



# COMMITTEE ON FORESTRY

## WORKING GROUP ON DRYLAND FORESTS AND AGROSILVOPASTORAL SYSTEMS

**Third Session (Hybrid)**

**Amman-Jordan**

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**Multi-Year Work Plan (2024-2027)**

Work areas as requested by the Committee	Activities (2024-2025)	Activities (2026-2027)
<b>1. Review and report to the Committee on Forestry on the status, trends, issues and developments in dryland forests and agrosilvopastoral systems, and make recommendations to the Committee on these matters</b>	Draft concept note in collaboration with key partners (e.g. CPF, UNCCD) on producing a comprehensive, science- and evidence-based global or regional assessment of the contribution of the 'Grazing with Trees' <sup>1</sup> approach to decarbonisation and the achievement of SDG 15.3.	Provide technical advice related to the Forest Resource Assessment 2025 findings on dryland regions and agroforestry.
	Provide inputs and advice into stocktaking exercise on the inclusion of integrated silvopastoral management in land-use and planning policies and regulations for better drought management, as a contribution to delivering towards FAO's biennial theme for 2024-25.	Contribute to the joint discussion paper on Forest and Agriculture linkages for better drought management based on the findings of the stocktaking exercise.

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.fao.org/documents/card/en/c/cc2280en>

<p><b>2. Contribute to developing a comprehensive understanding of dryland forests and agrosilvopastoral systems and the people who depend on them</b></p>	<p>Contribute to FAO-UNCCD national consultations on the implementation of the VGGT in the context of Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN) projects.</p>	
	<p>Continue to support the International Year of Rangeland and Pastoralists 2026 in collaboration with FAO COAG LI through implementing the Summer School programme with the aim of building the capacities of practitioners on the key transformational approaches for dryland resilient systems. The 2nd edition of the Summer School will be held in 2024.</p>	<p>Continue to support the International Year of Rangeland and Pastoralists 2026 in collaboration with FAO COAG LI through implementing the Summer School programme with the aim of building the capacities of practitioners on the key transformational approaches for dryland resilient systems. The 3rd Summer School will be held in 2025.</p>
	<p>Call for resource mobilizations drafted and shared with donors to enhance the role of dryland forests and agrosilvopastoral systems in conserving biodiversity while contributing to its climate – resilience.</p>	
<p><b>3. Promote scaling-up of the adoption of good practices for the protection, sustainable management and restoration of drylands forests and agrosilvopastoral systems, enhancing also environmental and socio-economic resilience and sustainable livelihoods</b></p>	<p>Provide guidance periodically to the implementation of the GEF-7 DSL Impact Programme at national, regional, and global levels, and contribute to the transboundary technical consultation on drought management in targeted countries.</p>	
	<p>Provide guidance, supported by FAO's South-South and Triangular Cooperation Division (PST), in promoting a participatory monitoring approach to documenting and disseminating knowledge resources through the "Making every voice count for adaptive management" (MEV-CAM) initiative.</p>	<p>Provide guidance, supported by FAO's South-South and Triangular Cooperation Division (PST), in promoting a participatory monitoring approach to documenting and disseminating knowledge resources through the "Making every voice count for adaptive management" (MEV-CAM) initiative and other lessons learned from urban forestry and fire management in dryland forests and agrosilvopastoral systems.</p>
	<p>Contribute to national policy dialogue processes, and capacity development to support regional restoration initiatives, such as Landscape Partnership Asia.</p>	
	<p>Promote and support the WeCaN Community of Practice as agents of change within the framework of sustainable forest and landscape management in dryland regions.</p>	