

The Dimensions Gender in Sustainable Development: Ananalysis

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ABSTRACT: *The social, economic, and environmental outcome of climate change and loss of the essentials of ecosystems are becoming very clear to us today. Their results are already being felt in floods, droughts, degradation of environment and loss of livelihoods. Among them, most of these are mostly affected by women and girls in the forms of the burden of securing shelter, food, water, access to land and natural resources. So it is essential to attain a just and sustainable future environment, cannot ignore the rights, dignity, and abilities of the world's population including women. Therefore it is necessary to recognize that women's organizations and their collective action have very essential requisites for the improvements of natural resource, productivity, conservation of ecosystem and sustainable use of natural resources and to create more sustainable, carbon-free-food, water, energy and health systems. So women should no longer be considered as victims however treated them as central actors in moving towards sustainability.*

KEYWORDS: *Gender dimension, sustainable development, ecosystem, environment, gender equality
"Women have a vital role in environmental management and development. Their full participation is therefore essential to achieve sustainable development".
(Principle 20, Rio Declaration)*

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I. INTRODUCTION

Women, make half of the world's population, have benefited more than men from the progress in social and financial development in the last three decades. However, they continue to be treated as the most vulnerable groups in the world. Gender equality is the base of human rights and is identified as a fundamental attribute of development goals of the country and a prerequisite to accelerating sustainable development. When inequalities are addressed and policies are reshaped, women and girls come to be catalytic agents of change and equal partners with men in the quest to promote a just, equitable and sustainable development. The recent United Nation's Survey Report on the function of women in development, states that "women's knowledge, agencies, and collective action are central to finding, demonstrating and building more economically, socially and environmentally sustainable methods to manage local landscapes, adapt to climate change, produce and access food, and secure sustainable water, sanitation and energy services". Thus the survey argued that gender equality is the core of sustainable development.

Development which includes social, economic, political and sustainable not based on gender equality is inefficient and unsustainable. The empowerment of women has strong implications for human capital. This notion was first expressed in a World Bank Workshop in 1998 on enhancing sustainable improvement through the attention of gender. The full and productive use of human resources is integral for economic growth and sustainable development. However, gender inequality can permeate many elements of life through social and cultural life within the community. In brief gender inequality has exerted a remarkable influence on the socio-economic, political and cultural life of women and also income and health care within the family. So it is necessary to apprehend that gender equality is an aim in its own right but also a key aspect of sustainable development. By providing the same opportunities to women like men including the decision-making process, a sustainable way of improvement can be achieved.

Concept Of Sustainable Development

Sustainable development is "development which meets the needs of the existing generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs". Therefore, it needs equal participation of both men and women. It is necessary to take long term perspective while aiming to maximize the well-being of today's generation. Taking into account the consequences of our activities for our children, their children, and grandchildren, making sure that the sources they will for their own well-being are not depleted or destroyed and the natural environment, which they will be born will not be polluted. The sustainable development has to rest on 4 inter-related dimensions- social development, financial growth, environmental protection, and gender equality.

Dimensions Of Sustainable Development

The manner of sustainable development has no longer been gain a balance among its dimensions such as social, economic, environmental and gender, is continue to be vague or meaningless. Among these dimensions, the environmental dimension implies the relationship between people and their natural environment. It also termed as human ecology, thus it encompasses the domain of human health, typical human needs such as the availability and quality of air, water, food, and shelter. The economic dimension, on the other hand, dealt with all environmental resources as economic assets, called natural capital and required growth in the gross home product.

In 1987, the economist Edward Barbier argued that dreams of Environmental Conservation and Economic Development are no longer conflicting but can be reinforcing each other. During the first, United Nations Environmental Assembly (2014), concluded that the sustainable development agenda should fully integrate economic social and environmental dimensions in a "coherent, holistic, comprehensive and balanced manner". But it can't specify the relationship between gender equality and sustainable development. The recent United Nations Survey Report on the role of women in development stressed the significance of gender roles in sustainable development and argued that gender equality is the pivot of development. The poor, vulnerable and marginalized sections both in developed and developing nations should be assured a minimum degree of social, monetary and environmental protection and a basic standard of living.

Gender Dimensions Of Sustainable Development

The gender dimensions of sustainable development can be characterized by how the allocation of resources among men and women, regarded as intra-generational equity and equitable distribution of resources between present and future generations, regarded as inter-generational equity. The foremost aim of sustainable development is to satisfy the needs of present and it calls for a more equitable distribution of resources among those living today where the resources are unequally distributed.

The Intra-generational equity means the equity between the people of identical generation, and the sustainable development is feasible only through equitable distribution of resources without discrimination. Our world is in the ways of development however even we didn't get it properly, because of the discrimination still continuous in all the spheres of life. Women, make 1/2 of world's population didn't get the opportunity as a part of development in most of the areas and being treated them as most extinguished groups in the world. The gender gap is formed at the time of the resource distribution. The gender gap is referred to the differences between men's and women's monthly income from employment. The recent UNs Survey on the Role of Women in Sustainable Development published that the monthly income of women ranges from less than 5 to over forty percent in some countries of Central Asia. Women take the foremost duty of unpaid services such as care of children, elder, and unpaid domestic labor. Women spend very fewer times in paid employment than men or many of the women work part-time to reconcile their employment and household responsibilities. This negatively impacts them in income and often their career. Their lower income increases their vulnerability to poverty not only throughout their working lives but also in old age and thereby amplifies their financial dependence on a male breadwinner. This gender gap also affects women, who are less probably to gain financial loans from monitory institutions and minimize the possibilities to set up their own commercial enterprise to attain financial independence and thereby limits their participation in developmental processes.

On the other hand the equitable distribution of resources between existing and future generations or Inter-generational equity emphasis justice between the present and future generations. It is also an obligation to make sure that future generations will have the assets to meet their own needs. Most emphasis has been placed on the degradation and destruction of the natural environment and its resources brought about by production and consumption patterns. It is the reality that Inter-generational equity is possible only through the equal participation of entire communities.

Women like men have a role in development; consequently, they need social, economic and political stability, which guarantee the protection of their fundamental human rights. Social security makes them capable to engage in productive activities, to improve and utilize their talents, to participate in the management of their societies as intellectuals and policymakers. In this context, the role of women in promoting a just and equitable sustainable improvement is very high. So, if the gendered division of labor does no longer change, women are likely to bear the bulk of this challenge both by means of having to work in paid employment and increased unpaid work in the home, the development continue to be vague. In short, the changes in any one of these dimensions will have an impact upon the other three dimensions. Thus, it necessary to apprehend gender has a strong role in sustainable development. They are the pivot in educating and socializing their youngsters including educating them about care and accountability with regard to the protection of the environment. Taking women's needs, concerns and their knowledge, abilities etc. will ensure a better appreciation of the dynamics of the society, which create and perpetuate gender equality and enable the policy makers, employers, and civil society organizations to form appropriate policies to empowering them. It facilitates their participation in

decision making and a balanced involvement of both men and women at all degrees of implementation will make sure a more just, equitable and sustainable ways of development.

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