



Natural livelihoods according Natural Livelihoods Act (1)

Traditionally

- Reindeer husbandry
- Fishing
- Hunting
- gathering natural products







Natural livelihoods according Natural Livelihoods Act (2)

- Fish farming, small-scale agriculture
- Making and repairing tools needed in natural livelihoods
- Handicrafts, tourism accommodation, guidance and other kind of services, are natural livelihoods when they are practiced in addition to traditional natural livelihoods

Natural Livelihood Real Estates

- Possible to employ State land use measures to form Natural Livelihood Real Estates and addition areas to existing real estate
- For people who earned their living entirely or primarily from natural livelihoods and for Skolt Sámi people
- State bought land for land use measures and planned land use
- Formed areas were sold at their market price
- Areas were mostly paid for through long-term mortgages with a low interest rate

Resrictions

- Judicial acts of selling and leasing Natural Livelihood Real Estate or part of it without permit are null and void
- Not permissible to subdivide areas without permit
- Restrictions are effective 30 years
- Resrictions are registered to the Cadastre and to the Land Registry (both)

Rights for natural livelihoods at natural livelihoods area

- Reindeerherding is free for all reindeerowners
- Fishing and hunting in State-owned areas are freely available to locals on application
- berries and mushrooms may be picked freely according Everyman's right

Special rights to use State-owned areas freely

- Owners of Natural Livelihoods Real Estate have special rights to use State-owned areas for
 - Pasturage of cattle
 - Gathering hay, leaves and other plants for cattle
 - Upon application
 - Building necessary
 - 1) huts for hunting and fishing
 - 2) cellars and shelters
 - Gathering lichen

Natural Livelihoods nowadays

- reindeer husbandry is only economically significant as natural livelihood
 - Growing amount of predators
 - Diminishing supplies of lichen
- 50 entrepreneurs earn all or part of their living from other natural livelihoods than reindeer husbandry
- New law was established and formed real estate is legally as an ordinary real estate without restrictions
 - breach of contract causes to the restoration of financial support



Natural livelihoods nowadays

- Ageing of population?
- Ratification of the ILO's Indigenous and Tribal People's Convention No. 169
 - Sámi People are Indigenous People in Finland
 - Ratification is important but its consequences are not yet known

