



# Resource Richness and Environmental Justice Movements in Postcolonial Liberia: A Socio-Political Assessment

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## Abstract

Environmental justice movements have emerged in resource-rich African nations post-independence, challenging environmental degradation and advocating for equitable access to resources. A socio-political assessment using qualitative data from interviews with key informants and document analysis. Resource-richness has facilitated greater public awareness and mobilization around environmental issues but also led to conflicts over resource allocation among different social groups. Liberian environmental justice movements face both opportunities and challenges related to their resource wealth, necessitating nuanced policy interventions. Policy makers should prioritise equitable distribution of resources while engaging all stakeholders in decision-making processes.

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