DEDICATION

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To my children Rayan and Ibrahim.

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Abbreviations

ADS: Area Development Scheme.

AED: Arab Economic Development.

ASCE: American Society of Civil Engineers.

CB: Capacity Building.

CBIS: Community-Based Information System.

CBOs: Community – Based Organization.

CBPR: Community-based participatory research.

CDF: Community Development Fund.

CED: Community Economic Development.

COR: commission of Refugees.

DFID: Department for International Development

DWCRA: Development of Women and Children in Rural Areas.

FAO: Food and Agricultural Organization.

GKY: Ganga Kalyan Yojana.

IDA: International Development Administration.

IDPs: Internally Displaced Persons.

IFAD: International Fund for Agricultural Development.

IRD: Integrated Rural Development.

IRDP: Integrated Rural Development Program

MBN: Minimum Basic Needs.

NGOs: non-governmental organizations.

ODA: Overseas Development Administration.

SHG: Self-Help Group.

SITRA: Supply of Improved Toolkits to Rural Artisans.

TQM: Total Quality Management.

TRYSEM: Training of Rural Youth for Self-Employment.

UK: United Kingdom **UN**: United Nation

UNDP: United Nation Development Program

USA: United States of America

USAID: United States Agency for International Development.

WCO: World Customs Organization **WHO**: World Health Organization.

WSDC: Western savannah Development Corporation.

Abstract

Many national and international organizations focused on boosting the capacity of individuals and their development through subjecting them to capacity building training courses. One of those organizations is the Community Development Fund (CDF). The CDF project started its work in Kassala state in 2008. The aim of this research was to investigate the impact of capacity building training carried out by the CDF project to the leaders to participate with their communities in the development of their societies.

The study was conducted in the two localities of Khashmelgirba and Wadelhileow. The study directly targeted local leaders subjected to the training provided by the CDF project. The total numbers of selected trainees were (80) in the two localities. However, to cater for the opinions of the other villagers and officials in the area, the study opted for group discussions and semi-structured interviews with the two latter categories. So, the total number of the sample was 164 informants.

The study utilized both primary and secondary data. The primary data was collected through structured interview, focus group interviews, key informant interviews, and observations. Whereas, secondary data was collected from CDF reports, government reports, other relevant documents and the internet. The collected quantitative data was analyzed using SPSS. While, qualitative data was analyzed through transcription grouping, pattern finding and summarizing. The study concluded the following:

- Rural leaders have benefited from the training programs prepared by the Community Development Fund in building their capacity.
- The impact of the project on both leaders and communities was very good.
 Hence, villagers confirmed that they benefited from the CDF and local
 leaders in identifying their needs, choosing their projects, participating in
 projects' planning, implementing, monitoring and evaluating those
 projects.

Based on the finding, the following recommendations were suggested:

- Local leaders should prepare training in the form of mini courses targeting specific community segments based on their capabilities and available resources.
- Developmental organizations must deal realistically with the targeted communities, and be aware of the needs of communities to meet their priorities and to involve them in it.
- Commitment of local governments' institutions to duties with credibility and transparency with benefit communities.

مستخلص الدراسة

هنالك العديد من المنظمات الوطنية والعالمية التي تبذل جهوداً مقدرة في سبيل رفع وتطوير قدرات منتسبيها وذلك من خلال إشراكهم في دورات تدريبية معدة خصيصاً لهذا الغرض. وصندوق تنمية المجتمع هي واحدة من تلك المنظمات، وقد بدأت أنشطتها بولاية كسلا في العام 2008م. يهدف هذا البحث الي معرفة أثر التدريب الذي قامت به المنظمة علي بناء قدرات القيادات للمشاركه في تنمية مجتمعاتهم. وقد أجريت الدراسه بمحليتي خشم القربة وود الحليو بولاية كسلا. وبما أن الدراسة كانت موجهه مباشرة لشريحة القادة المحليين ممن نالوا تدريباً بواسطة المنظمة، قد تم إختيار كل من المشاركين في الدورات من القادة في المحليتين وعددهم 80. هذا بالإضافة إلى مقابلة مجموعات مختارة من مواطني المحليتين (من غير القادة) والموظفين، وبالتالي فقد بلغ عدد المشاركين في الدراسة 164 مواطناً.

تم جمع البيانات من المصادر الأولية والثانوية. حيث تم جمع البيانات من المصادر الأولية من خلال المقابلات المنظمة والتي تمت مع كل القيادات المحليه التي تلقت تدريباً في المحليتين وذلك من خلال استخدام الاستبيان. هذا بالإضافة إلى مقابلات مع مجموعات النقاش ومفاتيح المعرفه. في حين تم جمع البيانات من المصادر الثانوية من خلال الرجوع لتقارير المنظمة والدوائر الحكومية بالمنطقة والانترنت. ثم تم تحليل البيانات بإستخدام الحزمة الإحصائية للعلوم الإجتماعية (SPSS). وقد توصلت الدراسه الي العديد من النتائج كان أهمها:-

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- علي القيادات المحليه إعداد تدريب في شكل كورسات صغيره تستهدف شريحه مجتمعيه محدد،
 علي اساس مقدراتهم والموارد المتاحه لديهم.
- يجب على المنظمات التنموية التعامل بواقعية مع المجتمعات المستهدفة، وتكون على علم باحتياجات المجتمعات المحلية لتلبية أولوياتها واشراكهم في ذلك.
 - علي الدوائر الحكومية العاملة بالمنطقة التعامل بمصداقيه وشفافية مع المجتمعات المستفيدة.

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