

Government Forest Department

BRIEF NOTE ON DEVELOPMENTAL ACTIVITIES IN SOCIAL FORESTRY DIVISION, ANANTAPUR

INTRODUCTION:

DISTRICT FEATURES

- Geographical area of 19130 Sq. Kms.
- Forest coverage 1968.12 Sq. Kms
- Forest area is covering 10.29% of geographical area of the district
- District falls in the rain shadow zone of the peninsular India
- Average Rainfall of the district is 520 mm – 2nd lowest in the country

OBJECTIVES OF SOCIAL FORESTRY

- To spread the tree consciousness and tree culture amongst the masses.
- To provide fodder, fuel and small timber and fruits for the rural population.
- To improve the Socio-economic level of the poor through increased avenues of gainful employment.
- To optimize the use of agricultural land through agro forestry practices and to increase the farmers income level.
- To raise green belts and carbon sinks in Urban areas to contain atmospheric and noise pollution.
- To create recreation and relaxation spots in the urban areas and to improve the urban environment.
- To meet the public needs forest produce from the non-forest areas to reduce pressure on reserved forests.
- To afforest vast stretches of wastelands and to improve green cover.

SCHEMES IMPLEMENTED IN ANANTAPUR BY SOCIAL FORESTRY DIVISION

- Mixed Plantations Scheme
- Andhra Pradesh National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme – AP-M.G.N.R.E.G.S

COMPONENT OF WORKS:

The following components were taken up in the District under the various Schemes.

- Tank Foreshore plantations
- Avenue plantations
- Village Woodlots / institutional plantations

- Other Community land plantations
- Barren Hill Afforestation
- Raising and Distribution of seedling to public.

AREAS COVERED BY DIFFERENT COMPONENTS IN THE DISTRICT

☞ Tank Foreshore from 1993-94 to 2009-10	– 299 Ha,
☞ Avenue plantation from 1992-93 to 2009-10	– 388 Kms
☞ Railway plantation from 2002-03 to 2009-10	– 16 Kms
☞ Village Woodlots / Institutional plantations from 1992-93 to 2009-10	– 220 Ha.,
☞ Afforestation on Community lands from 1992-93 to 2009-10	– 1116 Ha.
☞ Barren Hill Afforestation from 1992-93 to 2009-10	– 420 Ha.

Seedlings Distribution during 2010-11

Sl. No.	Scheme	Seedlings available for 2010-11	Seedlings utilized / distributed	Balance seedlings as on 31.08.2010
1.	M.G. N.R.E.G.S	1410000	15755	1394245
2	Leftover seedlings under various schemes	325835	183627	142208
	Total :	1735835	199382	1536453

On going schemes and achievement during 2010-11

Sl. No.	Scheme	Target		Achievement during 2010-11 (upto 31.08.2010)		Remarks
		Phy	Fin	Phy.	Fin.	
1.	M.G. N.R.E.G.S	Raising and maint., of nurseries 80 Kms Avenue,	498.020 lakhs	80 Kms Avenue, 4 Ha., Block plantation	49.39	Amount released through eFMS – Administrative sanctioned for Rs. 474.24 lakhs
2.	(09) Mixed plantation	Raising 1 Ha., & Miant., 10 Ha	5.76 lakhs	Raising 1 Ha., & Miant., 10 Ha	0.789	An amount Rs. 1.75 lakhs released through PAO, Anantapur