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THE CAUSES OF FOOD INSECURITY IN A GLOBALIZED WORLD: A CRITICAL ASSESSMENT OF THE KENYAN EXPERIENCE 2003-2011

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ABSTRACT

The study analysed the causes of food insecurity in a globalized world with critical assessment of the Kenyan experience from 2003 to 2011. The study addressed the main factors and drivers of food insecurity in Kenya and examined the effects of globalization and climatic change on food security while exploring the linkages between globalization and food insecurity. The neo-liberalist approach was adopted for the study theoretical discussion in globalization. This research was purely desk analysis in which the research employed the case study method in data collection and analysis thus the study employed only secondary methods in data collection. The study findings reveal how globalization, climate change, shortage in global food supply coupled with the financial crises, have all impacted on food security around the world, including Kenya. The study recommends that scholars and further research into the area of food insecurity in Kenya but advocates the need to link food insecurity studies to globalization in order to find lasting solutions to the problem of food insecurity Kenya.