

A Discussion on the Reform of China's Collective Land Expropriation Compensation

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SUMMARY

With the boost of urbanization and the development of real estate, the expropriation of country's collective land becomes necessary. During the expropriation compensation, problems on the compensation to the land-lost farmers, the resettlements, the allocation of land's income and abuse expropriation are getting more and more obvious. Among them, the compensation is the core issue of the land expropriation. Now, the government offers low compensation payment correspondingly to the farmers according to the average annual output value of agricultural products and the original purposes of the land on the basis of the "Land Administration Law". Such a compensation model ignores the role of market mechanism and is interfered too much by the administrative departments. In fact, it is still a product of the planned economy. For the reform of the current compensation system, we must follow the path which the land compensation fee should be decided by the market. Under the path, the land compensation fee not only reflects the market price of the land in some sense, but also can balance the interests among the governments, the farmers and land users, thereby avoid abuse expropriation by the government for gaining the increment income. So the old compensation model should be abolished and the new compensation model which is accordance with the market economy should be adopted.

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