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The passage discusses some problems associated with decline of frog species around the globe due to environmental changes. The author states that some problems have arisen regarding this extinction and gives some solutions as well. The lecturer, on the other hand, disagrees with the solutions offered and finds them impractical.

The first problem mentioned by reading passage is pesticides uses by farmers. For example using pesticides in crops and sugarcane farms that harm frogs which causes severe breathing problems, so it should be banned widely. However the professor refutes them all. She states that this solution is not fair and economical practical, since farmers rely on pesticides to stay in competitive market. Hence if they do not follow the strict regulation they lose the cribs and yield nothing.

the reading highlights that another major problem is fungus that effect on frogs severely. Fungus effect skin and make it thick and dehydrated and finally frog die of infection but applying large scale of antifungal medicines will lessen this problem. However the speaker declines them all. She underlines the fact that treatment should apply for each individual frogs. But the problem is that this disease passes to offspring also next generations need to treat by the medicine as well. It is not only impractical but also extremely expensive.

The final problem asserted by writer is about frogs’ habitat which is threatened by human activities. Their habitat such as lakes and marshes should be protected carefully. But the lecturer finds this idea implausible and presents that the pivotal threat is global warming which distribute to all extinctions during recent decade. Therefore prohibiting human to use water unlikely help and change the situation.

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