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**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSIGNMENT** 

TYPES OF ENVIRONMENT AND THEIR EXAMPLES.

## Physical environment:

The physical environment can be described as anything we can physically experience through our senses—touch, smell, sight, hearing, and/or taste. The physical environment includes both the natural environment and the human-made environment. The physical environment refers to all abiotic factors or conditions.

Examples include; temperature, light, rainfall, soil, minerals water, air, soil, housing, wastes, radiation, climate, etc

## Biological environment:

The biotic environment consists of plants (flora) and animals (fauna) including human beings as a significant factor. It is the natural biological factors (such as wild animals and plants or bacteria) that affect human life (as in a particular place or period)

Examples include; bacteria, fungi, viruses, insects, rodents, and animals

## Social environment:

This refers to the immediate setting in which people live or in which something happens or develops. It includes the culture in which an individual was educated or lives in and the people or institutions which whom they interact with. This type of environment includes the varied aspects of socio-cultural interactions along with its outcomes such as beliefs, attitudes, stereotypes, etc. The tangible and intangible aspects of the environment are included in it.

Examples include; customs, culture & beliefs, habits, income, occupation, religious practices