Cadastral Reform for Good Governance and Poverty Alleviation

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ABSTRACT

Increasingly developing world governments are being re-structured to improve governance and to alleviate poverty, and this also applies to government departments associated with the registration and cadastral systems. The link between cadastral reform, good governance and poverty alleviation will be explored by reviewing some of the recent thinking in this area, and by drawing on experience with these issues in a number of countries, such as South Africa, Namibia, Mozambique and Uganda. Issues that will be addressed include, what is the link between poverty and land, and poverty alleviation and land management/administration? In regard to this, the poverty analysis approach of sustainable livelihoods will be explored, as a useful way of evaluating a land management/administration system's contribution to poverty alleviation.

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