

For Discussion: Short-listed Studies under themes as an outline for Research on Trade Facilitation and Poverty Reduction

I. LINKAGE BETWEEN TRADE FACILITATION AND POVERTY REDUCTION: MACRO-LEVEL IMPACT ANALYSIS OF TRADE FACILITATION ON POVERTY REDUCTION

1. TF for Poverty Reduction: An empirical analysis:

Why and how trade facilitation can support developing countries to maximize the inclusive growth and poverty reduction impacts of trade **in China and Vietnam**. Li Wang

2. The impact of TF in facing **ASEAN** economic community on **Indonesian** economy and poverty incidence. Amzul Riffin et al.

Analyze the effect of trade facilitation on trade.
Evaluate the impact of ASEAN Economic Community Framework in Trade Facilitation on Indonesian economy and poverty incidence.

3. TF and its impact on poverty: A study of the **SAARC region**, Biswajit Nag

Focus on trade facilitation as an avenue for overcoming non-tariff barriers for the SAARC region. A quantitative analysis of economy wise impact of trade facilitation on the countries of this region.

4. Does Trade Facilitation Help Poverty and Inequality Reduction? Evidence from Low and Middle Income Countries, Nguyen Viet Cuong

Examine the effect of trade facilitation on poverty and inequality in **low and middle income countries**.

II. IDENTIFYING POLICIES AND MEASURES FOR TRADE FACILITATION AND POVERTY REDUCTION/ IDENTIFYING TRADE FACILITATION POLICIES AND MEASURES FOR POVERTY REDUCTION

5. TF for Poverty Reduction, Churen Sen

Linkage and identification of hard/soft TF measures and comparison of impact with TF measures than those of other means (direct help to poor etc.) in **31 provinces in China**.

6. Economic corridors and their impact on TF and poverty reduction, Prabir De:

An empirical analysis of selected corridors of South Asia: Quantify the potentials impact of economic corridors on trade facilitation and poverty reduction in South Asia along selected **SAARC economic corridors**.

7. Trade facilitation and microfinance for poverty reduction in the GMS: the case study of **Thailand**. Kornkarun Kungpanidchakul

Identify TF measures in ADB's GMS program that have impact (and which impact) at **Thai-Laos** communities.

8. Trade Facilitation at the provincial level and employments in rural **Viet Nam**, Vu Hoang Dat

How TF affects the differences in returns across types of employments and (ii) what are its impacts on employment attainments of labourers.

9. Export processing zones (EPZs) and their impact on TF and poverty reduction, Ashani Abayasekara

Conduct evaluation of the effectiveness of **EPZs** on trade facilitation measures and poverty reduction in **Sri Lanka** and analysis of trade facilitation measures implemented by non-EPZs such as industrial estates

III. AGRICULTURAL TRADE FACILITATION FOR INCOME GENERATION/ POVERTY REDUCTION

10. Achieving agricultural facilitation trade to reach the poor in **Indonesia**, Masyhuri

What factors that affect agricultural trade facilitation in Indonesia and Southeast Asia countries (**ASEAN**) to support trade in agricultural food exports (rice)? What policy recommendations and best practices to facilitate trade in agricultural food products inclusive, within the framework of poverty reduction?

11. Barriers to international entrepreneurship in agricultural sector of **Bangladesh**: Focus on Vegetable Production. Abu Hena Reza Hasan

Analyse the barriers to international entrepreneurship to form small and medium enterprises (SME) to facilitate export of vegetable products to other countries and helping farmers get right price.

IV. FACILITATING SME PARTICIPATION/INTEGRATION IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE

SME Exports

12. TF needs and priorities: The case of selected small and medium enterprises in **Cebu, Philippines**, Adrian Agbon

Trade costs affects on producers prices and subsequent effects on employment, wages etc. Adrian Agbon

13. The Impact on ongoing TF Improvement on export-oriented small and medium enterprises (SMEs) in **Indonesia**, Tulus T.H.Tambunan

Do export-oriented SMEs have access to TF measures? How helpful are those TFs in supporting their export? Has the TFs improvement in Indonesia such as Single Window Customs Procedure System impacted positively to export of SMEs?

14. Impact of export barriers on poverty reduction in **Bangladesh**, Syed Hasanuzzaman

Empirical study on the costs of formal and informal export barriers (through change in price analysis) and their impact on households' income poverty.

Paperless trade systems for MSMEs

15. How long the distance from farmer to web: evidence from **Dongfeng, China**, Jing Liu

Adoption of E-commerce by the peasants. Benefits from the E-commerce. How did the poor people provide customized finitudes according to client requirement?

16. Impact of paperless trade systems for small and medium enterprises (SMEs): Evidence from **Bangladesh**, Md. Mahbubul Hakim

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