

9. Survey, Demarcation & Settlement of Forest Areas

a. It is an on-going state plan scheme.

b. Financing pattern: The proposed outlay of the scheme is Rs. 300.00 lacs, to be funded wholly by the State Govt.

c. Aims and objectives: The objective of the scheme is to carry out forest resource survey and preparation of survey maps and boundary demarcation of existing block and strip forests to prevent encroachments on Forest lands.

d. Physical and Financial targets for the year 2016-17: The proposed outlay for the scheme during 2016-17 has been kept at Rs. 300.00 lacs. Demarcation of forest boundaries will be carried out and boundary pillars will be installed to prevent encroachments in forest areas.

e. Quantum of funds likely to be borne by Government of India or by any other external agency: It is a continuing plan scheme to be funded by the State Govt. from plan funds.

Benefits of the scheme: As the land resource is limited and is fast becoming a scarce resource, there is a greater tendency to encroach on state owned forest areas by unscrupulous elements. If the forest area is properly demarcated by erecting suitable boundary pillars or making ridges along strip boundaries, detection of encroachments and their removal becomes easier.