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Causes and Consequences of Environmental Pollution in Pakistan

"And do not commit abuse on the earth," Quran says. Earth is regarded as our holy mother. It provides each and every thing for our benefit. We pollute and destroy our own source of livelihood instead of taking care of it. Environmental pollution is one of the abuses that are being committed by the noblest of all creations, the humans, to their holy nature. This paragraph explores the mean human activities that pollute environment ^{which is} accompanied by harmful impacts of such contamination.

In Pakistan, several human activities lead to environmental degradation. Burning of fossil fuels is the major contributor to environmental pollution. Wood is used for domestic purposes. Petrol and other other forms of crude oil are used in transportation industry. Harmful gases are released to the environment as a result of their ignition.

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Moreover, wastes from the factories also defile our nature. Harmful gases, like Sulphur dioxide, Carbon dioxide and Carbon Monoxide, emit from industries in a very large quantity everyday in Pakistan. Industries' wastage also adulterates water bodies and soil. Freons, that are used in refrigerators and air-conditioners, are also a source of environmental contamination.

Environmental pollution is very alarming situation. It has disastrous effects on everything. Harmful gases lead to global warming via green house effect. Climate change is a result of such degradations. It may lead to ozone depletion and acid rains that ^{further} cause severe skin and other bodily defects.

In short, environmental pollution has badly affected Pakistan. Recent cloud-bursts and flash floods were the aftermaths of environmental degradation. Hazardous gases from industries, transports and local burning of fuels affect environment miserably. This environmental contamination has disastrous impacts on whole community. We have to take steps to control environmental degradation

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lest we be destroyed .