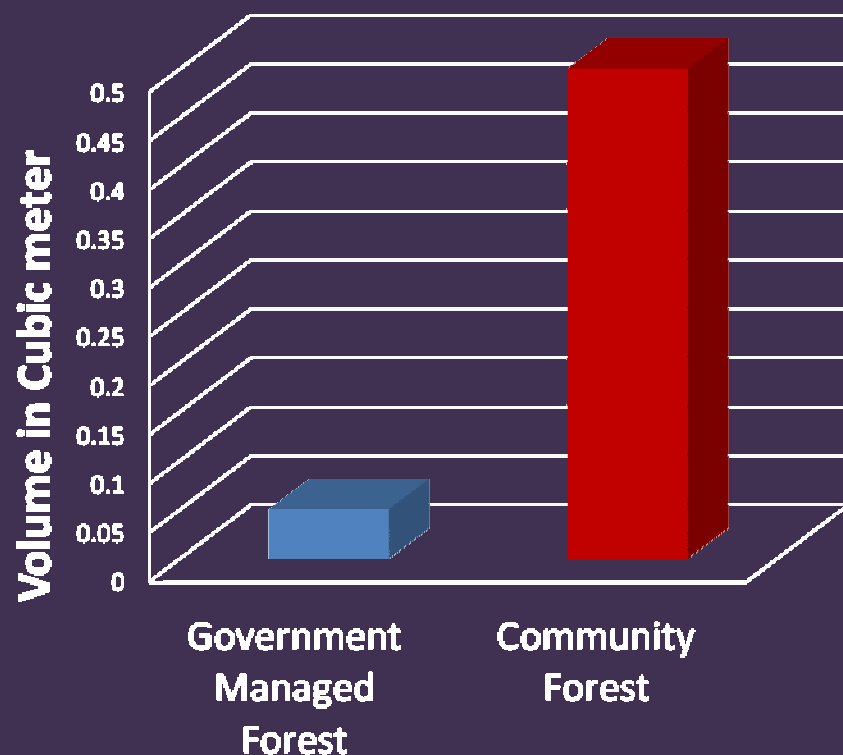


Nepal's Initiatives to Reduce Illegal Logging

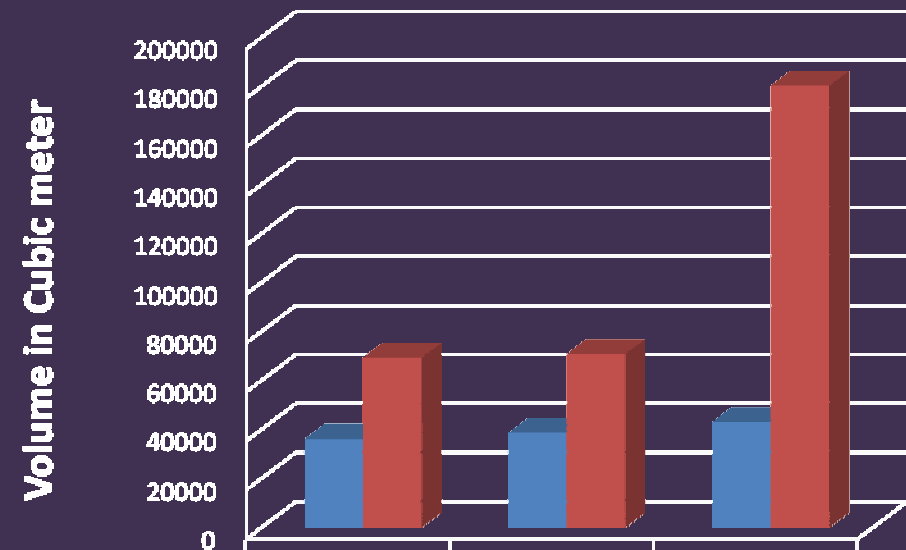
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Logging Practice in Different Forest Regime

Average harvesting quantity per ha



Timber production for outside selling



	FY 2008/2009	FY 2009/2010	FY 2010/2011
Government Managed Forest	36041	38523	43040
Community Forestry	69233	70767	180197

Glimpses of Illegal Logging



Logging in Terai CF



**Logging in Community
Managed Forest**



Logging in Govt. Managed Forest



Logging in Mid Hills

Illegal Logging in the name of Infrastructure Development in Community Managed Forest



Constraints and Challenges

- Political instability/State in Transition phase
- Land use policy yet to be implemented
- Policy overlap
 - Illegal logging more likely.
 - Contribution of forest sector not realized.
- Lack of awareness and capacity of stakeholders
- Sustainable forestry in community and government managed forests sub-optimal.



Current Government Initiatives

Central Level:

- Parliamentary Committee for Natural Resources
- Judicial Commission for Inquiry
- Commission for the Investigation of Abuse of Authority (CIAA)
- National Vigilance Centre

Stakeholder Engagement:

- District Forestry Coordination Committee
(multi-stakeholder forum)
- Citizen Charter

Possible Ways Forward to reduce illegal logging

- **Initiate multi-stakeholder process to improve effectiveness of forest laws**
- **Develop action plan to reduce illegal logging and ensure improved forest governance**
- **Strengthening Result Based Monitoring of implementation**
- **Collaboration among Government, Civil Society and Private sector to fight illegal logging.**



Thank You

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