

REDD Solution or problem for climate crisis

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What are the main causes of climate change?

- Carbon emissions from burning fossil fuels (oil, gas and coal)
80-90% of the problem
- Deforestation
7-10% of the problem

Why did REDD (reduced emissions from deforestation and forest degradation) come up in the Climate Change Convention?

- As a means of diverting attention from the main issue that governments should have been addressing since 1992

Cut fossil fuel emissions!!

Will REDD help in reducing carbon emissions?

- Impossible
- The gases produced by burning of fossil fuels cannot be absorbed by trees because there are two different sources of carbon: underground and biospheric

Will REDD help reducing carbon emissions at all?

- No
- And emissions be probably increase as companies and governments will be allowed to trade carbon emissions

Will REDD cause additional problems to communities?

These are only some of the possible impacts:

- Expropriate Indigenous Peoples' Forests, Lands and Territories
- Violate Human Rights and Indigenous Peoples' Rights

- Cause Conflict, Forced Relocation and Displacement
- Privatize Forests
- Privilege “Carbon Rights ” over Human Rights
- Increase Poverty

- Repeat the Mistakes of the Clean Development Mechanism
- Increase World Bank Climate Profiteering
- Be impossible to verify because of Leakage and Non-Permanence

Are there alternatives?

- YES
- Ban deforestation
- Stop mining, dams and oil prospection
- Stop promoting agrofuels and monoculture tree plantations
- Stop promoting over consumption
- Stop using fossil fuels
- Develop true renewable energy

Is it possible?

- YES
- We have to be convinced and coordinate efforts to push governments to do what needs to be done for the future of humanity