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The study indicated that perennial vegetation of *shola* forest having bluegum, black wattle,

natural grass and shrubs and well-maintained tea plantation with 90% canopy are favourable for soil and water conservation in Nilgiri hills. The paper also discusses suitable cropping pattern, crop rotations and mixed farming practices for these areas.