

COMMENTS ON FOREST RULES: GENDER PERSPECTIVE

Pt. (2) Forests rights committee by Gram sabha level	Elected No mention of minimum no of women	Who will come from the cmt? Which class? Will it ensure the poorest MFP gatherers? At least 50% women in the cmt
Pt (26)	Formation of forest cmt: forest dwellers and women written separately:	Need to be reworded
Quorum of Gram Sabha-	33% women	50% women, Mahila sabha first?
In heterogeneous population too	No mention of women separately	50% tribal women in quorum
No.15 Right to habitat	Traditional community institution to be referred to	These institutions are fading. Need to revive them and have less voice of women. So ensure women's voices
No.19(2) joint group formation	No mention of women	50% women
NO. (22) and 23 The rehab package	No mention of women	
No. 26.5.3: call teachers etc. for assistance	No mandatory call for women workers like ICDS	Has to have a woman worker too.
		Need to train the forest cmt on mapping; putting claims, etc. otherwise women will be sidelined. – For the specified Performa -Illiteracy among women representatives?
27.4	Frame: ' his'claim	His/her claim
27.4	More than one evidence	How do women get evidence??
Title for forest land under occupation		First holder should be a woman

Good points:

Specific mention of disputes of traditional forest dwellers and pastoral communities

A gender expert in the state monitoring cmt.

Chapt 4- pt.2.3: Gram sabha will decide, not putting rights of women and disadvantaged to harm.

Who is the nodal agency?