# Coastal Land Rights in India: Social and Economic Issues

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Part I:

Land Rights

• F. Right to property

Protecting private property / creating more equal society

PIL in 2009, dismissed

Land for eco growth

Coasts

Land rights to whom? (FRA, PESA, LARR)

Private led development

Assets

Not DID

No soc-eco equality, more pol conflicts

Customary and usufruct rights

State govts and ability to get land (LARR changes)

Means of obtaining consent

laws

- CRZ:
- project approvals/housing
- CZMAs/DLCCs
- "Pass through"
- IAs, displ,
- Conservation
- Solutions ??

#### Part II:

## Regulatory Spaces, Coastal Livelihoods and Conservation

# Is there scope of legally protecting livelihoods dependant on healthy coastal ecologies in the absence of tenurial security?

## Accessing Spaces related to Coastal Mapping and Planning

- Coastal Zone Management Plans
- Pollution Control and Mitigation Plans
- State Climate Change Action Plans
- Urban Master Plans

## Understanding the potential and risks of Zoning Instruments in Environment Regulation

- Critically Vulnerable Coastal Areas
- Ecologically Sensitive Areas/Zones
- Biodiversity Heritage Sites
- Community Reserves and Conservation Reserves

#### Participating in Environment Regulatory procedures

Through understanding:

- coastal regulation
- pollution related consents and;
- impact assessment procedures

### Contextualising forest conservation and rights for coastal areas

- Common Property Resources
- Traditional Use Rights

#### **Exploring spaces in administrative planning**

- panchayat and/or urban planning laws
- powers of district collector office
- protection of common use lands