 296   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.23.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF  | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-----|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 351               | 13    | 16    | 7   | 36    | 8     |
| 5-10               | 554               | 48    | 57    | 25  | 130   | 20    |
| 10-15              | 767               | 109   | 130   | 54  | 293   | 34    |
| 15-20              | 969               | 167   | 211   | 89  | 467   | 45    |
| 20-25              | 1,062             | 199   | 266   | 111 | 576   | 50    |
| 25-30              | 1,034             | 198   | 275   | 116 | 589   | 18    |
| >30                | 2,359             | 368   | 596   | 286 | 1,250 | 121   |
| Total              | 7,096             | 1,102 | 1,551 | 688 | 3,341 | 296   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)



# Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

#### 13.23.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Sikkim as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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Table 13.23.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Type  | Area     | % of the total |
|-----|--|----------|----------------|
| No. |  |          | mapped area*   |
| 1.  | 3C/C1a(I) East Himalayan sal                       | 69.47    | 1.84           |
| 2.  | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest | 194.86   | 5.15           |
| 3.  | 8B/C1 East Himalayan sub-tropical wet hill forest  | 905.73   | 23.93          |
| 4.  | 11B/C1b <i>Buk</i> oak forest                      | 874.93   | 23.11          |
| 5.  | 12/C3a East Himalayan mixed coniferous forest      | 224.16   | 5.92           |
| 6.  | 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes                       | 7.04     | 0.19           |
| 7.  | 14/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest   | 912.14   | 24.09          |
| 8.  | 15/C1 Birch/ <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub forest      | 128.19   | 3.39           |
| 9.  | 15/E1 Dwarf <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub              | 11.44    | 0.30           |
| 10. | 15/E2 Dwarf juniper scrub                          | 187.94   | 4.96           |
|     | Sub Total  | 3,515.90 | 92.88          |
| 11. | TOF/Plantation                                     | 133.24   | 3.52           |
|     | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                       | 3,649.14 |                |
|     | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover)       |          |                |
| 12. | 15/C3 Alpine pastures                              | 136.28   | 3.60           |
|     | Grand Total  | 3,785.42 | 100.00         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.23.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Table 13.23.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 25.30           | 0.76                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 3,315.70        | 99.24                      |
|            | Total                        | 3,341.00        | 100.00                     |

**Figure 13.23.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



#### 13.23.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Sikkim has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.23.10 Tree Cover in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 36              | 39              | 3                          |

#### 13.23.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.23.11 Extent of TOF in Sikkim

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1,287                           | 39         | 1,326         |

#### 13.23.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Sikkim is given in the Table 13.23.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.23.13.

#### Table 13.23.12 Growing Stock in Sikkim

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 35.32              | 33.91              | -1.41                         | 0.77                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 1.94               | 1.73               | -0.21                         | 0.10                 |

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Table 13.23.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Sikkim

(in '000)

|         |                  |       | Dia class (cm) |     |
|---------|------------------|-------|----------------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species          | 10-30 | 30-60          | >60 |
| 1.      | Schima wallichii | 4,073 | 1,284          | 97  |
| 2.      | Castanopsis spp. | 2,617 | 1,720          | 700 |
| 3.      | Shorea robusta   | 2,869 | 1,127          | 216 |
| 4.      | Machilus spp.    | 620   | 679            | 401 |
| 5.      | Alnus spp.       | 475   | 852            | 100 |

#### 13.23.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Sikkim in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.23.14 and Table 13.23.15 respectively.

Table 13.23.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Sikkim

| Sl.<br>No. | Species          | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Schima wallichii | 19.50                     |
| 2.         | Alnus spp.       | 8.80                      |
| 3.         | Ficus spp.       | 6.45                      |
| 4.         | Macaranga spp.   | 5.22                      |
| 5.         | Castanopsis spp. | 4.13                      |

Table 13.23.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Sikkim

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Crypomeria japonica | 11.96                     |
| 2.         | Schima wallichii    | 11.77                     |
| 3.         | Macaranga spp.      | 9.00                      |
| 4.         | Ficus spp.          | 7.87                      |
| 5.         | Prunus cornata      | 5.41                      |

#### 13.23.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 55.54 million tonnes (203.65 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.77 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Sikkim is given in the following table.

Table 13.23.16 Forest Carbon in Sikkim in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 18,024        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 5,466         |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 498           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 607           |
| 5.      | SOC          | 30,944        |
|         | Total        | 55,539        |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.23.5 Forest Carbon in Sikkim

#### 13.23.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.23.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Sikkim

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |     | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-----|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 994 | 0.67                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 326 | 0.61                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 624 | 0.16                        |

#### 13.23.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.23.18 and Table 13.23.19 respectively.

Table 13.23.18 Major NTFP Species in Sikkim

| Sl. No. | Species                | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Nephrolepis spp.       | Herbs      | 81.31                  |
| 2.      | Spondias axillaris     | Tree       | 4.67                   |
| 3.      | Diplagium spp.         | Herbs      | 4.67                   |
| 4.      | Thysanolaena latifolia | Shrub      | 4.67                   |
| 5.      | Polygonum spp.         | Shrub      | 2.80                   |

Table 13.23.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Sikkim (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                  | Estimated Extent |
|---------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Glinsoga parviflora      | 10               |
| 2.      | Acacia farnesiana        | 7                |
| 3.      | Parthenium hysteropharus | 2                |
| 4.      | Solanum viarum           | 1                |
| 5.      | Lantana camara           | 0.44             |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

## 13.24 TAMIL NADU

#### **Geographical Area**

1,30,060 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 8° 05' N to 13° 35' N Longitude-76° 15' E to 80° 20' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

72.15 million

Urban 34.92 million (48.40 %) Rural 37.23 million (51.60 %) Tribal 0.79 million (1.10%)

#### **Average Population Density**

555 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 22.72 million

#### **No. of Districts**

32

**No. of Hill Districts** 

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

6

#### Table 13.24.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 13,006            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 13,033            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 2,157             | 16.55      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 2,659             | 20.40      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 108               | 0.83       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 226               | 1.73       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 320               | 2.46       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 1,932             | 14.82      |
| Current fallows                            | 992               | 7.61       |
| Net area sown                              | 4,639             | 35.60      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.24.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.24.2 Forest Cover of

Tamil Nadu (in sq km) Class Area % of GA VDF 3,593.01 2.76 MDF 11,034.03 8.48 OF 11,792.19 9.07 Total 26,419.23 20.31 757.84 0.58 Scrub

**Figure 13.24.1** Forest Cover of Tamil Nadu

Table 13.24.3 District-wise Forest Cover in Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

| District                           | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | sessment       |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                    | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Ariyalur                           | 1,940         | 0.00                    | 40.38                   | 364.22         | 404.60   | 20.86 | 11.46                       | 6.56  |
| Chennai                            | 175           | 0.00                    | 6.17                    | 6.50           | 12.67    | 7.24  | -0.17                       | 0.00  |
| Coimbatore <sup>H</sup>            | 4,732         | 360.8                   | 679.98                  | 944.26         | 1,985.04 | 41.95 | 0.40                        | 7.31  |
| Cuddalore                          | 3,703         | 0.00                    | 47.56                   | 342.68         | 390.24   | 10.54 | <b>-</b> 0.72               | 17.52 |
| Dharmapuri <sup>T</sup>            | 4,497         | 261.85                  | 835.75                  | 605.11         | 1,702.71 | 37.86 | 1.57                        | 15.06 |
| Dindigul                           | 6,036         | 251.99                  | 782.12                  | 843.86         | 1,877.97 | 31.11 | 3.57                        | 31.9  |
| Erode                              | 5,760         | 402.17                  | 1,128.56                | 765.00         | 2,295.73 | 39.86 | 1.27                        | 37.50 |
| Kancheepuram                       | 4,483         | 0.00                    | 71.79                   | 253.52         | 325.31   | 7.26  | 17.53                       | 40.29 |
| Kanniyakumari <sup>H</sup>         | 1,684         | 136.08                  | 570.22                  | 297.30         | 1,003.60 | 59.60 | 0.06                        | 0.58  |
| Karur                              | 2,904         | 2.24                    | 42.58                   | 73.82          | 118.64   | 4.09  | 0.18                        | 7.48  |
| Krishnagiri                        | 5,129         | 94.87                   | 827.61                  | 695.47         | 1,617.95 | 31.55 | 0.54                        | 32.76 |
| Madurai <sup>H</sup>               | 3,710         | 38.87                   | 232.76                  | 281.59         | 553.22   | 14.91 | <b>-</b> 1.90               | 33.05 |
| Nagapattinam                       | 2,569         | 0.00                    | 23.48                   | 133.20         | 156.68   | 6.10  | -2.51                       | 0.00  |
| Namakkal <sup>T</sup>              | 3,420         | 83.41                   | 283.97                  | 213.51         | 580.89   | 16.99 | 1.84                        | 24.25 |
| Perambalur <sup>™</sup>            | 1,756         | 10.03                   | 64.81                   | 67.33          | 142.17   | 8.10  | 0.91                        | 18.79 |
| Pudukkottai                        | 4,644         | 0.77                    | 106.51                  | 269.85         | 377.13   | 8.12  | 12.34                       | 7.30  |
| Ramanathapuram                     | 4,104         | 0.00                    | 23.84                   | 227.65         | 251.49   | 6.13  | <b>-</b> 5.46               | 6.25  |
| Salem <sup>T</sup>                 | 5,237         | 197.62                  | 757.20                  | 516.30         | 1,471.12 | 28.09 | 1.28                        | 33.83 |
| Sivaganga                          | 4,233         | 0.00                    | 37.60                   | 293.49         | 331.09   | 7.82  | 1.43                        | 5.34  |
| Thanjavur                          | 3,411         | 0.00                    | 265.02                  | 85.32          | 350.34   | 10.27 | 4.15                        | 0.64  |
| The Nilgiris <sup>H</sup>          | 2,565         | 460.67                  | 629.51                  | 641.20         | 1,731.38 | 67.50 | 0.37                        | 8.71  |
| Theni                              | 2,868         | 183.17                  | 471.06                  | 529.66         | 1,183.89 | 41.28 | 8.60                        | 29.42 |
| Thiruvallur                        | 3,394         | 11.00                   | 46.10                   | 238.42         | 295.52   | 8.71  | 9.85                        | 51.41 |
| Thiruvarur                         | 2,274         | 0.46                    | 35.65                   | 33.96          | 70.07    | 3.08  | 2.60                        | 0.00  |
| Tirunelveli <sup>H</sup>           | 6,693         | 442.48                  | 566.56                  | 293.46         | 1,302.50 | 19.46 | 2.26                        | 26.08 |
| Tiruppur                           | 5,187         | 48.28                   | 237.66                  | 560.25         | 846.19   | 16.31 | 1.76                        | 8.81  |
| <b>Tiruvannamalai</b> <sup>™</sup> | 6,188         | 233.64                  | 596.61                  | 482.1          | 1,312.35 | 21.21 | 3.99                        | 71.22 |

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(in sq km)

| District                    | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | essment        |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                             | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Trichirappalli <sup>™</sup> | 4,509         | 53.53                   | 228.35                  | 193.94         | 475.82    | 10.55 | 4.46                        | 33.61  |
| Tuticorin                   | 4,745         | 0                       | 25.72                   | 226.25         | 251.97    | 5.31  | -4.71                       | 69.75  |
| Vellore                     | 6,075         | 200.98                  | 939.55                  | 684.45         | 1,824.98  | 30.04 | 6.39                        | 76.47  |
| Viluppuram                  | 7,194         | 79.36                   | 299.05                  | 455.94         | 834.35    | 11.60 | -23.21                      | 47.01  |
| Virudhunagar                | 4,241         | 38.74                   | 130.30                  | 172.58         | 341.62    | 8.06  | -4.92                       | 8.94   |
| Grand Total                 | 1,30,060      | 3,593.01                | 11,034.03               | 11,792.19      | 26,419.23 | 20.31 | 55.21                       | 757.84 |

#### 13.24.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

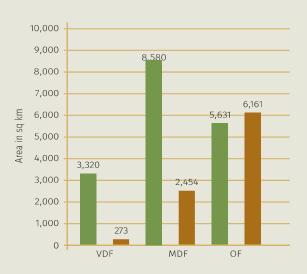
The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.24.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area<br>(or Green Wash) |       |        |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|--|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total  | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 3,320  | 8,580  | 5,631  | 17,531   | 273   | 2,454  | 6,161  | 8,888 |
| 18.94%   | 48.94% | 32.12% |  | 3.07% | 27.61% | 69.32% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Tamil Nadu, RFA boundaries have been used.



Inside RFAOutside RFA

Figure 13.24.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Tamil Nadu

Table 13.24.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

|                         |       | Total  |        |       |          |           |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 3,593 | 8      | 3      | 0     | 1        | 3,605     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0     | 11,017 | 4      | 3     | 6        | 11,030    |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 0      | 11,563 | 12    | 154      | 11,729    |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0      | 2      | 711   | 2        | 715       |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 9      | 220    | 32    | 1,02,720 | 1,02,981  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 3,593 | 11,034 | 11,792 | 758   | 1,02,883 | 1,30,060  |
| Net Change              | -12   | 4      | 63     | 43    | -98      |           |

#### Table 13.24.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 1,11,060          | 364   | 5,112  | 8,631  | 14,107 | 598   |
| 500-100           | 13,688            | 1,810 | 4,402  | 2,420  | 8,632  | 22    |
| 1000-2000         | 4,437             | 1,087 | 1,399  | 700    | 3,186  | 6     |
| 2000-3000         | 875               | 332   | 121    | 41     | 494    | 132   |
| Total             | 1,30,060          | 3,593 | 11,034 | 11,792 | 26,419 | 758   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.24.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,09,583          | 334   | 3,454  | 7,634  | 11,422 | 386   |
| 5-10               | 5,911             | 529   | 1,762  | 1,358  | 3,649  | 102   |
| 10-15              | 3,943             | 584   | 1,506  | 876    | 2,966  | 55    |
| 15-20              | 3,364             | 586   | 1,387  | 743    | 2,716  | 66    |
| 20-25              | 2,856             | 558   | 1,229  | 623    | 2,410  | 60    |
| 25-30              | 2,208             | 484   | 940    | 475    | 1,899  | 49    |
| >30                | 2,195             | 518   | 756    | 83     | 1,357  | 40    |
| Total              | 1,30,060          | 3,593 | 11,034 | 11,792 | 26,419 | 758   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

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#### Figure 13.24.3

Forest Cover Map of Tamil Nadu

#### LEGEND

Very Dense Forest

Moderately Dense Forest

Open Forest

Scrub

Non-Forest Water-bodies

International Boundary State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

#### 13.24.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Tamil Nadu as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

| Table      | 13.24.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Tamil Nadu |          | (in sq km)                  |
|------------|---|----------|-----------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type   | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
| 1.         | 1A/C3 Southern hilltop tropical evergreen forest                | 108.55   | 0.39                        |
| 2.         | 1A/C4 West Coast tropical evergreen forest                      | 679.02   | 2.46                        |
| 3.         | 2A/C2 West Coast semi-evergreen forest                          | 410.10   | 1.49                        |
| 4.         | 2A/C3 Tirunelveli semi-evergreen forest                         | 119.82   | 0.43                        |
| 5.         | 2/E3 Moist bamboo brakes  | 322.88   | 1.17                        |
| 6.         | 3B/C1a Very moist teak forest                                   | 58.65    | 0.21                        |
| 7.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest  | 173.79   | 0.63                        |
| 8.         | 3B/C1c Slightly moist teak forest                               | 51.22    | 0.19                        |
| 9.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest                     | 1,249.80 | 4.53                        |
| 10.        | 3B/C2/2S1 Southern secondary moist mixed deciduous forest       | 260.86   | 0.94                        |
| 11.        | 4A/L1 Littoral forest   | 7.96     | 0.03                        |
| 12.        | 4B/TS1 Mangrove scrub   | 27.33    | 0.10                        |
| 13.        | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest  | 17.50    | 0.06                        |
| 14.        | 4C/FS2 Submontane hill valley swamp forest                      | 2.12     | 0.01                        |
| 15.        | 4E/RS1 Riparian fringing forest                                 | 37.15    | 0.13                        |
| 16.        | 5A/C1a Very dry teak forest                                     | 0.90     | 0.00                        |
| 17.        | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest  | 157.01   | 0.57                        |
| 18.        | 5A/C2 Dry red sanders-bearing forest                            | 10.40    | 0.04                        |
| 19.        | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest                       | 6,193.06 | 22.43                       |
| 20.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                                       | 941.05   | 3.41                        |
| 21.        | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                                       | 258.73   | 0.94                        |
| 22.        | 5/DS3 Euphorbia scrub   | 3.28     | 0.01                        |
| 23.        | 5/DS4 Dry grassland   | 51.21    | 0.19                        |
| 24.        | 5/E4 <i>Hardwickia</i> forest                                   | 438.74   | 1.59                        |
| 25.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes  | 150.98   | 0.55                        |
| 26.        | 5/1S1 Dry tropical riverain forest                              | 112.74   | 0.41                        |
| 27.        | 5/2S1 Secondary dry deciduous forest                            | 2,734.24 | 9.90                        |
| 28.        | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest                                     | 1,858.24 | 6.73                        |
| 29.        | 6A/C2 Carnatic umbrella thorn forest                            | 1,469.21 | 5.32                        |
| 30.        | 6A/DS1 Southern thorn scrub                                     | 514.59   | 1.86                        |
| 31.        | 6A/DS2 Southern <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub                          | 43.50    | 0.16                        |
| 32.        | 7/C1 Tropical dry evergreen forest                              | 309.75   | 1.12                        |
| 33.        | 7/DS1 Tropical dry evergreen scrub                              | 75.99    | 0.27                        |
| 34.        | 8A/C1 Nilgiri sub tropical hill forest                          | 173.08   | 0.63                        |
| 35.        | 8A/C1/DS1 South Indian sub-tropical hill savannah (woodland)    | 19.07    | 0.07                        |
| 36.        | 8A/E1 Reed brakes (Ochalandra)                                  | 3.47     | 0.01                        |
| 37.        | 11A/C1 Southern montane wet temperate forest                    | 186.31   | 0.67                        |
| 38.        | 11A/C1/DS1 Southern montane wet scrub                           | 4.16     | 0.01                        |

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(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                   | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 39.        | 11A/C1/DS2 Southern montane wet grassland     | 17.08     | 0.06                        |
|            | Sub Total                                     | 19,253.54 | 69.72                       |
| 40.        | TOF/Plantation                                | 7,825.20  | 28.34                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                  | 27,078.74 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover) |           |                             |
| 41.        | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                     | 107.68    | 0.39                        |
| 42.        | 5/DS4 Dry grassland                           | 232.84    | 0.84                        |
| 43.        | 11A/C1/DS2 Southern montane wet grassland     | 194.44    | 0.71                        |
|            | Sub Total                                     | 534.96    | 1.94                        |
|            | Grand Total                                   | 27,613.70 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.24.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Figure. 13.24.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

| Table 13.24.9 | <b>Forest Fire</b> | Prone  | Classes | (in sq km)    |
|---------------|--------------------|--------|---------|---------------|
| Table 13.24.3 | I DIESTINE         | FIUITE | Classes | (111 39 1111) |

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00            | 0.00                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 38.78           | 0.15                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 470.00          | 1.78                       |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 1,910.94        | 7.23                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 23,999.28       | 90.84                      |
|            | Total                        | 26,419.00       | 100.00                     |



#### 13.24.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Tamil Nadu has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.24.10 Tree Cover in Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 4,830           | 4,424           | -406                       |

#### 13.24.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.24.11 Extent of TOF in Tamil Nadu

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 8,888                           | 4,424      | 13,312        |

#### 13.24.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Tamil Nadu is given in the Table 13.24.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.24.13

#### Table 13.24.12 Growing Stock in Tamil Nadu

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 96.97              | 92.27              | -4.70                         | 2.10                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 76.30              | 82.21              | 5.91                          | 4.62                 |

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Table 13.24.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Tamil Nadu

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |  |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |  |
| 1.      | Albizzia amara       | 73,482         | 2,814 | 68  |  |  |
| 2.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 27,875         | 2,687 | 34  |  |  |
| 3.      | Commiphora ostdets   | 18,806         | 1,218 | 34  |  |  |
| 4.      | Tectona grandis      | 8,096          | 970   | 317 |  |  |
| 5.      | Ficus spp.           | 5,110          | 640   | 237 |  |  |

#### 13.24.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Tamil Nadu in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.24.14 and Table 13.24.15 respectively.

Table 13.24.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Tamil Nadu

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera          | 29.47                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica      | 11.25                     |
| 3.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 10.41                     |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica        | 5.93                      |
| 5.         | Areca catechu           | 4.49                      |

Table 13.24.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Tamil Nadu

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera          | 32.32                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica      | 13.32                     |
| 3.         | Morinda oleifera        | 5.25                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica        | 4.16                      |
| 5.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 3.66                      |

#### 13.24.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 214.61 million tonnes (786.90 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.98 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Tamil Nadu is given in the following table.

Table 13.24.16 Forest Carbon in Tamil Nadu in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 60,459        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 20,671        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 1,198         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 3,102         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,29,183      |
|         | Total        | 2,14,613      |



Figure 13.24.5 Forest Carbon in Tamil Nadu

#### 13.24.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.24.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Tamil Nadu

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 4,001 | 2.68                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 1,021 | 1.91                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 9,215 | 2.29                        |

#### 13.24.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.24.18 and Table 13.24.19 respectively.

Table 13.24.18 Major NTFP Species in Tamil Nadu

| Sl. No. | Species                | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Albizia amara          | Tree       | 73.46                  |
| 2.      | Cymbopogan citrates    | Herbs      | 9.02                   |
| 3.      | Anacardium occidentale | Tree       | 3.97                   |
| 4.      | Embilica officinalis   | Tree       | 3.08                   |
| 5.      | Tamarindus indica      | Tree       | 2.96                   |

Table 13.24.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Tamil Nadu  $$(\inf sq\ km)$$ 

| Sl. No. | Species               | Estimated Extent |
|---------|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara        | 1,154            |
| 2.      | Chromolaena odorata   | 220              |
| 3.      | Solanum elaegnifolium | 66               |
| 4.      | Ageratum conyzoides   | 44               |
| 5.      | Cuscuta spp.          | 31               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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### 13.25 TELANGANA

**Geographical Area** 

1,12,077 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude-15° 50' N to 19° 55' N Longitude-77° 14' E to 81° 19' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

35.19 million

Urban 13.61 million (38.88 %) Rural 21.58 million (61.12 %) Tribal 3.29 million (9.35 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

306 Per Sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 56.10 million

#### **No. of Districts**

10

No. of Hill Districts

(

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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#### Table 13.25.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 11,210            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 11,208            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 2,698             | 24.07      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 1,441             | 12.86      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 299               | 2.67       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 112               | 1.00       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 182               | 1.62       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 662               | 5.91       |
| Current fallows                            | 916               | 8.17       |
| Net area sown                              | 4,898             | 43.70      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.25.1 Forest Cover

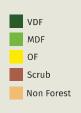


Table 13.25.2 Forest Cover of Telangana

(in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of GA |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| VDF   | 1,623.90  | 1.45    |
| MDF   | 9,118.68  | 8.14    |
| OF    | 10,471.40 | 9.34    |
| Total | 21,213.98 | 18.93   |
| Scrub | 2,911.37  | 2.60    |

**Figure 13.25.1** Forest Cover of Telangana

#### Table 13.25.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Telangana

(in sq km)

| District              | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | essment        |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub    |
|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|----------|
|                       | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |          |
| Adilabad <sup>™</sup> | 16,105        | 150.25                  | 3,244.05                | 2,349.12       | 5,743.42  | 35.66 | 22.10                       | 94.56    |
| Hyderabad             | 217           | 0.00                    | 4.91                    | 13.09          | 18.00     | 8.29  | -0.68                       | 2.12     |
| Karimnagar            | 11,823        | 74.50                   | 854.59                  | 1,276.93       | 2,206.02  | 18.66 | 217.81                      | 275.42   |
| Khammam <sup>T</sup>  | 13,266        | 730.06                  | 2,292.84                | 1,485.81       | 4,508.71  | 33.99 | 29.57                       | 51.89    |
| Mahbubnagar           | 18,432        | 336.32                  | 633.51                  | 1,340.46       | 2,310.29  | 12.53 | 9.24                        | 658.17   |
| Medak                 | 9,699         | 0.00                    | 120.11                  | 652.19         | 772.30    | 7.96  | 32.99                       | 271.85   |
| Nalgonda              | 14,240        | 0.15                    | 23.11                   | 494.93         | 518.19    | 3.64  | 103.75                      | 708.64   |
| Nizamabad             | 7,956         | 0.09                    | 253.80                  | 977.98         | 1,231.87  | 15.48 | 35.58                       | 278.32   |
| Rangareddy            | 7,493         | 0.02                    | 146.10                  | 659.99         | 806.11    | 10.76 | 35.69                       | 428.24   |
| Warangal <sup>™</sup> | 12,846        | 332.51                  | 1,545.66                | 1,220.90       | 3,099.07  | 24.12 | 145.62                      | 142.17   |
| Grand Total           | 1,12,077      | 1,623.90                | 9,118.68                | 10,471.40      | 21,213.98 | 18.93 | 631.67                      | 2,911.37 |

#### 13.25.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.25.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Telangana

(in sq km)

|       | rest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        |              |        | ea .   |       |
|-------|--|--------|--------|--------------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF   | MDF  | OF     | Total  | VDF MDF OF T |        |        |       |
| 1,551 | 8,651  | 8,494  | 18,696 | 73           | 468    | 1,977  | 2,518 |
| 8.30% | 46.27%   | 45.43% |        | 2.90%        | 18.59% | 78.51% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Telangana, RFA boundaries have been used.

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Figure 13.25.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Telangana

Table 13.25.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Telangana

(in sq km)

|                         |       | Total |        |       |        |           |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 1,607 | 1     | 0      | 0     | 0      | 1,608     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 17    | 8,748 | 2      | 2     | 18     | 8,787     |
| Open Forest             | 0     | 365   | 9,706  | 11    | 105    | 10,187    |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 1     | 623    | 2,765 | 226    | 3,615     |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 4     | 140    | 133   | 87,603 | 87,880    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 1,624 | 9,119 | 10,471 | 2,911 | 87,952 | 1,12,077  |
| Net Change              | 16    | 332   | 284    | -704  | 72     |           |

Table 13.25.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Telangana

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 88,743            | 1,295 | 7,837 | 7,758  | 16,890 | 2,095 |
| 500-1000          | 23,334            | 329   | 1,282 | 2,713  | 4,324  | 816   |
| Total             | 1,12,077          | 1,624 | 9,119 | 10,471 | 21,214 | 2,911 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.25.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Telangana

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 1,01,773          | 927   | 5,875 | 7,292  | 14,094 | 2,263 |
| 5-10               | 5,542             | 287   | 1,429 | 1,538  | 3,254  | 352   |
| 10-15              | 2,243             | 166   | 820   | 760    | 1,746  | 142   |
| 15-20              | 1,260             | 108   | 506   | 435    | 1,049  | 77    |
| 20-25              | 719               | 72    | 289   | 252    | 613    | 44    |
| 25-30              | 357               | 41    | 137   | 128    | 306    | 23    |
| >30                | 183               | 23    | 63    | 66     | 152    | 10    |
| Total              | 1,12,077          | 1,624 | 9,119 | 10,471 | 21,214 | 2,911 |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.25.3 Forest Cover Map of Telangana



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#### 13.25.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Telangana as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.25.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Telangana

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                  | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest  | 49.23     | 0.20                        |
| 2.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                       | 3,371.64  | 13.87                       |
| 3.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest    | 14,383.62 | 59.18                       |
| 4.         | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                    | 5,037.40  | 20.72                       |
| 5.         | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                    | 5.04      | 0.02                        |
| 6.         | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                 | 0.77      | 0.00                        |
| 7.         | 5/E4 <i>Hardwickia</i> forest                | 0.47      | 0.00                        |
| 8.         | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                       | 16.30     | 0.07                        |
| 9.         | 5/2S1 Secondary dry deciduous forest         | 151.94    | 0.63                        |
| 10.        | 6A/C1 Southern thorn forest                  | 320.41    | 1.32                        |
| 11.        | 6A/DS1 Southern thorn scrub                  | 0.80      | 0.00                        |
|            | Sub Total                                    | 23,337.62 | 96.01                       |
| 12.        | TOF/Plantation                               | 859.73    | 3.54                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                 | 24,197.35 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest type (outside forest cover) |           |                             |
| 13.        | 5/DS4 Dry grassland                          | 108.96    | 0.45                        |
|            | Grand Total                                  | 24,306.31 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.25.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Table 13.25.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 571.87       | 2.70                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 2,970.26     | 14.00                      |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 3,920.18     | 18.48                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 3,522.07     | 16.60                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 10,229.62    | 48.22                      |
|            | Total                        | 21,214.00    | 100.00                     |

#### Figure 13.25.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

#### 13.25.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Telangana has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.25.10 Tree Cover in Telangana

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 2,514           | 2,848           | 334                        |

#### 13.25.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.25.11 Extent of TOF in Telangana

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |  |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|--|
| 2,518                           | 2,848      | 5,366         |  |

#### 13.25.6 Growing Stock in Telangana

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Telangana is given in the Table 15.25.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 15.25.13

#### Table 13.25.12 Growing Stock in Telangana

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 80.96              | 80.20              | -0.76                         | 1.83                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 41.45              | 43.76              | 2.31                          | 2.46                 |

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Table 13.25.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Telangana

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |
| 1.      | Tectona grandis      | 72,112         | 4,460 | 166 |  |
| 2.      | Anogeissus latifolia | 23,921         | 2,434 | 42  |  |
| 3.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 20,245         | 3,358 | 87  |  |
| 4.      | Lannea coromandelica | 15,285         | 3,940 | 83  |  |
| 5.      | Madhuca latifolia    | 3,859          | 3,113 | 428 |  |

#### 13.25.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Telangana in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.25.14 and Table 13.25.15 respectively.

Table 13.25.14Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Telangana

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica        | 38.93                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica      | 13.66                     |
| 3.         | Butea monosperma        | 5.06                      |
| 4.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 4.26                      |
| 5.         | Tectona grandis         | 3.99                      |

Table 13.25.15Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Telangana

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica | 18.35                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica   | 8.86                      |
| 3.         | Pongamia pinnata   | 6.84                      |
| 4.         | Tectona grandis    | 5.32                      |
| 5.         | Cocos nucifera     | 5.28                      |

#### 13.25.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 161.99 million tonnes (593.96 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.25 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Telangana is given in the following table.

Table 13.25.16 Forest Carbon in
Telangana in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 44,413        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 18,415        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 675           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 2,169         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 96,314        |
|         | Total        | 1,61,986      |



Figure 13.25.5 Forest Carbon in Telangana

#### 13.25.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.25.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Telangana

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 4,535  | 3.03                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 2,008  | 3.76                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 12,516 | 3.11                        |

#### 13.24.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.24.18 and Table 13.24.19 respectively.

Table 13.25.18 Major NTFP species in Telangana

| Sl. No. | Species              | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Solanum nigrum       | Herbs      | 15.98                  |
| 2.      | Terminalia belerica  | Tree       | 10.15                  |
| 3.      | Desmodium gangeticum | Shrub      | 9.72                   |
| 4.      | Strychnos patatorum  | Tree       | 9.29                   |
| 5.      | Strychnos nuxvomica  | Tree       | 9.07                   |

Table 13.25.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green wash in Telangana

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | <b>Estimated Extent</b> |
|---------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara      | 133                     |
| 2.      | Chromolaena odorata | 128                     |
| 3.      | Senna occidentalis  | 78                      |
| 4.      | Cassia tora         | 27                      |
| 5.      | Argemone mexicana   | 26                      |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

10,486 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 22° 57' N to 24° 32' N Longitude- 91° 10' E to 92° 20' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

3.67 million

Urban 0.96 million (26.17 %) Rural 2.71 million (73.83 %) Tribal 1.17 million (31.76 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

350 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census)
1.94 million

#### No. of Districts

4

No. of Hill Districts

4

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

4

#### Table 13.26.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 1,049             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 1,049             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 629               | 59.96      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 148               | 14.11      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1                 | 0.10       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 10                | 0.95       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 3                 | 0.28       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 2                 | 0.19       |
| Current fallows                            | 1                 | 0.10       |
| Net area sown                              | 255               | 24.31      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.26.1 Forest Cover



| Table 13.26.2 Forest Cover |          |            |  |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|----------|------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| of Tripur                  | a        | (in sq km) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Class                      | Area     | % of GA    |  |  |  |  |  |
| VDF                        | 646.76   | 6.17       |  |  |  |  |  |
| MDF                        | 5,211.76 | 49.70      |  |  |  |  |  |
| OF                         | 1,863.00 | 17.77      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total                      | 7,721.52 | 73.64      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scrub                      | 33.22    | 0.32       |  |  |  |  |  |
|                            |          |            |  |  |  |  |  |

**Figure 13.26.1** Forest Cover of Tripura

#### Table 13.26.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Tripura

(in sq km)

| District                   | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment %of Change |                         |                | Scrub    |       |                             |       |
|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                            | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest    | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Dhalai™                    | 2,400         | 117.71                     | 1,453.00                | 406.44         | 1,977.15 | 82.38 | -6.55                       | 2.55  |
| North Tripura <sup>™</sup> | 2,036         | 48.52                      | 1,044.60                | 387.57         | 1,480.69 | 72.73 | 0.50                        | 18.21 |
| South Tripura <sup>™</sup> | 3,057         | 235.28                     | 1,571.31                | 455.23         | 2,261.82 | 73.99 | -10.38                      | 0.10  |
| West Tripura <sup>™</sup>  | 2,993         | 245.25                     | 1,142.85                | 613.76         | 2,001.86 | 66.88 | 12.36                       | 12.36 |
| Grand Total                | 10,486        | 646.76                     | 5,211.76                | 1,863.00       | 7,721.52 | 73.64 | -4.07                       | 33.22 |

#### 13.26.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.25.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Tripura

(in sq km)

| Forest Co | over Inside the I<br>n Wash) | Recorded For | est Area | Area Forest Cover Outside the Records (or Green Wash) |        |        | rded Forest Area |  |  |
|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|----------|---|--------|--------|------------------|--|--|
| VDF       | MDF                          | OF           | Total    | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total            |  |  |
| 407       | 3,886                        | 1,140        | 5,433    | 240   | 1,326  | 723    | 2,289            |  |  |
| 7.49%     | 71.53%                       | 20.98%       |          | 10.48%  | 57.93% | 31.59% |                  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Tripura, RFA boundaries have been used.

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Figure 13.26.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Tripura

Table 13.26.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Tripura

(in sq km)

|                         |     | Total |       |       |       |           |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 643 | 1     | 1     | 0     | 9     | 654       |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 4   | 5,195 | 14    | 0     | 23    | 5,236     |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 8     | 1,811 | 3     | 14    | 1,836     |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0     | 0     | 29    | 0     | 29        |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 8     | 37    | 1     | 2,685 | 2,731     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 647 | 5,212 | 1,863 | 33    | 2,731 | 10,486    |
| Net Change              | -7  | -24   | 27    | 4     | 0     |           |

#### Table 13.26.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Tripura

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 10,420            | 647 | 5,165 | 1,846 | 7,658 | 30    |
| 500-1000          | 66                | 0   | 47    | 17    | 64    | 3     |
| Total             | 10,486            | 647 | 5,212 | 1,863 | 7,722 | 33    |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.26.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Tripura

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 6,067             | 428 | 2,422 | 950   | 3,800 | 13    |
| 5-10               | 2,630             | 172 | 1,593 | 466   | 2,231 | 4     |
| 10-15              | 1,059             | 35  | 720   | 235   | 990   | 3     |
| 15-20              | 446               | 8   | 300   | 123   | 431   | 4     |
| 20-25              | 179               | 2   | 114   | 56    | 172   | 4     |
| 25-30              | 68                | 1   | 41    | 22    | 64    | 3     |
| >30                | 37                | 1   | 22    | 11    | 34    | 2     |
| Total              | 10,486            | 647 | 5,212 | 1,863 | 7,722 | 33    |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

# Figure 13.26.3 Forest Cover Map of Tripura LEGEND 13.26.2 Forest Types Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest The area under different forest types Open Forest Scrub of Tripura as per the Champion & Seth Non-Forest classification (1968), according to the Water-bodies Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are International Boundary presented in the following Table. State Boundary District Boundary O Capital

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#### Table 13.26.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Tripura

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 2B/C2 Cachar semi-evergreen forest                 | 2,126.56 | 27.42                       |
| 2.         | 2B/C1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub             | 1.15     | 0.02                        |
| 3.         | 2/2S1 Secondary moist bamboo brakes                | 590.44   | 7.61                        |
| 4.         | 3C/C1b(ii) East Himalayan lower bhabar sal         | 196.75   | 2.54                        |
| 5.         | 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest | 3,052.68 | 39.37                       |
|            | Sub Total  | 5,967.58 | 76.96                       |
| 6.         | TOF/Plantation                                     | 1,786.80 | 23.04                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                       | 7,754.38 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in nonforest).

#### 13.26.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

| Table 13.26.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes | (in sq km) |
|---|------------|
|---|------------|

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest<br>Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 2,491.90        | 32.27                      |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 1,249.76        | 16.18                      |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 812.80          | 10.53                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 641.61          | 8.31                       |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 2,525.93        | 32.71                      |
|            | Total                        | 7,722.00        | 100.00                     |

**Figure. 13.26.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone

Water-bodies
International Boundary

State Boundary
District Boundary

⊙ Capital

#### 13.26.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Tripura has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.26.10 Tree Cover in Tripura

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 231             | 228             | -3                         |

#### 13.26.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.26.11 Extent of TOF in Tripura

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 2,289                           | 228        | 2,517         |

#### 13.26.6 Growing Stock in Tripura

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Tripura is given in the Table 13.26.12. Diameter classwise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.26.13.

#### Table 13.26.12 Growing Stock in Tripura

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 19.74              | 23.13              | 3.39                          | 0.53                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 6.76               | 7.46               | 0.70                          | 0.42                 |

#### Table 13.26.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Tripura

(in '000)

|         |                          | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Hevea brasiliensis       | 39,996         | 2,963 | 0   |
| 2.      | Tectona grandis          | 7,710          | 1,039 | 0   |
| 3.      | Albizia spp.             | 6,012          | 1,357 | 93  |
| 4.      | Shorea robusta           | 1,645          | 348   | 41  |
| 5.      | Pterospermum acerifolium | 1,500          | 444   | 65  |

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#### 13.26.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Tripura in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.26.14 and Table 13.26.15 respectively.

Table 13.26.14: Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Tripura

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Hevea brasiliensis | 58.70                     |
| 2.         | Tectona grandis    | 7.76                      |
| 3.         | Areca catechu      | 3.95                      |
| 4.         | Schima wallichii   | 2.62                      |
| 5.         | Syzygium cumini    | 2.37                      |

Table 13.26.15: Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Tripura

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu      | 21.73                     |
| 2.         | Hevea brasiliensis | 15.96                     |
| 3.         | Mangifera indica   | 9.30                      |
| 4.         | Areca triandra     | 8.93                      |
| 5.         | Cocos nucifera     | 6.79                      |

#### 13.26.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 74.97 million tonnes (274.89 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 1.04% of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Tripura is given in the following table

Table 13.26.16 Forest Carbon in Tripura in different pools

(in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 24,349        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 5,358         |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 477           |
| 4.      | Litter       | 1,486         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 43,304        |
|         | Total        | 74,974        |

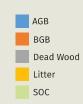


Figure 13.26.5 Forest Carbon in Tripura

### 13.26.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

#### Table 13.26.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Tripura

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |        | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 4,201  | 2.81                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 1,562  | 2.93                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 12,413 | 3.09                        |

#### 13.26.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.26.18 and Table 13.26.19 respectively.

#### Table 13.26.18 Major NTFP species in Tripura

| Sl. No. | Species             | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|---------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Thysanolaena maxima | Herbs      | 89.66                  |
| 2.      | Mucuna pruriens     | Climber    | 10.34                  |

# Table 13.26.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green wash in Tripura

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata | 134              |
| 2.      | Mikania micrantha   | 56               |
| 3.      | Imperata cylindrica | 11               |
| 4.      | Saccharum spontanem | 5                |
| 5.      | Lantana camara      | 2                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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# **13.27**

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**Geographical Area** 

2,40,928 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 23° 52' N to 31° 28' N Longitude-77° 30' E to 84° 39' E

#### Population (as per Census 2011)

199.81 million

Urban 44.50 million (22.27 %) Rural 155.31 million (77.73 %) Tribal 1.13 million (0.57 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

829 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 68.71 million

**No. of Districts** 

71

No. of Hill Districts

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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#### Table 13.27.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 24,093            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 24,170            | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,671             | 6.91       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 3,607             | 14.92      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 66                | 0.27       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 283               | 1.17       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 389               | 1.61       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 551               | 2.28       |
| Current fallows                            | 1,061             | 4.39       |
| Net area sown                              | 16,542            | 68.45      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.27.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.27.2 Forest Cover of Uttar Pradesh (in sq km) Area % of GA Class VDF 1.09 2,626.61 MDF 4,029.37 1.67 OF 8,161.91 3.39 Total 14,817.89 6.15 563.38 0.23 Scrub

Figure 13.27.1 Forest Cover of Uttar Pradesh

#### Table 13.27.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

| District       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | sessment       |        | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total  | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Agra           | 4,041         | 0.00                    | 62.68                   | 199.94         | 262.62 | 6.50  | 0.00                        | 75.14 |
| Aligarh        | 3,650         | 0.00                    | 7.00                    | 59.75          | 66.75  | 1.83  | 0.00                        | 1.00  |
| Ambedkar Nagar | 2,350         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 40.16          | 41.16  | 1.75  | 0.04                        | 0.08  |
| Amroha         | 2,249         | 0.00                    | 25.00                   | 61.00          | 86.00  | 3.82  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Auraiya        | 2,016         | 0.00                    | 4.96                    | 36.42          | 41.38  | 2.05  | 0.00                        | 10.09 |
| Ayodhya        | 2,341         | 6.00                    | 9.99                    | 73.43          | 89.42  | 3.82  | 0.12                        | 0.96  |
| Azamgarh       | 4,054         | 0.00                    | 1.03                    | 48.28          | 49.31  | 1.22  | -0.69                       | 0.00  |
| Baghpat        | 1,321         | 0.00                    | 5.00                    | 12.06          | 17.06  | 1.29  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Bahraich       | 5,237         | 240.00                  | 156.41                  | 159.70         | 556.11 | 10.62 | 6.01                        | 6.99  |
| Ballia         | 2,981         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 22.15          | 22.15  | 0.74  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Balrampur      | 3,349         | 278.00                  | 156.01                  | 103.40         | 537.41 | 16.05 | 11.40                       | 3.04  |
| Banda          | 4,408         | 0.00                    | 55.91                   | 46.00          | 101.91 | 2.31  | 0.00                        | 4.00  |
| Bara Banki     | 4,402         | 3.00                    | 6.14                    | 90.29          | 99.43  | 2.26  | 16.36                       | 4.33  |
| Bareilly       | 4,120         | 0.00                    | 7.00                    | 38.00          | 45.00  | 1.09  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Basti          | 2,688         | 1.00                    | 5.93                    | 24.65          | 31.58  | 1.17  | 2.33                        | 0.03  |
| Bhadohi        | 1,015         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 3.71           | 3.71   | 0.37  | 0.59                        | 0.00  |
| Bijnor         | 4,561         | 37.99                   | 216.63                  | 144.28         | 398.90 | 8.75  | -4.71                       | 5.52  |
| Budaun         | 5,168         | 0.00                    | 8.13                    | 23.91          | 32.04  | 0.62  | 0.00                        | 6.00  |
| Bulandshahr    | 4,512         | 0.00                    | 49.72                   | 115.40         | 165.12 | 3.66  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Chandauli      | 2,541         | 7.91                    | 183.97                  | 361.60         | 553.48 | 21.78 | -11.78                      | 2.50  |
| Chitrakoot     | 3,216         | 81.30                   | 319.19                  | 231.20         | 631.69 | 19.64 | 45.29                       | 29.84 |
| Deoria         | 2,540         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 14.21          | 15.21  | 0.60  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Etah           | 2,431         | 0.00                    | 0.98                    | 25.20          | 26.18  | 1.08  | 0.00                        | 0.26  |
| Etawah         | 2,311         | 0.00                    | 62.75                   | 188.63         | 251.38 | 10.88 | 0.00                        | 45.05 |
| Farrukhabad    | 2,181         | 0.00                    | 14.00                   | 33.45          | 47.45  | 2.18  | 0.00                        | 2.00  |
| Fatehpur       | 4,152         | 0.00                    | 18.00                   | 35.44          | 53.44  | 1.29  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Firozabad      | 2,407         | 0.00                    | 5.00                    | 53.60          | 58.60  | 2.43  | 0.00                        | 26.49 |

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| District            | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | essment        |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                     | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Gautam Buddha Nagar | 1,282         | 0.00                    | 5.00                    | 15.00          | 20.00    | 1.56  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Ghaziabad           | 1,179         | 0.00                    | 8.67                    | 16.55          | 25.22    | 2.14  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Ghazipur            | 3,377         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 28.00          | 29.00    | 0.86  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Gonda               | 4,003         | 66.64                   | 8.92                    | 46.28          | 121.84   | 3.04  | 6.98                        | 0.23  |
| Gorakhpur           | 3,321         | 27.86                   | 23.10                   | 28.10          | 79.06    | 2.38  | 0.06                        | 0.00  |
| Hamirpur            | 4,021         | 0.00                    | 80.00                   | 147.00         | 227.00   | 5.65  | 0.00                        | 14.00 |
| Hardoi              | 5,986         | 0.00                    | 16.98                   | 129.80         | 146.78   | 2.45  | 2.93                        | 5.27  |
| Hathras             | 1,840         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 22.00          | 23.00    | 1.25  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Jalaun              | 4,565         | 0.00                    | 60.58                   | 186.73         | 247.31   | 5.42  | 0.00                        | 37.97 |
| Jaunpur             | 4,038         | 0.00                    | 10.79                   | 58.64          | 69.43    | 1.72  | 2.41                        | 0.16  |
| Jhansi              | 5,024         | 0.00                    | 42.00                   | 262.05         | 304.05   | 6.05  | 0.00                        | 41.96 |
| Kannauj             | 2,093         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 27.82          | 27.82    | 1.33  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Kanpur Dehat        | 3,021         | 0.00                    | 3.00                    | 38.00          | 41.00    | 1.36  | 0.00                        | 9.00  |
| Kanpur Nagar        | 3,155         | 0.00                    | 7.00                    | 59.00          | 66.00    | 2.09  | 0.00                        | 3.00  |
| Kasganj             | 1,955         | 0.00                    | 7.67                    | 41.13          | 48.80    | 2.50  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Kaushambi           | 1,779         | 0.00                    | 5.00                    | 22.83          | 27.83    | 1.56  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Kheri <sup>T</sup>  | 7,680         | 804.91                  | 158.21                  | 309.44         | 1,272.56 | 16.57 | -0.50                       | 4.39  |
| Kushinagar          | 2,905         | 0.00                    | 2.62                    | 32.78          | 35.40    | 1.22  | 0.56                        | 0.00  |
| Lalitpur            | 5,039         | 0.00                    | 128.89                  | 452.40         | 581.29   | 11.54 | 0.00                        | 33.18 |
| Lucknow             | 2,528         | 0.00                    | 162.28                  | 224.92         | 387.20   | 15.32 | 8.33                        | 1.13  |
| Mahoba              | 3,144         | 0.00                    | 21.00                   | 149.00         | 170.00   | 5.41  | 0.00                        | 62.00 |
| Mahrajganj          | 2,952         | 261.09                  | 94.10                   | 72.57          | 427.76   | 14.49 | -1.31                       | 0.24  |
| Mainpuri            | 2,760         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 12.64          | 13.64    | 0.49  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Mathura             | 3,340         | 0.00                    | 4.00                    | 53.04          | 57.04    | 1.71  | 0.00                        | 3.52  |
| Mau                 | 1,713         | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 11.00          | 11.00    | 0.64  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Meerut              | 2,559         | 0.00                    | 34.00                   | 34.41          | 68.41    | 2.67  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Mirzapur            | 4,405         | 9.20                    | 281.04                  | 455.87         | 746.11   | 16.94 | -57.62                      | 51.14 |
| Moradabad           | 3,718         | 0.00                    | 5.00                    | 23.00          | 28.00    | 0.75  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Muzaffarnagar       | 4,008         | 0.00                    | 14.00                   | 52.03          | 66.03    | 1.65  | -0.08                       | 0.00  |
| Pilibhit            | 3,686         | 471.00                  | 86.52                   | 128.21         | 685.73   | 18.60 | -1.38                       | 2.11  |
| Pratapgarh          | 3,717         | 0.00                    | 31.22                   | 90.22          | 121.44   | 3.27  | 3.62                        | 1.97  |
| Prayagraj           | 5,482         | 6.16                    | 26.19                   | 123.92         | 156.27   | 2.85  | 27.06                       | 28.32 |
| Raebareli           | 4,609         | 0.00                    | 4.00                    | 89.69          | 93.69    | 2.03  | 0.15                        | 1.32  |
| Rampur              | 2,367         | 4.00                    | 26.00                   | 45.00          | 75.00    | 3.17  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Saharanpur          | 3,689         | 0.00                    | 174.00                  | 319.18         | 493.18   | 13.37 | 49.92                       | 0.38  |
| Sant Kabir Nagar    | 1,646         | 0.00                    | 0.86                    | 13.54          | 14.40    | 0.87  | 0.40                        | 1.00  |
| Shahjahanpur        | 4,388         | 26.00                   | 7.00                    | 26.31          | 59.31    | 1.35  | 0.00                        | 1.17  |
| Shravasti           | 1,640         | 151.23                  | 91.25                   | 42.89          | 285.37   | 17.40 | 0.83                        | 0.00  |

(in sq km)

| District       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Ass                | essment        |           | %of   | Change                         | Scrub  |
|----------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|--------------------------------|--------|
|                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | GA wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Siddharthnagar | 2,895         | 0.00                    | 8.29                    | 35.09          | 43.38     | 1.50  | 9.30                           | 0.10   |
| Sitapur        | 5,743         | 0.00                    | 19.00                   | 190.67         | 209.67    | 3.65  | 0.25                           | 6.30   |
| Sonbhadra      | 6,905         | 138.32                  | 940.62                  | 1,357.81       | 2,436.75  | 35.29 | <b>-</b> 103.54                | 30.18  |
| Sultanpur      | 4,436         | 5.00                    | 15.14                   | 187.99         | 208.13    | 4.69  | -1.90                          | 0.02   |
| Unnao          | 4,558         | 0.00                    | 28.00                   | 236.59         | 264.59    | 5.80  | 0.00                           | 0.00   |
| Varanasi       | 1,535         | 0.00                    | 1.00                    | 16.91          | 17.91     | 1.17  | 0.81                           | 0.00   |
| Grand Total    | 2,40,928      | 2,626.61                | 4,029.37                | 8,161.91       | 14,817.89 | 6.15  | 12.24                          | 563.38 |

#### 13.27.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.27.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Uttar Pradesh (in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | the Recorded Forest Area Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |              |        |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|--|--------------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total  | L VDF MDF OF |        |        |       |
| 2,463  | 3,002  | 3,678  | 9,143  | 164          | 1,027  | 4,484  | 5,675 |
| 26.94%   | 32.83% | 40.23% |  | 2.89%        | 18.10% | 79.01% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Uttar Pradesh, Green Wash boundaries have been used.

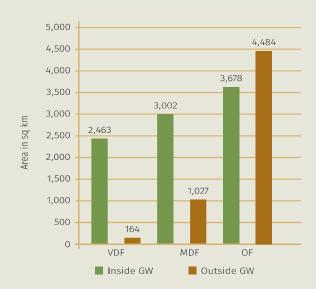


Figure 13.27.2
Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Uttar Pradesh

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Table 13.27.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |       |       |          |           |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|----------|-----------|--|--|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |  |  |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 2,612 | 3               | 1     | 0     | 1        | 2,617     |  |  |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 13    | 4,011           | 31    | 0     | 25       | 4,080     |  |  |  |
| Open Forest             | 1     | 12              | 7,853 | 19    | 224      | 8,109     |  |  |  |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 31    | 531   | 25       | 587       |  |  |  |
| Non Forest              | 1     | 3               | 246   | 13    | 2,25,272 | 2,25,535  |  |  |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 2,627 | 4,029           | 8,162 | 563   | 2,25,547 |           |  |  |  |
| Net Change              | 10    | -51             | 53    | -24   | 12       |           |  |  |  |

#### Table 13.27.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 2,40,458          | 2,627 | 3,844 | 7,955 | 14,426 | 562   |
| 500-1000          | 470               | 0     | 185   | 207   | 392    | 1     |
| Total             | 2,40,928          | 2,627 | 4,029 | 8,162 | 14,818 | 563   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.27.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 2,35,259          | 2,397 | 3,103 | 7,136 | 12,636 | 482   |
| 5-10               | 4,405             | 159   | 492   | 629   | 1,280  | 56    |
| 10-15              | 730               | 41    | 216   | 206   | 463    | 15    |
| 15-20              | 300               | 16    | 115   | 104   | 235    | 6     |
| 20-25              | 143               | 9     | 61    | 52    | 122    | 3     |
| 25-30              | 60                | 4     | 28    | 22    | 54     | 1     |
| >30                | 31                | 1     | 14    | 13    | 28     | 0     |
| Total              | 2,40,928          | 2,627 | 4,029 | 8,162 | 14,818 | 563   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.27.3 Forest Cover Map of Uttar Pradesh



#### 13.27.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Uttar Pradesh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

#### Table 13.27.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Sl. | Forest Type   | Area     | % of the total |
|-----|---|----------|----------------|
| No. |   |          | mapped area*   |
| 1.  | 2/E1 Cane brakes  | 21.75    | 0.14           |
| 2.  | 3C/C2d (i) Western light alluvium plains sal              | 1,532.61 | 9.89           |
| 3.  | 3C/C2d (iii) Eastern heavy alluvium plains sal            | 638.37   | 4.12           |
| 4.  | 3C/C3a West Gangetic moist mixed deciduous forest         | 399.97   | 2.58           |
| 5.  | 3C/C3/2S1 Northern secondary moist mixed deciduous forest | 351.41   | 2.27           |
| 6.  | 4D/SS2 Barringtonia swamp forest                          | 0.29     | 0.00           |
| 7.  | 4D/SS3 Syzygium cumini swamp low forest                   | 199.21   | 1.29           |

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(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type   | Area  | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|---|-----------------------------|
| 8.         | 5A/C1b Dry teak forest                                  | 133.70  | 0.86                        |
| 9.         | 5B/C1a Dry Siwalik sal forest                           | 109.09  | 0.70                        |
| 10.        | 5B/C1b Dry plains sal forest                            | 60.87   | 0.39                        |
| 11.        | 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest                        | 345.81  | 2.23                        |
| 12.        | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest               | 5,422.03  | 35.00                       |
| 13.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                               | 415.43  | 2.68                        |
| 14.        | 5/DS2 Dry savannah forest                               | 1.97  | 0.01                        |
| 15.        | 5/DS3 <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub                            | 1.03  | 0.01                        |
| 16.        | 5/E1 Anogeissus pendula forest                          | 430.46  | 2.78                        |
| 17.        | 5/E1/DS1 <i>Anogeissus pendula</i> scrub                | 159.90  | 1.03                        |
| 18.        | 5/E2 <i>Boswellia</i> forest                            | 113.30  | 0.73                        |
| 19.        | 5/E3 Babul forest                                       | 40.61   | 0.26                        |
| 20.        | 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest                                | 7.72  | 0.05                        |
| 21.        | 5/E8a <i>Phoenix</i> savannah                           | 2.11  | 0.01                        |
| 22.        | 5/E8b Babul savannah                                    | 14.46   | 0.09                        |
| 23.        | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brakes                                  | 70.63   | 0.46                        |
| 24.        | 5/1S1 Dry tropical riverain forest                      | 0.26  | 0.00                        |
| 25.        | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest                         | 153.25  | 1.00                        |
| 26.        | 6B/C2 Ravine thorn forest                               | 799.27  | 5.16                        |
|            | Sub Total   | 11,425.51   | 73.74                       |
| 27.        | TOF/Plantation  | 109.09 60.87 345.81 bus forest 5,422.03 415.43 1.97 1.03 430.46 b 159.90 113.30 40.61 7.72 2.11 14.46 70.63 70.63 0.26 153.25 799.27 11,425.51 3,966.66 15,392.17 forest cover) | 25.61                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                            | 15,392.17   |                             |
|            | Grassland Forest Types (outside forest cover)           |   |                             |
| 28.        | 3/1S1 Low alluvial savannah woodland (Salmalia-Albizia) | 5.06  | 0.03                        |
| 29.        | 4D/2S2 Eastern wet alluvial grassland                   | 96.31   | 0.62                        |
|            | Sub Total   | 101.37  | 0.65                        |
|            | Grand Total   | 15,493.54   | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### **13.27.3** Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.





#### **Table 13.27.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes**

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 209.30       | 1.41                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 1,043.54     | 7.04                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 1,555.38     | 10.50                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 2,070.29     | 13.97                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 9,939.49     | 67.08                      |
|            | Total                        | 14,818.00    | 100.00                     |

#### 13.27.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Uttar Pradesh has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.27.10 Tree Cover in Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 7,342           | 7,421           | 79                         |

#### 13.27.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.27.11 Extent of TOF in Uttar Pradesh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 5,675                           | 7,421      | 13,096        |

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#### 13.27.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Uttar Pradesh is given in the Table 13.27.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.27.13

#### Table 13.27.12 Growing Stock in Uttar Pradesh

(in m cum)

| Sl.<br>No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|------------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.         | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 96.04              | 104.39             | 8.35                          | 2.38                 |
| 2.         | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 97.62              | 106.75             | 9.13                          | 6.00                 |

#### Table 13.27.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Uttar Pradesh

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Shorea robusta       | 17,126         | 19,354 | 2,779 |
| 2.      | Tectona grandis      | 13,220         | 5,071  | 181   |
| 3.      | Lannea coromandelica | 7,983          | 1,281  | 0     |
| 4.      | Syzygium cumini      | 2,971          | 2,952  | 344   |
| 5.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 2,243          | 2,347  | 215   |

#### 13.27.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Uttar Pradesh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.27.14 and Table 13.27.15 respectively.

Table 13.27.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Uttar Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica    | 30.25                     |
| 2.         | Eucalyptus spp.     | 18.52                     |
| 3.         | <i>Populus</i> spp. | 7.74                      |
| 4.         | Azadirachta indica  | 4.90                      |
| 5.         | Dalbergia sissoo    | 4.88                      |

Table 13.27.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Uttar Pradesh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Azadirachta indica | 15.62                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica   | 12.03                     |
| 3.         | Eucalyptus spp.    | 10.64                     |
| 4.         | Tectona grandis    | 4.95                      |
| 5.         | Prosopis juliflora | 4.12                      |

#### 13.27.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 117.24 million tonnes (429.88 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 1.63 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Uttar Pradesh is given in the following table.

different pools (in '000 tonnes) Sl. No. **Carbon Pools Forest Carbon** 1. AGB 32,543 BGB 10,234 2. 3. Dead wood 534 4. Litter 1,825 5. SOC 72,105

Table 13.27.16 Forest Carbon in Uttar Pradesh in



Figure 13.27.5 Forest Carbon in Uttar Pradesh

#### 13.27.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

**Total** 

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

1,17,241

Table 13.27.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Uttar Pradesh

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 1,832 | 1.23                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 310   | 0.58                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 1,534 | 0.38                        |

#### 13.27.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.27.18 and Table 13.27.19 respectively.

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#### Table 13.27.18 Major NTFP species in Uttar Pradesh

| Sl. No. | Species              | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Oscimum bassilicum   | Herbs      | 81.11                  |
| 2.      | Dasmostachya         | Herbs      | 8.42                   |
| 3.      | Vettveria zizanoides | Herbs      | 4.62                   |
| 4.      | Helicteres isora     | Shrub      | 2.57                   |
| 5.      | Adhatoda vasica      | Shrub      | 1.43                   |

# Table 13.27.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in Uttar Pradesh (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                | Estimated Extent |
|---------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara         | 410              |
| 2.      | Cassia tora            | 99               |
| 3.      | Saccharum spontanem    | 64               |
| 4.      | Dioscorea pentaphylla  | 37               |
| 5.      | Ichnocarpus frutescens | 30               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

53,483 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 28° 43' N to 31° 28' N Longitude- 77° 34' E to 81° 03' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

10.09 million

Urban 3.05 million (30.23 %) Rural 7.04 million (69.77 %) Tribal 0.29 million (2.89 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

189 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 4.79 million

#### No. of Districts

13

No. of Hill Districts

13

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

#### Table 13.28.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 5,348             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 6,005             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 3,812             | 63.48      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 435               | 7.24       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 208               | 3.46       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 394               | 6.56       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 324               | 5.40       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 86                | 1.43       |
| Current fallows                            | 73                | 1.22       |
| Net area sown                              | 673               | 11.21      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.28.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.28.2 Forest Cover of Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of GA |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| VDF   | 5,055.01  | 9.45    |
| MDF   | 12,768.05 | 23.87   |
| OF    | 6,482.07  | 12.12   |
| Total | 24,305.13 | 45.44   |
| Scrub | 392.37    | 0.73    |

Figure 13.28.1 Forest Cover of Uttarakhand

#### Table 13.28.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| District                       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Almora <sup>H</sup>            | 3,144         | 199.09                  | 838.28                  | 682.43         | 1,719.80  | 54.70 | 0.66                        | 6.00   |
| Bageshwar <sup>H</sup>         | 2,241         | 161.56                  | 758.66                  | 342.45         | 1,262.67  | 56.34 | -0.02                       | 1.11   |
| Chamoli <sup>H</sup>           | 8,030         | 443.08                  | 1,573.55                | 693.48         | 2,710.11  | 33.75 | 0.68                        | 1.00   |
| Champawat <sup>H</sup>         | 1,766         | 366.88                  | 590.37                  | 266.91         | 1,224.16  | 69.32 | -1.39                       | 7.35   |
| Dehradun <sup>H</sup>          | 3,088         | 663.25                  | 596.85                  | 351.48         | 1,611.58  | 52.19 | 2.89                        | 86.33  |
| Garhwal <sup>+</sup>           | 5,329         | 576.62                  | 1,898.76                | 921.33         | 3,396.71  | 63.74 | 1.72                        | 97.93  |
| Haridwar <sup>H</sup>          | 2,360         | 74.47                   | 277.35                  | 232.12         | 583.94    | 24.74 | -1.31                       | 8.83   |
| Nainital <sup>H</sup>          | 4,251         | 772.89                  | 1,719.86                | 551.74         | 3,044.49  | 71.62 | 2.93                        | 10.09  |
| Pithoragarh <sup>H</sup>       | 7,090         | 505.54                  | 960.17                  | 615.04         | 2,080.75  | 29.35 | 0.95                        | 42.09  |
| Rudraprayag <sup>H</sup>       | 1,984         | 251.94                  | 578.90                  | 311.46         | 1,142.30  | 57.58 | 0.13                        | 9.12   |
| Tehri Garhwal <sup>H</sup>     | 3,642         | 272.89                  | 1,084.17                | 707.33         | 2,064.39  | 56.68 | -1.59                       | 98.38  |
| Udham Singh Nagar <sup>H</sup> | 2,542         | 148.17                  | 188.40                  | 91.51          | 428.08    | 16.84 | -3.71                       | 3.14   |
| Uttarkashi <sup>H</sup>        | 8,016         | 618.63                  | 1,702.73                | 714.79         | 3,036.15  | 37.88 | 0.15                        | 21.00  |
| Grand total                    | 53,483        | 5,055.01                | 12,768.05               | 6,482.07       | 24,305.13 | 45.44 | 2.09                        | 392.37 |

# 13.28.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

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Table 13.28.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest (or Green Wash) |        |        | est Area |       |
|--|--------|--------|--|--------|--------|----------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total  | VDF    | MDF    | OF       | Total |
| 4,269  | 9,241  | 3,275  | 16,785   | 786    | 3,527  | 3,207    | 7,520 |
| 25.43%   | 55.06% | 19.51% |  | 10.45% | 46.90% | 42.65%   |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Uttarakhand, RFA boundaries have been used

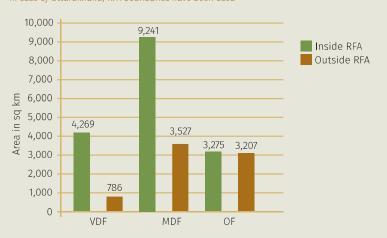


Figure 13.28.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Uttarakhand

Table 13.28.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

|                         |       | 2021 Assessment |       |       |        |           |
|-------------------------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 5,041 | 1               | 2     | 0     | 3      | 5,047     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 12    | 12,726          | 34    | 1     | 32     | 12,805    |
| Open Forest             | 1     | 32              | 6,360 | 11    | 47     | 6,451     |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0               | 4     | 377   | 2      | 383       |
| Non Forest              | 1     | 9               | 82    | 3     | 28,702 | 28,797    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 5,055 | 12,768          | 6,482 | 392   | 28,786 | 53,483    |
| Net Change              | 8     | -37             | 31    | 9     | -11    |           |

Table 13.28.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| , ,               |                   |       |        |       |        |       |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-500             | 7,937             | 627   | 1,627  | 626   | 2,880  | 13    |
| 500-1000          | 5,703             | 1,198 | 1,858  | 902   | 3,958  | 103   |
| 1000-2000         | 17,560            | 1,573 | 5,157  | 3,319 | 10,049 | 241   |
| 2000-3000         | 7,248             | 1,552 | 3,092  | 1,134 | 5,778  | 21    |
| 3000-4000         | 4,193             | 105   | 1,033  | 496   | 1,634  | 13    |
| >4000             | 10,842            | 0     | 1      | 5     | 6      | 1     |
| Total             | 53,483            | 5,055 | 12,768 | 6,482 | 24,305 | 392   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.28.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF    | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 9,446             | 842   | 1,460  | 646   | 2,948  | 29    |
| 5-10               | 4,069             | 487   | 973    | 348   | 1,808  | 18    |
| 10-15              | 5,688             | 615   | 1,503  | 644   | 2,762  | 38    |
| 15-20              | 7,028             | 730   | 1,931  | 925   | 3,586  | 59    |
| 20-25              | 7,313             | 730   | 2,046  | 1,053 | 3,829  | 70    |
| 25-30              | 6,683             | 650   | 1,870  | 1,026 | 3,546  | 68    |
| >30                | 13,256            | 1,001 | 2,985  | 1,840 | 5,826  | 110   |
| Total              | 53,483            | 5,055 | 12,768 | 6,482 | 24,305 | 392   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.28.3 Forest Cover Map of Uttarakhand



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#### 13.28.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Uttarakhand as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.28.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Uttarakhand

(in sa km)

| Table      | e 13.28.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Uttarakhand     |          | (in sq km)                  |
|------------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
| 1.         | 3C/C2a Moist Siwalik sal forest  | 3,402.49 | 12.84                       |
| 2.         | 3C/C2b(I) Bhabar-dun sal forest  | 251.06   | 0.95                        |
| 3.         | 3C/C2c Moist tarai sal forest  | 401.60   | 1.51                        |
| 4.         | 3C/C2d(I) Western light alluvium plains sal                            | 165.52   | 0.62                        |
| 5.         | 3C/C3a West Gangetic moist mixed deciduous forest                      | 1,055.48 | 3.99                        |
| 6.         | 4C/FS2 Submontane hill valley swamp forest                             | 0.76     | 0.00                        |
| 7.         | 5B/C1a Dry Siwalik sal forest  | 455.92   | 1.72                        |
| 8.         | 5B/C1b Dry plains sal forest   | 8.31     | 0.03                        |
| 9.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest                              | 903.31   | 3.41                        |
| 10.        | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub  | 39.02    | 0.15                        |
| 11.        | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest  | 252.36   | 0.95                        |
| 12.        | 9/C1a Lower or Siwalik chir pine forest                                | 43.15    | 0.16                        |
| 13.        | 9/C1b Upper or Himalayan chir pine forest                              | 7,295.76 | 27.52                       |
| 14.        | 9/C1/DS1 Himalayan subtropical scrub                                   | 379.26   | 1.43                        |
| 15.        | 9/C1/DS2 Subtropical <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub                            | 28.37    | 0.11                        |
| 16.        | 12/C1a <i>Ban</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. incana</i> )                      | 3,647.31 | 13.75                       |
| 17.        | 12/C1b <i>Moru</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. dilatata</i> )                   | 122.71   | 0.46                        |
| 18.        | 12/C1c Moist deodar forest ( <i>Cedrus</i> )                           | 395.23   | 1.49                        |
| 19.        | 12/C1d Western mixed coniferous forest (spruce, blue pine, silver fir) | 1,340.10 | 5.05                        |
| 20.        | 12/C1e Moist temperate deciduous forest                                | 202.07   | 0.76                        |
| 21.        | 12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )            | 27.66    | 0.10                        |
| 22.        | 12/C1/DS1 Oak scrub  | 29.93    | 0.11                        |
| 23.        | 12/C1/DS2 Himalayan temperate secondary scrub                          | 14.09    | 0.05                        |
| 24.        | 12/C2a <i>Kharsu</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. semecarpifolia</i> )           | 832.04   | 3.14                        |
| 25.        | 12/C2b West Himalayan upper oak/fir forest                             | 1,454.52 | 5.48                        |
| 26.        | 12/C2c Moist temperate deciduous forest                                | 201.57   | 0.76                        |
| 27.        | 12/1S1 Alder forest  | 8.13     | 0.03                        |
| 28.        | 12/2S1 Low-level blue pine forest                                      | 22.49    | 0.08                        |
| 29.        | 13/C2b Dry deodar forest ( <i>Cedrus</i> )                             | 194.73   | 0.73                        |
| 30.        | 13/C5 West Himalayan dry juniper forest ( <i>J. macropoda</i> )        | 4.28     | 0.02                        |
| 31.        | 13/1S1 Hippophae/Myricaria scrub                                       | 67.66    | 0.26                        |
| 32.        | 14/C1a West Himalayan sub-alpine fir forest                            | 184.29   | 0.69                        |
| 33.        | 14/C1b West Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest                      | 542.11   | 2.04                        |
| 34.        | 14/1S1 Hippophae/Myricaria brakes                                      | 20.23    | 0.08                        |
| 35.        | 14/1S2 Deciduous sub-alpine scrub                                      | 42.77    | 0.16                        |
| 36.        | 15/C1 Birch/ <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub forest                          | 117.18   | 0.44                        |
| 37.        | 15/E1 Dwarf <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub                                  | 12.95    | 0.05                        |

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type   | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 38.        | 16/C1 Dry alpine scrub  | 2.78      | 0.01                        |
| 39.        | 16/E1 Dwarf juniper scrub   | 29.92     | 0.11                        |
|            | Sub Total   | 24,199.12 | 91.24                       |
| 40.        | TOF/Plantation  | 487.09    | 1.84                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                                      | 24,686.21 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)                     |           |                             |
| 41.        | 3C/C2/DS1 Moist sal savannah                                      | 8.75      | 0.03                        |
| 42.        | 3/1S1 Low alluvial savannah woodland ( <i>Salmalia-Albizzia</i> ) | 3.30      | 0.01                        |
| 43.        | 12/DS2 Himalayan temperate parkland                               | 12.38     | 0.05                        |
| 44.        | 12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures                               | 84.66     | 0.32                        |
| 45.        | 14/DS1 Sub-alpine pastures  | 212.05    | 0.80                        |
| 46.        | 15/C3 Alpine pastures   | 1,514.99  | 5.71                        |
|            | Sub Total   | 1,836.13  | 6.92                        |
|            | Grand Total   | 26,522.34 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover have also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

# 13.28.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

#### Table 13.28.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.         | Extremely fire prone         | 49.21        | 0.20                       |
| 2.         | Very highly fire prone       | 757.92       | 3.12                       |
| 3.         | Highly fire prone            | 4,070.09     | 16.75                      |
| 4.         | Moderately fire prone        | 5,887.70     | 24.22                      |
| 5.         | Less fire prone              | 13,540.08    | 55.71                      |
|            | Total                        | 24,305.00    | 100.00                     |

Figure. 13.28.4: Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes



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#### 13.28.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Uttarakhand has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.28.10 Tree Cover in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 841             | 1,001           | 160                        |

#### 13.28.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.28.11 Extent of TOF in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 7,520                           | 1,001      | 8,521         |

#### 13.28.6 Growing Stock in Uttarakhand

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Uttarakhand is given in the Table 13.28.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.28.13

#### Table 13.28.12 Growing Stock in Forest

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 406.08             | 401.01             | -5.07                         | 9.14                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 19.13              | 18.40              | -0.73                         | 1.03                 |

Table 13.28.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Uttarakhand

(in '000)

|         |                          | Dia class (cm) |        |       |  |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|--|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |  |
| 1.      | Pinus roxburghii         | 1,21,913       | 52,699 | 4,755 |  |
| 2.      | Quercus leucotrichophora | 1,44,165       | 24,469 | 2,859 |  |
| 3.      | Rhododendron arboreum    | 74,265         | 13,344 | 499   |  |
| 4.      | Shorea robusta           | 45,977         | 30,513 | 4,010 |  |
| 5.      | Quercus semecarpifolia   | 7,378          | 4,927  | 2,647 |  |

#### 13.28.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Uttarakhand in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.28.14 and Table 13.28.15 respectively.

Table 13.28.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Uttarakhand

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Grewia oppositifolia     | 15.70                     |
| 2.         | Quercus leucotrichophora | 11.77                     |
| 3.         | Pinus roxburghii         | 10.95                     |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica         | 10.22                     |
| 5.         | Ficus spp.               | 5.46                      |

Table 13.28.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Uttarakhand

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Quercus leucotrichophora | 18.81                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica         | 11.62                     |
| 3.         | Cedrus deodara           | 5.93                      |
| 4.         | Cupressus spp.           | 3.98                      |
| 5.         | Pinus roxburghii         | 3.72                      |

#### 13.28.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 378.16 million tonnes (1,386.59 million tonnes of CO₂ equivalent) which is 5.25 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Uttarakhand is given in the following table.

Table 13.28.16 Forest Carbon in Uttarakhand in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

|         |              | (11 000 tollics) |  |  |  |
|---------|--------------|------------------|--|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon    |  |  |  |
| 1.      | AGB          | 1,59,674         |  |  |  |
| 2.      | BGB          | 42,893           |  |  |  |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 3,561            |  |  |  |
| 4.      | Litter       | 5,184            |  |  |  |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,66,847         |  |  |  |
|         | Total        | 3,78,159         |  |  |  |
|         |              |                  |  |  |  |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.28.5 Forest Carbon in Uttarakhand

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#### 13.28.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.28.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Uttarakhand

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 1,201 | 0.80                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 301   | 0.56                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 2,839 | 0.71                        |

#### 13.28.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.28.18 and Table 13.28.19 respectively.

Table 13.28.18 Major NTFP species in Uttarakhand

| Sl. No. | Species               | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Rhododendron arborium | Tree       | 68.97                  |
| 2.      | Myrica esculenta      | Tree       | 16.42                  |
| 3.      | Lannea coromandelica  | Tree       | 5.66                   |
| 4.      | Ehretia laevis        | Tree       | 4.06                   |
| 5.      | Taxas baccata         | Tree       | 1.32                   |

Table 13.28.19 Major invasive species in the State with RFA/Green Wash in Uttarakhand

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species              | Estimated Extent |
|---------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara       | 323              |
| 2.      | Ageratina adenophora | 145              |
| 3.      | Saccharum spontanem  | 56               |
| 4.      | Cassia tora          | 22               |
| 5.      | Acacia farnesiana    | 16               |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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#### **Geographical Area**

88,752 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 21° 29' N to 27° 13' N Longitude- 85° 50' E to 89° 52' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

91.27 million

Urban 29.09 million (11.29 %) Rural 62.18 million (88.71 %) Tribal 5.30 million (5.80 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

1,028 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 30.35 million

#### No. of Districts

19

No. of Hill Districts

1

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

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#### Table 13.29.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 8,875             |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 8,684             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 1,175             | 13.53      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 1,882             | 21.67      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 2                 | 0.02       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 48                | 0.56       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 14                | 0.16       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 8                 | 0.09       |
| Current fallows                            | 308               | 3.55       |
| Net area sown                              | 5,247             | 60.42      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.29.1 Forest Cover

VDF MDF OF Scrub Non Forest

Table 13.29.2 Forest Cover of West Bengal (in sq km)

|       |           | (  )    |
|-------|-----------|---------|
| Class | Area      | % of GA |
| VDF   | 3,036.51  | 3.42    |
| MDF   | 4,208.37  | 4.74    |
| OF    | 9,586.99  | 10.80   |
| Total | 16,831.87 | 18.96   |
| Scrub | 155.72    | 0.18    |

Figure 13.29.1 Forest Cover of West Bengal

#### Table 13.29.3 District- wise Forest Cover in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| District                       | Geo-graphical |                         | 2021 Assessment         |                |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                                | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Bankura <sup>T</sup>           | 6,882         | 226.34                  | 411.67                  | 641.36         | 1,279.37  | 18.59 | -6.21                       | 34.50  |
| Bardhaman <sup>™</sup>         | 7,024         | 61.17                   | 89.76                   | 189.75         | 340.68    | 4.85  | 1.37                        | 6.67   |
| Birbhum <sup>™</sup>           | 4,545         | 1.00                    | 34.13                   | 148.42         | 183.55    | 4.04  | -1.25                       | 7.20   |
| Cooch Behar                    | 3,387         | 0.00                    | 27.00                   | 322.06         | 349.06    | 10.31 | 0.00                        | 0.00   |
| Dakshin Dinajpur <sup>™</sup>  | 2,219         | 0.00                    | 5.86                    | 81.68          | 87.54     | 3.95  | 0.42                        | 0.00   |
| Darjeeling <sup>™</sup>        | 3,149         | 721.05                  | 682.05                  | 946.78         | 2,349.88  | 74.62 | -17.92                      | 8.75   |
| Hooghly                        | 3,149         | 0.00                    | 14.00                   | 145.80         | 159.80    | 5.07  | -0.20                       | 0.00   |
| Howrah                         | 1,467         | 0.00                    | 50.00                   | 253.77         | 303.77    | 20.71 | 0.00                        | 0.00   |
| Jalpaiguri <sup>™</sup>        | 6,227         | 734.95                  | 433.83                  | 1,666.59       | 2,835.37  | 45.53 | -27.03                      | 39.35  |
| Kolkata                        | 185           | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 1.00           | 1.00      | 0.54  | 0.00                        | 0.00   |
| Malda <sup>™</sup>             | 3,733         | 0.00                    | 208.10                  | 280.80         | 488.90    | 13.10 | -2.79                       | 0.00   |
| Murshidabad <sup>™</sup>       | 5,324         | 0.00                    | 52.33                   | 291.15         | 343.48    | 6.45  | -1.41                       | 0.12   |
| Nadia                          | 3,927         | 1.00                    | 160.13                  | 318.84         | 479.97    | 12.22 | -0.03                       | 0.00   |
| North 24 Parganas              | 4,094         | 13.02                   | 184.98                  | 524.98         | 722.98    | 17.66 | 0.00                        | 0.00   |
| Paschim Medinipur <sup>T</sup> | 9,368         | 256.64                  | 600.40                  | 1,284.97       | 2,142.01  | 22.87 | -19.53                      | 27.03  |
| Purba Medinipur <sup>™</sup>   | 4,713         | 1.99                    | 198.01                  | 619.89         | 819.89    | 17.40 | -0.16                       | 2.50   |
| Purulia <sup>T</sup>           | 6,259         | 37.38                   | 307.36                  | 574.50         | 919.24    | 14.69 | 3.36                        | 28.60  |
| South 24 Parganas <sup>™</sup> | 9,960         | 981.97                  | 744.77                  | 1,063.97       | 2,790.71  | 28.02 | 2.00                        | 1.00   |
| Uttar Dinajpur                 | 3,140         | 0.00                    | 3.99                    | 230.68         | 234.67    | 7.47  | -0.26                       | 0.00   |
| Grand Total                    | 88,752        | 3,036.51                | 4,208.37                | 9,586.99       | 16,831.87 | 18.96 | -69.64                      | 155.72 |

#### 13.29.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

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Table 13.29.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |         |        |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|---|---------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF MDF |        | OF     | Total |
| 2,624  | 2,391  | 2,097  | 7,112   | 413     | 1,817  | 7,490  | 9,720 |
| 36.90%   | 33.62% | 29.48% |   | 4.25%   | 18.69% | 77.06% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of West Bengal, RFA boundaries have been used.

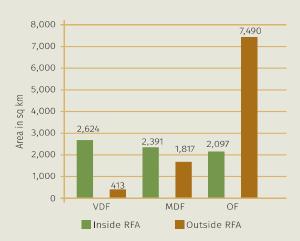


Figure 13.29.2

Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in West Bengal

Table 13.29.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for West Bengal

(in sq km)

| 2021 Assessment         |       |       |       |       |        | Total     |  |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|--|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 2,988 | 12    | 15    | 2     | 2      | 3,019     |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 46    | 4,087 | 12    | 4     | 11     | 4,160     |  |
| Open Forest             | 3     | 105   | 9,492 | 20    | 103    | 9,723     |  |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0     | 13    | 125   | 8      | 146       |  |
| Non Forest              | 0     | 4     | 55    | 5     | 71,640 | 71,704    |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 3,037 | 4,208 | 9,587 | 156   | 71,764 | 88,752    |  |
| Net Change              | 18    | 48    | -136  | 10    | 60     |           |  |

Table 13.29.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 86,650            | 2,406 | 3,634 | 8,929 | 14,969 | 156   |
| 500-1000          | 807               | 142   | 281   | 253   | 676    | 0     |
| 1000-2000         | 970               | 267   | 244   | 364   | 875    | 0     |
| 2000-3000         | 292               | 196   | 45    | 39    | 280    | 0     |
| >3000             | 33                | 26    | 4     | 2     | 32     | 0     |
| Total             | 88,752            | 3,037 | 4,208 | 9,587 | 16,832 | 156   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.29.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 85,130            | 2,226 | 3,262 | 8,621 | 14,109 | 140   |
| 5-10               | 1,227             | 141   | 219   | 226   | 586    | 7     |
| 10-15              | 508               | 119   | 153   | 149   | 421    | 3     |
| 15-20              | 539               | 147   | 162   | 167   | 476    | 2     |
| 20-25              | 514               | 150   | 154   | 162   | 466    | 2     |
| 25-30              | 404               | 122   | 124   | 127   | 373    | 1     |
| >30                | 430               | 132   | 134   | 135   | 401    | 1     |
| Total              | 88,752            | 3,037 | 4,208 | 9,587 | 16,832 | 156   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

#### Figure 13.29.3 Forest Cover Map of West Bengal

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# LEGEND Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

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#### 13.29.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of West Bengal as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.29.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| 2B/C1/2S3 Sub Himalayan secondary wet mixed forest 3C/C1a(i) East Himalayan sal 3C/C1b(i) East Himalayan upper bhabar sal 3C/C1b(ii) East Himalayan lower bhabar sal 3C/C1c Eastern tarai sal forest | 357.90<br>399.41<br>152.67<br>114.45  | % of the total mapped area* 2.09 2.34 0.89  |
|--|---|---|
| 3C/C1a(i) East Himalayan sal 3C/C1b(i) East Himalayan upper <i>bhabar</i> sal 3C/C1b(ii) East Himalayan lower <i>bhabar</i> sal 3C/C1c Eastern <i>tarai</i> sal forest                               | 399.41<br>152.67<br>114.45  | 2.34<br>0.89  |
| 3C/C1b(i) East Himalayan upper <i>bhabar</i> sal<br>3C/C1b(ii) East Himalayan lower <i>bhabar</i> sal<br>3C/C1c Eastern <i>tarai</i> sal forest  | 152.67<br>114.45  | 0.89  |
| 3C/C1b(ii) East Himalayan lower <i>bhabar</i> sal<br>3C/C1c Eastern <i>tarai</i> sal forest  | 114.45  |   |
| 3C/C1c Eastern <i>tarai</i> sal forest   |   | 0.67  |
|  | 222.27  | 0.67  |
| 26/62 1 (***) 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  | 323.34  | 1.89  |
| 3C/C2d (iii) Eastern heavy alluvium plains sal   | 3.31  | 0.02  |
| 3C/C2/DS1 Moist sal savannah   | 11.18   | 0.07  |
| 3C/C3a West Gangetic moist mixed deciduous forest  | 11.74   | 0.07  |
| 3C/C3b East Himalayan moist mixed deciduous forest   | 409.74  | 2.4   |
| 3C/C3/2S2 Secondary Euphorbiaceous scrub   | 5.19  | 0.03  |
| 3/1S1 Low alluvial savannah woodland ( <i>Salmalia - Albizzia</i> )  | 31.53   | 0.18  |
| 4B/TS1 Mangrove scrub  | 142.84  | 0.84  |
| 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest   | 1031.1  | 6.03  |
| 4B/TS3 Saltwater mixed forest ( <i>Heritiera</i> )   | 472.79  | 2.77  |
| 4B/TS4 Brackish water mixed forest ( <i>Heritiera</i> )  | 309.38  | 1.81  |
| 4B/TS4/E1 Palm swamp   | 156   | 0.91  |
| 4C/FS2 Submontane hill valley swamp forest   | 7.21  | 0.04  |
| 4D/SS2 <i>Barringtonia</i> swamp Forest  | 3.27  | 0.02  |
| 5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest   | 2,766.39  | 16.19   |
| 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest  | 250.03  | 1.46  |
| 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub  | 29.08   | 0.17  |
| 5/E5 <i>Butea</i> forest   | 22.02   | 0.13  |
| 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> Forest  | 212.56  | 1.24  |
| 8B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest   | 469.6   | 2.75  |
| 11B/C1a Lauraceous forest  | 122.32  | 0.72  |
| 11B/C1b <i>Buk</i> oak forest  | 52.93   | 0.31  |
| 11B/C1c High-level oak forest  | 20.03   | 0.12  |
| 12/C3a East Himalayan mixed coniferous forest  | 319   | 1.87  |
| 12/DS1 Montane bamboo brakes   | 8.25  | 0.05  |
| 14/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest   | 12.63   | 0.07  |
| Sub Total  | 8227.89   | 48.15   |
| TOF/Plantation   | 8819.74   | 51.61   |
| Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)   | 17047.63  |   |
|  | BC/C3/2S2 Secondary Euphorbiaceous scrub B/IS1 Low alluvial savannah woodland (Salmalia - Albizzia) B/IS1 Mangrove scrub B/IS2 Mangrove forest B/IS3 Saltwater mixed forest (Heritiera) B/IS4 Brackish water mixed forest (Heritiera) B/IS4 Brackish water mixed forest (Heritiera) B/IS54/E1 Palm swamp B/IS54/E1 Palm swamp B/IS55/E3 Submontane hill valley swamp forest B/IS52 Barringtonia swamp Forest B/IS58 Barringtonia swamp Forest B/IS58 Borthern dry mixed deciduous forest B/IS58 Butea forest B/IS59 Butea | 3C/C3/2S2 Secondary Euphorbiaceous scrub       5.19         3R/1S1 Low alluvial savannah woodland (Salmalia - Albizzia)       31.53         4B/TS1 Mangrove scrub       142.84         4B/TS2 Mangrove forest       1031.1         4B/TS3 Saltwater mixed forest (Heritiera)       472.79         4B/TS4 Brackish water mixed forest (Heritiera)       309.38         4B/TS4/E1 Palm swamp       156         4C/FS2 Submontane hill valley swamp forest       7.21         4D/SS2 Barringtonia swamp Forest       3.27         5B/C1c Dry peninsular sal forest       2,766.39         5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest       250.03         5B/C5 Dry deciduous scrub       29.08         5B/C5 Butea forest       22.02         5/IS2 Khair-sissu Forest       212.56         3B/C1 East Himalayan subtropical wet hill forest       469.6         1B/C1a Lauraceous forest       122.32         1B/C1b Buk oak forest       20.03         1B/C1c High-level oak forest       20.03         1B/C1c High-level oak forest       319         1B/C1c East Himalayan mixed coniferous forest       319         1B/C1c East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest       3.25         1B/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest       3.63         1B/C2 East Himalayan sub-alpin |

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                           | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 32.        | 4D/2S2 Eastern wet alluvial grassland | 35.1      | 0.21                        |
| 33.        | 12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures   | 5.81      | 0.03                        |
|            | Sub Total                             | 40.91     | 0.24                        |
|            | Grand Total                           | 17,088.54 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019).Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.29.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

| Table 13 | Table 13.29.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes |           |              |
|----------|---|-----------|--------------|
| Sl. No.  | o. Forest Fire Prone Forest Cover       |           | % of Total   |
|          | Classes                                 |           | Forest Cover |
| 1.       | Extremely fire prone                    | 20.05     | 0.12         |
| 2.       | Very highly fire prone                  | 120.03    | 0.71         |
| 3.       | Highly fire prone                       | 425.63    | 2.53         |
| 4.       | Moderately fire prone                   | 1,050.42  | 6.24         |
| 5.       | Less fire prone                         | 15,215.87 | 90.40        |
|          | Total                                   | 16,832.00 | 100.00       |

**Figure. 13.29.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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#### **13.29.4** Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in West Bengal has been estimated as given in following table.

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#### Table 13.29.10 Tree Cover in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 2,006           | 2,349           | 343                        |

#### 13.29.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.29.11 Extent of TOF in West Bengal

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 9,720                           | 2,349      | 12,069        |

#### 13.29.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in West Bengal is given in the Table 13.29.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.29.13.

#### Table 13.29.12 Growing Stock in West Bengal

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 54.87              | 61.19              | 6.32                          | 1.39                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 32.63              | 38.70              | 6.07                          | 2.17                 |

#### Table 13.29.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in West Bengal

(in '000)

|         |                        | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|------------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species                | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Shorea robusta         | 83,267         | 2,819 | 713 |
| 2.      | Acacia auriculiformis  | 20,057         | 97    | 0   |
| 3.      | Lagerstroemia spaciosa | 6,412          | 1,509 | 31  |
| 4.      | Tectona grandis        | 5,713          | 1,958 | 206 |
| 5.      | Schima wallichii       | 5,826          | 1,136 | 385 |

#### 13.29.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in West bengal in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.29.14 and Table 13.29.15 respectively.

Table 13.29.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in West Bengal

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Acacia auriculiformis   | 14.05                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica        | 8.45                      |
| 3.         | Areca catechu           | 6.41                      |
| 4.         | Eucalyptus spp.         | 5.68                      |
| 5.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 4.68                      |

Table 13.29.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in West Bengal

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu            | 24.27                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera           | 10.62                     |
| 3.         | Mangifera indica         | 10.14                     |
| 4.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 4.90                      |
| 5.         | Azadirachta indica       | 3.83                      |

#### 13.29.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the State including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 155.26 million tonnes (569.29 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 2.16 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in West Bengal is given in the following table.

Table 13.29.16 Forest Carbon in

| west Bengal in different pools |              | (in '000 tonnes) |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| Sl. No.                        | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon    |
| 1.                             | AGB          | 45,365           |
| 2.                             | BGB          | 14,119           |
| 3.                             | Dead wood    | 726              |
| 4.                             | Litter       | 2,162            |
| 5.                             | SOC          | 92,889           |
|                                | Total        | 1,55,261         |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.29.5 Forest Carbon in West Bengal

#### 13.29.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

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#### Table 13.29.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in West Bengal

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 702   | 0.47                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 280   | 0.52                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 1,471 | 0.37                        |

#### 13.29.10 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.29.18 and Table 13.29.19 respectively.

#### Table 13.23.18 Major NTFP Species in West Bengal

| Sl. No. | Species                                  | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|--|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Shorea robusta                           | Tree       | 78.80                  |
| 2.      | Madhuca indica                           | Tree       | 7.22                   |
| 3.      | Butea monosperma                         | Tree       | 5.20                   |
| 4.      | Piper spp./ Piper longum/ Piper mullesua | Climber    | 2.12                   |
| 5.      | Terminilia belerica                      | Tree       | 1.59                   |

Table 13.29.19 Major invasive species in the State inside the RFA/Green Wash in West Bengal (in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Chromolaena odorata | 115              |
| 2.      | Ageratum conyzoides | 36               |
| 3.      | Mikania micrantha   | 27               |
| 4.      | Lantana camara      | 25               |
| 5.      | Xanthium strumarium | 7                |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

# 13.30

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**Geographical Area** 

8,249 sq km

**Geographical Coordinates** 

Latitude- 06° N to 14° N Longitude- 92° E to 94° E

**Population (as per Census 2011)** 

0.38 million

Urban 0.14 million (37.70 %) Rural 0.24 million (62.30 %) Tribal 0.03 million (7.50 %)

**Average Population Density** 

46 per sq km

**Livestock population** 

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.15 million

**No. of Districts** 

3

No. of Hill Districts

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**No. of Tribal Districts** 

3

#### Table 13.30.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 825               |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 757               | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 717               | 94.72      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 9                 | 1.19       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 4                 | 0.53       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 4                 | 0.53       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 3                 | 0.40       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 2                 | 0.25       |
| Current fallows                            | 3                 | 0.40       |
| Net area sown                              | 15                | 1.98       |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.30.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

## Table 13.30.2 Forest Cover of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| Class | Area     | % of GA |
|-------|----------|---------|
| VDF   | 5,677.98 | 68.83   |
| MDF   | 683.07   | 8.28    |
| OF    | 382.97   | 4.64    |
| Total | 6,744.02 | 81.75   |
| Scrub | 1.13     | 0.01    |

Figure 13.30.1 Forest Cover of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

#### Table 13.30.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| District                            | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                |          | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                     | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Nicobars <sup>™</sup>               | 1,841         | 1,148.10                | 105.03                  | 154.40         | 1,407.53 | 76.45 | 1.36                        | 1.00  |
| North & Middle Andaman <sup>T</sup> | 3,736         | 2,670.96                | 326.37                  | 73.67          | 3,071.00 | 82.20 | 0.47                        | 0.00  |
| South Andaman <sup>T</sup>          | 2,672         | 1,858.92                | 251.67                  | 154.90         | 2,265.49 | 84.79 | -0.59                       | 0.13  |
| Grand Total                         | 8,249         | 5,677.98                | 683.07                  | 382.97         | 6,744.02 | 81.75 | 1.24                        | 1.13  |

#### 13.30.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.30.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| Forest Cove<br>(or Green V | over Inside the Recorded Forest Area<br>1 Wash) |       |       | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        |       |
|----------------------------|---|-------|-------|---|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF                        | MDF   | OF    | Total | VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 5,409                      | 546   | 253   | 6,208 | 269   | 137    | 130    | 536   |
| 87.13%                     | 8.80%   | 4.07% |       | 50.19%  | 25.56% | 24.25% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of A&N Islands, RFA boundaries have been used

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6,000 5,409 5,000 Area in sq km 4,000 3,000 2,000 546 1,000 253 137 130 0 VDF MDF OF Inside RFA Outside RFA

Figure 13.30.2
Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

Table 13.30.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

|                         | 2021 Assessment |     |     |       |       | Total     |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF             | MDF | OF  | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 5,678           | 0   | 0   | 0     | 0     | 5,678     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0               | 683 | 0   | 0     | 1     | 684       |
| Open Forest             | 0               | 0   | 380 | 0     | 1     | 381       |
| Scrub                   | 0               | 0   | 0   | 1     | 0     | 1         |
| Non Forest              | 0               | 0   | 3   | 0     | 1502  | 1,505     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 5,678           | 683 | 383 | 1     | 1,504 | 8,249     |
| Net Change              | 0               | -1  | 2   | 0     | -1    |           |

#### Table 13.30.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF | OF  | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 8,238             | 5,667 | 683 | 383 | 6,733 | 1     |
| 500-1000          | 11                | 11    | 0   | 0   | 11    | 0     |
| Total             | 8,249             | 5,678 | 683 | 383 | 6,744 | 1     |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.30.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| Table 15.50.7 Forest cover in different stope classes in Andaman a Nicobar Islands |                   |       |     |     |       |       |
|--|-------------------|-------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| Slope (in degrees)   | Geographical Area | VDF   | MDF | OF  | Total | Scrub |
| 0-5  | 3,983             | 2,338 | 391 | 264 | 2,993 | 1     |
| 5-10   | 1,999             | 1,461 | 187 | 76  | 1,724 | 0     |
| 10-15  | 1,185             | 949   | 74  | 28  | 1,051 | 0     |
| 15-20  | 651               | 555   | 22  | 10  | 587   | 0     |
| 20-25  | 299               | 262   | 6   | 3   | 271   | 0     |
| 25-30  | 101               | 88    | 2   | 1   | 91    | 0     |
| >30  | 31                | 25    | 1   | 1   | 27    | 0     |
| Total  | 8,249             | 5,678 | 683 | 383 | 6,744 | 1     |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

#### Figure 13.30.3 Forest Cover Map of Andaman & Nicobar Islands

# Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

#### 13.30.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Andaman & Nicobar Islands as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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(in sq km)

8.33

0.12

0.12

9.14

96.75

3.25 **100.00** 

562.02

8.04

8.02

616.28

6,524.91

219.00

6,743.91

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                      | Area     | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 1A/C1 Giant evergreen forest                     | 38.47    | 0.57                        |
| 2.         | 1A/C2 Andamans tropical evergreen forest         | 2,961.96 | 43.92                       |
| 3.         | 1A/C2/E1 Andamans moist deciduous forest         | 160.79   | 2.38                        |
| 4.         | 1A/C3 Southern hilltop tropical evergreen forest | 80.95    | 1.20                        |
| 5.         | 1/E1 Cane brakes                                 | 0.26     | 0.00                        |
| 6.         | 1/E2 Wet bamboo brakes                           | 22.44    | 0.33                        |
| 7.         | 1/2S1 Pioneer Euphorbiaceous scrub               | 3.76     | 0.06                        |
| 8.         | 2A/C1 Andamans semi-evergreen forest             | 2,049.34 | 30.39                       |
| 9.         | 2/E2 Wet bamboo brakes                           | 12.58    | 0.19                        |

Table 13.30.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

#### 13.30.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.30.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

3A/C1 Andamans moist deciduous forest

4A/L1 Littoral forest

**Sub Total** 

TOF/Plantation

4B/TS2 Mangrove forest

Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)

3A/C1/2S1 Andamans secondary moist deciduous forest

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|---------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone       | 20.39        | 0.30                       |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone            | 51.38        | 0.76                       |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone        | 37.49        | 0.56                       |
| 5.      | Less fire prone              | 6,634.74     | 98.38                      |
|         | Total                        | 6,744.00     | 100.00                     |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

Figure 13.30.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

#### 13.30.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Andaman & Nicobar Islands has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.30.10 Tree Cover in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 41              | 23              | -18                        |

#### 13.30.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.30.11 Extent of TOF in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 536                             | 23         | 559           |

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#### 13.30.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Andaman & Nicobar Islands is given in the Table 13.30.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.30.13.

Table 13.30.12 Growing Stock in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 90.82              | 121.72             | 30.90                         | 2.77                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 2.75               | 5.55               | 2.80                          | 0.31                 |

Table 13.30.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Andaman & Nicobar Islands (in '000)

|         |                          | Dia class (cm) |       |     |  |  |
|---------|--------------------------|----------------|-------|-----|--|--|
| Sl. No. | Species                  | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |  |  |
| 1.      | Dipterocarpus turbinatus | 7,787          | 3,644 | 596 |  |  |
| 2.      | Pterocarpus indicus      | 1,891          | 1,702 | 945 |  |  |
| 3.      | Terminalia bialata       | 3,191          | 596   | 622 |  |  |
| 4.      | Canarium euphyllum       | 1,618          | 1,402 | 755 |  |  |
| 5.      | Tetrameles nudiflora     | 1,618          | 1,079 | 539 |  |  |

#### 13.30.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Andaman & Nicobar Islands in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.30.14 and Table 13.30.15 respectively.

Table 13.30.14: Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu         | 69.62                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera        | 5.44                      |
| 3.         | Ficus racemosa        | 1.87                      |
| 4.         | Acacia auriculiformis | 1.71                      |
| 5.         | Caryota urens         | 1.03                      |

Table 13.30.15: Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                  | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Areca catechu            | 51.36                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera           | 15.77                     |
| 3.         | Mangifera indica         | 3.81                      |
| 4.         | Mangifera andamanica     | 3.70                      |
| 5.         | Artocarpus heterophyllus | 3.46                      |

#### 13.30.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 109.84 million tonnes (402.75 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 1.52 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Andaman & Nicobar Islands is given in the following table.

# Table 13.30.16 Forest Carbon in Andaman & Nicobar Islands in different pools

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 47,560        |
| 2.      | BGB          | 15,450        |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 1,432         |
| 4.      | Litter       | 1,808         |
| 5.      | SOC          | 43,586        |
|         | Total        | 1,09,836      |

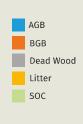


Figure 13.30.5 Forest Carbon in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

#### 13.30.9 Growing Stock of Bamboo

Bamboo bearing area and growing stock inside the recorded forest area (RFA)/ Green Wash which include culms of 1 year age and above are given in the following table.

Table 13.30.17 Growing Stock of Bamboo in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

| Growing Stock (GS)                                   |       | % of Country's GS of Bamboo |
|--|-------|-----------------------------|
| Bamboo bearing area inside RFA/Green Wash (in sq km) | 1,413 | 0.95                        |
| Total number of culms (in millions)                  | 215   | 0.40                        |
| Total equivalent green weight (in '000 tonnes)       | 2,091 | 0.52                        |

#### 13.30.10 Major NTFP Species

Major NTFP species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.30.18.

Table 13.30.18 Major NTFP species in Andaman & Nicobar Islands

| Sl. No. | Species              | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Calamus longisetus   | Shrub      | 63.87                  |
| 2.      | Calamus palustris    | Shrub      | 35.60                  |
| 3.      | Heritiera littoralis | Tree       | 0.52                   |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance.

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# 13.31 CHANDIGARH

**Geographical Area** 

114 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 30° 39' N to 30° 49' N Longitude-75° 41' E to 75° 51' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

1.06 million

Urban 1.03 million (97.25 %) Rural 0.03 million (2.75 %) Tribal Nil

#### **Average Population Density**

9,298 per sq km

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 24,197

No. of Districts

- 1

No. of Hill Districts

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

#### Table 13.31.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 11                |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 7                 | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 5                 | 71.42      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | -                 | -          |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 1                 | 14.29      |
| Current fallows                            | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Net area sown                              | 1                 | 14.29      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.31.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

| Table 13.26.2 Forest Cover |         |            |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------|---------|------------|--|--|--|--|
| of Chandigarh              |         | (in sq km) |  |  |  |  |
| Class                      | % of GA |            |  |  |  |  |
| VDF                        | 1.36    | 1.19       |  |  |  |  |
| MDF                        | 13.51   | 11.85      |  |  |  |  |
| OF                         | 8.01    | 7.03       |  |  |  |  |
| Total                      | 22.88   | 20.07      |  |  |  |  |
| Scrub                      | 0.38    | 0.33       |  |  |  |  |

Figure 13.31.1 Forest Cover of Chandigarh

#### Table 13.31.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| District    | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                |       | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|             | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Chandigarh  | 114           | 1.36                    | 13.51                   | 8.01           | 22.88 | 20.07 | 0.85                        | 0.38  |
| Grand Total | 114           | 1.36                    | 13.51                   | 8.01           | 22.88 | 20.07 | 0.85                        | 0.38  |

#### 13.31.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.31.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area or (Green Wash) in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |       |                 |        |        |       |  |
|--|--------|---|-------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|--|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF  | Total | VDF MDF OF Tota |        |        |       |  |
| 1.28   | 5.08   | 2.34  | 8.70  | 0.08            | 8.43   | 5.67   | 14.18 |  |
| 14.71%   | 58.39% | 26.90%  |       | 0.56%           | 59.45% | 39.99% |       |  |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Chandigarh, RFA boundaries have been used

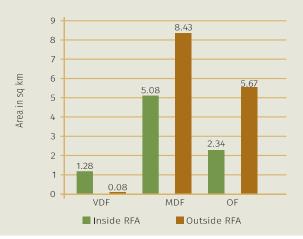


Figure 13.31.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Chandigarh

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Table 13.31.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Chandigarh

(in sq km)

|                         |      | 2021 Assessment |      |       |       | Total     |
|-------------------------|------|-----------------|------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF  | MDF             | OF   | Scrub | NF    | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 1.36 | 0.00            | 0.00 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 1.36      |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0.00 | 12.65           | 0.95 | 0.08  | 0.56  | 14.24     |
| Open Forest             | 0.00 | 0.29            | 6.11 | 0.00  | 0.03  | 6.43      |
| Scrub                   | 0.00 | 0.00            | 0.00 | 0.01  | 0.09  | 0.10      |
| Non Forest              | 0.00 | 0.57            | 0.95 | 0.29  | 90.06 | 91.87     |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 1.36 | 13.51           | 8.01 | 0.38  | 90.74 | 114.00    |
| Net Change              | 0.00 | -0.73           | 1.58 | 0.28  | -1.13 |           |

#### Table 13.31.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF   | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 114               | 1.36 | 13.51 | 8.01 | 22.88 | 0.38  |
| Total             | 114               | 1.36 | 13.51 | 8.01 | 22.88 | 0.38  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.31.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF   | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 109               | 1.30 | 12.59 | 7.52 | 21.41 | 0.36  |
| 5-10               | 5                 | 0.06 | 0.92  | 0.49 | 1.47  | 0.02  |
| Total              | 114               | 1.36 | 13.51 | 8.01 | 22.88 | 0.38  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

#### Figure 13.31.3 Forest Cover Map of Chandigarh

# Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

### 13.31.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Chandigarh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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#### Table 13.31.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                               | Area  | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest | 10.20 | 46.09                       |
| 2.         | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                 | 0.05  | 0.23                        |
|            | Sub Total                                 | 10.25 | 46.32                       |
| 3.         | TOF/Plantation                            | 11.88 | 53.68                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)              | 22.13 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

#### 13.31.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.31.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total   |
|---------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|         | Classes                      |              | Forest Cover |
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone       | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone            | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone        | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 5.      | Less fire prone              | 22.88        | 100.00       |
|         | Total                        | 22.88        | 100.00       |

Figure 13.31.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary
District Boundary
Capital

#### **13.31.4** Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Chandigarh has been estimated as given in following table.

#### Table 13.31.10 Tree Cover in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 25              | 15              | -10                        |

#### 13.31.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

#### Table 13.31.11 Extent of TOF in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 14                              | 15         | 29            |

#### 13.31.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Chandigarh is given in the Table 13.31.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.31.13.

#### Table 13.31.12 Growing Stock in Chandigarh

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 0.29               | 0.21               | -0.08                         | 0.00                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 0.50               | 0.29               | -0.21                         | 0.02                 |

#### Table 13.31.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Chandigarh

(in '000)

|         |                       | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|-----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species               | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Acacia catechu        | 202            | 7     | 0   |
| 2.      | Leucaena leucocephala | 196            | 9     | 0   |
| 3.      | Dalbergia sissoo      | 96             | 14    | 0   |
| 4.      | Melia azadirachta     | 64             | 11    | 0   |
| 5.      | Eucalyptus spp.       | 16             | 5     | 0   |

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#### 13.31.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Chandigarh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.31.14 and Table 13.31.15 respectively.

Table 13.31.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Chandigarh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Eucalyptus spp.    | 38.16                     |
| 2.         | Mangifera indica   | 12.52                     |
| 3.         | Prosopis juliflora | 8.17                      |
| 4.         | <i>Morus</i> spp.  | 7.47                      |
| 5.         | Dalbergia sissoo   | 4.89                      |

Table 13.31.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Chandigarh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica      | 12.32                     |
| 2.         | Polyalthia longifolia | 7.13                      |
| 3.         | Morus spp.            | 6.28                      |
| 4.         | Alstonia scholaris    | 4.18                      |
| 5.         | Melia azadirachta     | 3.64                      |

#### 13.31.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 0.18 million tonnes (0.66 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 0.002 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Changdigarh is given in the following table.

Table 13.31.16 Forest Carbon in Chandigarh in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 47            |
| 2.      | BGB          | 15            |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 1             |
| 4.      | Litter       | 3             |
| 5.      | SOC          | 117           |
|         | Total        | 183           |



Figure 13.31.5 Forest Carbon in Chandigarh

#### 13.31.9 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.31.17 and Table 13.31.18 respectively.

#### Table 13.31.17 Major NTFP species in Chandigarh

| Sl. No. | Species                          | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Embilica officinalis/Phyllanthus | Tree       | 43.45                  |
| 2.      | Mulberry                         | Tree       | 32.41                  |
| 3.      | Ficus virens                     | Tree       | 5.52                   |
| 4.      | Syzigium cumini                  | Tree       | 4.83                   |
| 5.      | Ziziphus mauritiana/jujuba       | Tree       | 4.14                   |

# Table 13.31.18 Major invasive species in the UT inside the RFA/Green Wash in Chandigarh

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species                  | Estimated Extent |
|---------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara           | 1.00             |
| 2.      | Parthenium hysteropharus | 1.00             |
| 3.      | Leucanea leucocephala    | 0.16             |
| 4.      | Saccharum spontanem      | 0.05             |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

# 13.32

# DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN & DIU

**Geographical Area** 

602 sq km

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 20° 0' N to 20° 28' N Longitude- 70° 00' E to 73° 15' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

0.58 million (combined Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu)
Urban 0.34 million (58.51 %)
Rural 0.24 million (41.49 %)
Tribal 0.19 million (33.04 %)

#### **Average Population Density**

963 per sq km

#### Livestock population

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.054 million (combined Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu)

**No. of Districts** 

3

No. of Hill Districts

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

2

#### Table 13.32.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 60                |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 52                | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 20                | 38.46      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 4                 | 7.69       |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 1                 | 1.92       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | -                 | -          |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 3                 | 5.77       |
| Current fallows                            | 2                 | 3.85       |
| Net area sown                              | 22                | 42.31      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.32.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.32.2 Forest Cover of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (in sq km)

| Class | Area   | % of GA |
|-------|--------|---------|
| VDF   | 1.40   | 0.23    |
| MDF   | 85.56  | 14.21   |
| OF    | 140.79 | 23.39   |
| Total | 227.75 | 37.83   |
| Scrub | 4.85   | 0.81    |

Figure 13.32.1 Forest Cover of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

#### Table 13.32.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

| District                          | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                |        | %of   | Change                      | Scrub |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                   | Area (GA)     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total  | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Dadra & Nagar Haveli <sup>™</sup> | 491           | 0.00                    | 79.87                   | 127.44         | 207.31 | 42.22 | 0.15                        | 4.66  |
| Daman <sup>T</sup>                | 72            | 0.00                    | 1.93                    | 8.94           | 10.87  | 15.10 | -0.04                       | 0.19  |
| Diu                               | 39            | 1.40                    | 3.76                    | 4.41           | 9.57   | 24.54 | -0.01                       | 0.00  |
| Grand Total                       | 602           | 1.40                    | 85.56                   | 140.79         | 227.75 | 37.83 | 0.10                        | 4.85  |

#### 13.32.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.32.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

|       |        |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest (or Green Wash) |        | ded Forest Area |       |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|--|--------|-----------------|-------|
| VDF   | MDF    | OF     | Total  | VDF  | MDF    | OF              | Total |
| 0.00  | 69.38  | 90.64  | 160.02 | 1.40   | 16.18  | 50.15           | 67.73 |
| 0.00% | 43.36% | 56.64% |        | 2.07%  | 23.89% | 74.04%          |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu, RFA boundaries have been used.



Figure 13.32.2
Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

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Table 13.32.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

|                         |      | Total |        |       |        |           |
|-------------------------|------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF  | MDF   | OF     | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 1.40 | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.00  | 0.00   | 1.40      |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0.00 | 85.56 | 0.00   | 0.00  | 0.06   | 85.62     |
| Open Forest             | 0.00 | 0.00  | 137.49 | 0.00  | 3.14   | 140.63    |
| Scrub                   | 0.00 | 0.00  | 0.00   | 4.85  | 0.27   | 5.12      |
| Non Forest              | 0.00 | 0.00  | 3.30   | 0.00  | 365.93 | 369.23    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 1.40 | 85.56 | 140.79 | 4.85  | 369.40 | 602.00    |
| Net Change              | 0.00 | -0.06 | 0.16   | -0.27 | 0.17   |           |

Table 13.32.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 602               | 1.40 | 85.56 | 140.79 | 227.75 | 4.85  |
| Total             | 602               | 1.40 | 85.56 | 140.79 | 227.75 | 4.85  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.32.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (in sq km)

| (11)               |                   |      |       |        |        |       |
|--------------------|-------------------|------|-------|--------|--------|-------|
| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF     | Total  | Scrub |
| 0-5                | 432               | 1.39 | 28.54 | 74.03  | 103.96 | 3.11  |
| 5-10               | 95                | 0.01 | 24.14 | 35.69  | 59.84  | 1.04  |
| 10-15              | 45                | 0.00 | 17.81 | 19.04  | 36.85  | 0.69  |
| 15-20              | 19                | 0.00 | 9.02  | 8.03   | 17.05  | 0.01  |
| 20-25              | 7                 | 0.00 | 4.05  | 3.00   | 7.05   | 0.00  |
| 25-30              | 3                 | 0.00 | 2.00  | 1.00   | 3.00   | 0.00  |
| >30                | 1                 | 0.00 | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.00   | 0.00  |
| Total              | 602               | 1.40 | 85.56 | 140.79 | 227.75 | 4.85  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.32.3 Forest Cover Map of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu



#### 13.32.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.32.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                 | Area   | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|--------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 3B/C1b Moist teak forest                    | 19.89  | 8.54                        |
| 2.         | 3B/C2 Southern moist mixed deciduous forest | 162.75 | 69.92                       |
| 3.         | 4A/L1 Littoral forest                       | 1.35   | 0.58                        |
| 4.         | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest                      | 3.10   | 1.33                        |
| 5.         | 5A/C3 Southern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 9.33   | 4.01                        |
| 6.         | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub                   | 5.37   | 2.31                        |
| 7.         | 6B/C1 Desert thorn forest                   | 3.19   | 1.37                        |

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Table 13.32.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                  | Area   | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
|            | Sub Total                    | 204.98 | 88.06                       |
| 8.         | TOF/Plantation               | 27.79  | 11.94                       |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub) | 232.77 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

#### 13.32.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.32.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone      | Forest Cover | % of Total   |
|---------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|         | Classes                |              | Forest Cover |
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone   | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone      | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone  | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 5.      | Less fire prone        | 227.75       | 100.00       |
|         | Total                  | 227.75       | 100.00       |

#### Figure 13.32.4

Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

#### LEGEND



#### **13.32.4** Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu has been estimated as given in following table.

Table 13.32.10 Tree Cover in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 33              | 32              | -1                         |

#### 13.32.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

Table 13.32.11 Extent of TOF in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 68                              | 32         | 100           |

#### 11.32.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu is given in the Table 13.32.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.32.13

Table 13.32.12 Growing Stock in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 0.83               | 0.45               | -0.38                         | 0.01                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 1.31               | 0.67               | -0.49                         | 0.04                 |

Table 13.32.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in '000)

|         |                      | Dia class (cm) |       |     |
|---------|----------------------|----------------|-------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30          | 30-60 | >60 |
| 1.      | Terminalia tomentosa | 576            | 0     | 0   |
| 2.      | Lannea coromandelica | 239            | 30    | 0   |
| 3.      | Madhuca latifolia    | 119            | 65    | 0   |
| 4.      | Acacia catechu       | 122            | 0     | 15  |
| 5.      | Terminalia belerica  | 30             | 15    | 0   |

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#### 13.32.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.32.14 and Table 13.32.15 respectively.

Table 13.32.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

| Sl.<br>No. | Species              | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica     | 34.60                     |
| 2.         | Phoenix sylvestris   | 12.79                     |
| 3.         | Tectona grandis      | 8.69                      |
| 4.         | Emblica officinalis  | 5.00                      |
| 5.         | Terminalia crenulata | 4.88                      |

Table 13.32.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Mangifera indica   | 20.34                     |
| 2.         | Cocos nucifera     | 18.73                     |
| 3.         | Tectona grandis    | 6.91                      |
| 4.         | Jonesia asoca      | 6.05                      |
| 5.         | Alstonia scholaris | 5.11                      |

#### 13.32.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 1.98 million tonnes (7.26 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.03 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu is given in the following table.

Table 13.23.16 Forest Carbon in

Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman &

Diu in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 558           |
| 2.      | BGB          | 129           |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 11            |
| 4.      | Litter       | 38            |
| 5.      | SOC          | 1,244         |
|         | Total        | 1,980         |



Figure 13.32.5 Forest Carbon in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

## 13.32.9 Major NTFP and Invasive Species

Major NTFP and invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.32.17 and Table 13.32.18 respectively.

Table 13.32.17 Major NTFP species in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

| Sl. No. | Species              | Plant Type | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|----------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Lannea coromandelica | Tree       | 23.60                  |
| 2.      | Madhuca indica       | Tree       | 15.73                  |
| 3.      | Acacia catechu       | Tree       | 13.48                  |
| 4.      | Anogeissus latifolia | Tree       | 13.48                  |
| 5.      | Acacia arabica       | Tree       | 7.87                   |

Table 13.32.18 Major invasive species in the UT inside the RFA/Green Wash in Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Species             | Estimated Extent |
|---------|---------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Cassia tora         | 2.00             |
| 2.      | Glinsoga parviflora | 1.00             |
| 3.      | Lantana camara      | 0.27             |
| 4.      | Chromolaena odorata | 0.16             |
| 5.      | Ageratum conyzoides | 0.16             |

Major NTFP species are given in terms of relative abundance whereas invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

# JAMMU & KASHMIR

**Geographical Area** 

54,624 sq km#

#### **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 30° 17' N to 35° 08' N Longitude- 73° 25' E to 76° 45' E

#### **Population (as per Census 2011)**

12.54 million (including Ladakh)
Urban 3.43 million (27.38 %)
Rural 9.11 million (72.62 %)
Tribal 1.49 million (11.91%)

#### **Average Population Density**

125 per sq km (including Ladakh)

#### **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 9.20 million (including Ladakh)

**No. of Districts** 

22

**No. of Hill Districts** 

22

No. of Tribal Districts

0

# Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from Sol awaited.

#### Table 13.33.1 Land Use Pattern (Combined Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh)

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 22,224            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 4,120             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 2,361             | 57.31      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 570               | 13.84      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 108               | 2.62       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 59                | 1.43       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 139               | 3.37       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 26                | 0.63       |
| Current fallows                            | 105               | 2.55       |
| Net area sown                              | 752               | 18.25      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

#### 13.33.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.33.2 Forest Cover of Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| Class | Area      | % of Shapefile Area* |
|-------|-----------|----------------------|
| VDF   | 4,155.11  | 7.60                 |
| MDF   | 8,116.73  | 14.86                |
| OF    | 9,115.00  | 16.69                |
| Total | 21,386.84 | 39.15                |
| Scrub | 284.32    | 0.52                 |
|       |           |                      |

# Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from Sol awaited.

Figure 13.33.1 Forest Cover of Jammu & Kashmir

#### Table 13.33.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| District                 | Shapefile |                         | 2021 Asse               | ssment         |           | %of   | Change                      | Scrub  |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                          | Area"     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total     | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Anantnag <sup>H</sup>    | 2,727     | 128.34                  | 465.56                  | 481.16         | 1,075.06  | 39.42 | 0.87                        | 0.76   |
| Badgam <sup>H</sup>      | 1,250     | 99.38                   | 74.70                   | 169.22         | 343.30    | 27.46 | 1.46                        | 16.71  |
| Bandipura <sup>H</sup>   | 4,042     | 336.12                  | 317.08                  | 230.85         | 884.05    | 21.87 | 5.51                        | 45.31  |
| Baramula <sup>H</sup>    | 2,062     | 267.11                  | 228.63                  | 396.28         | 892.02    | 43.26 | 21.76                       | 7.56   |
| Doda <sup>H</sup>        | 2,411     | 328.18                  | 713.92                  | 444.60         | 1,486.70  | 61.66 | 0.77                        | 1.29   |
| Ganderbal <sup>H</sup>   | 1,620     | 128.24                  | 179.80                  | 182.62         | 490.66    | 30.29 | -3.84                       | 7.04   |
| Jammu <sup>H</sup>       | 2,407     | 0.00                    | 226.49                  | 476.17         | 702.66    | 29.19 | -64.97                      | 22.01  |
| Kathua <sup>H</sup>      | 2,512     | 108.14                  | 628.66                  | 594.52         | 1,331.32  | 53.00 | -0.12                       | 8.45   |
| Kishtwar <sup>H</sup>    | 8,179     | 238.60                  | 746.37                  | 798.09         | 1,783.06  | 21.80 | -1.99                       | 8.74   |
| Kulgam <sup>H</sup>      | 1,265     | 83.73                   | 100.94                  | 204.82         | 389.49    | 30.79 | -0.75                       | 4.98   |
| Kupwara <sup>H</sup>     | 2,744     | 760.06                  | 423.61                  | 350.85         | 1,534.52  | 55.92 | 69.57                       | 1.31   |
| Mirpur <sup>H</sup>      | 3,759     | 0.00                    | 441.75                  | 865.14         | 1,306.89  | 34.77 | 69.10                       | 25.22  |
| Muzaffarbad <sup>H</sup> | 4,663     | 827.06                  | 462.07                  | 450.94         | 1,740.07  | 37.32 | 131.04                      | 54.21  |
| Pulwama <sup>H</sup>     | 896       | 15.20                   | 126.62                  | 234.20         | 376.02    | 41.97 | 1.88                        | 5.85   |
| Punch <sup>H</sup>       | 4,244     | 313.63                  | 1,044.85                | 690.25         | 2,048.73  | 48.27 | -58.98                      | 16.88  |
| Rajauri <sup>H</sup>     | 2,635     | 41.12                   | 427.67                  | 763.60         | 1,232.39  | 46.77 | <b>-</b> 72.91              | 7.77   |
| Ramban <sup>H</sup>      | 1,288     | 70.70                   | 293.09                  | 297.51         | 661.30    | 51.34 | -4.94                       | 1.46   |
| Reasi <sup>H</sup>       | 1,932     | 231.63                  | 389.48                  | 414.59         | 1,035.70  | 53.61 | <b>-</b> 62.71              | 13.76  |
| Samba <sup>H</sup>       | 921       | 0.00                    | 136.24                  | 195.21         | 331.45    | 35.99 | -0.34                       | 10.29  |
| Shupiyan <sup>H</sup>    | 505       | 61.85                   | 37.02                   | 224.32         | 323.19    | 64.00 | -0.86                       | 1.00   |
| Srinagar <sup>H</sup>    | 282       | 0.70                    | 19.47                   | 25.00          | 45.17     | 16.02 | -0.07                       | 0.00   |
| Udhampur <sup>H</sup>    | 2,280     | 115.32                  | 632.71                  | 625.06         | 1,373.09  | 60.22 | -0.93                       | 23.72  |
| Grand Total              | 54,624    | 4,155.11                | 8,116.73                | 9,115.00       | 21,386.84 | 39.15 | 28.55                       | 284.32 |

<sup>#</sup> Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from Sol awaited.

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#### 13.33.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.33.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        |        |       |
|--|--------|--------|---|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total   | VDF    | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 3,036  | 5,432  | 4,708  | 13,176  | 1,119  | 2,685  | 4,407  | 8,211 |
| 23.04%   | 41.23% | 35.73% |   | 13.63% | 32.70% | 53.67% |       |

<sup>\*</sup>in case of Jammu & Kashmir, RFA boundaries have been used.

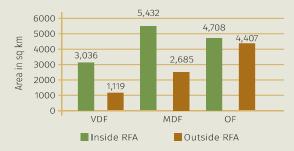


Figure 13.33.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of RFA in Jammu & Kashmir

Table 13.33.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix of Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

|                         |       | Total |       |       |        |           |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 4,125 | 102   | 8     | 0     | 44     | 4,279     |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 21    | 7,864 | 45    | 0     | 160    | 8,090     |
| Open Forest             | 8     | 127   | 8,284 | 4     | 566    | 8,989     |
| Scrub                   | 0     | 0     | 36    | 239   | 15     | 290       |
| Non Forest              | 1     | 24    | 742   | 41    | 32,168 | 32,976    |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 4,155 | 8,117 | 9,115 | 284   | 32,953 | 54,624    |
| Net Change              | -124  | 27    | 126   | -6    | -23    |           |

Table 13.33.6 Altitude-wise forest cover in Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Shapefile Area | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|-------------------|----------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-500             | 4,992          | 0     | 222   | 825   | 1,047  | 63    |
| 500-1000          | 6,567          | 47    | 1,335 | 1,994 | 3,376  | 69    |
| 1000-2000         | 14,192         | 682   | 2,370 | 3,168 | 6,220  | 32    |
| 2000-3000         | 12,160         | 2,851 | 3,136 | 2,128 | 8,115  | 30    |
| 3000-4000         | 10,193         | 575   | 1,053 | 999   | 2,627  | 89    |
| 4000-Above        | 6,520          | 0     | 1     | 1     | 2      | 1     |
| Total             | 54,624         | 4,155 | 8,117 | 9,115 | 21,387 | 284   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016) # Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from SoI awaited

Table 13.33.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Shapefile Area* | VDF   | MDF   | OF    | Total  | Scrub |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|
| 0-5                | 10,732          | 92    | 469   | 1,544 | 2,105  | 49    |
| 5-10               | 5,825           | 237   | 739   | 1,195 | 2,171  | 46    |
| 10-15              | 6,518           | 409   | 1,092 | 1,291 | 2,792  | 44    |
| 15-20              | 7,065           | 589   | 1,299 | 1,272 | 3,160  | 39    |
| 20-25              | 6,949           | 690   | 1,327 | 1,161 | 3,178  | 34    |
| 25-30              | 6,281           | 704   | 1,215 | 1,006 | 2,925  | 28    |
| >30                | 11,254          | 1,434 | 1,976 | 1,646 | 5,056  | 44    |
| Total              | 54,624          | 4,155 | 8,117 | 9,115 | 21,387 | 284   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

# Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from SoI awaited

Figure 13.33.3 Forest Cover Map of Jammu & Kashmir

# LEGEND Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

#### 13.33.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Jammu & Kashmir as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

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| Sl.<br>No.         | e 13.33.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Jammu & Kashmir  Forest Type | Area      | (in sq km) % of the total mapped area* |
|--------------------|---|-----------|--|
| 1.                 | 5B/C2 Northern dry mixed deciduous forest   | 1,606.55  | 6.22                                   |
| 2.                 | 5/DS1 Dry deciduous scrub   | 442.64    | 1.72                                   |
| 3.                 | 5/DS3 ( <i>Euphorbia</i> scrub)   | 0.57      | 0.00                                   |
| 4.                 | 5/E9 Dry bamboo brake   | 18.45     | 0.07                                   |
| 5.                 | 5/1S2 <i>Khair-sissu</i> forest   | 4.42      | 0.02                                   |
| 6.                 | 9/C1a Lower or Siwalik chir pine forest   | 2,725.47  | 10.56                                  |
| 7.                 | 9/C1b Upper or Himalayan chir pine forest   | 1,094.20  | 4.24                                   |
| 8.                 | 9/C1/DS1 Himalayan subtropical scrub  | 287.62    | 1.11                                   |
| 9.                 | 10/C1a <i>Olea cuspidata</i> scrub forest   | 153.29    | 0.59                                   |
| 10.                | 10/C1b Acacia modesta scrub forest  | 8.98      | 0.03                                   |
| 11.                | 10/DS1 <i>Dodonaea</i> scrub  | 7.91      | 0.03                                   |
| 12.                | 12/C1a <i>Ban</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. incana</i> )                                   | 665.70    | 2.58                                   |
| 13.                | 12/C1b <i>Moru</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. dilatata</i> )                                | 37.74     | 0.15                                   |
| 14.                | 12/C1c Moist deodar forest <i>(Cedrus)</i>  | 1,589.47  | 6.16                                   |
| <u></u><br>15.     | 12/C1d Western mixed coniferous forest (spruce, blue pine, silver fir)              | 3,217.55  | 12.47                                  |
| 16.                | 12/C1e Moist temperate deciduous forest   | 38.21     | 0.15                                   |
| <del></del><br>17. | 12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )                         | 2,225.13  | 8.62                                   |
| 18.                | 12/C1/DS1 Oak scrub   | 106.44    | 0.41                                   |
| 19.                | 12/C1/DS2 Himalayan temperate secondary scrub                                       | 122.80    | 0.48                                   |
| 20.                | 12/C2a <i>Kharsu</i> oak forest ( <i>Q. semecarpifolia</i> )                        | 0.60      | 0.00                                   |
| 21.                | 12/C2b West Himalayan upper oak/fir forest  | 3.35      | 0.01                                   |
| 22.                | 12/1S1 Alder forest   | 3.31      | 0.01                                   |
| 23.                | 12/1S2 Riverain blue pine forest  | 53.77     | 0.21                                   |
| 24.                | 12/2S1 Low level blue pine forest   | 50.80     | 0.20                                   |
| 25.                | 13/C1 Dry broadleaved and coniferous forest (Q. ilex- P. gerardiana)                | 390.71    | 1.51                                   |
| 26.                | 13/C2b Dry deodar forest <i>(Cedrus)</i>  | 639.82    | 2.48                                   |
| 27.                | 13/C2/DS1 Pohu scrub  | 60.57     | 0.24                                   |
| 28.                | 13/C2/DS2 Dry temperate scrub   | 91.06     | 0.35                                   |
| 29.                | 13/C3 West Himalayan dry temperate deciduous forest                                 | 236.80    | 0.92                                   |
| 30.                | 13/C4 West Himalayan high level dry blue pine forest (P. wallichiana)               | 1,169.22  | 4.53                                   |
| 31.                | 13/1S2 Populus / Salix forest   | 5.02      | 0.02                                   |
| 32.                | 14/C1a West Himalayan sub-alpine fir forest   | 358.03    | 1.39                                   |
| 33.                | 14/C1b West Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest                                   | 1,351.11  | 5.23                                   |
| 34.                | 14/2S1 Sub-alpine blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )                        | 84.71     | 0.33                                   |
| 35.                | 15/C1 Birch / Rhododendron scrub forest   | 104.32    | 0.40                                   |
| 36.                | 15/C2 Deciduous alpine scrub  | 112.37    | 0.44                                   |
| 37.                | 15/E1 Dwarf <i>Rhododendron</i> scrub   | 33.60     | 0.13                                   |
| 38.                | 16/C1 Dry alpine scrub  | 609.10    | 2.36                                   |
| 39.                | 16/E1 Dwarf juniper scrub   | 75.23     | 0.29                                   |
|                    | Sub Total   | 19,786.64 | 76.66                                  |

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type                                   | Area      | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|---|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 40.        | TOF/ Plantation                               | 1,585.50  | 6.14                        |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)                  | 21,372.14 |                             |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover) |           |                             |
| 41.        | 12/DS3 Himalayan temperate pastures           | 802.44    | 3.11                        |
| 42.        | 14/DS1 Sub-alpine pastures                    | 1,155.98  | 4.48                        |
| 43.        | 15/C3 Alpine pastures                         | 2,479.28  | 9.61                        |
|            | Sub Total                                     | 4,437.70  | 17.20                       |
|            | Grand Total                                   | 25,809.84 | 100.00                      |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest types outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

#### 13.33.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

Table 13.33.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone      | Forest Cover | % of Total   |
|---------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|         | Classes                |              | Forest Cover |
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone   | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone | 17.90        | 0.08         |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone      | 321.68       | 1.51         |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone  | 857.95       | 4.01         |
| 5.      | Less fire prone        | 20,189.47    | 94.40        |
|         | Total                  | 21,387.00    | 100.00       |

Figure 13.33.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

# LEGEND Extremely Fire Prone Very Highly Fire Prone Highly Fire Prone Moderately Fire Prone Less Fire Prone Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary

#### 13.33.4 Tree Cover

Capital

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Jammu & Kashmir has been estimated as given in following table.

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### Table 13.33.10 Tree Cover in Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 7,944           | 3,511           | -4,433                     |

# 13.33.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.33.11 Extent of TOF in of Jammu & Kashmir

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 8,211                           | 3,511      | 11,722        |

# 13.33.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Jammu & Kashmir is given in the Table 13.33.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the Table 13.33.13

### Table 13.33.12 Growing Stock in Jammu & Kashmir

(in m cum)

(in '000)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 291.63             | 348.35             | 56.72                         | 7.94                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 125.14             | 109.04             | -16.10                        | 6.13                 |

# Table 13.33.13 Diameter class distribution of top five tree species inside RFA in Jammu & Kashmir

|         |                   | Dia class (cm) |        |       |
|---------|-------------------|----------------|--------|-------|
| Sl. No. | Species           | 10-30          | 30-60  | >60   |
| 1.      | Pinus wallichiana | 32,267         | 35,184 | 7,492 |
| 2.      | Cedrus deodara    | 14,364         | 14,559 | 9,094 |
| 3.      | Abies pindrow     | 9,457          | 17,473 | 8,490 |
| 4.      | Pinus roxburghii  | 14,140         | 16,376 | 3,763 |
| 5.      | Abies smithiana   | 2,042          | 6,060  | 2,347 |

# 13.33.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Jammu & Kashmir in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.33.14 and Table 13.33.15 respectively.

Table 13.33.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Jammu & Kashmir

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                     | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Quercus leucotrichophora    | 7.49                      |
| 2.         | Grewia oppositifolia        | 6.14                      |
| 3.         | Pyrus spp.                  | 5.76                      |
| 4.         | Quercus dilatata floribunda | 4.70                      |
| 5.         | Juglans regia               | 4.33                      |

Table 13.33.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Jammu & Kashmir

| Sl.<br>No. | Species               | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Grewia oppositifolia  | 10.09                     |
| 2.         | Leucaena leucocephala | 6.47                      |
| 3.         | Pyrus spp.            | 5.06                      |
| 4.         | Acacia modesta        | 4.25                      |
| 5.         | Mangifera indica      | 4.16                      |

# 13.33.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forests in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1 ha in size is 370.87 million tonnes (1,359.86 million tonnes of  $CO_2$  equivalent) which is 5.15 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Jammu & Kashmir is given in the following table.

Table 13.33.16 Forest Carbon in Jammu & Kashmir in different pools

| pools (in '000 tonne |              |               |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Sl. No.              | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
| 1.                   | AGB          | 1,63,897      |
| 2.                   | BGB          | 45,864        |
| 3.                   | Dead wood    | 3,386         |
| 4.                   | Litter       | 4,951         |
| 5.                   | SOC          | 1,52,772      |
|                      | Total        | 3,70,870      |



Figure 13.33.5 Forest Carbon in Jammu & Kashmir

# 13.33.9 Major Invasive Species

Major Invasive species as assessed from forest inventory data are presented in the Table 13.33.17.

Table 13.33.17 Major invasive species in the UT inside the RFA/Green Wash in Jammu & Kashmir

| Sl. No. | Species                  | Estimated Extent |
|---------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1.      | Lantana camara           | 64               |
| 2.      | Parthenium hysteropharus | 24               |
| 3.      | Ageratum conyzoides      | 9                |
| 4.      | Ipomoea fistulosa        | 3                |
| 5.      | Solanum viarum           | 2                |

Major Invasive species are given in terms of their estimated extent.

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# **Geographical Area**

1,68,055 sq km#

# **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 32° 20' N to 37° 05' N Longitude-72° 30' E to 80° 20' E

# **Population (as per Census 2011)**

12.54 million (including J&K) Urban 3.43 million (27.38%) Rural 9.11 million (72.62 %) Tribal 1.49 million (11.91 %)

# **Average Population Density**

124 per sq km (including J&K)

# **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 9.20 million (including J&K)

### **No. of Districts**

2

**No. of Hill Districts** 

2

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

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Table 13.34.1 Land Use Pattern (Combined Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh)

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 22,224            |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 4,120             | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 2,361             | 57.31      |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 570               | 13.84      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | 108               | 2.62       |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 59                | 1.43       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 139               | 3.37       |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 26                | 0.63       |
| Current fallows                            | 105               | 2.55       |
| Net area sown                              | 752               | 18.25      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

# 13.34.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Figure 13.34.1 Forest Cover of Ladakh

# Table 13.34.2 Forest Cover of Ladakh

h (in sq km)

|       |          | , , ,                |
|-------|----------|----------------------|
| Class | Area     | % of Shapefile Area* |
| VDF   | 2.27     | 0.00                 |
| MDF   | 512.10   | 0.30                 |
| OF    | 1,757.72 | 1.05                 |
| Total | 2,272.09 | 1.35                 |
| Scrub | 278.65   | 0.17                 |

# Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August 2021). Notified Geographical area from Sol awaited.

### Table 13.34.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Ladakh

(in sq km)

| District            | Shapefile | 2021 Assessment         |                         |                | %of      | Change | Scrub                       |        |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|--------|-----------------------------|--------|
|                     | Area"     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total    | GA     | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |        |
| Kargil <sup>H</sup> | 14,202    | 0.00                    | 2.24                    | 57.30          | 59.54    | 0.42   | -0.14                       | 24.94  |
| Leh <sup>H</sup>    | 1,53,853  | 2.27                    | 509.86                  | 1,700.42       | 2,212.55 | 1.44   | 18.63                       | 253.71 |
| Grand Total         | 1,68,055  | 2.27                    | 512.10                  | 1,757.72       | 2,272.09 | 1.35   | 18.49                       | 278.65 |

# Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August 2021). Notified Geographical area from Sol awaited.

# 13.34.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

# Table 13.34.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area or (Green Wash) in Ladakh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |        |        | Forest Cov<br>(or Green I | er Outside the I<br>Wash) | Recorded Fore | est Area |       |  |
|--|--------|--------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|----------|-------|--|
| VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total                     | VDF MDF OF To             |               |          |       |  |
| 2  | 179    | 619    | 800                       | 0                         | 333           | 1,139    | 1,472 |  |
| 0.25%  | 22.37% | 77.38% |                           | 0.00%                     | 22.62%        | 77.38%   |       |  |

\*in case of Ladakh, Green Wash boundaries have been used.

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1,139 1,200 1,000 Area in sq km 800 619 600 333 400 179 200 0 VDF MDF OF ■Inside GW Outside GW

Figure 13.34.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Green Wash in Ladakh

Table 13.34.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Ladakh

(in sq km)

| 2021 Assessment         |     |     |       |       | Total    |           |
|-------------------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|----------|-----------|
| Class                   | VDF | MDF | OF    | Scrub | NF       | ISFR 2019 |
| Very Dense Forest       | 2   | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0        | 2         |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0   | 509 | 3     | 0     | 10       | 522       |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 3   | 1,714 | 9     | 4        | 1,730     |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0   | 2     | 251   | 5        | 258       |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 0   | 39    | 19    | 1,65,485 | 1,65,543  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 2   | 512 | 1,758 | 279   | 1,65,504 | 1,68,055  |
| Net Change              | 0   | -10 | 28    | 21    | -39      |           |

Table 13.34.6 Altitude-wise forest cover in Ladakh

(in sq km)

| (11134)           |                 |     |     | ( 54) |       |       |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Altitude Zone (m) | Shapefile Area* | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
| 0-500             | 0               | 0   | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0     |
| 500-1000          | 14              | 0   | 0   | 0     | 0     | 0     |
| 1000-2000         | 1,810           | 0   | 23  | 55    | 78    | 4     |
| 2000-3000         | 7,132           | 0   | 242 | 766   | 1,008 | 53    |
| 3000-4000         | 23,449          | 2   | 246 | 920   | 1,168 | 187   |
| >4000             | 1,35,650        | 0   | 1   | 17    | 18    | 35    |
| Total             | 1,68,055        | 2   | 512 | 1,758 | 2,272 | 279   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016) # Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from SoI awaited

Table 13.34.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Ladakh

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Shapefile Area | VDF | MDF | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|----------------|-----|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 27,071         | 0   | 18  | 182   | 200   | 28    |
| 5-10               | 18,422         | 0   | 18  | 130   | 148   | 21    |
| 10-15              | 18,721         | 0   | 32  | 147   | 179   | 27    |
| 15-20              | 20,645         | 1   | 57  | 203   | 261   | 35    |
| 20-25              | 21,440         | 0   | 77  | 250   | 327   | 41    |
| 25-30              | 20,664         | 0   | 86  | 272   | 358   | 42    |
| >30                | 41,092         | 1   | 224 | 574   | 799   | 85    |
| Total              | 1,68,055       | 2   | 512 | 1,758 | 2,272 | 279   |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016) # Area of shape file provided by Survey of India (August, 2021). Notified geographical area from SoI awaited

Figure 13.34.3 Forest Cover Map of Ladakh

# LEGEND Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

# 13.34.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Ladakh as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

Table 13.34.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Ladakh

(in sq km)

|            | 3,   |        | (  ·····)                   |
|------------|--|--------|-----------------------------|
| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type  | Area   | % of the total mapped area* |
| 1.         | 12/C1c Moist deodar forest ( <i>Cedrus</i> )                           | 3.11   | 0.10                        |
| 2.         | 12/C1d Western mixed coniferous forest (spruce, blue pine, silver fir) | 109.98 | 3.43                        |
| 3.         | 12/C1f Low-level blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )            | 1.69   | 0.05                        |
| 4.         | 12/C1/DS1 Oak scrub  | 0.10   | 0.00                        |
| 5.         | 12/C1/DS2 Himalayan temperate secondary scrub                          | 26.08  | 0.81                        |
| 6.         | 13/C1 Dry broadleaved and coniferous forest (Q. ilex- P. gerardiana)   | 230.44 | 7.20                        |
|            |  |        |                             |

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(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type   | Area     | % of the total<br>mapped area* |
|------------|---|----------|--------------------------------|
| 7.         | 13/C2b Dry deodar forest (Cedrus)                                     | 2.86     | 0.09                           |
| 8.         | 13/C2/DS2 Dry temperate scrub   | 4.02     | 0.13                           |
| 9.         | 13/C4 West Himalayan high level dry blue pine forest (P. wallichiana) | 32.21    | 1.01                           |
| 10.        | 13/1S2 Populus / Salix forest   | 187.39   | 5.85                           |
| 11.        | 14/C1a West Himalayan sub-alpine fir forest                           | 716.97   | 22.39                          |
| 12.        | 14/C1b West Himalayan sub-alpine birch/fir forest                     | 16.62    | 0.52                           |
| 13.        | 14/2S1 Sub-alpine blue pine forest ( <i>P. wallichiana</i> )          | 168.81   | 5.27                           |
| 14.        | 15/C1 Birch / Rhododendron scrub forest                               | 12.28    | 0.38                           |
| 15.        | 15/C2 Deciduous alpine scrub  | 17.65    | 0.55                           |
| 16.        | 16/C1 Dry alpine scrub  | 543.97   | 16.98                          |
| 17.        | 16/E1 Dwarf juniper scrub   | 670.15   | 20.92                          |
|            | Sub Total   | 2,744.33 | 85.68                          |
| 18.        | TOF/Plantation  | 42.96    | 1.34                           |
|            | Total (Forest Cover & Scrub)  | 2,787.29 |                                |
|            | Grassland forest types (outside forest cover)                         |          |                                |
| 19.        | 14/DS1 Sub-alpine pastures  | 231.40   | 7.23                           |
| 20.        | 15/C3 Alpine pastures   | 184.03   | 5.75                           |
|            | Sub Total   | 415.43   | 12.98                          |
|            | Grand Total   | 3,202.72 | 100.00                         |

<sup>\*</sup>Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). Grassland forest type outside forest cover has also been mapped. The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover, scrub and grassland forest types (found in non-forest).

# **13.34.3** Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.34.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|---------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone       | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone            | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone        | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 5.      | Less fire prone              | 2,272.00     | 100.00                     |
|         | Total                        | 2,272.00     | 100.00                     |





# 13.34.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Ladakh has been estimated as given in following table.

### Table 13.34.10 Tree Cover in Ladakh

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| -               | 954             | -                          |

# 13.34.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.34.11 Extent of TOF in Ladakh

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 1,472                           | 954        | 2,426         |

# 13.34.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Ladakh is given in the Table 13.34.12.

Table 13.34.12 Growing Stock in Ladakh

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | -                  | 0.18               | -                             | -                    |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | -                  | 35.01              | -                             | 1.97                 |

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# 13.34.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Ladakh in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.34.13 and Table 13.34.14 respectively.

Table 13.34.13 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Ladakh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species           | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Salix spp.        | 62.48                     |
| 2.         | Populus spp.      | 28.30                     |
| 3.         | Prunus spp.       | 3.85                      |
| 4.         | Salix tetrasperma | 2.79                      |
| 5.         | Salix alba        | 1.78                      |

Table 13.34.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Ladakh

| Sl.<br>No. | Species             | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | <i>Populus</i> spp. | 46.17                     |
| 2.         | Salix spp.          | 32.05                     |
| 3.         | Salix alba          | 10.53                     |
| 4.         | Salix tetrasperma   | 7.07                      |
| 5.         | <i>Pyrus</i> spp.   | 1.89                      |

# 13.34.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 30.70 million tonnes (112.57 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.43 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Ladakh is given in the following table.

Table 13.34.15 Forest Carbon in **Ladakh in different pools** (in '000 tonnes)

|          | <u> </u>     |               |
|----------|--------------|---------------|
| Sl. No.  | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
| 1.       | AGB          | 13,293        |
| 2.       | BGB          | 3,836         |
| 3.       | Dead wood    | 269           |
| 4.<br>5. | Litter       | 317           |
| 5.       | SOC          | 12,987        |
| Total    |              | 30,702        |



Figure 13.34.5 Forest Carbon in Ladakh

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# **LAKSHADWEEP**

## **Geographical Area**

30 sq km

# **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude - 08° 15' N to 11°45' N Longitude - 72° E to 74° E

# **Population (as per Census 2011)**

0.064 million

Urban 0.050 million (78.07 %) Rural 0.014 million (21.93 %) Tribal 0.061 million (94.80%)

# **Average Population Density**

2,015 per sq km

# **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.049 million

### **No. of Districts**

- 1

**No. of Hill Districts** 

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

1

### Table 13.35.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 3                 |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 3                 | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | -                 | -          |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 1                 | 33.33      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | -                 | -          |
| Culturable wasteland                       | -                 | -          |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | -                 | -          |
| Current fallows                            | -                 | -          |
| Net area sown                              | 2                 | 66.67      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

# 13.35.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

| Table 13.35 | Table 13.35.2 Forest Cover |            |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------|----------------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| of Lakshad  | weep                       | (in sq km) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Class       | Area                       | % of GA    |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| VDF         | 0.00                       | 0.00       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MDF         | 16.09                      | 53.63      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OF          | 11.01                      | 36.70      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total       | 27.10                      | 90.33      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Scrub       | 0.00                       | 0.00       |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figure 13.35.1 Forest Cover of Lakshadweep

### Table 13.35.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

| District                        | Geo-graphical | 2021 Assessment |        |        |       | %of   | Change   | Scrub |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|-------|----------|-------|
|                                 | Area (GA)     | Very            | Mod.   | Open   | Total | GA    | wrt 2019 |       |
|                                 |               | Dense           | Dense  | Forest |       |       | assess-  |       |
|                                 |               | Forest          | Forest |        |       |       | ment     |       |
| <b>Lakshadweep</b> <sup>T</sup> | 30            | 0.00            | 16.09  | 11.01  | 27.10 | 90.33 | 0.00     | 0.00  |
| Grand total                     | 30            | 0.00            | 16.09  | 11.01  | 27.10 | 90.33 | 0.00     | 0.00  |

# 13.35.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.35.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |      |      | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |      |        |        |       |
|--|------|------|---|------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF  | OF   | Total   | VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 0.00   | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 16.09  | 11.01  | 27.10 |
| 0.00   | 0.00 | 0.00 |   | 0.00 | 59.37% | 40.63% |       |

There are no Green Wash / Recorded Forest Areas in Lakshadweep (vide official letter no. F. no. 72/1/2020-E & F (Part/583)



Figure 13.35.2 Forest Cover Outside of Green Wash in Lakshadweep

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# Table 13.35.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

|                         |      | 2021 Assessment |       |       |      |           |  |  |
|-------------------------|------|-----------------|-------|-------|------|-----------|--|--|
| Class                   | VDF  | MDF             | OF    | Scrub | NF   | ISFR 2019 |  |  |
| Very Dense Forest       | 0.00 | 0.00            | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00      |  |  |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0.00 | 16.09           | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 16.09     |  |  |
| Open Forest             | 0.00 | 0.00            | 11.01 | 0.00  | 0.00 | 11.01     |  |  |
| Scrub                   | 0.00 | 0.00            | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 | 0.00      |  |  |
| Non Forest              | 0.00 | 0.00            | 0.00  | 0.00  | 2.90 | 2.90      |  |  |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 0.00 | 16.09           | 11.01 | 0.00  | 2.90 | 30.00     |  |  |
| Net Change              | 0.00 | 0.00            | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00 |           |  |  |

# Table 13.35.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 30                | 0.00 | 16.09 | 11.01 | 27.10 | 0.00  |
| Total             | 30                | 0.00 | 16.09 | 11.01 | 27.10 | 0.00  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

# Table 13.35.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 30                | 0.00 | 16.09 | 11.01 | 27.10 | 0.00  |
| Total              | 30                | 0.00 | 16.09 | 11.01 | 27.10 | 0.00  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.35.3 Forest Cover Map of Lakshadweep

# LEGEND Very Dense Forest Moderately Dense Forest Open Forest Scrub Non-Forest Water-bodies International Boundary State Boundary District Boundary Capital

# 13.35.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Lakshadweep as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

| Table | 13.35.8 | Area st | atistics o | or the | Forest | ıypes | rouna in | i Laksnadw | eep |
|-------|---------|---------|------------|--------|--------|-------|----------|------------|-----|
|       |         |         |            |        |        |       |          |            |     |

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type     | Area  | % of the total<br>mapped area* |
|------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------|
| 1.         | TOF/ Plantation | 27.10 | 100.00                         |
|            | Total           | 27.10 | 100.00                         |

\*Forest Types includes area under forest cover and scrub shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

# 13.35.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

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| Table 13.35.9 | Forest Fire | e Prone Classe | S |
|---------------|-------------|----------------|---|
|               |             |                |   |

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone<br>Classes | Forest Cover | % of Total<br>Forest Cover |
|---------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone         | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone       | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone            | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone        | 0.00         | 0.00                       |
| 5       | Less fire prone              | 27.10        | 100.00                     |
|         | Total                        | 27.10        | 100.00                     |

**Figure 13.35.4** Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone
Very Highly Fire Prone
Highly Fire Prone
Moderately Fire Prone
Less Fire Prone
Water-bodies
International Boundary
State Boundary

District Boundary

Capital

# 13.35.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Lakshadweep has been estimated as given in following table.

## Table 13.35.10 Tree Cover in Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 0.29            | 0.05            | -0.24                      |

# 13.35.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

# Table 13.35.11 Extent of TOF in Lakshadweep

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |  |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|--|
| 27                              | 0.05       | 27            |  |

# 13.35.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Lakshadweep is given in the Table 13.35.12.

### Table 13.35.12 Growing Stock in Lakshadweep

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 0.00               | 0.00               | 0.00                          | 0.00                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 0.07               | 0.05               | -0.02                         | 0.00                 |

# 13.35.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Lakshadweep in Rural areas are given in the Table 13.35.13.

Table 13.35.13 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Lakshadweep

| Sl. No. | Species                 | Relative Abundance (%) |
|---------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1.      | Cocos nucifera          | 86.28                  |
| 2.      | Thespesia populnea      | 4.06                   |
| 3.      | Artocarpus altilis      | 1.19                   |
| 4.      | Artocarpus hirsute      | 1.13                   |
| 5.      | Mallotus philippinensis | 0.60                   |

# 13.35.8 Carbon Stock in Forest

The total Carbon stock of forest in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 0.21 million tonnes (0.77 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.003 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Lakshadweep is given in the following table

Table 13.35.14 Forest Carbon in Lakshadweep in different

pools (in '000 tonnes)

| P       |           |                  |
|---------|-----------|------------------|
| Sl. No. | Species   | Estimated Extent |
| 1.      | AGB       | 46               |
| 2.      | BGB       | 10               |
| 3.      | Dead wood | 1                |
| 4.      | Litter    | 3                |
| 5.      | SOC       | 150              |
|         | Total     | 210              |

AGB
BGB
Dead Wood
Litter
SOC

Figure 13.35.5 Forest Carbon in Lakshadweep

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# **PUDUCHERRY**

# **Geographical Area**

490 sq km

# **Geographical Coordinates**

Latitude- 11° 45' N to 12° 30' N Longitude- 79° 36' E to 79° 53' E

# **Population (as per Census 2011)**

1.25 million

Urban 0.85 million (68.33 %) Rural 0.40 million (31.37 %) Tribal Nil

# **Average Population Density**

2,547 per sq km

# **Livestock population**

(as per 19<sup>th</sup> Live Stock Census) 0.12 million

# No. of Districts

4

**No. of Hill Districts** 

0

**No. of Tribal Districts** 

0

# Table 13.36.1 Land Use Pattern

| Land Use Types                             | Area (in '000 ha) | Percentage |
|--|-------------------|------------|
| Geographical Area                          | 48                |            |
| Reporting area for land utilization        | 49                | 100.00     |
| Forests                                    | 0                 | 0.00       |
| Not available for land cultivation         | 20                | 40.82      |
| Permanent pastures and other grazing lands | -                 | -          |
| Land under misc. tree crops and groves     | 1                 | 2.04       |
| Culturable wasteland                       | 5                 | 10.21      |
| Fallow land other than current fallows     | 4                 | 8.16       |
| Current fallows                            | 4                 | 8.16       |
| Net area sown                              | 15                | 30.61      |

Source: Land Use Statistics, Ministry of Agriculture, GOI, (2017-18)

# 13.36.1 Forest Cover

VDF
MDF
OF
Scrub
Non Forest

Table 13.36.2 Forest Cover (in sq km) of Puducherry % of GA Class Area VDF 0.00 0.00 17.53 MDF 3.58 OF 35.77 7.30 Total 53.30 10.88 0.00 0.00 Scrub

Figure 13.36.1
Forest Cover of Puducherry

### Table 13.36.3 District- wise Forest Cover in Puducherry

(in sq km)

| District    | Geo-graphical 2021 Assessment |                         |                         | ssment         | %of   |       | Change                      | Scrub |
|-------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|-----------------------------|-------|
|             | Area (GA)                     | Very<br>Dense<br>Forest | Mod.<br>Dense<br>Forest | Open<br>Forest | Total | GA    | wrt 2019<br>assess-<br>ment |       |
| Karaikal    | 157                           | 0.00                    | 6.83                    | 10.06          | 16.89 | 10.76 | 1.72                        | 0.00  |
| Mahe        | 9                             | 0.00                    | 1.04                    | 4.54           | 5.58  | 62.00 | <b>-</b> 0.09               | 0.00  |
| Puducherry  | 294                           | 0.00                    | 9.66                    | 14.72          | 24.38 | 8.29  | -0.74                       | 0.00  |
| Yanam       | 30                            | 0.00                    | 0.00                    | 6.45           | 6.45  | 21.5  | 0.00                        | 0.00  |
| Grand Total | 490                           | 0.00                    | 17.53                   | 35.77          | 53.30 | 10.88 | 0.89                        | 0.00  |

# 13.36.1.1 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash)

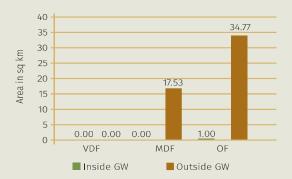
The Forest Cover inside and outside Recorded Forest Area (RFA) has been analysed in different categories and presented in Table given below.

Table 13.36.4 Forest Cover Inside and Outside Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) in Puducherry (in sq km)

| Forest Cover Inside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |      |      | Forest Cover Outside the Recorded Forest Area (or Green Wash) |      |        |        |       |
|--|------|------|---|------|--------|--------|-------|
| VDF  | MDF  | OF   | Total   | VDF  | MDF    | OF     | Total |
| 0.00   | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00  | 0.00 | 17.53  | 34.77  | 52.30 |
| 0%   | 0%   | 100% |   | 0%   | 33.52% | 66.48% |       |

\*in case of Puducherry, Green Wash boundaries have been used

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# Figure 13.36.2 Forest Cover Inside and Outside of Green Wash in Puducherry

**Table 13.36.5 Forest Cover Change Matrix for Puducherry** 

(in sq km)

|                         |     |       |       |       |        | (111 59 1111) |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------------|
|                         |     | Total |       |       |        |               |
| Class                   | VDF | MDF   | OF    | Scrub | NF     | ISFR 2019     |
| Very Dense Forest       | 0   | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.00          |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0   | 17.53 | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.13   | 17.66         |
| Open Forest             | 0   | 0.00  | 33.88 | 0.00  | 0.87   | 34.75         |
| Scrub                   | 0   | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00  | 0.00   | 0.00          |
| Non Forest              | 0   | 0.00  | 1.89  | 0.00  | 435.70 | 437.59        |
| Total ISFR 2021         | 0   | 17.53 | 35.77 | 0.00  | 436.70 | 490.00        |
| Net Change              | 0   | -0.13 | 1.02  | 0.00  | -0.89  |               |

# Table 13.36.6 Altitude-wise Forest Cover in Puducherry

(in sq km)

| Altitude Zone (m) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|-------------------|-------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-500             | 490               | 0.00 | 17.53 | 35.77 | 53.30 | 0.00  |
| Total             | 490               | 0.00 | 17.53 | 35.77 | 53.30 | 0.00  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Table 13.36.7 Forest Cover in different slope classes in Puducherry

(in sq km)

| Slope (in degrees) | Geographical Area | VDF  | MDF   | OF    | Total | Scrub |
|--------------------|-------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0-5                | 449               | 0.00 | 17.14 | 35.04 | 52.18 | 0.00  |
| 5-10               | 41                | 0.00 | 0.39  | 0.73  | 1.12  | 0.00  |
| Total              | 490               | 0.00 | 17.53 | 35.77 | 53.30 | 0.00  |

(based on SRTM, Digital Elevation Model, 30 m, 2016)

Figure 13.36.3 Forest Cover Map of Puducherry



# 13.36.2 Forest Types

The area under different forest types of Puducherry as per the Champion & Seth classification (1968), according to the Atlas Forest Types of India 2020 are presented in the following Table.

# Table.13.36.8 Area statistics of the Forest Types found in Puducherry

(in sq km)

| Sl.<br>No. | Forest Type            | Area  | % of the total mapped area* |
|------------|------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| 1.         | 4B/TS2 Mangrove forest | 1.64  | 3.13                        |
| 2.         | TOF/Plantation         | 50.77 | 96.87                       |
|            | Total                  | 52.41 | 100.00                      |

\*Forest Types have been assigned to the natural forest formations under forest cover and scrub categories shown in forest cover mapping (ISFR, 2019). The total mapped area, therefore, is sum of forest cover and scrub.

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# 13.36.3 Fire Prone Forest Areas

Forest Cover under different classes of forest fire proneness is given in following table.

**Table 13.36.9 Forest Fire Prone Classes** 

(in sq km)

| Sl. No. | Forest Fire Prone      | Forest Cover | % of Total   |
|---------|------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|         | Classes                |              | Forest Cover |
| 1.      | Extremely fire prone   | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 2.      | Very highly fire prone | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 3.      | Highly fire prone      | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 4.      | Moderately fire prone  | 0.00         | 0.00         |
| 5.      | Less fire prone        | 53.30        | 100.00       |
|         | Total                  | 53.30        | 100.00       |

Figure 13.36.4 Fire prone forest areas under different fire prone classes

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Extremely Fire Prone Very Highly Fire Prone Highly Fire Prone Moderately Fire Prone Less Fire Prone

── Water-bodies

International Boundary State Boundary

District Boundary

Capital

# 13.36.4 Tree Cover

Tree cover is defined as all tree patches of size less than 1 ha occurring outside the recorded forest area. Tree cover includes trees in all formations including scattered trees. Tree cover in Puducherry has been estimated as given in following table.

## Table 13.36.10 Tree Cover in Puducherry

(in sq km)

| 2019 Assessment | 2021 Assessment | Change wrt 2019 Assessment |
|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 23              | 23              | 0                          |

# 13.36.5 Extent of Trees Outside Forest (TOF)

Trees outside Forests (TOF) refer to tree resources found outside the forests as defined in the Government records. Forest Cover outside the recorded forest area is derived using boundaries of RFA or Green Wash. Extent of TOF therefore may be estimated as the sum of extent of forest cover outside the recorded forest areas (RFA) and tree cover as given in following table.

### Table 13.36.11 Extent of TOF in Puducherry

(in sq km)

| Forest Cover outside the RFA/GW | Tree Cover | Extent of TOF |
|---------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| 52                              | 23         | 75            |

# 13.36.6 Growing Stock in Forest

Growing stock in the recorded forest areas (RFA) in Puducherry is given in the Table 13.36.12. Diameter class-wise distribution of top 5 species in numbers derived from the forest inventory data is presented in the table 13.36.13

### Table 13.36.12 Growing Stock in Puducherry

(in m cum)

| Sl. No. | Growing Stock (GS)                       | 2019<br>Assessment | 2021<br>Assessment | Change wrt<br>2019 Assessment | % of Country's<br>GS |
|---------|--|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1.      | Growing Stock in Recorded<br>Forest Area | 0.05               | 0.03               | -0.02                         | 0.00                 |
| 2.      | Growing Stock in TOF                     | 0.40               | 0.38               | -0.02                         | 0.02                 |

### Table 13.36.13 Diameter class distribution of tree species inside RFA in Puducherry

(in '000)

|         |                      |       | Dia class (cm) |     |
|---------|----------------------|-------|----------------|-----|
| Sl. No. | Species              | 10-30 | 30-60          | >60 |
| 1.      | Rhizophora mucronata | 33    | 23             | 0   |

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# 13.36.7 Dominant tree species in Trees Outside Forests (TOF)

Top five species in numbers in Trees Outside Forests in Puducherry in Rural and Urban areas are given in the Table 13.36.14 and Table 13.36.15 respectively.

# Table 13.36.14 Top five tree species in TOF (Rural) in Puducherry

| Sl.<br>No. | Species                 | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera          | 28.69                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica      | 9.89                      |
| 3.         | Borassus flabelliformis | 8.93                      |
| 4.         | Casuarina equisetifolia | 6.65                      |
| 5.         | Eucalyptus spp.         | 5.75                      |

# Table 13.36.15 Top five tree species in TOF (Urban) in Puducherry

| Sl.<br>No. | Species            | Relative<br>Abundance (%) |
|------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 1.         | Cocos nucifera     | 29.03                     |
| 2.         | Azadirachta indica | 14.92                     |
| 3.         | Morinda oleifera   | 13.01                     |
| 4.         | Mangifera indica   | 6.39                      |
| 5.         | Pongamia pinnata   | 6.32                      |

# 13.36.8 Carbon Stock in Forest in Puducherry

The total Carbon stock of forest in the UT including the TOF patches which are more than 1ha in size is 0.39 million tonnes (1.43 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalent) which is 0.01 % of total forest carbon of the country. Pool wise forest carbon in Puducherry is given in the following table

Table 13.36.16 Forest Carbon in Puducherry in different pools (in '000 tonnes)

| Sl. No. | Carbon Pools | Forest Carbon |
|---------|--------------|---------------|
| 1.      | AGB          | 76            |
| 2.      | BGB          | 17            |
| 3.      | Dead wood    | 1             |
| 4.      | Litter       | 5             |
| 5.      | SOC          | 287           |
|         | Total        | 386           |



Figure 13.36.5 Forest Carbon in Puducherry