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Raising of trees through plantation being difficult due to severe drought and lack of irrigation facilities in Bellary region of Karnataka state, more emphasis is given to natural regeneration by simple closure, 2 to 3 weedings and soil working for the first 2 to 3 years followed by suitable after care. Hardy plants of the local species viz. *Acacia nilotica*, ssp. *indica*, *Acacia indica* and *Prosopis spicigera* become ready for exploitation in 30 years. Thinning and pruning provide some early revenue through the sale of thorns, fodder, pods and also oil yielding neem kernels. On maturity, the trees meet fuel, fodder and timber requirements of the people.