



Chinese experience and suggestions for REDD

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Lessons from China' Forestry Conservation

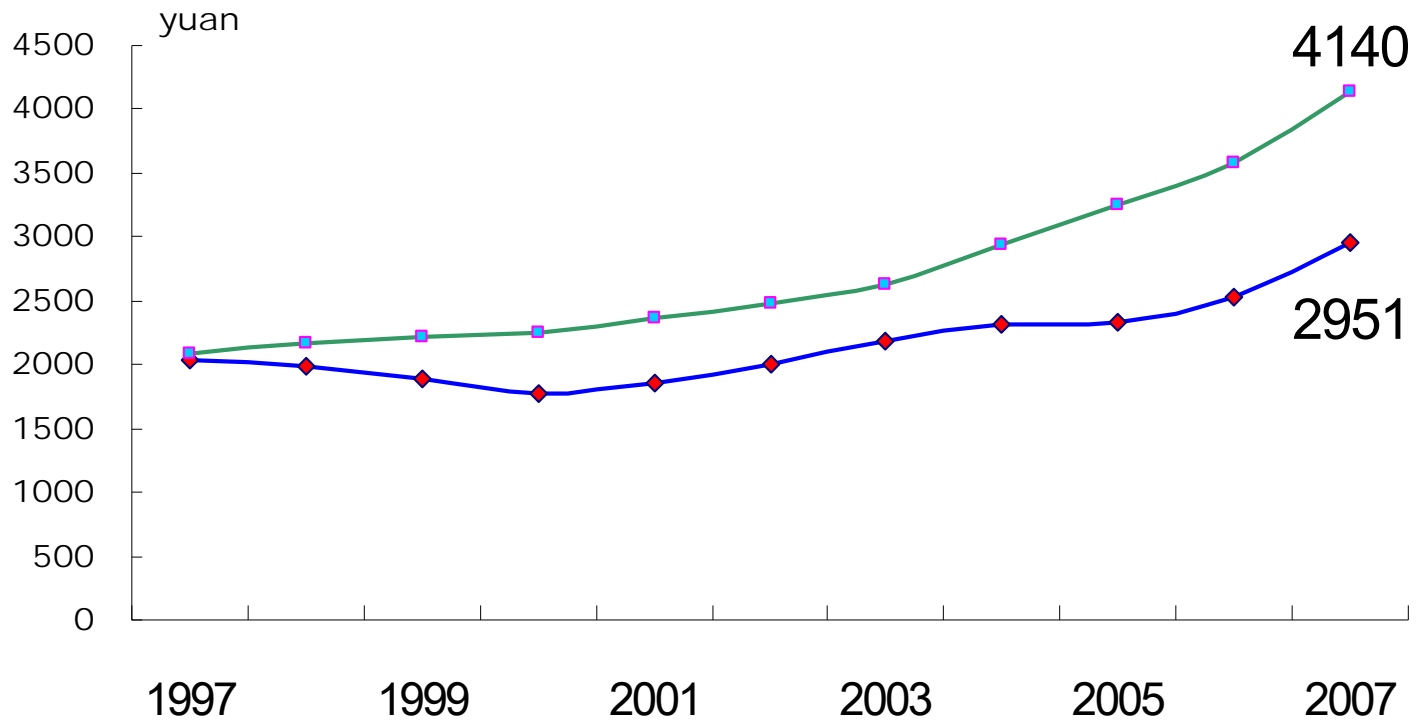
- ❖ Since 1998, China has launched the Natural Forestry Protection Program (NFPP) which covered 18 provinces in Northeast and Upper reaches of Yangzi and Yellow river;
- ❖ total investment 1998-2007=66 billion yuan



- ❖ Main contents of NFPP:
- ❖ implement logging ban of natural forests in the two river basins;
- ❖ reduce timber production in the Northeast region;
- ❖ ecological tree plantation and forest management;
- ❖ resetting state forestry workers to forestry conservations and other activities out side forestry.

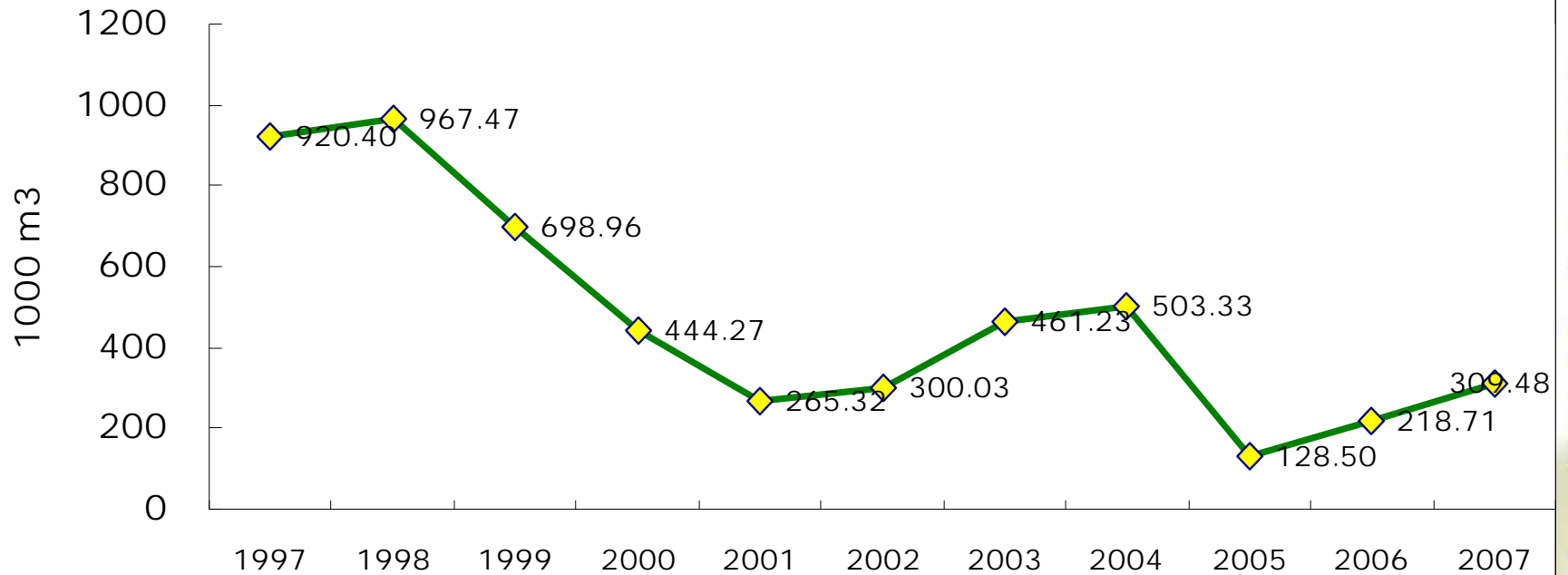
- ❖ According to FEDRC monitoring results, after 10 year implementation of NFPP in 35 monitoring state forestry enterprises:
- ❖ Area of natural forests increased 4%;
- ❖ Biodiversity increased effectively;
- ❖ Number of forestry workers reduced 46%;
- ❖ Poverty population increased 14%;

Comparison of per capita output value of NFPP with per capita farmers net income



◆ per capita output value of NFPP ■ per capita farmers net income

Timber production in 44 NFPP monitoring counties



- ❖ New Phase of NFPP is in planning:
- ❖ Substantial investment to increase forest workers welfare, eg. Insurance, house building, alternative industry generation especially eco-tourism, etc.
- ❖ Enhance forest management level and increase forest quality and carbon storage;
- ❖ Forest land tenure reform

Lessons and Suggestions for REDD

- ❖ REDD is necessary, but costs is enormous;
- ❖ Should be quick action like Prince's Rainforests Project's proposal;
- ❖ Two approaches should be considered at the same time:
international fund for short term finance, market based instrument for follow up finance, eg. REDD units & Forest cap & trade;

- ❖ REDD = Long term journey and endless finance support as deforestation is really a development issue and not forestry itself;
- ❖ REDD instruments should fully recognized developing countries capacity ---simple, cost effective, targeting;
- ❖ Regarding cost effectiveness, may try to use Conservation Auction to allocate international fund to REDD countries inline with MRV.

Thank You !

