

## **Ethics and Classic Development**

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The International Money Bank granted \$ 1,000,000,000 to the government in Costa Linda to construct ten dams. The dams would provide water for crops, control floods in some parts of Costa Linda, and supply drinking water to numerous towns and cities. Seven dams were to be constructed in natural areas of high ecological value occupied by native groups who challenged the government of Costa Linda.

The native groups, who oppose the construction of the dams, represent a minority compared to the multiple towns and cities which would benefit from the dams. Nevertheless, it should be taken under consideration that the natives consider the forests as theirs. Also, their peculiar life style and culture is intimately related to the existence of those natural areas. It has been noted that the forests also have a very high ecological value. If this project is done, all the land would be flooded and all the natives would have to be relocated. The International Money Bank knows this information and grants the loan.

Make an utilitarian analysis and a deontological analysis about this decision from the government in Costa Linda and the International Money Bank. Compare the results and make a decision if the proposed action is fair or not from the ethical point of view.