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The paper discusses the success of five exotic grass species viz. *Dactylis glomerata*, *Digitaria pentzii*, *Eragrostis curvula*, *Panicum coloratum* and *Phalaris tuberosa* which have naturalised proved their suitability on the terrace risers in the Nilgiri hill region. These promising grasses have proved to be an effective alternative to kikuyu grass (*Pennisetum clandestinum*) on bench terrace risers owing to their good qualities of soil binding, winter hardiness and higher yields.