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Rich Lands poor people : Is 'sustainable' Mining Possible? / Edited by Souparno Banerjee
New Delhi : Centre for Science and Environment, c2008
355 p. ; ill. ; 28 cm.
State of India's Environment, A Citizens' Report No.6
978-81-86906-42-2
\$ 30.00
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Chapter 1: Rich lands, poor people
Chapter 2: The Industry and its economics
Chapter 3: Bearing the brunt: people and the environment
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Environmental and Ecological Issues in India / M. Perumal
Delhi : Abhijeet Publications, c2008
xi, 202 p. ; 22 cm.
Includes Bibliography and Index.
978-81-89886-39-5
\$ 11.25

Global change and environmental management / V.K. Sinha
Jaipur, India : Vital Publications, c2007
264 p. ; 23 cm
978-81-904741-5-3
\$ 17.50

Criteria and indicators for sustainable forest management / P.C. Kotwal and M.D. Omprakash
Dehradun, India : International Book Distributors, c2007
xi, 312 p. ; 22 cm
Includes Bibliography
817089339-9
\$45.00

[The book is devoted on this important aspect of the forestry sector of India and it is the first attempt of its kind on the theoretical and practical aspects of C&I for

SFM. This book is made an attempt to help young persons who are studying SFM and other forestry subjects at college or universities to understand the concept and upgrade their knowledge on the subject. Throughout the book the complex subject has been made simple to understand. Part I gives an overview of the SFM, C&I for SFM in India. Part II describes the Biodiversity conservation and sustainability, Part III devoted to Economic valuation of forest resources, giving note of existing system of forest resource accounting and distortion in it and also on the proposed forest resource accounting suiting to forestry situation in India. Part IV to VI discusses the issues of Forest certification and need, Forest monitoring and evaluation system, and National strategy for SFM.]

Environment of the Himalayas / Taj Rawat
New Delhi : New Academic Publishers, c2008
viii, 141 p. ; 23 cm
978-81-86772-26-3
\$ 12.00

[The book is a treasure of information on Himalayan eco-system, environmental impacts, geography, natural resources, forest ecology, deforestation, watershed management, glaciers, fauna and flora, heritage tourism and sports, management of wild lands and development in the Himalayan region. The state wise data and general information about north-eastern states has also been provided.]

Pines of South-East Asia / Rajeev K. Srivastava and Nawa Bahar
Dehra Dun, India : International Book Distributors, c2007
xiv, 272 p. : ill. ; 24 cm.
81-7089-343-7
\$ 40.00

[Pines are unique species of high economic, ecological, cultural and spiritual significance. They provide a multitude of benefits to human beings, including highly nutritious nut like seeds of Chilgoza and durable fragrant wood, as well as other products. At the same time pine forests often have been and continue to be abused and managed for timber production, which destroys the pine production. The growth of world demand for pine nuts and stable high price call for better management of existing pine resources and for their cultivation within and outside native range. Pine was first investigated by Hippocrates, the father of Western medicine, for its benefits to the respiratory system. During the 1800's, tar from the pine used in many medicines, especially for skin diseases like eczema and psoriasis. The needles were made into stuffing called pine wool that was thought to repel lice, fleas and other pests.]
