



Household Energy Consumption and Deforestation Patterns

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What are the energy consumption patterns of poor households (HH)? How are they changing? What is the contribution of fuelwood harvesting and charcoal production for selling in poverty reduction/alleviation of poor HH? How is charcoal income being distributed along the value chain? How sustainable is charcoal production in relation to forest degradation/afforestation/reforestation processes? How can we effectively measure and keep track of forest degradation caused by woodfuel harvesting? Is the so-called energy transition occurring in some places? Which energy mixes are being adopted? What is the impact of restrictive policies on charcoal, including trading bans, on deforestation/afforestation patterns? Which woodfuels policies, laws, and enforcement and regulatory capacities can contribute to ecological sustainability? How do religious practices, moral arrangements, and spiritual agencies interfere in HH decision-making processes related to forest degradation/afforestation/reforestation processes? How effective can tourism and community-based natural resource management business plans be in generating local revenues? What happens when the charcoal market frontier arrives?





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