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## ENVIRONMENTALISM AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: THE INTERCONNECTION PROBLEMS

Modern world development is being influenced by global processes, which reflect the specifics and directions of its functioning. First and foremost, it is a matter of interconnecting the interests of the world community to achieve common goals of economic, political, environmental, social, and cultural development. The discrepancy between the system of economic activity and the ecological capabilities of the world requires justification of such implementation directions on a global scale, which would take into account the need to ensure the rational development of the ecological component of this process.

The current crisis is the result of modern industrial civilization, which, unfortunately, does not guarantee humanity a decent eco-future and the prospect of self-preservation of the ecosystem and reproduction of resources, taking into account the needs of future generations in a planetary dimension.

Research methods that examine and investigate the problem of environmentalism and economic development are an analysis of their relationship; comparison to describe the Gini coefficient and income inequality; statistical for the calculation of the interdependence between EPI and NIGI.

The results show that the lower the Environmental Performance Index is, the worse the situation is in the areas such as economic, environmental, social and others.

Consequently, globalization has a statistically significant impact on economic growth. High- and middle-income countries benefit from globalization, while low-income countries do not.

There are some simple things that people can do every day to minimize their negative impact on the environment. For example, not using public transport but cycling or walking will reduce carbon dioxide emissions. Reducing the amount of fertilizer applied to lawns and gardens will reduce the likelihood of contamination near water bodies, which is also beneficial for drinking water and human health. Using less energy in a home can reduce the amount of pollution emitted by coal-fired power plants. Any activity that reduces water and energy consumption can have a positive impact on the environment.

The human mind, ingenuity and activity have changed almost every part of our planet. In fact, we are deeply influenced by everything around us. Indeed, our ingenuity and activity are now the driving force behind all the global transformations and challenges we face. And each of these problems is accelerating, with rapid population growth. In fact, we can call the situation in which we now find ourselves as an unprecedented planetary emergency. We have come to the point where such "events" are taking place that shape civilization and society, in particular the agricultural revolution, the scientific revolution, the industrial revolution and, in the West, the health revolution.

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## THE IMPACT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE PROBLEM OF POVERTY

We cannot imagine how it is to live on much less than 2 dollars a day, many of us think that it is far from reality. However 10% of worldwide population lives in extreme poverty, they may be dwelling 1.90 dollars a day or even less. In 1990 the figure indicates us that there were 1.8 billion people who lived in poverty, but in 2019