



FORESTRY IN UGANDA

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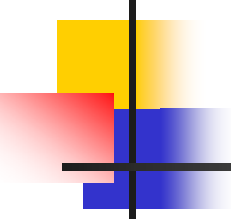


A quick look back

- 30 years ago there was about 15,000 ha's of plantation forestry established by the forest Department backed by the Norwegian Govt.
- With a respected and active research programme in both natural and plantation forestry

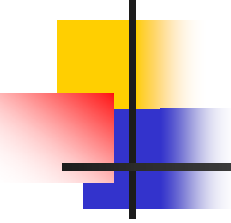
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- Logging of the plantation areas with little or no re-establishment in the 70's and 80's
 - In the 1990's there was a donor funded "Forest Rehabilitation" project that invested US\$27M, less than a 1000 ha's was planted

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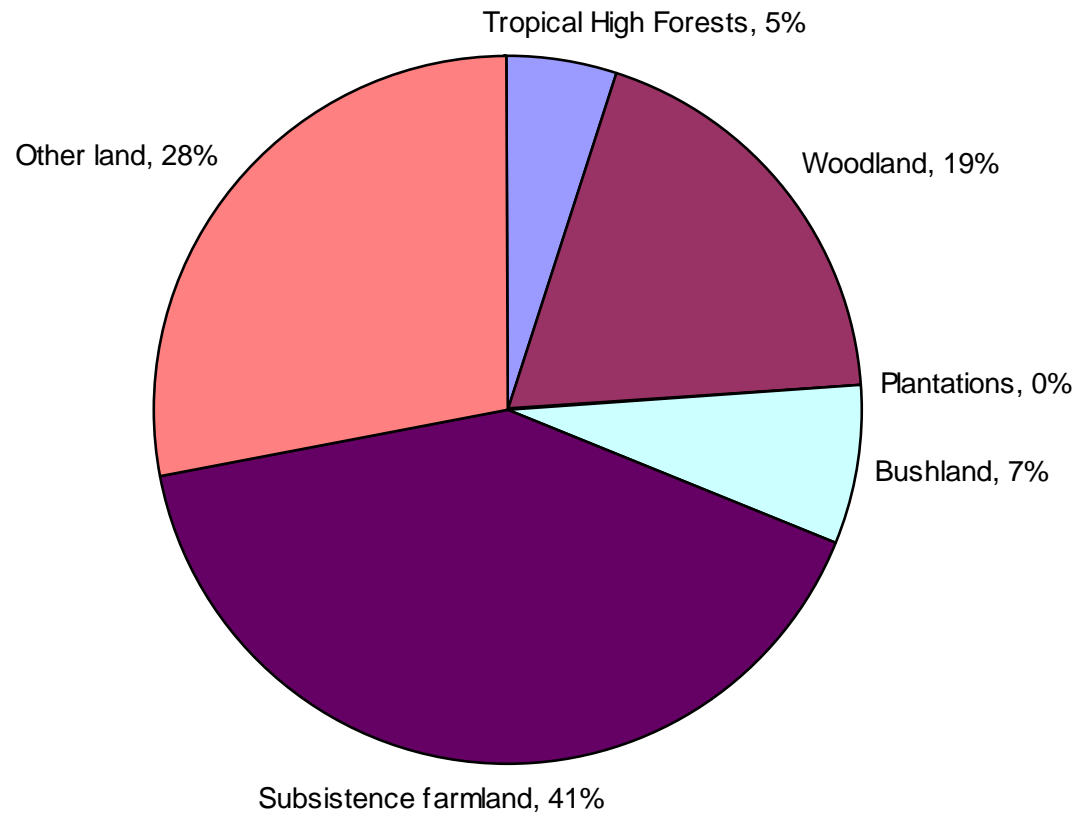
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- Also in the 90's there was the Peri Urban tree planting project, US2.2M
 - And saw millers were required to re-plant what they cut, this was seldom done. Poor quality seed was used when done and silviculture was also poor
 - James Finlay tea estates – good seed source and good silviculture

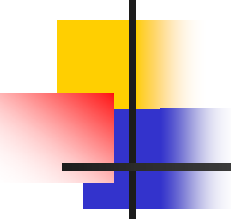
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Land cover in Uganda 2002



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- Early 2000's, Forestry sector reform
 - Forestry Department, FRMCP, US10.3M
 - Demonstration plots planted
 - NFA formulated
 - Formation of the SPGS with the aim of stimulating the private sector into providing alternative timber sources

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And in recent years

- Private investors under the SPGS have planted 10,000ha's
- Private developers (excl SPGS ha's) have planted almost 5,000ha
- The NFA have planted around 5,000ha's
- The African Development Bank has a 10,000ha project on the go now

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