



Problems and Perspectives in Sustainable Environment in the World: A Legal Study

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ABSTRACT

The Environmental Justice, is a part of Socio Economic Development of the society and is also the global challenge to judiciary for dispensation of environmental issues in present scenario. The earth's atmosphere is a common heritage. The environmental issues, take into account the human being, and not the State as a unit. It is a global issue. The Stockholm Declaration recognized that man is the part of nature and life depends on it. U. Thant, the then Secretary General, United Nations, in Stockholm Conference appealed: "Like or not we are travelling together on a common planet and we have no national alternative but to work together, to make an environment in which we and our children can live a full and peaceful life". Only the Judicial system of all nations can implement the above appeal of the then Secretary General with collaboration of Legislative as well as Executive Authorities. The Superior judiciary has made tremendous progress in its elaboration and exploring environmental justice. The order passed by the Superior Court had provided healing touch to many & even those who are residing in remote places in hills, coastal area & forests etc. The courts however, are not the forum to solve all environmental related challenges in the country. Judiciary has to be equipped with certain additional capacities to deal with the whole gamut to environment related issues, only the trained & motivated judges can take correctional measures trained & help in distributing environmental justice with human element, fairness & compassion. To that extent every court in the countries should be turned into environmental court, for environmental actions. We must get the whole system – Executive, Legislative, Judiciary, Domestic, National as well as International to overcome inertia and move in the right directions, and we can do it, Let us start today! great poet William Wordsworth's quote is fitted on global environmental context "What man has made of man, little do we see in nature that is ours"

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"Environment Justice is the movement to ensure that no community suffers disproportionate burdens or goes without enjoying fair environmental benefits".

–Van Johnes

INTRODUCTION:

The earth's atmosphere is a common heritage. The environmental issues take into account the human being and not the State as a unit. It is a global issue. It will not be out of point to say "for thousands of years the human race has survived countless catastrophes, epidemics, floods, draught, famines, earthquakes & fires, but following the onslaughts of all out chemicals & bacteriological &

nuclear warfare & atmospheric poisoning air, soil & water pollution & deafening sound pollution over population may eradicate humanity for good". Law and its awareness may save the humanity from evil effects of environmental issues.

Environmental Justice:

Environmental injustice occurs when members of disadvantaged ethnic minority or other groups suffer