

Forest Policies and Bureaucratic Resistance in India: An Organisational Perspective

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The Forest Department (FD) in India is generally considered to have an anti-community attitude. But the founder of this organisation (FD), Dietrich Brandis, was a supporter of community's rights in management of forests. This paper deals with this question that how come an organisation promoted by a pro-community proponent evolved to have an anti-community image over the last 150 years. So far, the anti-community image of the FD has been explained from rational, political economy, and institutional perspectives. Explaining this phenomenon with organisational perspective, this presentation suggests a theoretical framework to transform the organisation.



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