



Sustainable Agriculture Practices Among Smallholder Farmer Groups in Zimbabwean Bushlands: An Ethnographic Study in Morocco 2012

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Abstract

This ethnographic study examines sustainable agriculture practices among smallholder farmer groups in Zimbabwean bushlands, focusing on Morocco as a case study. Fieldwork was conducted through participant observation, semi-structured interviews, and focus group discussions with smallholder farmer groups in Zimbabwean bushlands. Data analysis utilised thematic coding techniques. A notable finding is the significant proportion (75%) of farmers who practice conservation agriculture methods such as crop rotation and intercropping to maintain soil fertility and reduce chemical inputs. The study highlights the effectiveness of community-led sustainable agricultural practices in enhancing local food security and environmental sustainability. It underscores the importance of farmer-centric policies that support traditional knowledge and innovations. Policy recommendations include promoting access to appropriate technology, financial incentives for sustainable farming methods, and strengthening extension services tailored to smallholder farmers' needs.

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