

***hRegarding Need to implement National Bamboo Mission Projects in Uttara Kannada Parliamentary Constituency, Karnataka- Laid**

SHRI VISHWESHWAR HEGDE KAGERI (UTTARA KANNADA): I would like to bring the issue of my Parliamentary Constituency, Uttara Kannada which consist western coastal, western ghat region and plain land. Total Parliamentary Constituency is covered with more than 70% forest area. The variety of Natural Bamboo are grown here from several years in the forest land. In Uttara Kannada the farmers holding usufructuary rights over forest land which is called BETTA LAND. This type of forest holding area is more than 40,000 hectares. In this region if the Bamboo cultivation is promoted then it will be definitely improving the income of the farmers. The average rain fall of Uttara Kannada is more than 2800 mm per year. So, the Bamboo cultivation will helpful to protect the natural environment in the region. Hence, I request the Minister of Agriculture & Farmers? Welfare to implement the projects of National Bamboo Mission through both Forest Department and Department of Agriculture in Karnataka State for the benefits of farmers and to protect forest lands in my Parliamentary Constituency. Please recognize and implement National Bamboo Mission projects as Pilot Projects in my Constituency, Uttara Kannada.