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Role of Women in the Use of Non-Timber Forest Produce: A Review

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ABSTRACT Forests are the renewable natural resources. The forest output can be classified in to three major categories, viz. timber, non-timber, and environmental services. The timber output is the national property and contributes to the revenue of the nation. Here the concentration is on the non-timber output and the environmental services of the forests to the human life. The non-timber output includes the forest products like fuel, food security and nutritional supplies, employment opportunities, medicinal herbs etc. The environmental outputs are basically intangible and include soil and water conservation, melioration of microclimate, biodiversity conservation, nutrient cycling etc. More than timber it is the non-timber forest produce (NTFP), which caters to the needs of people living in and near the forests. These people depend on product from the forests as major source of income generation, food and herbs for medication. Most of the times it is women who gather the products from the forests, process and either sell them to support the family or use for the family

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