

Topic 1 - Climate Change: The Most Neglected Cause

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Recommendations for combating Climate Negligence:

a - Encouraging communities to unite in the fight against climate change

b - Advocate for fairness in climate policies and actions

c - Focus on efficient administration of resources

d - Urge politicians to prioritize climate action in their campaign.

VI - Conclusion -

Consciousness is prior to identification. If the problem is not determined clearly, it cannot be resolved. Climate change, the long known problem is now reached our home; still, it is facing negligence. This negligence is at various level including: individual, community, industrial, and global level. Such negligence of the climate crisis is due to poor governance which is worsening this crisis. As, there is lack of sustainable plans, absence of forward-thinking policies, mismanagement of resources, and flaws in global governance for climate crisis. Despite all these, it is yet not too late. Negligence regarding this crisis can be mitigated through effective and sound policies, at community, administrative political level, is recommended to address the climate challenge. On a brief account, threat of climate change is real, currently it is neglected at various level due to poor governance. However, prompt remedial measures can address this threat. (154 words)

The threat of climate change is real and is now visible at our homes. The global temperature is rising - 1.1 degree centi-grade; the oceans are warming; the glacial ice is melting;

and extreme weather events are occurring. floods, heat waves and intense cyclones are happening. Not so far, in last year, Pakistan has lost 1739 lives due to flash flood. The wildfire in Canada is the latest manifestation of climate change in which 125 hectares land burnt. Also, six thousand lives has been lost in recent flood in Libya. These were the glimpse that the threat which was knocking our door is not penetrates our homes. That is threat of climate change. (111 words)

In the manifestation of climate crisis, it is necessary to pin-point that there is climate negligence at various level. Such as, individual level, community level, industrial and at global level. Following text illustrate these facts. (35 words)

At individual level, climate crisis is neglected, as individuals do not take climate actions seriously. Personal action matters a lot. It is generally observed that lights, electrical appliances are leave on when they are not in use. Further individual use too much plastic products despite knowing the fact that these products contribute in environment degradation. Also, they overuse the water in long showers, leaving the taps running and not giving the leaking pipes. In short, individuals are neglecting

The cause of climate change. (20 marks)

Besides individuals, negligence at community level is seen. Our communities do not prioritize sustainable practices. Communities create change but are aggravating the problem when it comes to climate change. Our communities lack in recycling programmes. There is less green spaces like parks or urban forests which implies contaminated air. Furthermore, the cities and towns are designed for automobiles which leaves little ecofriendly infrastructure. The untreated sewage lines, running streams and tube wells is another problem. Hence, no doubt, the over use of resources, absence of green education and awareness programmes are the clear negligence of climate crisis at community level.

At industrial level, our industries are the main sources of environmental degradation. No doubt, industries are main drives of any country's economy; however, our industries lack in sustainability. Industrial areas emit pollutant like carbon dioxide gas, sulphur dioxide, nitrogen oxides and other harmful pollutants which are degrading air quality, creating smog, and destroying the ozone layer. Further, untreated and contaminated water throws in rivers and oceans which pollute aquatic life. Also, deforestation is leading to biodiversity loss. Moreover, mining

practices create soil degradation and release of heavy metals with hazardous radiations. (92 words)

Not so far, at global level too, climate negligence has been observed. We live in a globalized world where some experiences are common. For instance, there is delay in climate agreements, such as Paris agreement. Global world ^{has} continued reliance on fossil fuel and spend very little investment on renewable resources. There ^{are} ^{few} top three economies - China, US, and the European Union contribute 41.5 percent of total global emission. On the other hand there is ~~an~~ deforestation, as since 2010, 24,000 ~~thous~~ were cut down every minute and 4.7 million hectares cut per year, said by deforestation and forest loss. In conclusion, the world community is neglecting climate crisis. (113)

As it is discussed in above text that there is climate negligence at various level, here the main root problem exists within governance. Because, the role of poor governance is worsening the climate crisis. (34 words)

First, there is lack of sustainable development programs, which is worsening the climate crisis. Everyone knows sustainability ensure bright future, but very little efforts for sustainability are put forward. One example is unchecked urban sprawl. ^{gets} today global urbanization rate has increased 1.55 percent since 2021, reported by microtrends.net. Also

weak environmental regulations allowing industries to emit pollutants without accountability. There is weak management in agriculture, as lands are over exploiting underground water. Let's assume the example of Quetta city, people were unable to built underground basement, because of excess of ground water, before 2000; but now, they have to drill atleast 300 meters in search of water. Overall, the poor governance regarding sustainable development is worsening the climate crisis. (120 words)

Beside lack of sustainable plans, climate crisis is worsen due to absence of forward-thinking policies. Effective policies are ~~first~~ assume to be first step towards change. However, this is not in the case of climate crisis. The lack of policies promote efficiency in industries, buildings and transportation that leads to huge energy consumption. Further, policies do not promote sustainable transportation, such as public transit, biking and walking, ~~and~~ exacerbating ~~emission~~ of emission from cars and traffic congestion. Moreover, the subsidies given by government to the industries, is continued production and consumption of high-energy fuel. Also, policies lacks to promote recycling, composting and green awareness features. In sum, climate governance without proactive polices, is aggravating the issue of climate change. (116 words)

Moreover, no doubt, the mismanagement of valuable resources is slipping on the challenge

of climate change. Resources are assets of any country. However, poor governance has led to the misallocation of water resources, with excessive water use in agriculture, leaving insufficient supplies for ecosystem and also exacerbating drought like conditions. The failure to regulate the lands, results in urban sprawls, deforestation and wetland destruction. It reduces natural carbon sinks. Further more, mining and extraction industries are operating without proper reclamation and environmental restoration practices; which leave behind a degraded landscape and ecosystem. To recap, over exploitation of valuable resources impacting the climate cause. (102 words)