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Rural development is overall development of rural areas with the purpose of improving the quality of life of the rural people. The concept of rural development includes the development of all sectors in the rural areas. Rural development can be defined in different ways, which mostly focus on two basic points viz. improvement of infrastructural facilities and to provision of the basic amenities for the rural people. Enhancing agricultural productivity is essential for achieving rural poverty reduction and overall development of the sector. India is achieving rural development goals through several rural development programmes. But still, some sort of demographic, economic and social developments are lacking, which are to be fulfilled in a planned and effective way. The novelty of the book lies in its rich analytical foundation and the use of sophisticated statistical and economic tools. The book brings together a number of interesting research chapters on the relevant issues of agriculture and rural development in India. The editors include eminent experts in the field from the academic and other worlds as well as young researchers. The chapters touch upon many important general and specific aspects of the agriculture and rural development in India.



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