



Community Based Conservation Initiatives in Arunachal Pradesh

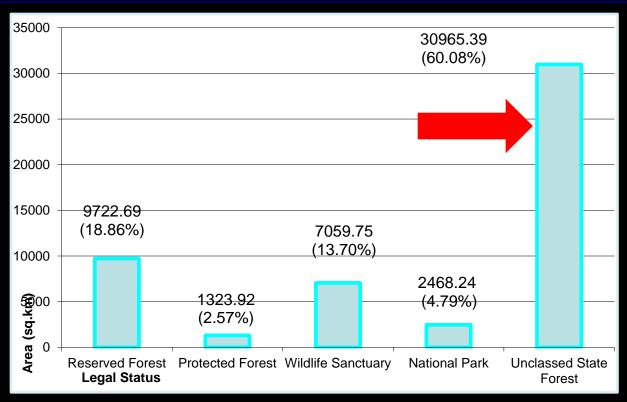
CEPA Workshop on Role of ICCAs in South and East Asia in achieving AICHI Target 11:
Opportunities and Constraints

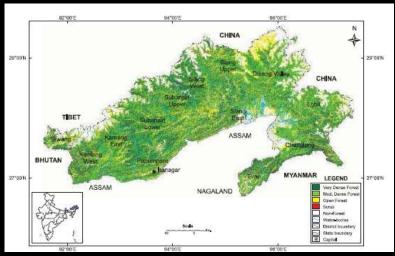
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FOREST COVER AND LEGAL STATUS







CHANGE IN RELATIONSHIP OF COMMUNITY WITH FOREST RESOURCES

IN PAST

REQUIREMENT/ DEMAND

Security for food, water, health and shelter

SOURCE

Surrounding forest area under their jurisdiction

MEANS

TO ENSURE Sustainable use of available forest resources

IMPACT ON FOREST

Effective
Management of
forest
resources

AT PRESENT

REQUIREMENT/ DEMAND

Security for food, water, health, shelter, economic and better lifestyle SOURCE

Market access and Govt. support

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Need for disposable income

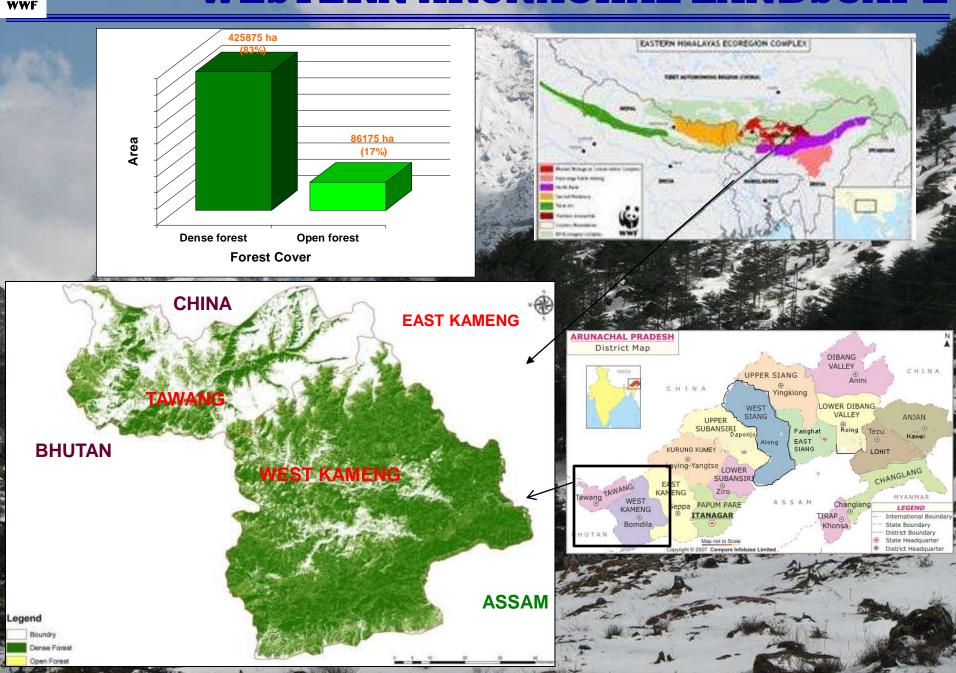
IMPACT

Increase in pressure and threats on forest

resources



WESTERN ARUNACHAL LANDSCAPE





CONSERVATION SIGNIFICANCE OF WAL













PLANNING AND MOBILISATION

- Identification of potential sites for CCAs
- Community dialogue and discussion
- Setting up CCAMC
- Identification & demarcation of CCA
- Assessing feasibility of alternative livelihoods
- Framing of initial rules & regulations
- Implementing alternative livelihoods
- Development of resource management plan
- Training & capacity building
- Institutional strengthening
- Financial and operational sustainability



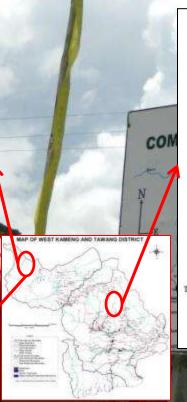
Community Conserved Area

ESTABLISHMENT OF CCA











Name of CCA	Area
Thembang Bapu	312 sq.km
Pangchen Lumpo Muchat	98 sq. km
Pangchen Lakhar	85 sq.km
Total	495 sq.km









SUPPORT FOR CBT AND CCA MANAGEMENT

Basic office infrastructure provided to CCAMC

Organised training on CBT Services and CCA Management

Setting up of Home Stays, Home Based Restaurants and Camp Sites







INCOME OPTIONS GENERATED

A. EARNING SCOPE FOR VILLAGERS

- > Home Stay Operators
- > Home Based Restaurant Operators
- > Guide
- > Cook and Cook Helpers
- > Porter, Pack Animal
- > Cultural Program
- > Camp Manager
- > Local Handicraft

(Rs. 8.1 Lakhs)

B. EARNING SCOPE FOR CCAMC (TO DEVELOP CORPUS)

- > CCA Entry Fee
- > Camera Fee
- > Camping Site Charge
- > Camping Material Charge
- > CCA Conservation Fee (15% and 10% of total service cost for International and domestic tourist)

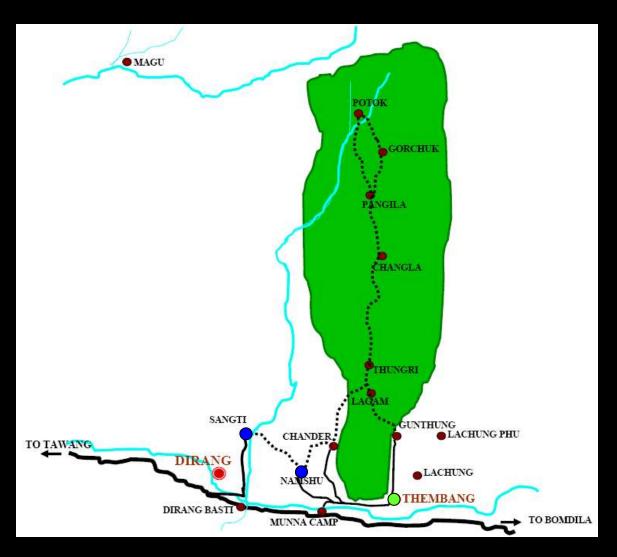
(Rs. 1.8 Lakhs)







INVOLVEMENT OF FRINGE VILLAGES











CONSERVATION IMPACT OF PROJECT

- Foreign Tourist caught by TBCCAMC for collecting beetles and wild mushroom spores
- Issue of letter by TBCCAMC to ban hunting and collection of medicinal plants by herders during summer grazing with provision of penalty
- Villagers surrendered traps and snares in their possession which they were using for hunting to TBCCAMC
- Ban on collection of Firewood for commercial purpose in both sites
- Issue of joint declaration by villagers of 6 villages in around Lumpo and Muchat to ban hunting and fishing with provision of fine



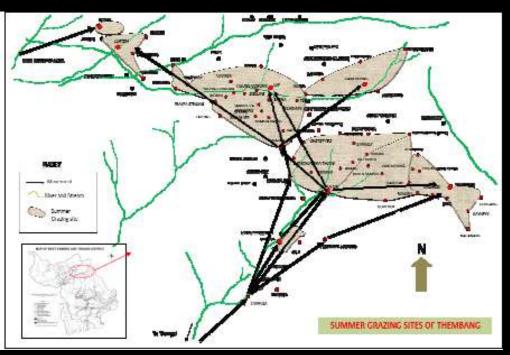




CCA MANAGEMENT

- Constituted "PATROLLING AND MONITORING SQUAD" of 12 youths is PLUMCCA and TBCCA
- Resource Mapping exercise is in progress for development of management plan









WAY FORWARD

The CCAMC started getting independent projects to be implemented by them

State Tourism Department has recognized the CBT facilities in the villages and are supporting to strengthen the existing facilities and marketing.

State Government framed Home Stay Guideline as per the experience gained from these villages and works are now in progress to develop State Ecotourism Policy to support such initiatives by villagers

A STATE LEVEL POLICY IN WHICH VILLAGERS CAN PLAY
LEAD ROLE IN CONSERVATION ACTIVITIES WITH
GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FROM BEHIND IS REQUIRED

