The Diversified Compensation Methods over Land Expropriation on the Context of Urbanization in Developing Countries—Taking the Cases from China

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SUMMARY

The paper is to elaborate the different methods of compensation over land expropriation cases which frequently take place in the process of urbanization in developing countries like China. Mainly led by urbanization, land expropriation in developing countries is featured dominantly with conversion from agricultural land to built up land, which means the loss of land for farmers. The principle of keeping the people’s long term livelihood sustained is pointed out since land is not only regarded as the asset but the major income source like ‘job-provider’ for the farmers. Then the compensation should not only consider fair compensation of the value of land but also think about the alternative way of subsistence for the farmers. Therefore the diversified compensation methods should be adopted to safeguard the long term livelihood of the farmers.