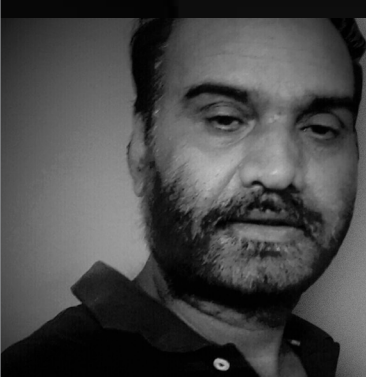


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EDITOR'S NOTE

The major focus of this newsletter is to make our readers aware of the new initiatives. A unique initiative that MF partners have launched is throwing of seed balls or seed bombs into the forests, particularly in the region where forests are depleting.

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MAKING COMMUNITY BASED FOREST CONSERVATION SUSTAINABLE

One of the biggest example of this approach is the recent initiatives undertaken by Madhyanchal Forum (MF) which is actively supporting local CSOs in CFM at the grassroots level. MF maintains that the success and sustainability of any intervention towards forest management and restoration lies...

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THESE VILLAGES IN CHHATTISGARH SHOW THE WAY

On a sultry afternoon of early July a group of men and women in Tanga Panni village of district Dhamtari of Chhattisgarh have gathered to discuss the plans of plantation activities in the community forest land spread over 600 hectares. The walls of small village panchayat hall look like big screens of any digital corporate presentation with every information about the village forest land acquired under...

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COLLECTIVISM IS VITAL FOR FOREST CONSERVATION

An interview with Dr. Jayant Kumar

We believe in collectivism which is key to the solutions of major community problems; be it forest conservation, sustainable agriculture and livelihoods, gender mainstreaming or malnutrition. All these issues are inter-related for forest dwellers.

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Guest Page

RISING INCIDENTS OF FOREST FIRE IN UTTARAKHAND



Suresh Satapathy

Forests are among the most important natural resources in Uttarakhand as they occupy 71% of the geographical area and their contribution to state economy is quite significant. They are rich repositories of biodiversity and are providers of ecosystem goods and services to both regional and global community. With the passage of time, forests were invaded and cleared for revenue generation and exploitation of minerals.

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REDUCING THE BURDEN ON WOODS

Unnat Chullah (stove) looks a bit different from the traditional earthen stoves. There a chimney attached to it which absorbs the smoke and leaves it above the roof of the house. It has an iron structure which is pasted with a thick layer of clay. The woman says it consumes 30 percent less woods as it generates more heat.

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