

## CHAPTER - VIII

### RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The existing grading criteria should be blended with the market led demand driven grading. The demand driven grading is as per consumer demand from various sectors viz. Infrastructure, Industries, etc.
2. The slippers should be promoted at initial phase as there will be less chance of hollowness in it. As the logs have more chances of defects in comparison to the slippers of timbers.
3. The grading and standardization should focus broadly on its quality parameters such as with knots/without knots. Initially, there should be broad category of timbers grading. It is also recommended to conduct a detailed study on grading and standardization of timbers for exchange based marketing.
4. Teak vis a vis Eucalyptus from Gujarat should be promoted. The eucalyptus having short duration tree needs more attention as the clones could be developed which may result into standardized produce.
5. It is suggested that poplar should not be initially selected as it requires its peeling within 7 days after harvesting. Since, its marketing requires time lag hence, it is not advisable to include poplar.
6. It is advisable to include bamboo in trading as the large volume of bamboos are used for centering material are traded from Yamunanagar. It is recommended to conduct a separate feasibility study for its inclusion in exchange based marketing.
7. Serious efforts are needed to organize the presently disorganized round timber sector immediately. It is recommended that the Government of India should take initiative in establishing National Timber Trade Association; with initial assistance from the government and its branches should be established in all the states of the country. As it is not possible to collect data for demand and consumption from individual trader, such associations can publish bulletins compiling the local data.
8. It is also recommended to categorize the timber depot and establish an accreditation agency which could give the accreditation to the depots. The depot should be promoted as warehouse and issue the depot receipt. The farmers or growers could deposit their lots and get the depot receipt which could be promoted as per the warehouse receipt prevalent for agricultural commodities. These depot receipt, in future could also be categorized as negotiable and non-negotiable through policy framework at central level.
9. It is also recommended to conduct a separate study to identify the feasibility of developing Management Information System (MIS) for the growers. In the present scenario, the role of Information Technology cannot be ruled out. Hence, by using software, the MIS could be developed for individual growers. This could also result in keeping the track of the growers and their produce.

It is also suggested to identify and promote awareness and trust building among all the stakeholders.