CONSEQUENCES OF RURAL OUT-MIGRATION on Structural Changes in Agriculture in Serbia.

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ABSTRACT

Despite the abundance of theoretical and empirical literature on the subject of out-migration, many authors argue theories on consequences of migration are still missing insights into some of major questions, mostly from the perspective of migrant sending households or areas.

Understanding the implication of rural out- migration on the agricultural labour supply, on the changes in farm size distribution, production structure, and farming operations are particularly relevant for the countries with large diaspora population, which are highly reliant on income from remittances, such as Serbia. The purpose of this research is to contribute to designing the conceptual framework for further studies on impact of outmigration on structural change in agriculture by providing insights into possible research designs, method of conducting the research and interpreting the results. This could help in policy formulations and directions for rural out-migration and rural development.



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