

### **Sustainable development of irrigated agriculture in nomadic territories of Khuzestan Province**

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Irrigated agricultural development is one of organizing policies for nomadic society and it is also a policy for diversifying of products and change in the nomads lifestyle. This study aimed to find factors affect sustainable development of irrigated agriculture in nomadic territories of Khuzestan Province. For this purpose, grounded theory and purposeful sampling were used and 13 informant experts were deeply interviewed with a semi structured questionnaire. Open and axial coding of the collected data were used. The results show that social capacity building, study on potentials of nomadic territories, sustainable management of developmental programs and improving resources usages systems are the most important strategies for irrigated agriculture development in nomadic territories of the study area.

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