

Sustainable Development and the Concept of Domination of Adorno - A Philosophical Analysis

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In contemporary world, the word, Sustainable development gains currency in the world of intellectuals. The Sustainable development consists of four dimensions: economic, environmental, social and cultural. It is self-evident truth that there is a negative correlation between the sustainable development and domination. Three kinds of domination are narrated by Adorno: domination of nature, domination within human beings and domination of some human beings by others. The attitude of the domination severely affects sustainable development of a country or the world. T.W.Adorno, a great thinker of Frankfurt Institute of Social Research, Germany has contributed much to this concept and its functions in the contemporary society. In this attempt, he explores the role of myths and science throughout human history and he considers that the domination is an inherent attitude of human beings. Adorno shows many evidences from Greek and Jewish mythologies to prove the earlier existence of domination in human beings. Adorno clearly explains the forms of domination from enlightenment period to contemporary age. He tries to convince us that science is the embodiment of domination and exploitation. His analysis of the concept sheds lights on process of alienation and reification of human beings. Besides, his analysis reveals the psychological features of science. This research paper also proposes the solutions to the sustainable development by alternative psychological techniques to reduce the attitude of the domination from the Indian Philosophical Systems.

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