

# ABSTRACT

## THE IMPACT OF PROMOTING COOPERATIVE-MODELED SMALL-SCALE ENTERPRISES ON URBAN LIVELIHOODS OUTCOMES: A FOCUS ON INTEGRATED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN BAHIR DAR CITY

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*The general objective of the study is to assess the shocks that affect the urban youth and identify the impacts of IHDP on small enterprise members' livelihoods' outcomes. Mixed (quantitative and qualitative) research approach and respective methods and techniques of sampling, data collection and analysis were employed using DFID's sustainable livelihood outcomes model for urban setting. The study found out that the IHDP in Bahir dar city could create over seven thousand permanent and occasional job opportunities including Cooperative-Modeled Small-Scale Enterprises' members and thereby addressed the critical issue of urban youth (unemployment) along with low-cost condominium houses building that height to its limit. Hence, the program impacted their livelihoods' outcomes positively. The TGs found the most likely benefited groups. However, a lot remains in the overall program implementation in relation to sustaining the benefits there of and limited to serving a certain privileged groups, which are likely to affect the urban youth eventualities perhaps more than previous.*