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Environment and Sustainable Development: Role of Governance – An Analytical Study

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Introduction

The concept of environment originated from is a surrounding, external conditions influencing development or growth of people, animal or plants, living or working conditions etc. Environment refers to the sum total of conditions which surround man at a given point in space and time. In the beginning the environment of early man consisted of only physical aspects of the planet earth land, air, water and biological communities but with the march of time and advancement of society man extended the environment through by social, economic and political functions. Environmental pollution exist for a long time growth of truly global proportions since the onset of industrial revolution during the 19th century. Technological Progress facilitated by super efficiency of capitalist business practices had become one of the main causes of serious deterioration of natural resources. At the same time, of course, development of natural sciences led to the better understanding of negative effects produced by pollution on environment. Environmental pollution not a local or national problem but a worldwide international problem in present time.

The protection of environment and sustainable development is a key concept refers to the process of socio-economic development through the judicious utilisation of the natural resources, keeping in mind the needs of the future generations. Considering that socio-economic development is a recognised imperative for the society, the element of 'Sustainability' comes from the initiatives