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Climate change and global warming: Critical connection

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Abstract

This article examines the central relationship between global warming and climate change, illuminating the complex relationship and its important consequences. Scientific foundations are examined, with a focus on anthropogenic factors such as greenhouse gas emissions and their significant impact on the Earth's climate. The report highlights immediate atmospheric hazards, changing conditions, sea level rise, and extreme weather, highlighting serious impacts on economies, ecosystems, and public health. It discusses how countries, businesses, governments, and people urgently work together to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and address the growing risks posed by climate change. The findings of this study underscore the critical need for concerted collective action to combat the increasing risks of these interrelated environmental issues.

Keywords: *Global warming, Climate change, Greenhouse gas emissions, Extreme weather, Ecosystems and Collective action*

Introduction

Climate change and global warming are two related environmental phenomena that have become more popular recently. The activities of humankind's effect on the climate have caused widespread damage to the environment, society, and the entire economy. This article is important because it addresses the urgent issues connected to the cause, effect, and scientific backing of global warming.

Global warming and climate change

Climate change is a term used to describe long term variations in Earth's temperature, rainfall, and other parameters of the atmosphere. These include both human induced climate change and natural climate variability. Nonetheless, the phrase "global warming" has been coined by people in order to denote the increased mean surface temperature of the Earth resulting from the action of anthropogenic enhancement of the greenhouse effect, mostly due to the generation of greenhouse gases such as CO2 and CH4.

Climate change and global warming are two terms that are very close because the main connection between growing greenhouse gas amounts and subsequent alterations of Earth's current climate patterns is this one. In general, greenhouse gases warm up the earth by trapping heat from the sun in the atmosphere. Consequently, such warming triggers multiple indicators of climate change, like changing atmospheric conditions, rising sea levels, melting glaciers, and an increased intensity of severe weather.

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One of the consequences of climate change includes rising seacoasts, retreating glaciers, modified precipitation systems, and global warming. According to the IPCC, the global temperature will rise by 0.2 degrees Celsius over a decade's time, with a prediction of 2 degrees Celsius in 2050 compared to the preindustrial era. Recently, natural disasters such as Super Typhoon Haiyan, which was about 370 miles in breadth, affected a population of approximately 11.8 million, causing 920,000 homelessness. These made the truth about climate change clear. Climate change may negate years of development work and jeopardise progress made in reducing poverty. The poor are more susceptible due to their high dependence on the environment and limited measures to handle climatic variability. It can also lead to enhanced sustainability in ecosystems that contribute to livelihoods and adaptation. A low carbon transition can result in a reduced amount of carbon dioxide released into the air; it may also improve personal wellbeing as well as create a new employment opportunity. Immediate measures should be taken in order to avert the deposition of irrevocable greenhouse gases that may lead to global warming and subsequent impacts on the economy and society.

Global warming, scientific foundations

The scientific consensus on climate change and global warming is based on extensive research and empirical data. All temperature records, climate models, and atmospheric CO2 measurements prove with no doubt that it is human induced global warming. The IPCC is the most recognised global body that verifies climate research. For many years, it has been demonstrated time and again that observed alterations in Earth's climate are indeed directly related to manmade activities.

In addition, proxy data from ice cores, tree rings, and sediment layers provide historical context and demonstrate unprecedented rates of temperatures' rise and greenhouse gas' concentrations over the past two millennia. The implications of this scientific data indicate that there is a close relationship between human activities, greenhouse gas emissions, and climate change.

Causes of global warming and climate change

The primary reason behind the phenomenon of climate change and global warming that we are witnessing today has its roots in human activities such as the burning of fossil fuels, deforestation, industrial operations, and certain types of agricultural practices. The burning of coal, oil, and natural gas causes the greenhouse effect, increasing the CO2 emissions in the air. The problem of deforestation is worsened by the fact that it releases carbon stored in the soils and trees into the atmosphere while at the same time diminishing the Earth's ability to absorb CO2 through photosynthesis.

Industrial and agricultural processes also release other equally powerful greenhouse gases, methane and nitrous oxide, which contribute significantly to global warming. Rice paddies,

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livestock farming, and waste management create most of the methane emissions, while land conversion practices and Nfixed fertilisers are responsible for the majority of nitrous oxide emissions. These interrelated human induced causes form a vital chain connecting warming and climate change.

Climate and weather

At any moment and point in space, the condition of the atmospheric surroundings, which we call weather, Weather elements are comprised of humidity, temperature, clouds, and wind, as well as precipitation forms such as rain or snow. There are some places that experience monsoons, tornadoes, and thunder during their seasons. Climate is a term used to refer to a region's long term weather patterns. The weather in greater New York is mildly cold in winter, warm during summer, and rains throughout the year.

Climate and climate change variability

Climatic variability comprises all scales of variation in the current state of the climate at any moment in time or space that go beyond local weather events. The external forcing on the variability of the climate system can be either natural or anthropogenic. Global climate change refers to a shift in the average condition or variability of the weather that persists over several decades or years. These variations incorporate changes to the planet's mean climate with respect to variations in the frequency of heat waves, droughts, floods, storms, and severity in various regions. One should also be reminded of the impact certain weather occurrences can have on climate variability. Artificial forcing of climate through the addition of greenhouse gases, sulphate aerosols, and black carbon into the atmosphere results in climate change. The process is possible naturally due to changes in solar radiation or the alternation of Earth's orbit cycle.

Climate Framework: The climate system is complex and ever-changing. It involves living organisms on the surface of the earth, the atmosphere, ice and snow, seas, landforms, and other natural components. The first one among them is the atmosphere, which determines the nature of the climate. Human enhanced changes in atmospheric composition as well as other natural drivers such as solar radiation and volcanoes may exert some influences on the internal dynamics of climate systems. This is the source of all power in the whole climatic system. Three basic factors may affect the Earth's radiation balance: clouds have three main effects: they affect the amount of solar radiation entering the atmosphere; they change albedo—the amount of solar radiation is returned back to space; and their third effect relates to longwave radiation being returned to space. Hence, the climate responds to these alterations either directly or through several feedback mechanisms.

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The term "global warming" is misleading.

The term global warming, as defined, refers to any shift in the average surface temperature of the globe. People often think that global warming means there are equally higher temperatures throughout the world. Moreover, an increase in the typical globe's temperature will change how air circulates within the globe by heating up some parts more than others. In some places, it may even get cold. However, unfortunately, many people, including the media, still use the expression "global warming" instead of stating properly about the real process of climate change, which greatly deprives it. Therefore, it can be argued that "global warming" is actually a misnomer, as there is more than a warming trend in terms of the actual climate change process.

A General View of International Climate Change Arrangements

The 1988 world conference on changing atmospheres held in Toronto came to the conclusion that humanity is conducting an unprecedented, uncontrollable, and global experiment whose outcome could only be ranked after that of a worldwide nuclear war. In 2005, the conference recommended a 20% cut in CO2 emissions by 2012. The first COP, which was held in Canada, made it clear that developed countries should set legally binding targets for emission reduction. In 1997, a total of approximately 147 nations ratified the Kyoto Protocol, which necessitated a reduction of 38 developed nations' emissions at an average of 5.2 percent lower than they were in 1990 for a period of four years. The UN ratified the Kyoto Protocol in 2005. It is challenging to develop an integrated global solution for this problem because it involves sacrificing economic growth in the name of protecting the environment from dangers like climate change, which is prioritised over economic development. At the Bali United Nations climate change conference held in December 2007, representatives from over 180 countries came up with a Bali road map with the aim of concluding talks on a replacement treaty for the Kyoto Protocol before the end of the year 2009.

Greenhouse Effect

The "greenhouse effect" is a natural self-regulating process that keeps the heat at the surface of the earth in check, and this effect arises due to the properties of some greenhouse gases that retain solar energy in their vicinity. Sunlight also radiates infrared to ensure equilibrium in the environment while heating the planet's surface, seas, and atmosphere. The energy emanates at different angles, backwards or upwards, and is absorbed by clouds and greenhouse gases in the lower atmosphere. This process keeps happening inside the atmosphere until it reaches back into space. Although a great share of that energy was sunken back downwards, surface temperatures increased much more than they would had there not been greenhouse gases because, in the absence of such gases, none of the energy generated upwards would be trapped and recycled back towards the earth's surface. In the absence of greenhouse gases, Earth's global mean temperature will fall by about 33 degrees Celsius and drop to 19 degrees Celsius. Greenhouse

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gas concentrations have remained within acceptable limits during the last ten thousand years. However, since the beginning of the industrial revolution, concentrations have started rising due to population growth, land use practices, changes in land cover, and other human activities.

Greenhouse Gases

The following are the sources of greenhouse gases: Among these gases, water vapour is the most common, followed by others like methane and oxygen oxides, among many more. Some of them are caused by human causes, and some occur naturally.The major greenhouse gas released through human activities is CO2, mainly as a result of the burning of fossil fuels. This is the main agent for a changing climate. Methane gas is produced when a plant burns, breaks down, or rots in a place devoid of oxygen. Rice fields, garbage dumps, grazing cows, and other animals release methane in enormous volumes. Nitrous oxide occurs naturally in the atmosphere; however, it is being enhanced by people's activities.

Nitrous oxide is emitted by fertilisers with chemicals. Nitrous oxide gas is produced during agricultural practices that involve the employment of chemical fertilisers and manure. Another class of halocarbons is comprised of the CFC family, which depletes the ozone layer, and other synthesised compounds consisting of halogens (in particular fluorine and chlorine).

"Greenhouse Gases: Minimal Emission, Great Effect"

Greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere can absorb and hold heat very readily with just a few modifications to the atmosphere. YityEngine: Input: The development of an employee assistance programme will assist in the improvement of job performance at both management and senior levels. The dry atmosphere consists of 99 percent nitrogen and oxygen, which are transparent to electromagnetic radiation such as infrared and light. Nevertheless, less than one percent of the atmospheric composition consists of these gases that constitute the earth's intrinsic greenhouse effect. This small amount raises the average surface temperature of the Earth by almost 33 degrees Celsius. Human emissions will increase the concentration of CO2 in the atmosphere to about 0.05–0.06% or more over the next century; therefore, it will probably increase to about 0.09% by the year 2100.

Natural variations in global climatic changes

Changes in solar intensity also contributed to temperature changes that created glacial interglacial fluctuations over time. Among such long amplitude cycles, there are four glacial interglacial swings of about 5–6°C. For the past ten thousand years, the Earth has existed within the glacial phase, or warm interglacial period. Others, such as the 11-year sunspot cycle, are more brief. Examples of natural causes of climatic change include large-scale volcanic eruptions and shifts in ocean currents. Nevertheless, the balance in the atmospheric conditions with respect

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to stable temperatures and heat trapping greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere has been maintained over thousands of years.

Nowadays, humanlike activities such as the burning of fossil fuels in their increased number enhance the greenhouse effect, warming the earth. This human induced enhanced greenhouse effect can be dangerous, as it can lead to unprecedented warming of the planet in less time than humankind has existed on Earth.

The implications of climate change on the global economy

There are much more aspects in terms of evaluating the consequences of climatic changes; however, they are out of scope for this discussion, and only environmental and economic outcomes will be discussed.

Consequences of Nature: indicators of climate change include global warming, thawing polar caps, rising seas, degradation of forests, and wetter winters in Europe. Due to global warming, Mount Kilimanjaro (in Tanzania) experiences less snow, and there is a chance Mount Kilimanjaro (in Tanzania) won't be covered with snow again after the next 50 years. These days, natural disasters such as floods, tsunamis, and severe droughts occur much more frequently compared to historical data. Atmospheric processes and reported greenhouse gas emissions willcontribute to a temperature increase of between 1.1 and 6.4 degrees centigrade by the year 2100, according to the IPCC projections. Different regions of the planet will experience different amounts of precipitation. Sea level will rise by 18–59 cm due to the expansion of warmer water as well as the melting of glaciers and polar ice sheets. However, it takes more time to melt the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets, while various parts of the world will experience even greater impacts from sea level rise. The warming is expected to be minimal in northwest Europe, as the Gulf stream that carries warm waters from the Caribbean to Europe may be weak.
Financial crisis

Even a slight increase in average annual temperature can have a significant impact on biodiversity and the environment in a region, as climate change has significant economic and ecological impacts. Human health and ecological stability depend on biodiversity. Droughts and floods caused by climate change are thought to cost the world economy anywhere from 5% to 20% of total revenue. Although the IPCC has not provided any hard cost estimates, global income and earnings may slow slightly through 2030 to prevent further changes. Achieving the United Nations Millennium Development Goals—including ending extreme poverty and hunger, improving universal basic education, improving gender equality, reducing child mortality, improving maternal health, combating diseases such as HIV/AIDS and malaria, promoting environmental sustainability, and developing international partnerships—excess water In air exchange prevention in the Depending, The SDGs are linked to the climate agenda because malaria is spreading around the world, and severe droughts could exacerbate poverty and hunger.

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Many impacts of climate change on biodiversity will be environmental; the encounter was unsuccessful and not much. Thus, the SDGs cannot be achieved without stopping climate change.

Ecological impacts of global warming and climate change:

Changing conditions: Changes in temperature and rainfall patterns affect the balance of species, habitats, and environments, forcing organisms to adapt or migrate; e.g., some species find it difficult to adapt and evolve sufficiently rapidly, potentially leading to predator-prey interaction imbalances or resource competition.

Increased risk of extinction: Many bird species are under severe stress due to habitat loss and environmental change. Because of their vulnerability to environmental change and lack of genetic diversity, isolated subpopulations are likely to disappear.

Modified phenology: Regular natural events such as flowering, migration, and hibernation are disrupted. For example, the survival rate of some species may affect the discrepancy between emergence and food availability.

Ocean Acidification: As the ocean absorbs more CO2, it becomes more acidic, limiting the ability of marine organisms, including corals, molluscs, and some plankton, to build and regulate their calcium-carbonate-based metabolism. This can upset marine ecosystems and all food websites.

Sea level rise: The sustainability of agriculture and human settlements is challenged by coastal erosion, flooding, saltwater vulnerability to freshwater, a direct negative impact on livelihoods, human dredging, and disruption of infrastructure, all leading to economic losses.

Extreme Weather: Storms, droughts, floods, and frequent extreme heat events cause infrastructure disruption. Poverty and inequality are exacerbated by food and water scarcity, displacement, and the destruction of household infrastructure.

Health Effects: Higher temperatures increase the risk of heat-related problems such as heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Furthermore, changes in climate can lead to the geographic spread of diseases transmitted by mosquitoes and ticks, thereby affecting human health. Environmental stressors can cause psychological trouble and exacerbate mental illness.

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Infrastructure Damage: Severe weather disasters damage critical infrastructure, such as infrastructure, bridges, and roads, requiring costly repairs and impeding economic expansion. Rebuilding provision is essential to combating future risks associated with climate change.

Insurance and financial risk: As weather-related risks become more frequent and severe, insurance policies are put under pressure, increasing costs and limiting coverage. This financial burden falls on companies, governments, and individuals affected by such disasters.

Potential health impacts of climate change

The effects of global climate change on human health can take many forms, vary in intensity, magnitude and direction, and manifest themselves in different seasons Like this, impacts will vary across localities a depending on local demographic sensitivity, environmental factors and geographical conditions. There were both positive and negative influences (but professional and scientific research shows that negative influences are numerous). This is not surprising, as natural processes essential to Earth's life support system will be disrupted or otherwise altered by climate change Human activity alters Earth's climate, affecting life as we know it.

Climate change affects health directly due to extreme climate change, increased extreme weather, air pollution and air allergens while indirect effects may be more important, e.g due to the spread of infectious diseases and local food production. Physiological and biological variables influence the location and size of interstitial hosts and vectors. Climate budgets are also affected by global warming, which can have adverse health effects such as the spread of skin cancer, eye diseases, immune suppression and stratospheric cooling

Mitigation and adaptation strategies

Mitigation strategies:

1. Switch to renewable energy: Encourage the use of renewable energy sources such as hydropower, solar and wind energy to reduce reliance on fossil fuels and reduce greenhouse gas emissions is heat dumped on it.
2. Energy efficiency: Implement energy-efficient technologies and practices in buildings, transportation and infrastructure to reduce overall energy consumption and carbon footprint.
3. Reforestation and Afforestation: Invest in tree planting and reforestation to absorb CO2 from the atmosphere and improve the carbon sink.
4. Climate-friendly agriculture: Encourage environmentally friendly agriculture that improves soil health, sequesters carbon and reduces deforestation, such as agroforestry and crop diversification.

Methods of modification:

1. Climate resilience: Design and build structures that can withstand extreme weather, sea level rise and temperature changes. This includes stronger flood barriers, better drainage and more sustainable building materials.
2. Water conservation and management: Water conservation techniques, improved irrigation systems and establishment of reservoirs are used to address changing rainfall and water scarcity.

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3. Natural Resource Management: Conservation of ecosystems that act as ecological barriers against erosion, storms and sea level rise, such as mangroves, coral reefs and wetlands and maintained
4. Early Warning Systems: Develop and improve early warning systems for severe weather to minimize impacts on local communities. This allows for better preparation and evacuation.

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Community engagement and education: engaging communities in developing adaptation strategies and knowledge about climate problems. Encourage community initiatives that promote resilience and sustainable practices. To effectively meet the challenges faced by climate change, plans to reduce greenhouse gas emissions must incorporate adaptation strategies that provide greater resilience to climate impacts on the snow. Increased energy consumption led to a 70% increase in global greenhouse gas emissions between 1970 and 2004. Half of these emissions come from developed countries, but market-developing countries such as China and Latin America will expand if nothing is done. Between 2000 and 2030, global CO2 emissions are expected to increase between 45% and 110%. Governments and environmental organisations are implementing mitigation policies, including the EU Carbon Emissions Trading Plan and the Kyoto Protocol, to reduce emissions. Known energy consumption at daily activities and that any consumption contributes to climate change is another way for young people to take action.

Solutions for optimization: Societies use change as a way to cope with uncertain futures, such as climate change. This includes taking necessary steps to minimise negative consequences or take advantage of beneficial ones, such as sea level rise, floods, and warm summers. Instead of exhausting the atmosphere under situational issues, adaptive solutions force us to embrace change by building innovations, such as improved dams and better sewage management. We need to adjust to the new situation and start thinking about our future security. Rising sea levels, flooding, and unpalatable water rising sea levels increase the risk of flooding in the Netherlands. Raising dams and strengthening coastal areas are two strategies, although doing so can enhance the impact of a defensive wall failure. Impact mitigation and risk reduction are another adaptive way of learning to live with flooding. Policies implemented by local governments, such as prohibiting low-rise construction or requiring structural design, can help limit impacts.

Desertification and drought: The 1994 United Nations programme to prevent desertification prioritised sustainable development and local solutions. International, national, and regional organisations need to work together on this issue. In an effort to curb desertification, the Coalition Against Desertification (CCD) was established in 1994. Environmentalists contend that there is not enough political will to turn around the trend. China aims to restore 250,000 square kilometres of desert by 2020 by growing trees using renewable energy.

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Conclusion

Comprehensive research into the complex relationship between climate change and global warming highlights the urgent need for everyone to take action to address these pressing environmental issues. This study sheds light on the immediate and far-reaching climate threats that affect many parts of our planet, highlighting human-caused impacts and their profound impact on Earth's climate. The effects placed tremendous pressure on public health, the ecosystem, and the economy. From rising sea levels and extreme weather to environmental change, there is clearly a need for immediate, collective action, and it requires countries, businesses, governments, and people to put a team together to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This study highlights the importance of swift, coordinated action not only as a responsible environmental protection measure but as an important first step towards preserving our planet for sustainability. Working together to develop mitigation strategies and adaptations is essential to reducing risks and combating these interconnected environments. In summary, this study is a strong call for coordinated, proactive measures to combat the growing threats posed by climate change and global warming. In order to prosecute cases and build a sustainable future, we must collectively take responsibility for each other's actions.

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