Present Situations and Future Prospects of Sericulture in China

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This paper has reviewed the China Sericulture history in the 20th centaury. On the basis of the current sericulture production, sericulture area distribution, problems and challenges, it has been forecasted that China sericulture will be developed as following points: 1) On a stable basis, cocoon production increased gradually to a suitable amount; 2) Quality cocoon production bases established to form a regionalized, industrialized and specialized sericulture structure; 3) With increase of householding rearing capacities, rearing facilities improved; 4) Production efficiency raised and silk product quality improved through technical innovation; 5) New and diversified products developed from Sericultural resources with new and high technologies.