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From the above articles, it is clear that climate change causes harmful effects on human health. Human activity is the major cause of climate change globally. The articles describe that human activities contribute to global warming. Global warming causes the greenhouse effect in the world. The greenhouse effects facilitate an increase in warmth in the world. An increase in warmth in the world poses various health hazards to the human body. Their greenhouse effect brings about an effect that facilitates the penetration of harmful rays from the sun. The increase in hot rays from the sun facilitates an increase in the overall temperatures in the world, the key factor contributing to ¹ the greenhouse effect and global warming is the emission of poisonous gases into the environment. Emission of the poisonous gases increases the chances of global warming. The articles show that an increase in overall temperatures may cause health issues to children.

The surprising thing about this article is that it states that one of the health problems caused by ¹ climate change is an increase in the chances of diarrhoea. The increase in global temperature provides a conducive environment where the Vibrio, which is the living organism that causes diarrhoea to replicate (Watts et al., 2019). An increase in the temperatures in water facilitated the breeding of the microorganism that causes diarrhoea. The statistics show an increase in the changes in diarrhoea compared to the past few years. Additionally, an increase in warmth due to climate change increases the breeding grounds for the mosquitos, increasing the chances of contamination of mosquito-borne diseases.

The article by Seth Borenstein indicates only the negative effects of climate change. I think it should have included some positive ² impacts of climate change on the general environment.

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