role of forestry in promoting sustainable economic and social development. Over the past year, China has focused on the biennial thematic priorities of the UNFF, strengthened ecological protection and restoration, and promoted sustainable forest management, achieving remarkable results.

We have constantly improved the development of institutional and legal system. After the completion of revision of the Forestry Law of the People's Republic of China, we immediately embark on the revision of the Regulation on the Implementation of the Forestry Law of the People's Republic of China to further consolidate the legal basis for the protection and management of forest resources. The Forest Chief System has been established to make clear the targeted responsibility of local government leaders in the protection and development of forest resources, forming a five-level

responsibility system and creating strong institutional synergy. The Guidelines on Scientific Greening was issued by the General Office of the State Council, proposing the integrated governance of mountains, rivers, forests, farmlands, lakes, grasslands and desertified land for the scientific, ecological and economical green development path. We also have compiled the Outline of the 14th five-year Plan on Forestry and Grassland Protection and Development to determine the general guidelines and key tasks of China's forestry protection and development during the next five year plan period. The Implementation Plan for the Consolidation and Enhancement of the Carbon Sequestration Capacity of Ecosystems 2021-2030 has been prepared to consolidate and enhance the carbon sequestration capacity of forest ecosystem, showing China's resolve and responsibility to address climate change.

In 2021, China continued to promote large-scale land greening in a scientific manner and completed 3.6 million hectares of afforestation throughout the year. Comprehensive monitoring and assessment of the ecological status of forests and grasslands were carried out for the first time, and a unified base map for forest and grassland resources management was established. We carried out the national special actions to crack down deforestation activities and uncover all kinds of deforestation cases in history, and the number of cases,