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Perception of Traditional Forest Dwellers on FRA Relating to their Livelihood

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Abstract—The Forest Right Act was enacted in the year 2006 and its implementation started in the year 2008 as part of its efforts to improve lives of the weaker sections of society. The Act addresses the main aspects of land occupation which had been the major point of impediment in establishing the food security and livelihood status of the forest dwellers, recognizes and vests the occupational rights of an individual or family or community on the date of commencement of the Act. In this paper, an attempt was made to establish the relationship between the perceptions of forest dwellers toward FRA with the some dependent variables in Manu block under Dhalai district of Tripura. The study revealed that variables like size of holding, house type, and income have been found significant which facilitated the appropriation of the implementation of the FRA.

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