

Participation and community development.

Abstract

This paper tries to put forward the argument that participation is a vehicle of community development. In order to achieve development in the community, community members should be involved directly in the process of development. Participation is participating in decision making, to choose a community project, plan it, implement it, manage it, monitor it, control it. The paper focuses on the definition of community development and participation in order to elaborate them. The main argument in this paper is: Participation is a vehicle to achieve to development that community members can involve directly in development process. This paper is theoretical in nature and the review is based on secondary materials.

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