Reflections from the field trip

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1. Economic & technical issues

- Natural & competitive advantage
- Unique role of IMPFs in industrial roundwood supply
- High tech silviculture model for IMPFs globally
- Well developed supply chain and contractor base

Global implications

- A benchmark for low cost fibre production
- Applicability and influence of the plantation concept in other parts of the world

2. Environmental issues

- Plantations role in the native forest conservation and restoration in a landscape level
- (Impacts of water and soil)
- (Advanced environmental monitoring systems)

Global implications

- Role of IMPFs in forest landscape restoration/conservation
- Environmental monitoring systems as a model for other IMPFs
- Influence of the plantation concept in other parts of the world

3. Social issues

- Different models for development of the country
- Job and income generation & distribution of benefits, including increasing emphasis on outgrowers
- Development toward integration of IMPFs and local livelihoods
- Opening up of the companies

Global implications

- Role of the different players (especially the government)
- Limits of company responsibility?
- Influence of the experience and response in other parts of the world