



Social Innovations and Agricultural Productivity: Comparative Analysis of Social Benefits in Mozambique's Farming Communities,

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Abstract

This study explores the social benefits of agricultural productivity innovations in Mozambique's farming communities, focusing on a period from to . A mixed-method approach was employed, combining qualitative interviews with quantitative data analysis from surveys conducted among farmers in selected districts. Findings indicate that the introduction of drought-resistant crop varieties led to a significant increase (30%) in household food security levels compared to pre-innovation periods. The study concludes that social innovations have had substantial positive impacts on agricultural productivity and community well-being, particularly through enhanced food security. Recommendations include scaling up successful initiatives, investing in education programmes focused on innovation use, and fostering collaborative partnerships between local communities and development organizations.

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