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Dear Sir,

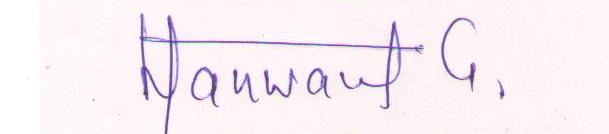
As an organization that has been working with, and supporting, the pastoralists of India, and especially Rajasthan, since 1996, we would like to express our strong support for an International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralism (IYRP). We are grateful that you have initiated the process and commit our full support to this movement, as well as our own theme related activities.

Both pastoralism and rangelands are very important in India, for reasons of food security and biodiversity conservation, as well as livelihoods, but as yet this importance is not sufficiently understood and valued. The IYRP could help bring this understanding about and move the world towards a Green Economy.

We pray that country delegates at COAG and other UN meeting recognize this and make the IYRP a reality.

Expressing our utmost degree of support,

With kind regards



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