

Georgian Forestry development, Management systems Optimization Measures

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Abstract

The current institutional structure of forest sector administration and management is defined by the forest code of Georgia (2020), on the basis of which a strategy of separation of functions was implemented.

As a result of the reform the state was given the following functions:

1. Develop forest policy and strategy;
2. Elaborate legislative acts;
3. State control and supervision over forest care, protection and forest use; Forest condition monitoring.
4. In order to effectively carry out the functions of a forest management organization:
 - Develop a plan-strategy;
 - Forest management inventory;
 - Strengthen timber production, forest road structure and other infrastructure;
 - Rehabilitation of forest, prevention of forest fires, prevention and spared of psychopathological diseases;
 - Production and sale of non-timber resources;
 - Arrangement-functioning of hunting ,fishing, nursery plantation farms;
 - Organizing tenders and auctions for issuing licenses for production.

Appropriate investment is necessary for the effective functioning of the forest management organization. The increases in the revenue of the forest management organization in as follows:

- Forestry activities should be financed from the sale of forest fund resources fund revenues from leased forest fund areas, of which at least 50% should be left to forestry.
- Money received from the sale of sequestered products and compensation for damage to the forest should be credited to the financial accounts of forestry;
- Revenues from lease of non-agricultural lands in the state forest fund should be accumulated in the accounts of forestry;
- 30% of revenues from resorts located on the territory of the state forest fund and ecotourism in the territories of the forest fund should be accumulated in accounts of forestry;
- Revenues from the extraction of natural minerals in the forest fund area are the source of funding for the forestry sector;

-The source of financing for the forestry sector is the sale of timber and non-timber resources of the forest. Proceeds from the auction, tender.

-The issue of establishing a monopoly on state procurement of some forest timber and non-timber resources is the source of forestry income;

-Is a source of forestry income-cultivation development of targeted plantation farms.

Implementation of these integrated management measures will contribute to the sustainability and further development of the Georgian forestry sector.

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