

Agriculture Extension Performance in China

— A Case Study of Wuhe County —

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Abstract

The article is to provide a better understanding of organizational patterns and service functions of Chinese AES through dissecting the real live situations of extension organization at county level. By analyzing present institution and organizational constitution, the following points are discovered : extension system at county level is completed in organization and strong in functions. Administrative intervenes in most extension activities and financial deficiency is primary barriers to develop client-orient extension methods. Too fragmented system and inflexible methods consist of principal reasons lowering efficiency and effectiveness of extension performance. Improving farmers' decision-making ability and promoting farmers' participation in extension activities are expected.

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