



Assessment of Level of Environmental Consciousness in Delta State, Nigeria

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Abstract: This study assessed the level of environmental consciousness among people living in the Delta State of Nigeria. The study found that the level of environmental consciousness among the people was poor. It observed a gap between policy and practice on matters relating to environmental protection. Those who had the environmental knowledge are those in the upper echelon of the society, while those who carried out bulk of the environmental pollution activities through waste disposal and handling are those in the lower class of society and they lacked the knowledge of environmental protection. A holistic and integrated system approach involving the State's Ministries of Education, Information and Public Orientation, Environment and Sanitation, Youth and Development has been proffered as a panacea for addressing the problem. The recommendation is aimed at promoting responsible environmental behaviour amongst the citizenry and sustainable development in the State.

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