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Mountains encompass more than 30% of all land and 23% of the Earth's forests with high levels of biodiversity and endemism, and support diverse habitats and refuges for approximately 85% of global amphibian, bird, and mammal species. More than 1/4 of the global human population inhabits mountain environments, many of whom are among the world's poorest people. Local communities depend on the ecosystem services from mountainous regions to earn their living. However, the earth has experienced a significant transformation due to global change, i.e., agriculture and the exploitation of natural resources by human activities and extreme climate events. In particular, the consequences for the losses of biodiversity and ecosystem functioning are obvious in phenomenon but are largely unknown in mechanism across mountainous regions.

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