

## **THE SOCIO-ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS CAUSE BY THE POWER GAME OF CAPITALISTS IN THE COASTAL REGIONS OF CEARA, BRAZIL**

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The coastal region of Ceara State northeast of Brazil depicts a critical stage in which natural setting is seriously damaged as evidenced by the areas that project to the sea in various places like Mucuripe, Pecem, Aguda, Jericoacoara etc and by the small reentrances corresponding to the estuaries of the rivers Jaguaribe, Acaraú, Coreau and Choro. These regions are characterized by the following geoenvironmental units: Plateau surface, eolic covers, plain surface and areas of alluvium and estuaries. The power game of capitalists enhanced by the public policies adopted and by the encouragement of officials for the increased and industrial fishing activities and along with the speculative activities of building tycoons caused very heavy damage to these regions. In this context no serious attention is given to the geologic and geomorphologic conditions. These, in turn, caused impacts of socio-environmental aspects. The areas of conservation and preservations which are national property have been occupied in the urban areas. Serious consequences have been felt in the basic sanitary conditions and complete neglect of local culture. Short-sighted and ambitious projects lead to concentrations of income and land and elimination of rudimentary fishing practices. As a consequence only rich and lucrative fishing is encouraged which marginalize local population. To minimize the impacts and preserve the present state one has to bear in mind the rearranging the local communities, so that, only they can recognize and define the proper relation of dependence and interdependence with the new projects that come into force. In addition, the geological peculiarities and the cultural background in the coastal region of Ceara have to be given top priority.