

**THE OWNERSHIP OVER COMMON PROPERTY RESOURCES:
STATE VERSUS COMMUNITY RIGHTS**

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ABSTRACT

The social, demographic, ecological, economic and political conditions created by global society toward the end of this century have placed unprecedented pressure on community owned properties. The loss of biological diversity has eroded their material base for survival and loss of their traditional culture has undermined their values and social structure. In the globalised era, the idea of welfare state has disappeared in the whirlwind of continued caste discrimination, planned development and further with the outgrowth with the globalization and liberalization policies. This paper will analyze the changes affecting indigenous group's rights over common property resources. This paper will throw a light into legislation changes concerning indigenous groups and natural resources in India. The paper will discuss about impact of growth centric policies on indigenous people.

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