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Policies & reforms in the non-farm sector - a comparative study of India & China

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br /> The fourth chapter looks at the role of civil society & grass root level institutions in India & China. These institutions have been making a lot of impact in creating consciousness among the people & in promoting

democratic decision making. The chapter examines how the existebce of these institutions can influence the environment & the kind of decisions that the Central Government makes in the future in both the countries.

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The fifth chapter deals with the comparative analysis of India & China.

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Finally the sixth chapter deals with the conclution & the measures that need to be taken in the future.