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Peace and Ecology: Alternative Perspectives

The deep crises of the world make it obvious that capitalism is entering a new phase in reaction to the mounting resistances as effects of its relentless expansion. Not only is nature being excessively exploited beyond its power of recuperation in the name of trade and development, aggravated by capitalism's addiction to oil, but life itself, rather than simply labour, has become the object of exploitation. This paper attempts to examine the inter-connections between the various facets of the crises threatening humanity, and interpret and theorize experiences in reducing dependence on the state, big business, capital, and institutions of power, as well as in nurturing alternative cultural values and logic for the actualization of networks of relations and spaces of everyday life in and through which subjectivities for sustaining a peaceful mode of relating to nature and to one another can flourish.