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CHE 584: ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION AND CONTROL

ASSIGNMENT

1. List and explain 5 major organs of the UN that is concerned with environmental control.
2. United Nations Development Programme: this organ caters for the development of countries in the world. It looks at the changes happening in a country. Its main purpose is to eradicate poverty and build resilence so that a country can sustain development.
3. United Nations Environmental Programme: this organ caters for the environment. Its main purpose is to promote wise use and sustainable development of the environment.
4. United Nations Human settlement programme: the purpose to promote a social and environmentally sustainable human settlement and achieve adequate shelter for all.
5. Food and Agricultural Organization: main purpose is to improve the agricultural and food supply of countries. Increase in agriculatural practices aids the environment
6. Internation Fund for Agricultural Development: it was established to focus exclusively on poverty reduction, working with rural populations in developing countries to eliminate poverty, hunger and raise their productivity and improves the quality of lifes.

The Commision on Sustainable Development (CSD) is a subsidiary of ECOSOC with primary responsibility for environmental questions.

* The General Assembly, in its resolution [47/191](http://undocs.org/en/a/res/47/191) of 22 December 1992, requested the Economic and Social Council to establish a high-level Commission on Sustainable Development to ensure effective follow-up to the Conference on Environment and Development (1992).
* While General Assembly resolution 47/191 contains its mandate, the Commission was established by Economic and Social Council decision 1993/207 of 12 February 1993 (p. 94 of [E/1993/93](http://undocs.org/en/E/1993/93)).
* The Commission was superseded by the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, in accordance with General Assembly resolution [67/203](http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/res/67/203). The 20th and last session was held in 2013.
* The Commission met annually and reported to the Economic and Social Council.
* The Commission often served as the preparatory body for major conferences on environmental issues.
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