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ABSTRACT:

This paper examines and analysis the effects that the extension of the Sahara Desert that has a greater portion in Cameroon, is doing to the climatic conditions of the areas in and around it and also the effects on the surrounding population. It focuses its attention on the strategies that both non governmental organizations and the local populations are doing to make sure that the calamities caused by the desert are being arrested. The paper equally takes a look at the intervention strategies that the government of Cameroon, and that of the republic of Chad are adopting to combat this situation.

The paper presents in detail also the effect that continuous aridity and the destruction of the forest has caused the population of the Cameroon. The present shortage of electricity all over Cameroon, from time to time, is synthesized in this report with the reason that dryness has brought about low volumes of water, the disappearance of so many rivers, and the absence of trees that could produce underground water.

The argument in the paper points out with the conclusion that serious intervention initiatives, through collective actions in the green sector, much nearer the desert will help to stop the desert from extending south wards. A lot of trees are import to be planted in desert areas and if this is done day in day out it will be one of the major solutions to combat deserrtification as community based education in this area will be an added asset.

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