

Administrative Discrepancies of Karnataka State Forest Department India, and its consequences at a Village level

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The administrative divisions to manage forest area in India are complex which is out of the understanding of the general public. There are overlapping administrative controls which are a good means of escapism from accountability and responsibility. There are three main divisions of forest which can be seen throughout India, such as Reserve Forest, State Forest and Social Forest. The social forest is developed out of the actual forest area and it is developed in the villages as village level forest. Whereas the Reserve forest and State forests share their boundary within the natural forest. The confusing and complex aspect of the reserve and state forest are, they also hold protected forest National Park Wild Life Sanctuaries and Tiger reserves. The real jargon is that, how all these sub divisions share their boundaries and also accountable is a matter of debate. In this context, the present paper focus on a micro level situation, where a village bounded by the Reserve forest, State forest and wild life sanctuary is a victim and is also a place of conflict in all respects, The complex administrative structure has been revealed in this paper and how to overcome these issues has been discussed.

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