

# TEA GARDEN OWNERS

## CHALLENGES FACED

1. Frequent Human - Animal Conflict
  - causes damage to the crop, workers and settlements
  - No compensation/support for the damages received.
  - No compensation for human injuries or casualties.
2. Transportation issues.
  - No support from govt. for transporting the tea products.

## BENEFITS OF TEA GARDEN

1. Provides livelihood.
2. Sustain the tribal communities
3. Raises the economy
  - Even PA handed a portions of their land on lease for agricultural purposes.
  - Justifies that estate is economically beneficial.
4. Promotes the national prestige and tourism for the unique flavour.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. FOREST DEPT :-
  - To shift the PA to another area
  - Manage the human-animal conflicts
  - Human settlements, roads are passing through PA. That should be looked into.
2. RAILWAY :-
  - Tracks should not be further constructed.
  - Help in establishment of station for the tea raw materials
3. VILLAGE FOLKS :-
  - Promote Request villagers to be more co-operative to safeguard/promote the tea plantation.

CONCLUSION :- Having the tea estate is more beneficial than the PA because it generates more revenue for the state. Tourism is also more promoted than the sanctuary since visitors are more keen to visit the tea garden than the unpredictable animals. Tea estate owners can also provide CSR to the villagers which will raise the standard of living in the area.