

Foreword

This paper is one of a series of reports produced by Michigan State University's Off-Farm Employment Project. The project, which is funded by the Office of Multi-Sectoral Development, Bureau of Science and Technology, U.S. Agency for International Development, has the basic purpose of enhancing the ability of AID missions and host country institutions to identify and implement programs and policies that generate off-farm employment and income opportunities benefiting the rural poor. One of the major components of the project is the generation of new knowledge relating to off-farm activities. In collaboration with host country institutions and AID missions, detailed field surveys of small-scale enterprises have been conducted in such countries as Egypt, Jamaica, Honduras, and Thailand; the results of these studies will be published in this series. A second component of the project involves the marshalling and dissemination of existing knowledge of off-farm activities. A state-of-knowledge paper has already been produced; in addition, special studies relating to off-farm activities will continue to appear in this series. Previously completed studies in this area currently available through the Off-Farm Employment Project include:

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13. Mahmoud Badr, Nadia El Sheikh, James Seale, Stephen Davies, Abdel Azim Mostafa, Abdel Rahman Saidi, "Small Scale Enterprises in Egypt: Fayoum and Kalyubiya Governorates Phase I Survey Results," Michigan State University Rural Development Working Paper No. 23, 1982.
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