SELF HELP ACTIVITIES AS A STRATEGY FOR ECONOMIC ADVANCEMENT OF RURAL PEOPLE: A CASE STUDY OF ODUKPANI LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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ABSTRACT

This study investigates self help activities as a strategy for economic advancement of rural people using a case study of Odukpani local government of Cross River State, Nigeria. A sample size of 200 was adopted using stratified random sampling. Two hypotheses were tested in this study using one-sample T-test. The findings of the study showed that Farming activities can significantly be used as a self-help activity for the economic advancement of people of Odukpani Local Government Area of Cross River State, and Cooperative societies’ activities can significantly be used as a self-help strategy for the economic advancement of people of Odukpani Local Government Area of Cross River State. Based on the findings of the study, recommendations were made which include that rural households and communities should take a more proactive role in economic advancement.

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