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Thank you chair for giving floor to India. We would like to comment on a couple of targets and also on available tools and methodologies and gaps.

❖ With respect to **Target -7- under Goal- B**, we would like to comment that a major gap is the lack of policy coherence and to some extent consensus on the most appropriate models for global sustainable agricultural development. There is an ongoing debate on this subject essentially between approaches based on further intensification of agriculture e,g-large scale monocultures versus re-establishing ecosystem approaches ,increasing diversity and emphasizing small scale integrated production systems.

Indeed ,a balance between the two approaches would be required but there is limited consensus on what that balance should be.

❖ Coming to **Target-14 & 15 under Goal-D-**

Considering that gaps exist in the current set of tools and methodologies,

guidance is required to assist parties in managing ecosystems for delivery of multiple ecosystem services that will benefit the poor and vulnerable as also women.

Further, Tools and methodologies may be formulated to facilitate identification of potential areas for restoration of degraded ecosystems, including thorough assessments of costs and benefits.