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Abstract

Environmental justice movements have emerged in resource-rich communities globally, often spurred by environmental degradation and social inequality. In Ghana, these movements are particularly significant given its diverse landscapes and economic reliance on natural resources. The research employs a qualitative approach, utilising semi-structured interviews with activists, focus group discussions with community members, and document analysis to gather data from selected communities across different regions of Ghana. Community activists reported significant environmental concerns such as deforestation and pollution affecting local livelihoods. Challenges included weak enforcement of existing laws and limited access to resources for addressing these issues. This study underscores the critical role of community activism in advocating for environmental justice, highlighting gaps in legal frameworks that need attention. Policy makers should strengthen environmental regulations and provide more support to local communities in their efforts towards sustainable development. Environmental Justice Movements, Ghanaian Communities, Resource-Rich Areas

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