

## **The Impacts of Global Climate Change in Africa: the Lake Chad and its associated activities**

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### **Abstract**

The “Lake Chad” is one of the world, largest and most historical Lake located in the Sahel region of Africa (lat. 12:30 N to 14:30 N and long. 13:00E to 15:30 E ) which is one of the most vulnerable regions to climate change bordering North-Eastern Nigeria, North-Western Cameroon, South-Eastern Niger and South Western Chad republics. The lake was 25,000 km square in the 1940s as indicated by the historians and some geo- archaeological and historical evidences, the recent of which was the accidental discovery of an ancient Canoe dating back to over three thousand years (3000) located in about Six hundred kilometers (600) away from the present day bank of the Lake in the Nigerian Territory, in the year 1992 by a peasant farmer from the Kanuri inhabited desert areas of Damaturu-Nigeria, while digging a well in quest of water for his domestic activities as reported by Abubakar, B. (IJNA 37.2,2008), but due to the continues incessant impacts of climate change in Africa which resulted in the incessant drying of rivers especially those feeder rivers supplying over 90 % of the Lake water like the River Shari in the republic of Cameroon and the river Yobe in Nigeria has resulted those community living along the courses or banks of the feeder rivers to be blocking the rivers from supplying the water in to the Lake while trying to adapt to this climate change.