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My dear colleague,

Today I have completed one year as Director General, ICFRE and I take this opportunity to look back on the tasks accomplished during the period. During the past one year we have together made some significant accomplishments starting with the organization of Commonwealth Forestry Conference after a gap of 50 years which helped ICFRE and FRI gain international recognition. All India Coordinated Research Projects initiated recently will help ICFRE focus on research issues in a holistic manner and enable us to serve the State forest departments, industries and farmers in a better manner. Regional research conferences and monthly seminars at Institutes have helped in deliberation with the stake holders more effectively. Collaborating MoUs with The Energy Research Institute (TERI), Zoological Survey of India and TIFAC will strengthen our performance and output in some of the core areas of research and extension. The MoUs with Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and University of British Columbia initiated recently will not only highlight the contributions of ICFRE in a better manner but also help in taking our research to the concerned organizations.

Holding the convocation of FRI deemed university after a gap of 10 years has been a significant milestone and henceforth convocations will be held on regular basis. To improve the performances and effectiveness of our scientists, technical and ministerial staff, a human resource development plan has been prepared for the next five years. This will improve their capabilities and competence, and help them achieve the council objectives effectively. We are also very shortly initiating the implementation of forestry extension strategy and action plan which will take our research work to various beneficiaries in a more effective manner.

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It is a matter of great satisfaction that the 7th Central Pay Commission recommendations were implemented in ICFRE well in time and in totality benefitting all the employees. Interaction at Central Government level has helped us tiding over ban on recruitment and presently the process of recruitment has been initiated. This will provide ICFRE and its Institutes fresh blood to improve our effectiveness. The performance review of ICFRE conducted by IIM, Kashipur has been appreciated at Government level. We have already initiated action to implement its findings. Establishment of centre of forest policy research is expected to improve the relevance of ICFRE at national level and help ICFRE in providing back up to Government of India for taking various policy decisions in the forestry sector. Revision of national forestry research plan is going to be completed shortly and it will bring more focus into our endeavors. The compendium of rules and regulations of ICFRE has been thoroughly revised and updated to bring clarity of procedures and processes. ICFRE is going to soon initiate preparation of detailed project reports for forestry interventions in the catchment areas to major rivers in the country. Implementation of these proposals will not only improve the productivity of our forests but also improve the moisture regime and carbon sequestration. Similarly many more initiatives are in the pipeline which are aimed to improve overall relevance of ICFRE and its Institutes at National level.

I would like to reiterate here that all the planned programmes can be successfully implemented only with your fullest cooperation and involvement. I would request all of you to contribute your best for taking the Council to the newer heights. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Government of India and our other sister organizations for their fullest support and cooperation. On this occasion I once again solicit commitment and resolve of all Directors and personnel to improve the performance of our council and live upto the expectations of our country.

Yours sincerely,



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To,

All employees, ICFRE