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Re-denotification -
in Guj - write in Hindi
to these two
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From: Hansraj Negi <negihr@ces.iisc.ernet.in>
To: ashish kothari <ashish@giasd101.vsnl.net.in>
Subject: Re: Jessore
Date: Sunday, June 20, 1999 12:24 PM

You may write (in Hindi or Gujarati) to Kareem Bhai (local active herbalist) of V & P.O Virampur (within Ambaji Sanctuary), Teh. Palanpur, Dist. Banaskantha, N.Gujarat - 388001 and also to Malji Bhai S. Desai, Managing Trustee UWRDF (Universe Welfare Rural Development Foundation) at V. & P.o. Kapasiya (in Jessore sanctuary), via Palanpur, Banaskantha-385135.

Hansraj

On Fri, 18 Jun 1999, ashish kothari wrote:

> Is it possible to get any more details, or the name of someone who would be willing to give us some?
>
> Ashish

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>> Subject: Jessore
>> Date: Friday, June 18, 1999 8:42 PM

>> Dear Ashishji,

>> There was a news in the air about denotification of some areas with villages

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>> On Thu, 17 Jun 1999, ashish kothari wrote:

>>> Dear Hans Raj,

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LEGENDS TO FIGURES
Figure 1: Operation of a system that is the...
sustainable use of biological resources...
by small scale homogeneous societies in control...
base (after Gadgil, Hemant and Reddy, in press).

Figure 2: Remnant network of sacred trees and sacred groves...
presently existing in an area of 25 km² on the Western Ghats of...
Karnataka State of South India.

Figure 3: Dominant forms of social institutions involved in...
implementing traditions in the use of...
different stages of societal evolution (after Gadgil, Hemant and...
Reddy, in press).

Figure 4: Operation of a system of rapidly changing patterns of...
resource use promoted by the tendencies towards overharvest by...
large scale, stratified society (after Gadgil, Hemant and Reddy, in press).

Figure 5: Relation between sizes of resource catchments and...
sizes of protected areas. Pure hunter-gatherer societies have...
catchments of the order of 2 x 10³ km². It is not certain if they...
maintained any protected areas. Slash and burn and low input...
settled cultivation have somewhat smaller...
around 10³ km² and maintained protected areas ranging in size...
from around 0.01 to 100 ha. More advanced agrarian societies have...
larger resource catchments of the order of 10⁵ km² and they...
maintain hunting preserves of the order of 10⁴ km² and they...
spanning the whole biosphere and concentrate on protected areas...
of a thousand to million hectares.

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> From: Arun Agnihotri <hfnuttocrk@satyam.net.in>
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> Subject: Balaram Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary.
> Date: Saturday, November 25, 2000 8:37 AM

> According to reports coming from friends and other sources in Gandhinagar and gauging the jubilant mood of certain 'industrialists', it seems that the Gujarat government is bowing to pressure from the powerful mineral miners' lobby. It is seriously considering denotifying either the entire or huge chunk of the 544-sq km Balaram Ambaji Wildlife Sanctuary spread across the Banaskantha district.

> Should it happen, the denotification will be in line with similar measures taken by the State in other wildlife sanctuaries like the Narayan Sarovar in Kutch and peripheral areas of Gir forest, which also have rich mineral deposits.

> The govt. is also considering denotifying the charcoal-rich Banni grasslands.

Declared a wildlife sanctuary 1989 under the Wildlife Protection Act, the Banaskantha sanctuary has about 20-26 bears and 25-30 leopards. It is also rich in herbal medicinal plants, including the Arjun tree and dense forests. The sanctuary has for long been eyed by miners because of its deposits of limestone, marble and granite that are spread over a 500-hectare area. Additional Chief Secretary (Environment and Forests), Mr. P. Basu is reported to have presided over a meeting to discuss the possible denotification of the sanctuary. > The Supreme Court had banned all such activities in protected areas, but > later, the apex court asked all States to form high-power committees, which would consider various demands of miners to re-start work. > The agenda for thursday's meeting states, that if need be, the entire sanctuary could be denotified and that the govt. would not have to approach the State Assembly or even the Wildlife Board for permission!

> Alternatively, the meeting would also discuss the possibility of cutting a > 10-km area of the sanctuary, where minerals are found. Official sources claim that in this case the Government may escape the need to get the Union Government's permission as it is being done according to the Supreme Court's relief to consider application from miners.

> Request protest letters be sent to:

> Shri. Keshubhai Patel,
> Chief Minister,
> Gujarat

> > Email: www.gujaratindia.com Phone: 02712-32611 to 32619
> Fax: 32601 to 32606

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> Shri Dilipbhai Manibhai Patel > Mines and Mineral (Ind. Charge).
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