



## **Comparative study of Agricultural Funds' function in Iran and the world via community empowerment**

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Agricultural sector is critical part of country's economy. With no doubt the investment is one of the requirements for the realization of development in this area. Besides being more vulnerable than other sectors of the economy, different countries have to create a package of supportive policies in order to obtain continuity of production .development of funds is one of the tools in order to purposive investment within agriculture sector. Fortunately, Iran's government understood the importance of this matter and the context of it has largely been provided. This paper besides analyze the situation of funds in Iran and other countries including India, Bangladesh and Egypt, investigate the functions, roles, and consequences resulting from their participation with special emphasis on their role in empowerment of local farmer and beneficiaries. Different countries, in Comparisons show the differences functions, structure and orientation of the fund's guidelines and consequently its distinct effect on the empowerment of local communities. Although these funds in order to other public support such as insurance, multiple decisions center, and so on, have been existed since ten years ago, prosperity of them to some extent is questionable.

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