

ABSTRACT

The research aims to analyse the impact of iron sand mining activity in Cikalong Sub-district, Tasikmalaya Regency, West Java and to describe how the society and the government overcome those impacts. There's several impacts of iron sand mining activity, both of negative impact and positive impact. First, social impact that will affect the social life of the societies around the iron sand mining area. Such as how the societies life before and after the existence of iron sand mining, whether change or not. Second, economic impact which is will improving the economy of the societies, especially those who working as a miner. Another economic impact is decreasing of the number of unemployment of the societies. Third, environmental impact that will caused some damage to the environment around iron sand mining. There are several categories of environmental impacts, such as impacts on the mainland, impact on the water and impact on the air. Iron sand mining must be balanced with the good maintenance of an environment from the surrounding community or from the government itself. if the natural environment is damaged there will be an imbalance that threatens human life, such as natural disaster. Moreover, in the natural environment there are many non-renewable natural resources, if its didn't maintained well, the sustainability of future generations will suffer the extinction.

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