## POSTPONEMENT OF Ist IFC, 2010 TO SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011

Thanks for overwhelming response to the call of paper for proposed  $1^{st}$  IFC ( $15^{th}$  -  $18^{th}$  December 2010).

We are all aware that UN General Assembly has proclaimed the year 2011 as the UN International Year of Forests (Forests 2011). In this regard, suggestions have been received from many quarters and it has been advised that the integration of annual event of Indian Forestry Congress should be part of our celebration of the International year of Forestry, 2011. After due consideration and discussion with the Ministry of Environment and Forests, New Delhi, it has now been decided that the 1<sup>st</sup> Indian Forestry Congress will be organized in 2011 tentatively in September/October (instead of 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> December 2010). The exact dates of the congress will be communicated in due course.

In this scenario, the following is resolved:

- i. There might be modification in the themes and sub-themes,
- ii. The abstracts received will remain valid and will be tried to be accommodated in the new schedule to the best possible extent,
- iii. Those who have already paid the fees, their nomination (subject to change in fee structure) will remain valid for participation in the proposed forestry congress in 2011. However, if someone decides to withdraw his/her nominations, then the fees already paid would be refunded in full on such a request.

We expect to have a high and quality level of participation in the  $1^{st}$  Indian Forestry congress 2011.