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Dear Mr. Hegde,

Thank you very much for your letter dated 8 September 1984 enclosing your report on the grass root movement to save the forest of the Western Ghats. We are very interested in such reports since they indicate that in many places and contrary to the common belief, that it is the local people themselves who try to save the forests from irrational exploitation promoted by outsiders.

We are however alarmed to read that the Forest Department and even the scientists who supported your fight against the Hydrel Dam have now turned against you. Why is that so? Could we possibly help in this respect? If you have not done it yet, you could probably write to the International Center for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF), a Nairobi based organization which is promoting agroforestry techniques and could help you with your tree planting programme. ICRAF address is: P.O. Box 43235 Nairobi.

Sincerely yours,

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