

Sustainability of Projects

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Introduction

Constitution (Section 24):

- An environmental right
- Everyone has the right -
 - to an environment that is not harmful to health or well-being; and
 - to have the environment protected, for the benefit of present and future generations, through reasonable legislative and other measures (EPWP Projects) that-
 - (i) prevent pollution and ecological degradation;
 - (ii) promote conservation; and
 - (iii) secure ecologically sustainable development and use of natural resources while promoting justifiable economic and social development.



Unsustainable Donga Rehabilitation Project















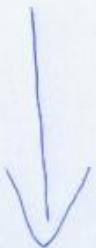
Unsustainable Alien Plant Clearing Project







where we
are



Comfort
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where we
need to be.



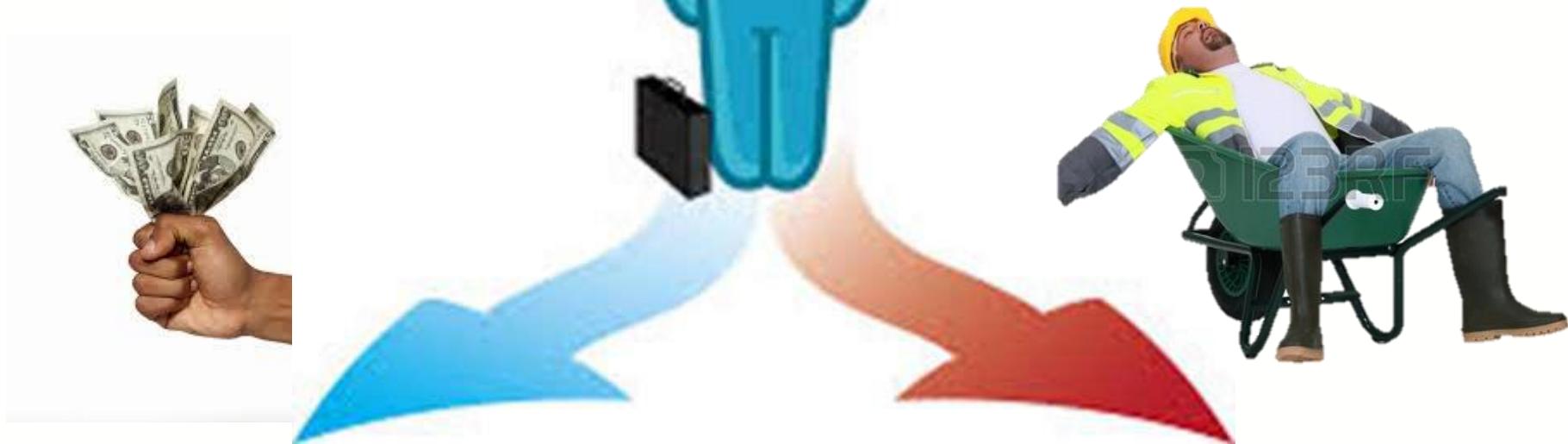
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Issue of Ethics

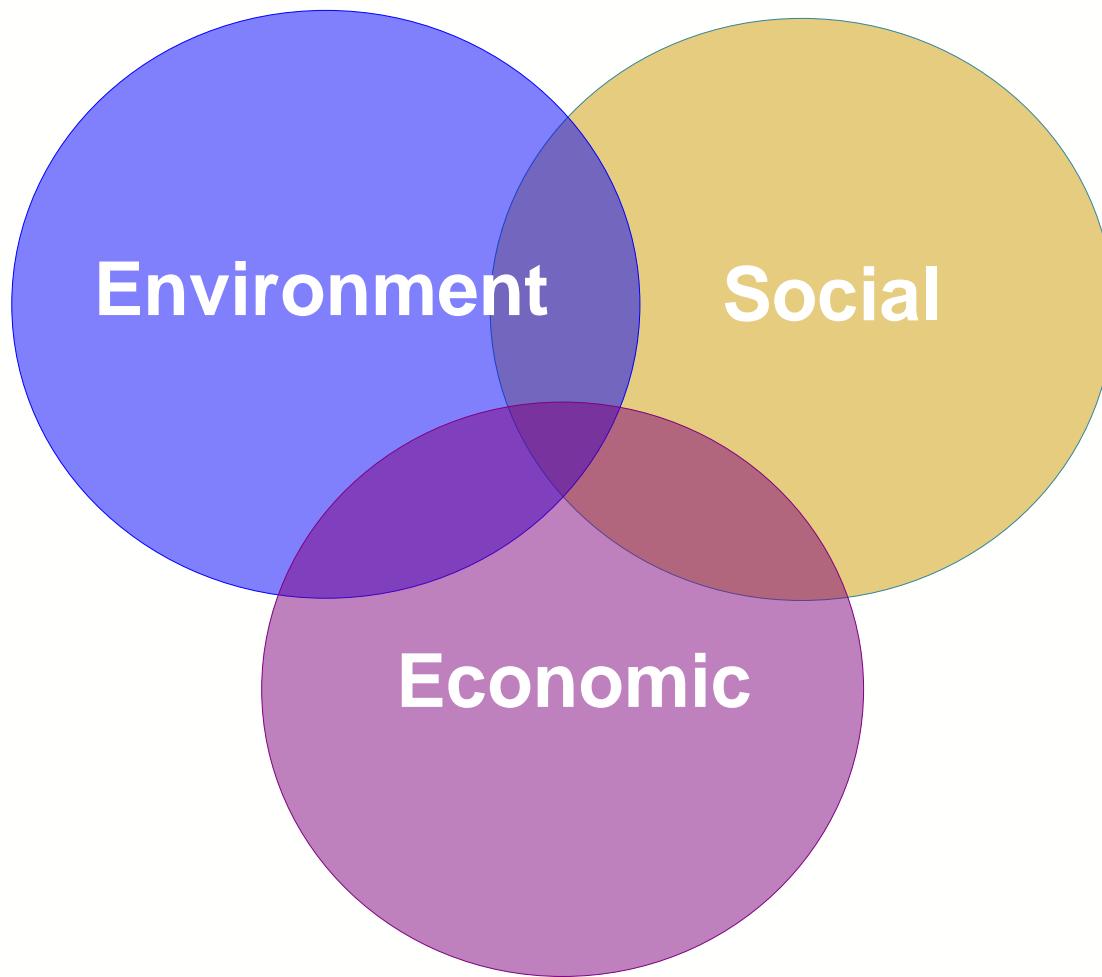


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Factors that influence Sustainability



Shifting One's Mind

- Take **social, ecological and economic aspects** into account- These aspects influence sustainability
- Projects must be sustainable and viable
- Projects must be approached holistically (look bigger picture)
- Link and align projects to strategic plans and frameworks i.e. ECBCP, Alfred Nzo EMF, Alfred Nzo Climate Change Strategy Plan

Shifting One's Mind

- Employment of competent people (CV's)
- Put aside political agendas and self gain objectives
- Improved synergy and partnerships between Gov and NGOs
- Develop clear objectives, deliverables and ways to measure project success
- Implement and budget for maintenance and project follow-up

Holistic Approach



Example of Sustainable Project



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Take Home Message

- Apply your mind and don't be scared to try new things
- Adapt to the times (research)
- Think out of the box and don't only rely on orthodox methods (traditional methods always done the same way)
- Instil, develop and nurture a love and passion for the environmental and its constituents



Be the change
you want
to see
in the world

-Mahatma Gandhi

THANK YOU