Community Forest Rights A Theory of Change

How does the formalization of community forest tenure rights contribute to improved livelihoods, forest conservation and social justice? In this figure we present the possible pathways through which a policy for community forest tenure rights can lead to positive impacts for people and nature, as well as ten conditions that need to be in place to ensure that these benefits materialize in practice.

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Community forest tenure policy

Formalized community forest tenure rights

Simple administrative procedures to speed up processes and reduce communities' dependence on outside support.

Supportive government officials have the capacities and resources to

facilitate the implementation of tenure reforms.

Active involvement at community level

- to ensure tenure models are adjusted to
- the local context and needs.

Enforcement and coherence, ensuring that rights are upheld, and policies are Community has

aligned.

Community has

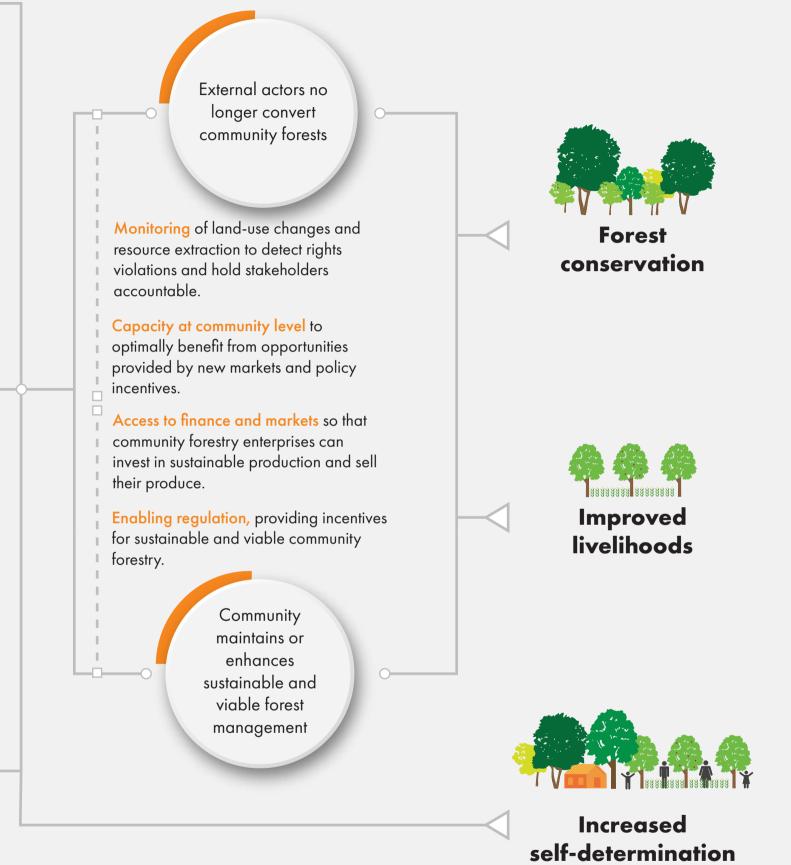
increased tenure security over forest land

better access to support for forest management

Organization beyond community to increase the political weight of community forestry groups vis-à-vis other stakeholders.

> Community has strenghtened position to exercise self-governance

Inclusive community governance, so community members can influence decisions on forest management and benefit sharing.





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