The effects of petroleum exploitation and development on the physical environment - (The Malaysian scene)

MOHAMAD ALI B. HAJI HASAN, Dept. of Geology, University of Malaya

Over the last decade or so, development and exploitation of petroleum resources in the ASEAN countries have been very encouraging. The contribution and consequences of petroleum industries to the growth of these developing countries have been reckoned with and are far reaching.

Management efforts have generally been carried out systematically. However, there are still some areas that need looking into, such as negative effects on the environment.

This short presentation therefore aims at identifying some of these effects, within the context of Peninsular Malaysia, how they have come into being and suggestions on how to overcome or minimise further detrimental influences.