

It is been more than a year since the abrogation of Art 370 and changing status of Jammu & Kashmir to a union territory.

### FRA Act in J&K:

- After one year, the government of J&K decides to implement FRA act.
- Act allows individual, community, livelihood, intellectual property ~~own~~ on traditional knowledge, minor forest produce and hereditary rights.
- This act is vital and lifeline for forest dwellers.

### Concerns:

- delay in implementation of FRA Act raised concerns on political matters on government
- Invalidation of Roshni act which give marginalised land rights and it also includes landlords & others as well.

- This Roshni invalidation led to eviction of many including Gujjar & Bakerwals who are ~~one~~ among forest dwellers.

- They are evicted without rehabilitation plan

- These evicted people also have right of displaced communities and developmental rights which are not mentioned in J&K act

- The deadline <sup>date</sup> in FRA Act which was implemented in rest of India is also not mentioned in J&K act.

- With several potholes and misleading clauses will ~~led~~ lead to exploitation of marginalised forest dwellers.

- The lack of awareness and financial constraints on these forest dwellers will also affect them in getting their rights.