

Consolidating the main and leading tier of production - The Territorial Scientific-Production (Production) Associations will make these agencies more directly concerned with the effective utilization of forest riches and the wide introduction of means of mechanization and automation of production, and waste-free technology. Operating on the principles of full profit and loss accounting, self-financing and self-administration, these Associations must: a) attain high outputs; b) arrange for scientific-research and planning and design developments; c) constantly improve the quality of production and introduce new products. Independent enterprises, production associations, scientific-research enterprises, planning and design enterprises, trade and other enterprises and associations located within the Oblast, Kray or Autonomous Republic, may join these Associations.

The functions of the leading Main Administrations within the Ministry have been determined. The Main Scientific and Technical Administration will be the sole centre controlling scientific and technical advances in the industry. The development of a strategy for inter-industry scientific research will be concentrated here and questions concerning production standardization and quality improvement will be examined here as well.

The Main Economic Administration will be primarily concerned with: a) carrying out complex economic projects in the industry; b) developing control figures and stable economic norms; c) carrying out economic analyses; d) preparing proposals for improving the organizational structure of the administration, labour organization and salaries; e) finances, bookkeeping, cheques and legal work.