Detailed Programme

Field Trip to Delhi - Yamunanagar

Title: Commercial Agroforestry
Dates Offered: 14 February’14
Length of tour: Same Day Trip (Pickup time 0600 Hours)
Tour start and end point: Conference Venue/Hotel of Stay

Early morning you will be picked up from Conference venue & driven to Yamunagar for same day excursion trip. (200 Kms/3 – 4 Hours)

Packed breakfast will be served at coach.

Yamunanagar is a district head quarter in Haryana State of India, about 220 Kms from New Delhi and takes around 4 hours to reach this plywood city. Agroforestry has played an important role in increasing tree cover in the State. The field trip will provide an opportunity to visit plywood industry and a farm house with different agroforestry systems. It is worth mentioning here that present tree cover of Yamuna Nagar district is 24.6% whereas the forest land is just 12.1% of the total geographical area.

With the economic development of India, demand for timber and wood based products has been growing continuously while sustainable supply of wood from forests has declined because of low growing stock, poor annual increment and degradation of natural forests. One of the biggest challenges faced by the wood based industries is the uncertainty of raw material availability and its quality. To overcome this situation, one of the viable options is to promote agroforestry among the farmers which will not only help to augment quality raw material availability in a short period of time but will also ensure crop diversification and more remunerative returns to the farmers.

Upon arrival visit at Yamunanagar you will visit Agroforestry farm of Sardar Surinder Singh Hara. Hara Farms was established in 1980 by Mr. Surindar Singh Hara. It specialises in agroforestry, which constitutes the commercial production of fast-growing timber species, exclusively for the wood industry. Hara Farms is located 230km north of New Delhi in the state of Haryana near the twin cities of Yamuna Nagar and Jagadhri and is within the area that has witnessed the "green revolution" in wheat and rice. Agroforestry model of Hara farms is unique by any standard. The farm practices different combination of trees, varying length of rotation is like 4-6 years and horticultural plants up for the effective harvesting period of fruits. The farm currently grows more than 20,000 poplar trees, 10,000 eucalyptus trees, 3000 fruit trees (mangos, litchi, sapota) intercropping with wheat, rice, turmeric, ginger, sugarcane, and 8 acres under fisheries.

Lunch at Hara Farms.

Post lunch visit to Ambalika Plywood Industry
Twin cities of Yamuna Nagar and Jagadhari are the most important timber markets in Haryana in terms of volume traded. Of a large number of species, Eucalyptus and Poplar however constitute the largest chunk of the market. It is one of the biggest timber markets of North India. Agroforestry based industries at Yamuna Nagar are paper mills; saw mills, hard board, plywood and straw board factories, sugar mills, packing case industries and furniture making providing employment to about 41000 persons. It is used as an important input for the production of furniture, doors, windows, their frames, pulpwood, packaging materials and now many other industrial uses as well. There are approximately 240 plywood industries in Yamunanagar and Jagdhari.
For our delegates the visit has been arranged at Ambalika Plywood company, located in Jagadhari (a twin city of Yamunanagar). The Ambalika Industry is a Manufacturer, Exporter and Supplier of Plywood and allied products. The production facilities include a range of equipment for peeling, cutting, polishing and chemical treatment. The basic raw materials—poplar and eucalyptus for the industry are procured from the local farmers of the region.

In the evening you will drive to Delhi & drop at conference venue/hotel.
COST PROPOSAL

PRE/POST CONFERENCE TOUR (USING AIR-CONDITIONED LARGE COACH)

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OUR QUOTE INCLUDES:
- 01 packed breakfast to be served at Coach.
- All excursions tours will be by air-conditioned transportation. The vehicle used under each pax bracket will be as follows: -
  - 25 - 35 Paying Pax: 01 Air-conditioned Large Coach (35 seater). [Package using Air conditioned Volvo coach has also been offered at different slab]
- Road taxes, parking fee, fuel charges, interstate taxes.

THE ABOVE COST DOES NOT INCLUDE:
- Expenses of personal nature like tipping, laundry, telephone/fax calls, alcoholic/non-alcoholic beverages, camera/video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses, airport departure tax, any insurance etc.
- Any meals other than the mentioned.
- Any other services not mentioned in the inclusions.
- Our quote is not valid any period other than mentioned above.
- Government service taxes as applicable
- Tipping to the Guide and Driver

SPECIAL NOTES:
- Rates include only those items specified in your itinerary.
- In case of amendment in local Government taxes, or any fuel hike, we reserve the right to adjust the tour price accordingly.