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Progress and Challenges in Realizing SDG-6 in Developing Countries

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The United Nations' Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6) emphasizes "Clean Water and Sanitation for All" as a fundamental human right and a cornerstone for sustainable development. Despite significant progress, global efforts to achieve SDG 6 targets by 2030 remain uneven. For example, the proportion of untreated wastewater discharged into the environment remains a critical issue. Such pollution not only degrades ecosystems but also threatens biodiversity. Achieving SDG 6 requires a comprehensive, inclusive approach that combines technological, social, and governance strategies to improve water management, particularly in developing countries. The aim of this Special Issue is to provide a platform for scholarly dialogue and innovation around the achievement of SDG 6 in developing countries. By focusing on innovative solutions, policy implementations, community engagement, and technological advancements, this Special Issue seeks to highlight and disseminate research that not only showcases successes but also critically addresses the persistent challenges faced by developing nations in the sustainable management of water resources.

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