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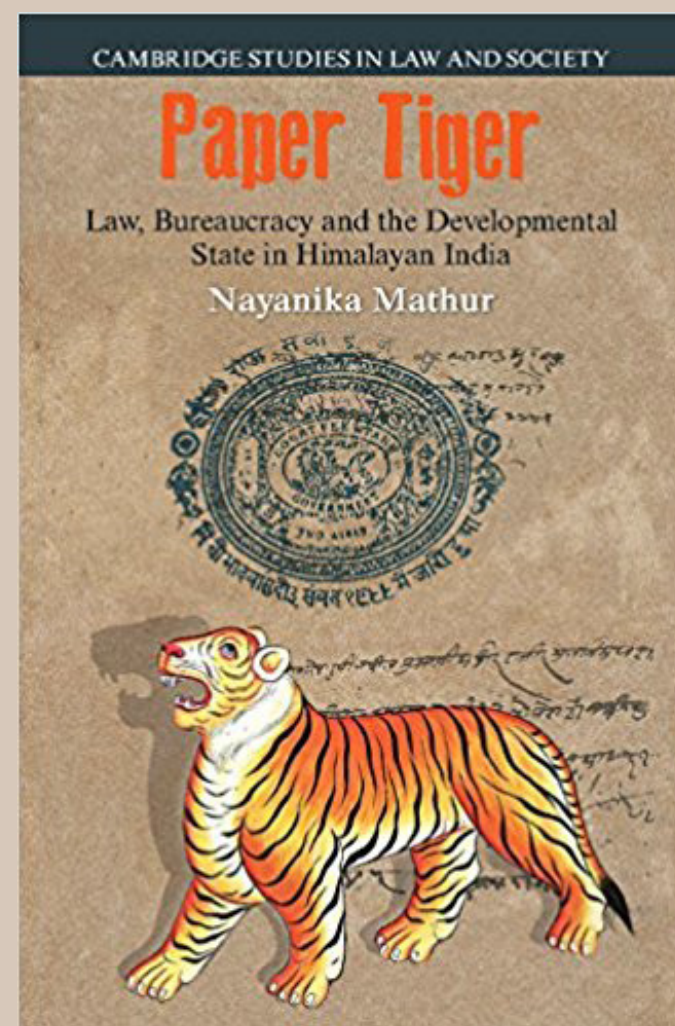
Separating out innocent from murderous big cats in South Asia

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How is the act of hunting down a specified man-eater dispensed within a landscape in which several big cats co-exist, most of which are not man-eaters? How is certain knowledge of the guilt of a big cat arrived at anterior to its killing? This talk constitutes a study of the various methods through which hunters, bureaucrats, locals, scientists, conservationists, and other actors identify a specific, individual man-eater.



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