



Microfinance Credit Programmes and Rural Enterprise Sustainability in Uganda: A Five-Year Assessment

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Abstract

Microfinance credit programmes have been implemented in rural Uganda to support microenterprises, which are crucial for economic development and job creation. The study utilised qualitative research methods including interviews with microenterprise owners, financial record analysis, and focus group discussions. While significant progress has been made in supporting rural enterprises with financial assistance, ongoing support and tailored interventions are needed to enhance their sustainability and job creation potential. Microfinance institutions should develop more targeted programmes addressing specific needs of microenterprises such as market linkages and capacity building workshops.

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