

Study of the Role Extension Training Can Play in Developing Pasture Insurance in View of Experts of Agricultural Insurance Fund – Tehran Province

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Abstract

Activities in the field of pasture management are constantly exposed to such risks as cold and hot weather, flood, hail and fire and since those involved in pasture management are not provided with enough financial resources to compensate for the damage, any natural disaster would not only deprive them of gaining income from their pasture activities but would endanger their capital as well. To this end, insuring pasture lands is being paid much attention as a new mechanism to deal with the risks confronting pasture activities and thereby lowering fluctuations in the income of pasture managers

The present study aims to investigate the role that extension trainings can play in developing insurance of pasture lands in view of experts of Agricultural Insurance Fund. The method used in this study was a combination of descriptive and quantitative approach. The questionnaire was revised with the help of experts enjoying significant expertise the field, who examined the validity of the research model. A pre-test was conducted and (81%) confirmed the reliability of the instrument, indicating that the reliability of the questionnaire was high. The total population involved in this research amounted to 100 experts of the Agricultural Insurance Fund in Tehran. Because of the small number of the population, a census was also conducted. The correlation results showed that there was a significant and meaningful relationship between the awareness of pasture owners, the awareness of experts and extension agents, instructional curriculum and development of insurance of pasture lands. The regression results also indicated that the two factors of the awareness of pasture owners and development of instructional curriculum had generally influenced development of pasture insurance by 21%.

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