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China's Rural Market Development During the Era of Reform: Has the Traditional System Been Revived?

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Abstract

This paper investigates China's rural market development since 1979. Rural market refers to market place - the physical locus for goods and services exchange. Focusing on central and local states, this paper argues that government regulations still play a dominant role in China's rural market development. This is illustrated by the establishment of market places and how they are organised and managed.