

Assessing Forest Villagers' Role Perception and Role Performance Behaviour towards Social Development with Forest Resources in Assam

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ABSTRACT The present study to ascertain the role perception and role performance behaviour of forest villagers towards social development was conducted in Golaghat Forest Division of Assam, India. A sample size of 203 respondents was selected from all the 14 forest villages under the division by using proportionate cum random sampling technique. The study reveals that majority of the respondents had low level of role perception and role performance with respect to social development with forest resources. The study further shows that respondents' characteristics like education, caste, forest implements, economic motivation, decision making ability, scientific orientation, interest in forestry, information seeking behaviour, forestry knowledge and attitude towards forest resource conservation had positively significant relationship with their role perception and role performance in social development with forest resources.