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Technological Innovations in the Garhwal Himalayas: The HESCO Case Study

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ABSTRACT The present paper discusses the nature of technological innovation and their implications in the Garhwal Himalayas with specific reference to HESCO, a non-governmental organization. Biofencing, management of common weeds and watermill invention in this area has helped the local inhabitants in solving many of their problems. The approach followed by HESCO includes building on existing structures, use of traditional knowledge, Innovations through open form and need based innovations.