

Outline of the Global Teak Support Program (GTSP)

TEAKNET Partner Event

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Natural teak forest in Bago Yomas, central Myanmar



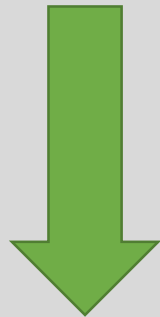


Planted teak forest in Kerala, India

The International Teak Community

World teak conferences

- Costa Rica (2011)
- Thailand (2013)
- Ecuador (2015)



International Initiative (IUFRO, FAO, TEAKNET):
Global Program for the Conservation, Development and Sustainable Use of Teak Resources
(in short Global Teak Support Program, GTSP)



The Global Teak Support Program

Objective:

- to preserve the still existing native teak resources before they decline further
- to widen the genetic resource base of planted teak forests in view of new challenges posed by climate change and extreme weather events.



What has happened so far?



IUFRO-sponsored planning workshops in Bangkok, Thailand (May 2014) and in Guayaquil, Ecuador (May 2015) with representatives of the major teak growing countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America

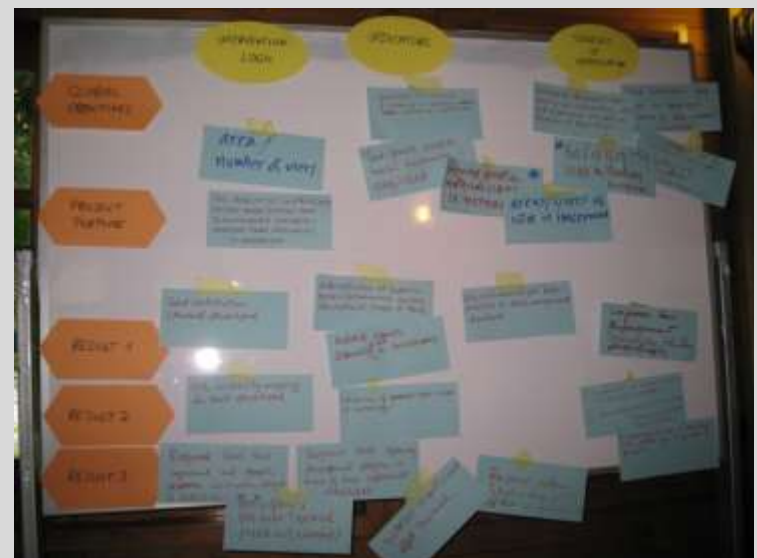


Workshop Objectives

(a) initiate contacts and support the formation of a professional network

(b) conduct a comparative analysis and evaluation of national and international teak research programs

(c) generate data and information needed to formulate a concept note



Outcome and Outputs of the GTSP

Outcome

National capacities of teak growing countries are enhanced to conserve, develop and sustainably use teak genetic resources

Outputs

1. Countries growing teak forests establish and implement long-term programs for (a) the conservation and sustainable use of natural teak, (b) the development and sustainable use of planted teak and (c) for widening the genetic resource base of planted teak.
2. Capacities and capabilities of teak growing countries are enhanced to support research and development programmes with the aim of producing quality forest reproductive material
3. TEAKNET has been strengthened as an international teak information network and partnership platform



Role of Teak in Forest Landscape Restoration

Restoring the provision of vital goods and services from forest landscapes

Teak, – an established high-value tropical timber species, - is one option to enhance productivity of the landscape

Contributes to long-term economic returns and thus poverty eradication (SDG)



Further steps

ITTO has voiced interest to assist in the development of the GTSP.



Thank you for your attention !



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