

Celebration of Landscapes in Indian Tribes Culture: Study of Baiga Tribe in Madhya Pradesh

Abstract—

The knowledge of using natural resources like flora, fauna, and minerals, materials for survival, and livelihood to cure human and animal diseases has been developed in several old tribal communities like the Baiga tribe of Madhya Pradesh. This great reliance on the surrounding landscape can be seen in the tribal communities' daily affairs. They live in the most interior part of the forest, and they are constantly dependent on the forest's agro-climatic conditions, resources, nature of soil fertility, availability of water, etc. Context and the surrounding landscape are the paramount sources of food and livelihood of tribal communities in India. Each tribe of India has its kind of landscape manipulating techniques in the form of agricultural, grazing, poultry farming practices etc. Their lives mostly rely on the harvest they get from the surrounding landscape throughout the year and thus become the primary source of their survival. Festivals are their way of expressing respect, gratitude and worship to these landscapes. My objective is to try to understand tribal community festivals and interdependency with their context and surrounding landscape. To understand this affinity between tribal community and their landscape I will try to provide brief study of **BAIGA** tribe of Madhya Pradesh of India.

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