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ABSTRACT

There is still widespread uncertainty amongst social thinkers about whether migration results in a net benefit to the migrant, to his or her family, the farming community left behind and ultimately his or her region of origin. This study investigates the effects of migration on rural development[1]

[1] The term 'development' today is used to cover a wide variety of economic, political, social and cultural issues and others. In this paper, I employ the concept of development to mean the process of improving the socio-economic well being of the people. It is the betterment of the quality of life of as many rural people as possible trapped in poverty, limited access to employment, services and information.

ACRONYMS & ABBREVIATIONS

ANC	African National Congress
BBBEE	Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment
DHA	Department of Home Affairs
EAP	Economically Active Population
HIV/ AIDS	Human Immunodeficiency Virus/ Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
GCMR	Global Crisis Monitoring Report
GDP	Gross Domestic Products
MDC	Movement for Democratic Change
LDCs	Low Developed Countries
LFS	Labour Force Survey
PRA	Participatory Rural Appraisal
PSLSD	Project for Statistics on Living Standards and Development dataset
RDP	Reconstruction and Development Programme
SA	South Africa
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SAMP	Southern African Migration Project
SMME	Small Medium and Micro Enterprise
SAPS	South African Police Service
SAMHS	South African Migration and Health Survey
STATSSA	Statistics South Africa
TB	Tuberculosis
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
US	United States
WRD	World Economic Report
ZCC	Zion Christian Church

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