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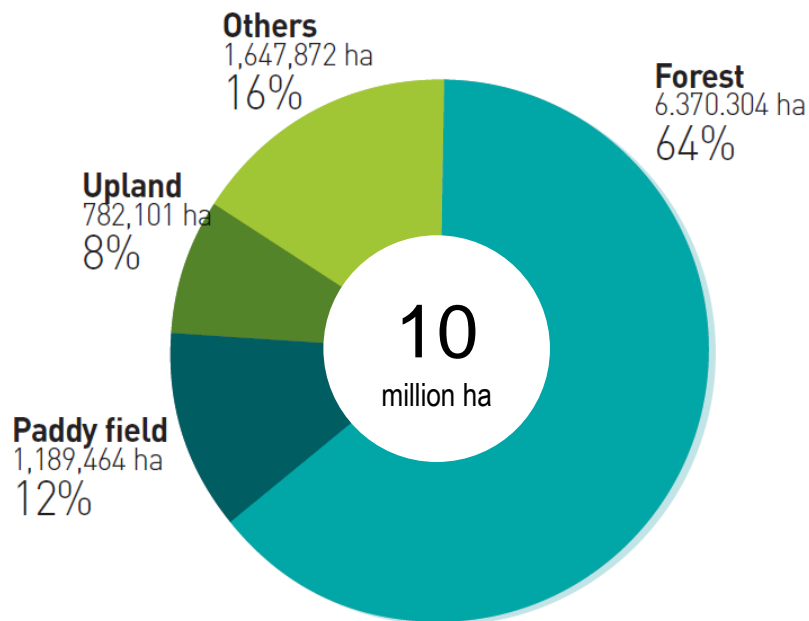
# History of Forest in Korea





# Land Use and Flora

## Status of National Land Use

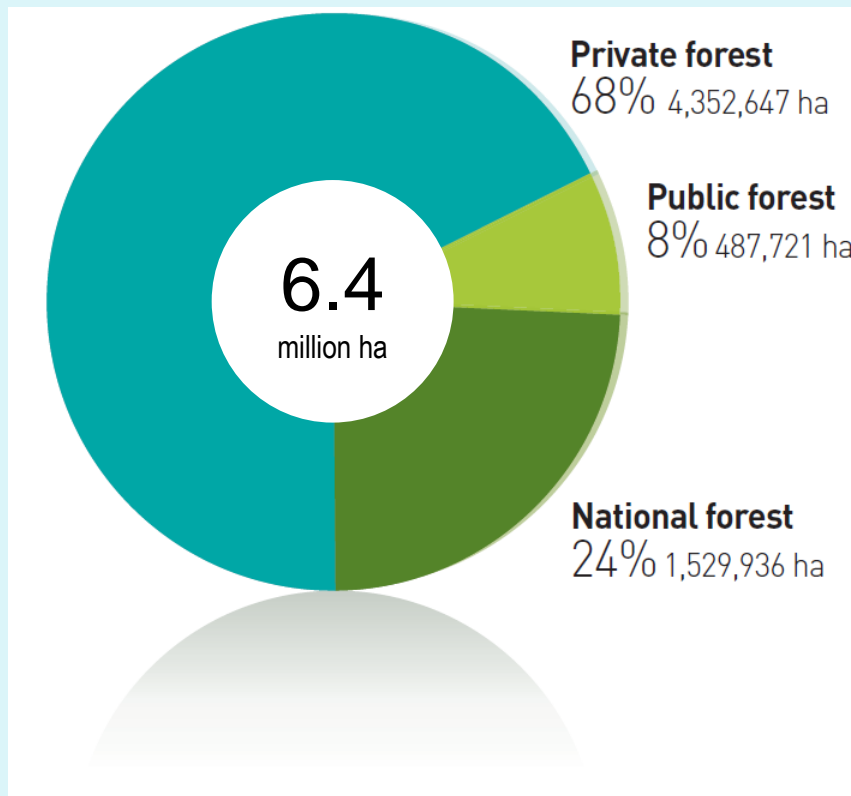


## Major Flora in Korean Peninsula

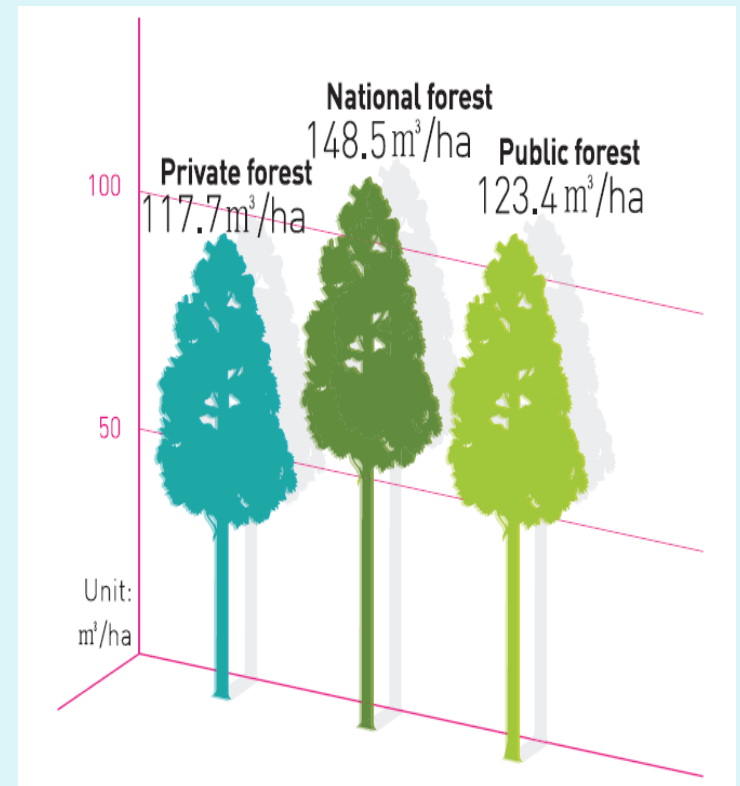


# Forest Land Ownership

## Forest Land Area by Ownership



## Growing Stock by Ownership



# Driving Forces on Successful Rehabilitation

## Public Participation

- *Sanlimgye* (a kind of forest community)



## Strong Leadership

- Reforestation as a national agenda



## Implementation of Policies

- Korea Forest Service
- Forest Protection Law
- Forest Planning



## Economic Growth

- Substituting firewood with fossil fuel





# Public Participation



*Girls and soldiers planting trees*

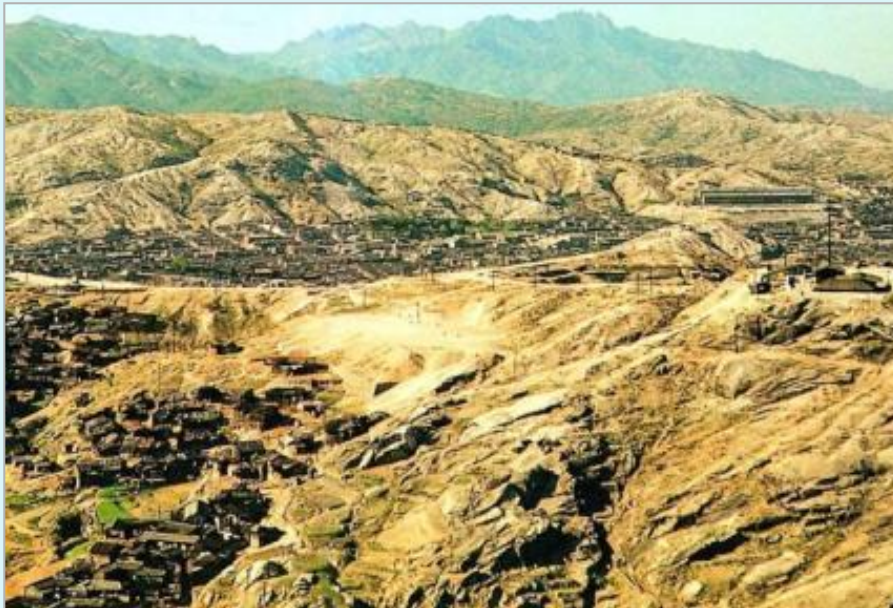


# Miraculous Forest Rehabilitation

## PAST

GNI per capita in 1953= USD 67

Growing stock per ha = 6 m<sup>3</sup>



## PRESENT

GNI per capita in 2010 = USD 20,759

Growing stock per ha = 126 m<sup>3</sup>



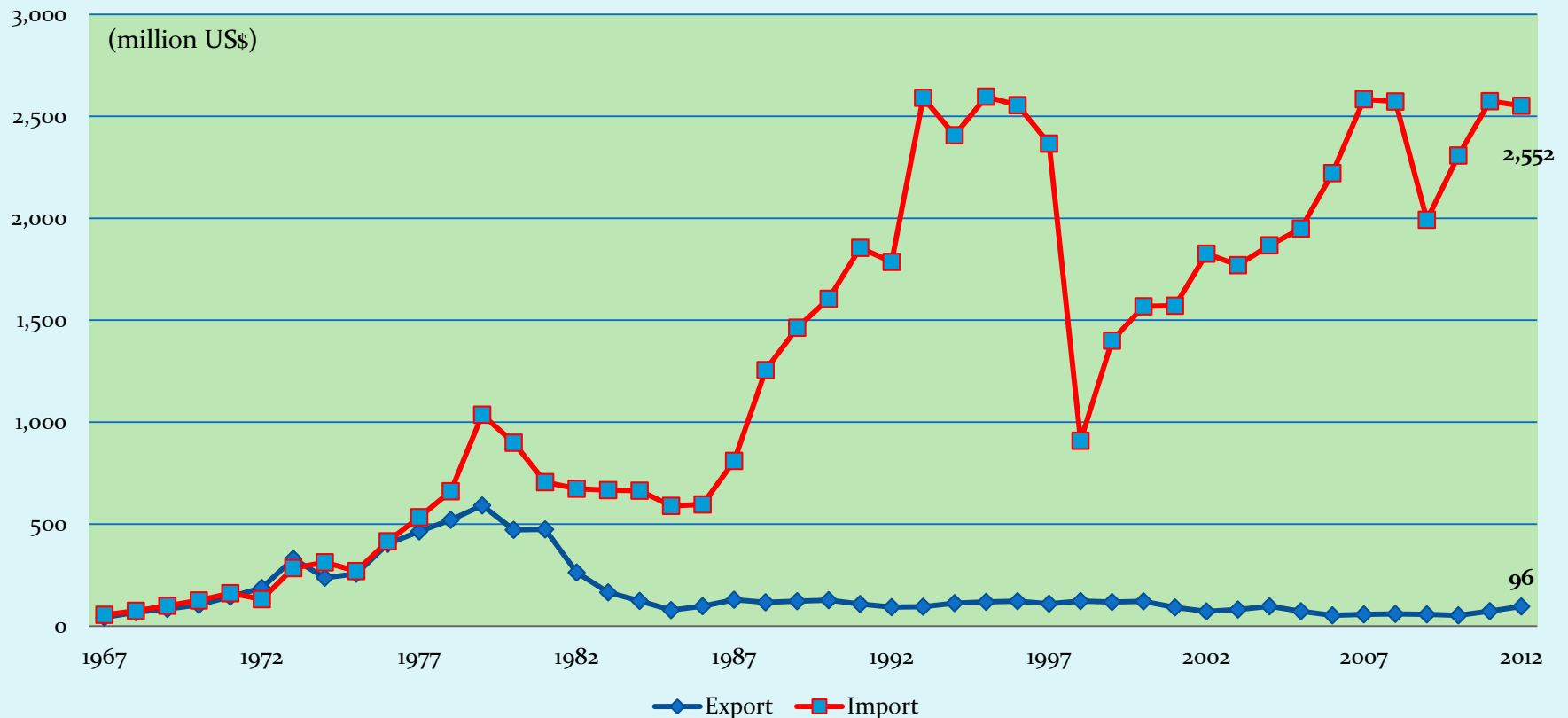




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# Import & Export of wood products



# Korea imports 84% of Wood Products.(3,366 million USD, 2014)

- Logs (716 mil US\$) : New Zealand, Canada, USA
- Plywood(709 mil) : China, Malaysia, Indonesia
- Sawn wood(640 mil) : Chile, China, Canada
- Particle Board(199 mil) : Thailand, Romania, Malaysia
- Veneer(126 mil) : China, Malaysia, New Zealand
- Fiberboard(58mil) : China, Thailand, Indonesia





# **Forest Governance against Illegal Logging**



# Legal Logging in Korea

## ● Transparent forest logging permit system



Homeland forest management & administration  
Strict search & prevention of illegal logging

# Legal Logging in Korea

## ● Strict regulation for logging permit

- Ecologically healthy and sustainable forest management

**Logging permit is issued only .....(general situation)**

- ➡ to mature forests over the regulated harvesting age
- ➡ no more than 50hectares for clear cutting
- ➡ When accepting the reforestation duty of the logging area
- ➡ Upon the provision of a blueprint and measured scale map for logging



# CREATION AND MANAGEMENT OF FOREST RESOURCES ACT

## ● Permission of Cutting of Standing Timber etc.

- Persons who intend to cut standing timber or to extract and collect forest products **shall obtain permission** the head of the regional forest service. (government).
- This shall also apply where it is intended to alter any such important matters, as prescribed by Presidential Decree, among the permitted matters.

# Efforts to prevent illegal logging

## ● Preventing distribution of illegally-logged timbers

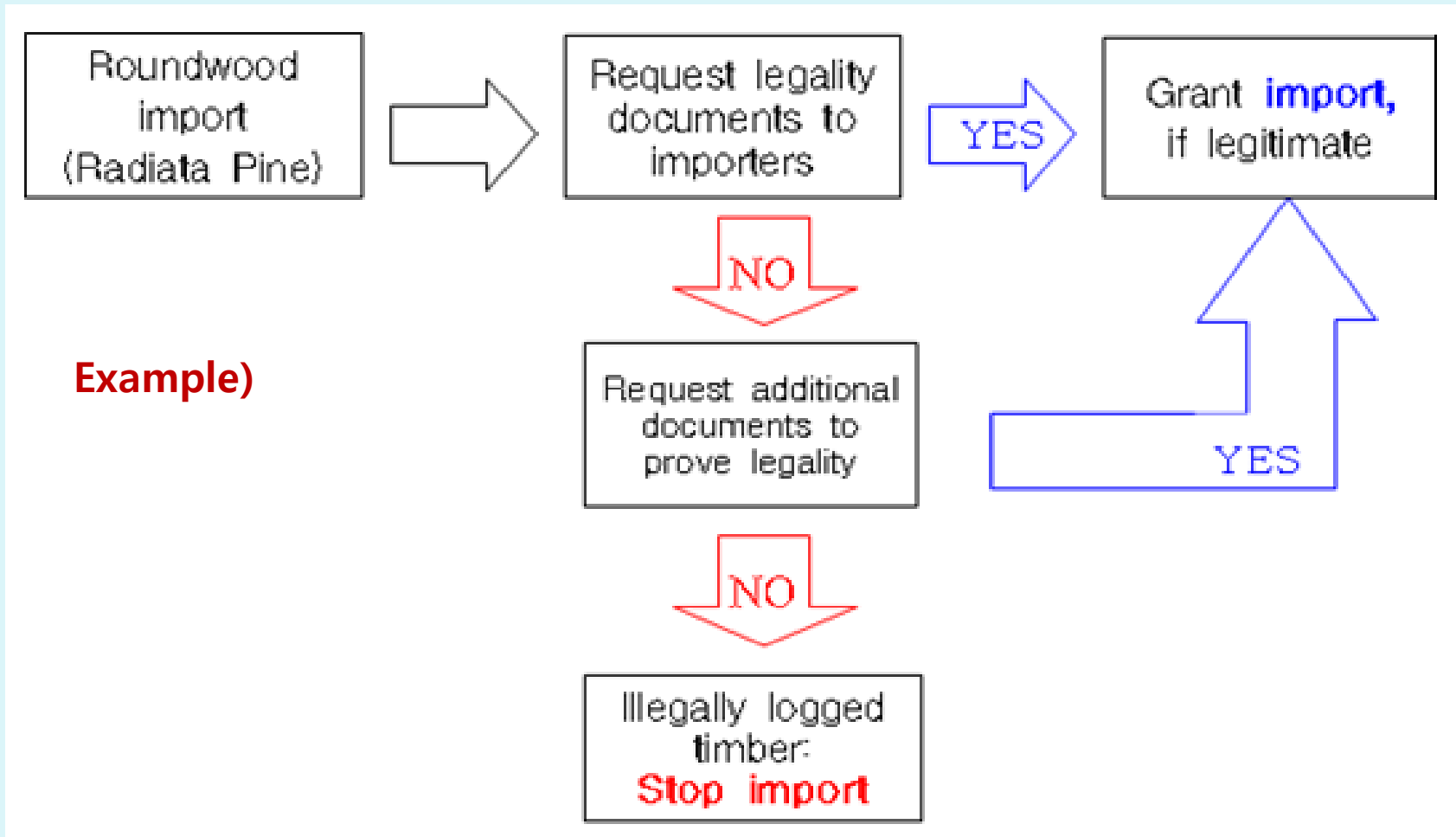
- ➡ Law(『Act on the Sustainable Use of Timbers』) for the sustainable usage of wood(Amended in May, 2013)
- ➡ Implies the responsibilities of the central government and regional authority to ban the distribution and usage of illegally-logged timbers
- ➡ Guidance and promotion of banning the distribution and usage
- ➡ KFS is considering the implementation of the system

# ACT ON THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF TIMBERS

- Countermeasures against illegally felled timber
  - The State and local governments shall establish and implement measures to prevent distribution or use of timber illegally cut inside or **outside** the Republic of Korea.
  - The Minister of the Korea Forest Service shall, in cooperation with local governments and agencies and organizations related to forest and the timber industry, provide guidance and conduct publicity activities **to prevent the distribution and use of illegally cut timber.**



# We Consider Amendment of Act





# Thank You!!



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