

In the past, many people lost their homes and jobs because of the dams that the government of China and Cambodia has built. People in that area have to call out for human rights because of government neglect and that reason is the change in the lives of that group of people. This essay will tell you about the cause of the dams, how people in that area live with the change in their life, and how this issue relates to the economy and environment.

Firstly, the Mekong river is an area with a lot of species of fish, and it was the fishery for people around that area, but after that the government was cutting off the rivers to make a dam, so it briefly caused the effect for people living in that area. By the way, around 4500-5000 people live in that area, and their food and income mostly come from fishing or farming. When the government built a dam the fish in the Mekong village died and their main source of fish, protein, disappeared when they had to exchange fish with necessities, nets and household goods. This situation has to stop too. The main problem is that the soil is rocky, so they cannot get rice or vegetables anymore. Therefore, everything that was profitable for people around that was gone. In the past, they could get 40 kilos of fish per day, but nowadays they can get only 2 kilos per day, and if they want more fish they have to go to another place that is far away to get fish.

For the economy and environment, the government says that they will give around 6,000 dollars to move to another place, but they did not do it properly, and people do not agree to move to another place because their ancestors had lived in for generations, fields, graves, and religious shrines. For the interview, there was testing the quality of water, and it seems that the water has been contaminated, so this is a problem to the environment in that area because we have to use water in that river but it is not as good as possible. Lastly, this issue has been exposed, so the government has to renegotiate this problem again. In addition, the Huaneng group will ensure that this problem has been solved already. The government has fixed this problem by using policy and exploring alternative energy sources.

In conclusion, the process of building a dam has had an effect to the people who lived around that area, and it is followed by a big problem about human rights, so most people have to move around to live like going fishing in another area because building a dam has killed a lot of fish and animals in the river. In my opinion, if the government can solve this problem and give that group of people more facilities, the problem can be fixed and people's life will return to normal.