

To  
The World Bank /

VEDA Climate Change Solutions Ltd

J K Paper Mills Ltd

Sub: Release of Carbon Revenue to the participating farmers of the BioCF Project "India-Improving Rural Livelihoods"

Dear Sir,

We, the farmers of the BioCF CDM Project "Improving Rural Livelihoods through Carbon Sequestration by adopting environment friendly technology based agroforestry practices" have been actively participating in the above mentioned project since its inception. We have now learnt that the carbon revenue for the CDM project has been released by the BioCarbon Fund.

You are aware that we are the inhabitants of the backward districts of Orissa and Andhra Pradesh and most of us belong to weaker sections including Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Castes. We raised the plantations on our degraded lands with the hope that the additional revenue from carbon credits would enable us to improve our livelihoods and have patiently waited for over 8 years for the project to materialise. However, we have now learnt that the additional revenue would be provided to only some farmers whose plantations are standing and those farmers who have harvested their plantations would not be getting carbon revenue.

We would bring to your notice that we, the farmer(s) have managed the plantations according to the accepted silvicultural practices and harvested the plantations as per rotation prescribed for the species planted. We retained the plantations till the visit of the DoE for validation and could not retain them for verification as there was delay. We are deeply disappointed that we are being denied the benefit of carbon revenue for no fault of us as we are in no way responsible for delay in validation and verification. We request you to provide carbon revenue to those farmers who have harvested the plantations also as per the management practices.

We hereby authorise VEDA Climate Change Solutions Ltd to take up the issue with appropriate authorities including the World Bank to facilitate transfer of carbon revenue to all the participating 1590 farmers of the BioCF Project and not just to whose plantations are standing at the time of verification.

Thanking you for your kind consideration.

Yours sincerely,

(Name of Farmer)

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