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Local Organizations in Decentralized Development: Their Functions and Performance in India (Directions in Development)



Local organizations have become important mechanisms in effective, fair, and sustainable resource management and development in India. This reserve adds empirical evidence to the debate on whether or not these features are performed as expected and different types of nongovernment organizations, like the private sector and community groups at the neighborhood level. This study shows that these debates can't be separated and signifies that sector-particular configurations of a plural organizational landscape, in which government, non-government, and private organizations are an integral part, are necessary for effective and sustainable development. The foremost is a practical one on how best to make local organizations function effectively. The second targets the relative roles of government companies? both elected community governments and administrative line departments? Based on research in three sectors in three states in India, the authors' results indicate that the look of and support for regional organizations are often little more than rudimentary, leading to less than adequate functionality and raising significant sustainability concerns. Two debates dominate discourse on the roles of organizations. Local Institutions in Development' will be an invaluable resource for those concerned with the analysis, policy, and practice of development initiatives that seek to further decentralize governance and development.



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