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Sustainable Development: A Necessity of the Contemporary World

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Abstract:

The concept of sustainable development (SD) has gone under various developmental phases since its introduction in contemporary world. The historical development of the concept has seen the participation of various organizations and institutions on the implementation of its principles and objectives of SD. This concept of SD experienced different criticism and interpretations over the time. Still, it is difficult to define it. The definition of SD has become one of the most cited definitions in the literature. In the 21st century, there is a discussion about sustainable development in political, administrative, politician, policymakers, bureaucrats, the common man, and in academic circle.

During the last few decades, the contemporary world has observed a remarkable upsurge of concern about the sustainability of economic development over the long run. Considerable effort has been invested by the contemporary world in the design of an analytical framework. It can be used to think about policies and programmers that promote sustainable growth at all level. The concept of Sustainable Development has implied several methodological challenges to define what it means.

Keywords: Sustainable Development, Environmental Degradation, Global climate change, Inclusive Development, Globalization, Sustainability Challenges.

Research Method:

A qualitative and library-based research method used to analyze the historical development of Sustainable Development concept and how the Sustainable Development concept is developed.

A) Data Collection-

The following sources of data used in writing this research paper.

1) Secondary Sources:

(A) Relevant reference books and research articles.

Note on Reference:

The researcher has used the 'in-text' method for citation, mentioning the surname of the author, year of publication and page number at the end of the sentence. At the end of the research paper, full bibliographical reference was given in the following manner: Author, Year of publication, Title of the work in (Italicized), Place of publication, and Publisher.

Introduction:

Overall development of humanity, from top to bottom level that includes rural and urban area, over the last decades has led to the increasingly unfavorable climate changes, natural disasters, wars and political and socio-economic instability. Action of humans has negatively impacted on the environment at all level. As a result, it will be dangerous to survival of the Earth for the future generations. These conditions have indicated changes in the behavior aiming at towards more rational and efficient management of all resources. Such responsible will ensure the long-term exploitation of natural resources.

Origin of Concept:

The term SD began to gain wide acceptance in the late 1980s, after the publication of (The World Commission on Environment and Development Bruntland Commission) 'The Brundtland Report'. As a result of a United Nations-convened commission created to propose "A global agenda for change" in the concept and practices of development. The Brundtland report suggested to the contemporary world that there is a need to re-