A STUDY OF WHEAT FARMING IN SERGOIT LOCATION,
UASIN GISHU DISTRICT

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ABSTRACT

This research project is undertaken in order to study and analyse wheat production in Sergoit Location in Uasin Gishu District. In order to show this well, the project is designed specifically to focus on salient features of wheat production namely:

1. Farm size, Crops Grown and Yields;
2. Agronomic Practices and Level of Mechanization;
3. Farm Inputs;
4. Source of Credit;
5. Transport and Marketing.

To begin with the research project states the study problem, the main objectives of the study, the scope of the study, the reasons for choosing the topic studied and hypotheses to be tested. To put the study into a historical perspective an examination of the history of the large scale farm sector in Kenya is carried out. A literature review indicating in inter alia the theoretical and practical contributions of other scholars to the research topic is undertaken. Brief definitions of operational concepts to be used in the course of discussion of research problems is offered.

Secondly, the research project presents an overview of the physical background of the study area.

Thirdly, the methodology used in collecting and evaluating the data got from the field is given in some detail with a focus on; type of data, sources of data, sampling design, methods of data collection such as questionnaires, field
observation etc. Besides, we indicate the problems encountered in the course of fieldwork. The analytical framework is also applied here.

Fourthly, basing on the methodology outlines, we offer a systematic treatment of the objectives of the study topic in connection with wheat production in our study area.

Fifthly, the major findings of the research, conclusions and contributions we hope our study has made, its shortcomings, policy implications and possible avenue for future researchers in the area are critically assessed.

Finally, a bibliography, appendix are provided together with a sample of the recording schedule used in the course of fieldwork.

Abstract does not reflect the purpose/ objectives and findings of the study.