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UNDERSTANDING CULTURAL RESILIENCE FOR CLIMATE RESILIENT DEVELOPMENT

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ABSTRACT

In the context of climate change and to reach the SDGs, eco-anthropology is getting more and more attention to understand cultural resilience, adaptation, and maintaining social equilibrium with nature. Cultural resilience is the ability of a community's cultural identity, beliefs, and traditional knowledge to deal with, withstand, and get through a disaster, especially the degrading natural resources and climate change. We need to look at how social, economic, religious, and political institutions are linked and how they affect cultural practices and guide what people do in their communities. Culture is a dynamic process, so it is important to understand the socio-ecological processes and see how communities use and protect natural resources, survive, adapt to each other, and change over time, whether because of outside forces or internal factors in the ecosystem and the country. The question is-How the eco-anthropological approaches can enhance cultural resilience, and the adaptive capacity of the community to reduce and overcome the vulnerability to the impact of degrading natural resources and climate change for policy input?

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