

| Table 8.5b: Forest cover change matrix of Chhattisgarh (area in km²) | | | | | | |
|--|--|---------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|
| 2003 Assessment (Data of Oct.-Dec. 2004) | 2005 Assessment (Data of Oct.-Dec. 2004) | | | | | Total of 2003 |
| | VDF | MDF | OF | Scrub | NF | |
| Very Dense Forest | 2,256 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,256 |
| Moderately Dense Forest | 0 | 36,467 | 199 | 0 | 54 | 36,720 |
| Open Forest | 0 | 5 | 16,886 | 1 | 124 | 17,016 |
| Scrub | 0 | 0 | 1 | 87 | 0 | 88 |
| Non-Forest | 0 | 0 | 49 | 3 | 79,059 | 79,111 |
| Total of 2007 | 2,256 | 36,472 | 17,135 | 91 | 79,237 | 135,191 |
| Net Change | 0 | -248 | 53 | 3 | 126 | |

| Table 8.5c District -wise forest cover (area in km²) | | | | | | | | |
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| Number of districts :16 | | | | | | | | |
| 2005 Assessment | | | | | | | | |
| District | Geographical area | Very Dense Forest | Mod. Dense Forest | Open Forest | Total | % of G.A. | Change | Scrub |
| Bastar | 14974 | 750 | 5142 | 2126 | 8018 | 53.55 | -23 | 2 |
| Bilaspur | 8270 | 222 | 1681 | 598 | 2501 | 30.24 | -3 | 5 |
| Dantewara | 17634 | 746 | 6245 | 4337 | 11328 | 64.24 | 0 | 15 |
| Durg | 8549 | 31 | 513 | 223 | 767 | 8.97 | -6 | 3 |
| Janjgir-Champa | 3852 | 4 | 51 | 101 | 156 | 4.05 | 0 | 2 |
| Jashpur | 5838 | 3 | 1577 | 622 | 2202 | 37.72 | -9 | 12 |
| Kanker | 6506 | 124 | 2171 | 837 | 3132 | 48.14 | -29 | 1 |
| Kawardha | 4223 | 0 | 1245 | 365 | 1610 | 38.12 | -10 | 2 |
| Korba | 6599 | 149 | 2186 | 1016 | 3351 | 50.78 | -6 | 7 |
| Korea | 6604 | 54 | 2607 | 1475 | 4136 | 62.63 | 0 | 4 |
| Mahasamund | 4789 | 0 | 561 | 395 | 956 | 19.96 | -6 | 6 |
| Raigarh | 7086 | 0 | 1883 | 659 | 2542 | 35.87 | -4 | 9 |
| Raipur & Dhamtari | 16468 | 47 | 3831 | 1575 | 5453 | 33.11 | -10 | 4 |
| Rajanadgaon | 8068 | 3 | 1716 | 817 | 2536 | 31.43 | -10 | 4 |
| Sarguja | 15731 | 123 | 5063 | 1989 | 7175 | 45.61 | -13 | 15 |
| Total | 135,191 | 2,256 | 36,472 | 17,135 | 55,863 | 41.32 | -129 | 91 |