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THE CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL LAW,  
ADVOCACY AND RESEARCH (CELAR)

CALL FOR CHAPTERS

# Natural Resource Management

## **About NLUJA, Assam**

National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam was established in 2009. Hon'ble, Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court is the Chancellor of the University. The university is dedicated to imparting comprehensive legal education and training at all levels to achieve excellence in legal education and to promote cultural, legal and ethical values to foster rule of law and the objectives enshrined in the Constitution of India.

The university campus has state-of-the-art infrastructure equipped with all modern sophisticated facilities along with a world-class library, equipped with a collection of more than twelve thousand titles in the field of Law, Social Sciences and Humanities. The University has established several Research Centres to promote advanced legal studies and research. The Centres have been set up by the University with the intent to address the socio-legal issues and challenges with a specific thrust on the North-East region.

## **About CELAR**

The Centre for Environmental Law, Advocacy and Research (CELAR), the first of its kind in North-East India, is devoted to strengthening and contributing to the jurisprudence on environmental law, under the auspices of National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam. CELAR endeavors to be a torchbearer of NLUJA, Assam's mission to translate legal knowledge and skills into an instrument that addresses various environmental concerns of the country and especially the North-Eastern region of India.

The Centre provide hands-on advocacy experience to students and direct exposure to the issues to inspire and educate them to strengthen access to justice by undertaking high-quality multi- disciplinary research. In furtherance of the objectives, 'NRM' is an initiative undertaken by CELAR. Through National Resource Management, call for chapters; a voice to various aspects of the environment vis-à-vis National Resource Management is being provided.

## Concept Note

With the accelerating rate of Human-induced Climate Change, posing a risk to the survival of humankind on Earth, it becomes pertinent to ensure the continuance of Humankind that the Natural resources, which provide fundamental support to life and economic processes, and which are under increasing pressure from mismanagement, a growing population, higher levels of economic activity per capita, and the complex interactions of these phenomena; are utilized optimally.

The mismanagement of Natural Resources is evident everywhere, from the consequent degradation of natural resources. Over the past 45 years, human activity has drastically reduced the available natural resources; 11% of the earth's vegetated surface (1.2 billion hectares), affecting more than 900 million people in 100 different nations, has been destroyed, thirty percent of the world's irrigated land, forty percent of the world's rain-fed farmland, and seventy percent of the world's rangelands are all affected by erosion, salinization, compaction, and other forms of degradation. Since 1960, more than 5% of the world's tropical forests have been destroyed. Every year, large tracts of marshes and grasslands, as well as 12 to 15 million hectares of forest, are lost worldwide. Economies all across the globe are also significantly being impacted by the degradation of the natural resource base. It directly jeopardizes life quality.

Although international governance frameworks, agreements, and regulatory instruments offer an institutional context and mechanisms for action on crucial natural resource management issues, translating international agreements into national change and the enforcement of natural resource laws still poses a significant challenge at the regional level. Institutional change is a lengthy but crucial process that can ultimately have an impact on the nature, control, and receipt of the supply of natural resource products or the trade-offs between commercial use, livelihood requirements, and biodiversity preservation for the common good. At this level, the interaction between the state, civil society, and the market bring up a variety of governance challenges.

With this edited book, the editors aim to contribute a comprehensive book on Natural Resource Management to academia with a special focus on North-East Region.

The book, "Natural Resource Management" is an honest attempt to identify and connect various aspects within the ambit of Natural Resource Management in the era of Climate Change and other Environmental issues, to fulfill the critical gap in the existing literature on the subject.

## Submission Guidelines

1. **Authors:** Co-authorship allowed for a maximum of two (2) authors.
2. **Word Limit:** 5000-6000 words.
3. **Format:**
  - Text-
    - i.Font: Times New Roman
    - ii.Font Size: 12
    - iii.Line Spacing: 1.5
  - Footnotes-
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    - ii.Font Size: 10
    - iii.Line Spacing: 1
4. **Citation:** 20th Edition Bluebook format
5. **Front page:**
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  - Name of author(s)
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7. **Submission Format:** File will be accepted only in doc/docx formats.
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## Sub-Themes

1. Decentralization of natural resource management on a national level
2. International Trade Law dimensions and Natural Resource Management
3. Sustainability: A new beginning and an end to better resource management
4. Environmental Personhood: A new perspective to Natural Resource Management
5. National Green Tribunal – Role in Natural Resource Management
6. Public participation for better Natural Resource Management
7. Natural resource management during Environmental /Natural/ Chemical/ Industrial disasters
8. Natural Resource Management vis-à-vis customary and tribal practices
9. Natural Resource Management vis-à-vis India's commitment in COP-26
10. Human Rights, Gender and Environmental issues
11. The EIA, industrial projects and the Government: A baneful nexus
12. Wildlife crimes of trans-national nature: A challenge to a national policy to combat trafficking
13. National Resource Management with respect to medical and e-waste
14. Any other theme relevant to Natural Resource Management

## Who can Submit

Environmentalist, Professionals, Scientists, Academicians, Researchers across all disciplines.

## Publication

Selected Chapters will be published, by National Law University and Judicial Academy, Assam, after peer-review as a book with ISBN No.

## Important Dates

Last date for abstract submission – **28th February, 2023**

Communication of acceptance – **15th March, 2023**

Last date for the submission of full paper – **15th May, 2023**

## **Registration Fee**

**No Registration Fees**

## **Submission**

All submissions should be mailed at [celar@nluassam.ac.in](mailto:celar@nluassam.ac.in) with the following line as subject:

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