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TREE PLANTATIONS

For Inclusive Growth and Development

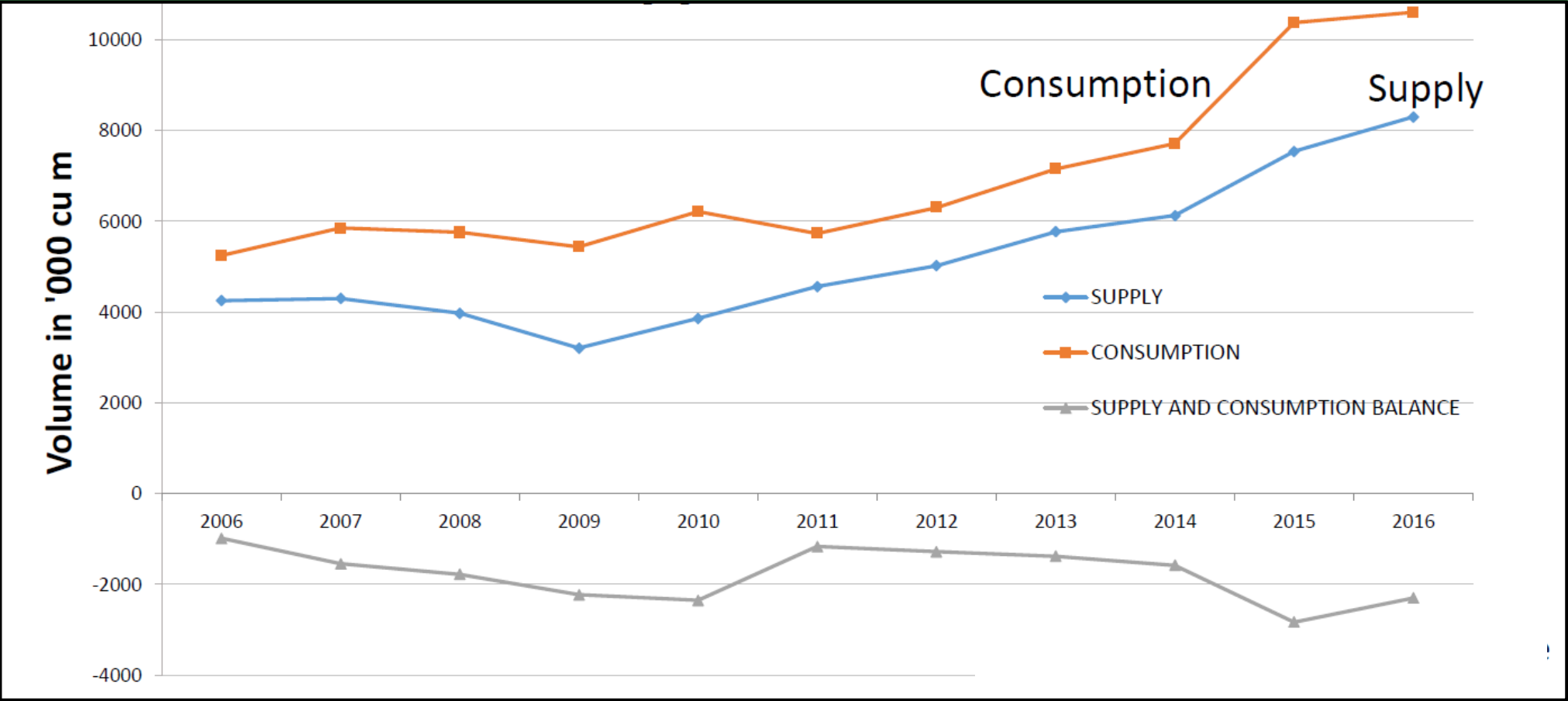
we do not have
enough WOOD to
meet our needs

paper

wood fuel

furniture

construction materials



75%-80% imported

Supply and Consumption of Wood in the Philippines

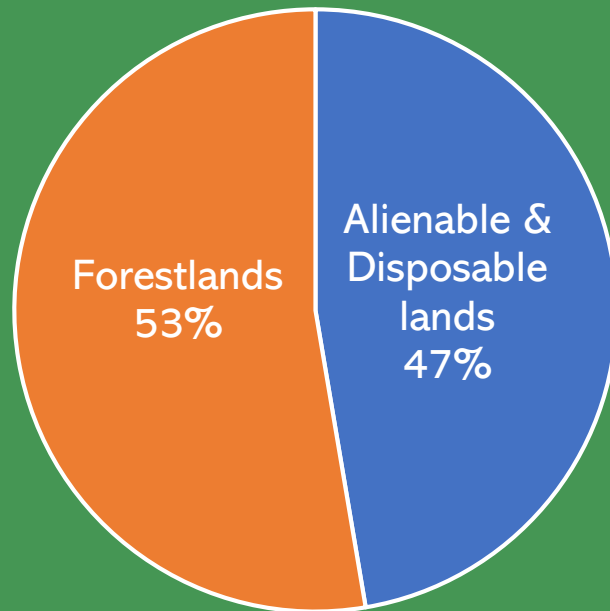
Source: Presentation of the Forest Management Bureau during Philippine Wood Expo 2019 at Sofitel Hotel, Pasay City, October 21, 2019

Philippine Forest Cover

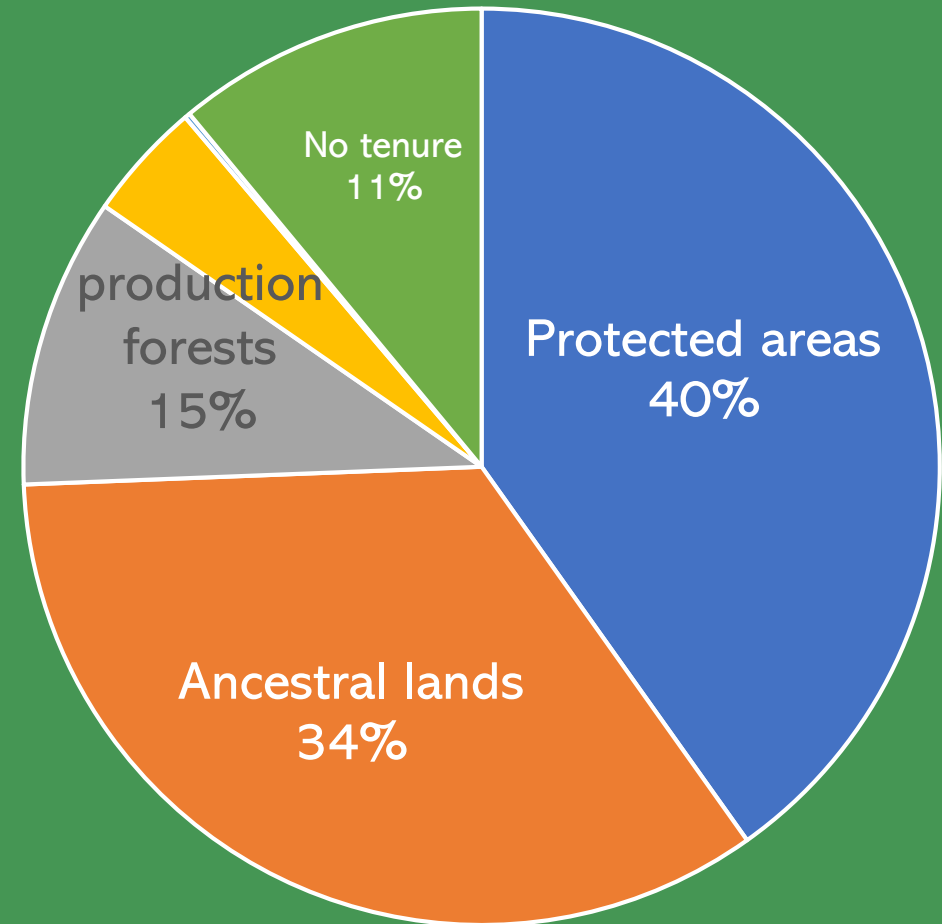


Note: Data for 1898 is from Guiang, Borlagdan, & Pulhin (2001)
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Land Area of the Philippines



Composition of Forestlands



maximize the remaining forestland by
establishing **tree plantations**

promote the establishment of **tree plantations** in
private lands

protected areas and ancestral lands will be untouched

to make the establishment of tree plantations
attractive for investors

we have to ease some rules



Tree Plantations in Forestlands

Regulatory Areas	Current Regulations	Proposed Reforms
Tenure Instrument	1. To be approved by DENR Central Office	1. Delegate the approval to the DENR Regional Office
Harvest	1. Conduct 100% inventory of tree plantation prior to harvest 2. Have cutting permit approved by the DENR Regional Office	1. Reduce the inventory to 5% per the Revised Forestry Code 2. No need for a cutting permit
Transport	1. Secure a Certificate of Timber approved by various offices	1. Get a certification from a tree plantation certifier to certify that products come from a tree plantation



Tree Plantations in Private Land

Regulatory Areas	Current Regulations	Proposed Reforms
Tenure Instrument	1.To be approved by the community level DENR Office	1.Remove
Harvest	1. Conduct 100% inventory of tree plantation prior to harvest 2. Have cutting permit approved by the DENR Regional Office	1.Reduce the inventory to zero prior to harvest. 2.No need for a cutting permit
Transport	1. Secure a forms from the community level DENR Office	1. Get a certification from a tree plantation certifier to certify that products come from plantation



Wood Processing Plants

Regulatory Area	Current Regulation	Proposed Reform
Establishment of a Wood Processing Plant	1. Permit to be approved by DENR Central Office	1. A wood processing plant should be treated as a regular business including environmental impact assessment, if needed. Or 2. Delegate the approval of the permit to the DENR Regional Office

in terms of protection

we harvest what we plant

to reduce pressure to use tree products on
protected areas and ancestral lands

to reduce illegal logging activities since trees will
be readily available in plantations

this few policy changes can lead to

increased investments in tree plantations
in forestlands and private lands

benefits

- ✓ Increase forest cover
- ✓ Meet the local wood demand
- ✓ Provide jobs especially to the uplands where poverty and insurgency are rampant
- ✓ Support government programs such as the **Build-Build-Build Program** & **Balik Probinysa, Bagong Pag-asa program**
- ✓ Profitable

Support the approval
of the draft DENR Administrative Order entitled

**“Promoting the Establishment of Tree Plantations
Nationwide and Liberalizing the Requirements for the
Harvest and Transport of Planted Trees for Inclusive
Growth and Sustainable Development”**

SALIENT POINTS

1. Prior to harvest of planted trees in private lands, reduce the 100% inventory requirement to zero;
2. Prior to harvest of planted trees in forest lands, adhere to the 5% inventory requirement per the Revised Forestry Code;

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3. For the transport of wood products, require a certificate stating that such products came from tree plantations;
4. Allow tree plantation owners to establish their wood processing plants; and
5. Establish a Tree Plantation Certification Training.



Employers Confederation
of the Philippines



JOINT STATEMENT OF SUPPORT ON LIBERALIZING POLICIES ON TREE PLANTATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

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http://www.fef.org.ph/freedom/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Final-Joint-Statement-of-Support-on-Liberalizing-Policies-on-Tree-Plantations_01June2020.pdf



THANK YOU!