

Land Management Reform for Sustainable Urbanization Development: The Case in China and Its Implications for Other Developing Countries

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SUMMARY

The paper is aimed to elaborate the current challenges and opportunities faced by land management in China on the context of fast urbanization and industrialization. The issues such as control of unregulated excessive urban expansion, conservation of agricultural land, resettlement of landless farmers in land expropriation, protection of farmers' land rights, balanced rural and urban development have required a holistic and comprehensive reform in the current land management system in China in order to ensure sustainable urbanization development. A sound spatial planning system, new land policies to strengthen more economic and efficient use of land, rural renovation with land consolidation, full coverage of all property registration, diversified resettlement in land expropriation and fair and transparent land market could be future opportunities. Moreover, the paper will use the case in China to make further conclusion on how an appropriate setting of land management in developing countries will help improve economic growth and social weal and benefit for its people.