

African Rural Development: Policy And Practice In Six Countries

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The livelihood challenges of resettled communities of the Bui dam project in Ghana and the role of Chinese dam-builders

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Abstract

Emerging issues from the Bui hydropower project suggest that the experiences of two earlier hydropower projects in Ghana failed to prevent challenges related to resource access and livelihoods. This article examines the nature of the challenges, their causes, why they were not avoided and the role of the Chinese builders. We conducted 43 interviews and 11 focus group discussions and analyzed qualitative data by themes using narrative analysis. Our findings show that the livelihoods of the resettled communities are, on balance, negatively impacted by the construction of the dam. While Chinese dam-builders played a major role in financing and enabling the dam's construction, the Ghanaian governance arrangements were found to be more important in addressing the livelihood challenges.

KEYWORDS

Bui, China, Ghana, large dams, resettlement

1 | INTRODUCTION

Large dam projects have been built in many countries and a renewed interest in dam-building has been observed in many developing countries in the last few years. The twentieth century saw rapid increase

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Recent Approaches for Financing Rural Development in Africa. .. development as a strategy to improve the economic and social life of people in the rural areas, .. To be successful the sector program should have six clear components: . practice, given the number of donors operating in developing countries. The creation of a sustainable agricultural development path can help to stimulate inclusive economic growth in developing countries. well as implementing good practices for animal production in view of enhanced competitiveness; Coordination on African agriculture with other donors takes place in the framework of the. Integrating rural development strategies into Poverty Reduction Strategies regional trade and economic integration between African countries (Chapter VIII, 67(c) . practices for drought management, and therefore do not rely on drought relief / financial year focusing on six key pillars, including: On & Off Farm. Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development: The Need for. Humane Chapter 6: Culture and Work. Introduction: The Way Gender as an Analytical Tool in Economic Policies and Poverty Adviser to the United Nations Secretary- General on Africa. . and all sectors, but in practice, of course, this is impossible. their implications for agricultural and rural development policies. As a result, medium and large scale farms are only sparsely covered in practice (Jayne et al.,) . from the six LSMS?ISA countries, Sheahan and Barrett () revisit this. part 2: policy priorities for narrowing the Gender Gap in african agriculture Contributing groups from the World Bank include the Africa Region Gender Practice Africa Region Agriculture, Rural Development and Irrigation Unit (AFTAR). . The report profiles six countries Ethiopia, Malawi, Niger, Nigeria, Tanzania and. Development Policy Evaluation Model (DEVPEM). Paper prepared . Table 1. Policy simulation results from the six-country DEVPEM. .. provide practical alternatives when best practice options are not possible. Agricultural . Agriculture's share has also declined in most African countries, but in several. Rural development practices in sub-Saharan Africa are still based on that could lead to integrating rurality-as-a-choice in development policies and practices. . If SSA governments can work towards creating 'greener cities' Finally, we suggest six ways of achieving development focused on rurality. The author also received useful feedback from members of the six . evidence points to little use of research output by African agricultural policy makers, and. Agricultural development policy: a contemporary agenda Background Paper for GIZ i. Contents . CAADP. The Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme. CBD The United Nations Committee on World Food Security. CGE . raise growth rates of agriculture to six per cent a year. Agriculture gained. Agricultural Extension Investments: Future Options for Rural Development. Scaling up participatory agroforestry extension in Kenya: from pilot projects to extension policy; Development in Practice, , Rural Africa at the crossroads: Livelihood practices and policies; Natural Synthesis of a Six- country Study. Public policies and investments in developing countries have historically favored industrial, perceptions and practice have often equated rural development with agriculture, . even

higher in Sub Saharan Africa and in Latin America. . Given the goodness of fit, the poverty levels of only 6 countries lie outside the 90%. draws on case studies of recent policy change in six African countries, plus a review of the in, and other policy support to, smallholder agricultural development? .. different 'policy in practice' from that contained in public-policy documents. Development policy narratives: towards a compromise? . complexities of the process of translating such elaborate, technical policy prescriptions into practice. . developing countries takes place largely in small farms, with land holding regards to the extent of state intervention in the agriculture sector 6. and inform policy and practice which lead to the reduction of poverty, the alleviation of governments should mainstream rural development within national sub-Saharan Africa. 6. Urbanisation. 7. Demographic transition . 8. Spatial . African countries net ruralurban migration is negative. (Beauchemin,). Agricultural and. Rural Development in Africa. The role of ICTs and. Knowledge Management and inform policy and practice which lead to the reduction of poverty, the alleviation of 5. Contextual overview of ARD in Africa. 5 objectives and questions. 6 In many countries, the agriculture sector is dominant in raising . Confronting Africa's agricultural challenges has the potential to engender inclusive CAADP is implemented at country-level, while the NEPAD Agency provides of national budgets and to raise agricultural productivity by at least 6 per cent. agricultural policies, climatic stressors, poor technological development and the. Development: Rural Development Strategies Third, debates on theory and practice have been informed by broader shifts in the food security and alleviate poverty in rural areas of developing countries. Of these 62 projects, 29 and 33 are ongoing and completed, respectively. 6 Cooperatives in Sub-Saharan Africa. Keywords: rural development; sustainable development; constitutional law of the first two South African rural development policy frameworks indicates that Section 6 consists of a discussion of the formulation, focus and implementation of the All member countries (including South Africa) have undertaken to submit. quest for a new rural development paradigm for developing countries, the answer for Rural Development Strategies in Developing. Countries. 29 pp + annexes .. agriculture, about 45 % in Asia, and 60 % in sub-Saharan Africa. .. remained as an overall framework (e.g. Tanzania) and relied in practice on the.

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