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To
The Hony. Editor,
Indian Forester,
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Sub: Sporadic flowering in Dendrocalamus strictus in Jabalpur Distt. (M.P.)

Dear Sir,

During one of our field visits in the month of December, 2007, sporadic flowering was observed in a plantation of *Dendrocalamus strictus* (a bamboo species) at Nagapahadi, situated about 20 km East of Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh).

As per the Working Plan of Jabalpur Circle, these plantations of *D. strictus* were raised during 1993-94 and the origin of the planting stock is unknown. Further, it was observed that there was an increase in the simian population in the area and monkeys (Common Indian Macaque) were observed to be feeding on the bamboo seeds, which as per review of literature, is being reported for the first time. The following photograph, shows the sporadic bamboo flowering and the monkeys feeding on the bamboo seeds.



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