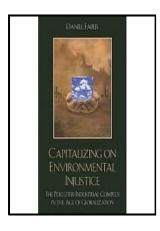
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Even though this story is a moral caution against alarmist claims, Chicken Little's confidence in the King and Queen's ability to resolve the problem of the sky falling hints at our collective understandings of the role vested in public authorities in safeguarding and restoring the commons.

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The state hands over the public goods to the private sector, now in control of redistribution. Following extreme weather events, local governments strapped by financial crises as they struggle to respond to the urgent needs of affected communities are similarly vulnerable to pressure from external agencies.

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In the case of AIDS, the human rights approach scored a notable victory, but for diseases that spread more rapidly and that can be unknowingly transmitted, such as SARS and extremely drug-resistant TB, the sanitationist and quarantinist tra dition of public health has won out. Klein bases her argument on her critique of Milton Friedman, a strong advocate of the liberalization of the market and its relevance in the management of crisis. The volume draws strength from the variety of case studies and broad experience of the contributing authors, many of whom spent years in the discussed communities, interviewing stakeholders and compiling data.

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The motive for the private sector in disaster response and reconstruction is simple: there are profits to be made. As Cavanagh and Mander 2004 argue, doing so hinges on strengthening international arbiters such as the United Nations empowered to serve in a countervailing institutional role.

This book is also an essential exercise in framing an emergent public-policy issue.

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At the time of the U. For-profit corporations are not bound by these same pro cedures. In the continuum of postdisaster interventions, from rescue and relief to restoration and recovery, the primary goal of humanitarian assistance is to ease the suffering and trauma endured by affected populations as a first mea sure, and to ensure equitable and optimal well-being in the long term

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