

A STUDY OF ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS ABILITY AMONG COLLEGE STUDENTS OF GUNTUR STRICT

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ABSTRACT

We are living in a world where human beings, the most advanced creature, never hesitate to exploit their environment for the benefit of themselves without considering the effect it may have to humanity as a whole; where environmental protection and conservation is imperative. Man has always taken for granted what is a blessing which comes in the form of our physical and biological environment. Due to rapid development in industries, which leads to improvement in lifestyles and speeding up of resource utility, the natural resources have been massively exploited. The need of modern men keeps on increasing while the storehouse of nature is limited. This has led to a major environmental crisis that poses a great threat to humanity in every part of the world. Manufacturing human day-to-day needs has led to pollution of our environment. The irony lies in the fact that while trying to make our lives easy and better, we are plotting our own doom. Awareness about the pollution and protection of environment is crucial so that our resources may be used sparingly and wisely in order to make them last longer. Environmental issues and rectification for those issues have been included in the curriculum of schools and colleges in our country but we are still lagging behind in taking measures to revive the natural world that we live in. The area of environmental education has been discussed thoroughly at several national and international seminars, workshops and conferences. Most of the people have recognized the urgent need of environmental education, but only some have clear idea and understanding about the concept of environmental education that needs to be taught to the students (Gina et.al. 2020).

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