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Tribal peoples save forests

We are calling for a new approach to conservation, one that respects tribal peoples' rights, for all of humanity.

Tribal peoples are generally the best conservationists; they have managed their lands sustainably for many generations. Forcibly removing tribal peoples from their land usually results in environmental damage. Such removals are a violation of human rights and should be opposed by conservationists.

The cheapest and quickest way to conserve areas of high biodiversity is to respect tribal peoples' rights – studies show reduced deforestation and forest fire rates, and greater biodiversity, on tribal land. The world can no longer afford a conservation model that destroys tribal peoples: it damages human diversity as well as the environment.

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Drone strike on extremists

I cannot understand the soul-searching over the killing of Reyaad Khan and Ruhul Amin.

Both these young men joined an organisation prepared to kill other people including