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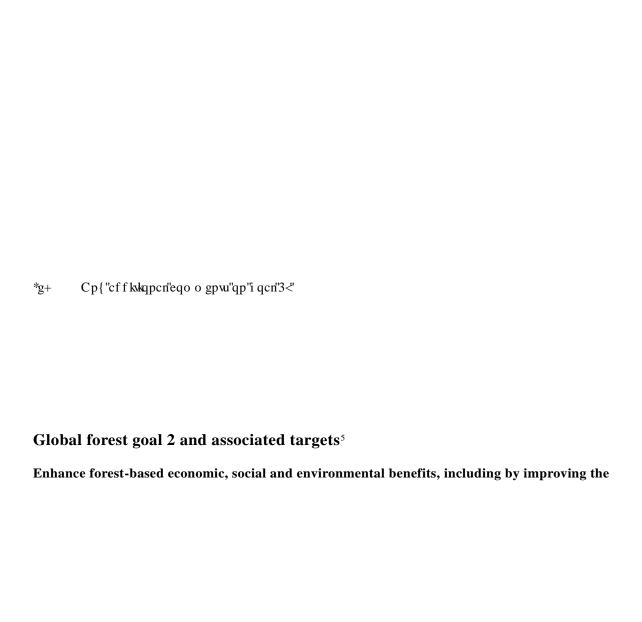## Global forest goal 1 and associated targets[2]

Reverse the loss of forest cover worldwide through sustainable forest management, including protection, restoration, afforestation and reforestation, and increase efforts to prevent forest degradation and contribute to the global effort of addressing climate change

Associated targets

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List of actions:

Training of stakeholders on Forest Restoration. (Continuous)

Preparation of Guidelines for Forest Restoration. (Continuous)

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Global forest goal 2 and associated targets[5]

Enhance forest-based economic, social and environmental benefits, including by improving the

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List of actions
Objectives and strategies of National forestry policy remain unchanged. (Continuous)
Strengthen the legal provisions to obtain benefits from forests to local communities. (Continuous)
Develop policy strategies to involve local communities in Ecotourism. (Continuous)
Develop policy strategies to produce edible products in forest restoration. (Planning)
Description of actions
There are forest dependant people around the forests. They collect Non Timber Forest Product (NTFP), obtain drinking water and encroach forest lands. The legal provisions were strengthened for sustainable use of the resources and to control harmful forest dependence action. Rural youths and communities are given the opportunity to take part in Ecotourism as an alternative income generation activity.

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List of actions:
People were issued permits to collect NTFPs from the forests. (Continuous)
Provide opportunities to local people to involve in ecotourism activities in forest areas as guides, service providers. (Continuous)
Regulate drinking water tapping in natural forests in order to share the water resource equitably. (Continuous)
Establish agroforestry woodlots with local communities. (Continuous)
Establish trees which produce edible fruits or other products with other forest tree species in reforestation programmes. (Continuous)

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List of actions:

Facilitate of channelling funds from other sectors to communities to develop ecotourism facilities and drinking water facilities.

Description of actions:

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List of actions:

Implement the National Forest Inventory.

Update Forest Cover Map.

Description of actions:

National Forest Inventory is done island wide to assess bio diversity, growing stock and other hydrological parameter of forests.

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Global forest goal 3 and associated targets[6]

Increase significantly the area of protected forests worldwide and other areas of sustainably managed forests, as well as the proportion of forest products from sustainably managed forests

Associated targets

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(ii)   Institutional actions

> *List of actions:*
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> *Declaration of forests as protected areas.*
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> *Forest survey and demarcation.*
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> *Preparation of Forest Management Plans for protected areas.*
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> *Manage the production plantations to increase the productivity.*
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> *Description of actions*
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> *The protected area of the country was increased by three percent from 2015 to 2019. These forests were surveyed and demarcated to provide physical protection.*

(iii)   Financial actions

> *List of actions:*
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> *Obtained government funds for above actions.*

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List of actions:

Use GPS coordinates for declaration of forests.

Use Geographic Information System for forest zonation.

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Global forest goal 4 and associated targets[7]

Mobilize significantly increased, new and additional financial resources from all sources for the implementation of sustainable forest management and strengthen scientific and technical cooperation and partnerships

Associated targets

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Success story 1: Private Sector Participation in Forest Restoration

Action taken: Restore degraded forest areas through promoting natural regeneration and planting limited

Indicator

Indicator	Thematic element	Unit	Tier a	Data supplier	Linkages to globally agreed goals and targets
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