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Antecedence and Consequence of Forest Degradation

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Abstract

This paper analyses the role of forest degradation in India. This discusses causes of forest degradation. It explains the role of forest in conservation of biodiversity and threats of biodiversity as well as effect of forest degradation on climate change. It also analyses the role of biological hotspot on environment in India by finding out four biological hotspot area in India namely **Himalaya, Indo-Burma, Sundalands** (Nicobar group of Islands) **Western Ghats and Sri Lanka** (Gujarat, Maharashtra, Goa, Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu)

Keywords: Forest degradation, forest recovery, carbon cycle; Biodiversity biological hotspot.

Objectives Of The Study

- 1) To understand the performance of biodiversity hotspot.
- 2) To highlight role of forests in the conservation of biodiversity and the global carbon cycle.
- 3) To suggest way to reduce the direct pressure on biodiversity.
- 4) One of the primary purposes of the study is to investigate the factors leading to damage biological hotspot and improve the status of biodiversity

Research Methodology

This paper is basically descriptive and analytical in nature. In this paper an attempt has been taken to analyze Antecedence & consequence of forest degradation. The data used in it is purely from secondary sources according to the need

Introduction

- **Forest degradation:** Forest degradation is broadly defined as a reduction in the capacity of a forest to produce ecosystem services such as carbon storage and wood products as a result of anthropogenic and environmental changes.
- **Forest degradation** contributes to the emissions of greenhouse gases.
- **Biodiversity:** The biodiversity refers to the totality of genes species and ecosystem of a region.
- **Uses of biodiversity**
 - o Help agriculture

