



Invasive Species and Food Crisis in Karnataka's Western Ghats

- Invasive plants such as [Lantana](#), **Prosopis** and [Chromolaena](#) have reduced the availability of **food** and **shelter** for herbivores, which in turn affects the carnivores that depend on them **in Karnataka's Western Ghats**.
 - An [invasive species](#) refers to a **non-native species** that, when introduced to a new environment, exhibits **aggressive growth** and spreads rapidly, often causing harm to the **native ecosystem**.
- Invasive plants can outcompete and displace native vegetation, disrupt ecological balance and the **movement** and **migration of animals**.
- Several rainforest complexes, including [Nagarahole](#), [Anshi National Park](#), [Kudremukh National Park](#) and [Bhimgad Wildlife Sanctuary](#), are suffering from invasive species.

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