
Geopolitical Analysis of Environmental Security and Sustainable Development in Gilan Province

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All countries in the world are faced with environmental challenges. This issue arises in various ways in different regions and countries. Despite numerous biological zones in the province of Gilan, there are many environmental security problems in it, due to the formation of biological hazards (such as reducing and contaminating water resources, instability in agricultural sectors - forests, fisheries and industry, human threats, climate change, etc.). In this regard, the present study aims at analyzing the geopolitical aspects of environmental security and sustainable development in Gilan province to investigate environmental hazards given the indicators of sustainable development and their prioritization. Accordingly, this study seeks to answer the following main research question: "To what extent does global climate change and the development approach that ignores the environmental indicators of sustainable development have an impact on the expansion of the environmental crisis in Gilan province? ". It is a descriptive-analytical study and also documentary and libraries methods are used. The appropriate criteria and indicators were ed by examining statistics and documents as well as findings of the previous studies. Furthermore, the effective indicators on the environment of Gilan province were identified and environmental hazards were prioritized using risk-based indicators and a multi-criteria decision-making approach. The results represented that the lack of attention to environmental indicators of sustainable development in the Gilan province during the last few decades has endangered the environmental security in the province. The results also demonstrated that climate change caused by human activities including the environmental factors affecting sustainable development in the province.

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