



# Environmental Justice Movements in Resource-Rich African Nations: An Action Research Study in Ethiopia 2008

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## Abstract

This study examines environmental justice movements in resource-rich African nations, focusing on Ethiopia as a case study. Data collection was conducted through semi-structured interviews with activists and members of environmental justice groups in Ethiopia. Qualitative analysis was employed to interpret responses and identify themes. Interviews revealed that over 70% of respondents identified government corruption as a significant barrier to movement success, while community engagement strategies were predominantly based on educational outreach and direct dialogue with authorities. The research underscores the challenges faced by environmental justice groups in resource-rich nations, particularly concerning governance issues. Findings suggest improved approaches are needed for effective advocacy. Recommendations include increased support from international organizations to address corruption, along with more targeted educational campaigns and community-based initiatives focused on transparency and accountability.

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