



# Resource Extraction and Human Rights Abuses in Gambia: A Legal Perspective

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## Abstract

Resource extraction projects in Gambia have been criticized for their impact on human rights, particularly concerning environmental degradation and displacement of local communities. The analysis is based on existing legal frameworks, case law, and academic literature related to human rights violations associated with resource extraction projects in Gambia. The legal framework governing resource extraction in Gambia is insufficient to protect human rights during these projects, necessitating comprehensive legal reforms. Legal reforms should include strengthening the Human Rights Commission's enforcement powers and ensuring that all resource extraction contracts are reviewed for compliance with international human rights standards.

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