

Dear

The situation in Thailand is that we have still not finalised the selling of our trees, we commenced harvesting in January and were hoping to gain approval to sell sawn planks to a buyer in Europe. Whilst this is technically possible, the bureaucracy and paperwork are still not settled and I have had to abandon this route.

Most of the value in our trees comes from the base log which typically would have a girth of 80 – 120 cm and a length of 5 – 6 metres. I found an Indian buyer for whole logs of this size in July and signed a contract; however, they delayed the purchase and we have only just exported the first three containers in the last week of November. We have also sold many of the smaller logs to a local buyer in Thailand. All the revenue has been ringfenced and is being held in a UK based client account for eventual distribution to our clients. This harvesting and selling process has proved far more bureaucratic than I had envisaged and in view of my health I have now decided that the best option is to sell all the remaining logs and standing trees as a single lot. I have this week received a firm offer and expect similar offers from two further 3rd parties. I hope to conclude this sale within the next two weeks, however the payment terms will extend through to March 2026, at which time I will be able to make the final return to our clients. Unfortunately, I must warn you that the final return will fall far short of our previous projections. I understand that this will be disappointing and frustrating, but I assure you that I am still working hard to obtain the best possible outcome in these extremely difficult circumstances.

Regarding our plantations in Sri Lanka, the recent cyclone has badly affected them and one plantation in particular was severely damaged. Our management team on the ground are currently assessing the situation, and we will issue a further update early in the New Year.

Kind Regards

Paul

Paul Rockwood