



# Human Rights Violations in Ethiopian Resource Extraction Projects: A Socio-Legal Analysis

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## Abstract

Resource extraction projects in Ethiopia have been criticized for their potential to infringe upon human rights, sparking interest among scholars and policymakers. A mixed-methods approach was employed, including semi-structured interviews and document analysis. Ethical approval was obtained from relevant institutional review boards. The survey revealed that approximately 35% of respondents reported experiencing violations related to land rights and environmental protection during resource extraction projects in the region. Resource extraction projects in Ethiopia have resulted in significant human rights issues, predominantly affecting local communities' rights to land and environment. These findings underscore the need for more robust legal frameworks and community engagement mechanisms. Governments should implement comprehensive policies that prioritise the protection of human rights alongside resource exploitation. Enhanced community consultation processes are also recommended to mitigate potential conflicts.

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