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Alternative paths to socialist agriculture. (4 articles)
Bedrani, S.; Pelzer-White, C.; Alzeyra, G.; Hendry, P.
Ceres, FAC, Vol 15, no 2, 1983, p. 15-38, CAE In English, (Ja: 8405)

Four articles examine aspects of the experience gained in recent decades by some countries which chose socialist patterns for their agricultural sectors. (1) Going slow with pastoral cooperatives (S. Bedrani) shows that reversing the degradation of the Algerian steppe is an awkward, arduous task. (2) Gollectives and the status of women: the Vietnamese experience (G. Pelzer-White) suggests that the implications of collective agriculture for women in Vietnam are very positive indeed and constitute a major contribution to the liberation of rural women and their active involvement in rural development. (3) Agrokompinats at the crossroads (G. Almeyra) shows how Yugoslavia is trying to reform its system of self management to withstand the economic crises. (4) Waiting ... and changing (P. Hendry) indicates the diverging routes to socialist agriculture taken by the Korea Democratic People's Republic and China (PRC). These examples are not claimed to be necessarily representative, let alone definitive, of the growing body of socialist experience in reshaping traditional or pastoral societies. Their purpose is simply to indicate how various imitations of original theories may be engendered in the pace of national tradition or experience

Agriculture in the transition to socialism: the case of South Vietnam. Paper presented at the Arne Ryde symposium on the role of the primary sector in economic development, University of Lund, Sweden, August 1983, No. 10 Seresford, 4.

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It is contended that it is the very strength of individual peasant production in the Mekong delta and the overall importance of that region to the process of economic construction in Vietnam that has been instrumental in bringing about a changed conception of the socialist transformation process. This alternative conception, which has gained ascendancy since 1979, is that cooperatives cannot be consolidated in the absence of industrialization, with an advanced division of labour

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Agricultural policy and agricultural economics in socialist countries. A second revised edition Agrarpolitik und Agrarvirtschaft sozialistischer Lander. Zweite

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Bergmann, T.
Sozialokonomische Schriften zur Agrarentwicklung, no 32, 1979, p.
365pp., 315 ref., 35 fig., 147 tab., 4 maps In German, (Jaz 8008)

The chapter headings are: (1) countries with collectivised agriculture: USSR (collectivization model); (2) modification of the Soviet model in industrialized countries: Czechoslovakia (collectivization without resistance from the peasants), GDR (resistance to accepting the model); (3) countries with non-collectivized agriculture: Yugoslavia (small socialist sector alongside peasant farms), Poland (small farmers alongside state farms and production co-operatives); (4) models of socialist agricultural policies in developing competries: China (agrarian revolution without modern techniques), Fretnam (agrarian transformation as part of the struggle for freedom); (5) symopsis: agricultural policies, agricultural theory of Marxism, comparison of systems



Agricultural cooperatives and peasant participation in the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

Shaduri, A. Studies in rural participation. A study prepared for the International Labour Office within the framework of the World Employment Programme (Edited by A. Shaduri and M.A. Rahman), New Delhi, India; Oxford & ISH Publishing Co. for International Labour Organization, 1982, p. 34-57, 3 tab., ref., QAE In English, (Ja:

The paper discusses the emergence and development of the agricultural cooperative movement, the economic and organizational structure of agricultural cooperatives and the implication of the movement for the family economy, in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. It argues that the emergence of the cooperative movement was the It argues that the emergence of the cooperative movement was the concrete manifestation of class struggle in the countryside between the poor and rich peasants, following the antifeudal land reform of 1953-56. Agricultural cooperatives are today a stable and developing institution. Their organization and functioning represent a new form of production organization, which is substantially more democratic than the factory system. Such "work democracy" has, however, its own contradictions

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Bhaduri, A.

Working Papers, World Employment Programme Research, International
Labour Office, no WEP 10/WP/6, 1979, p. 37pp., 45 ref., 4 tao.,
QAE In English , (Jat 8202)

The study traces the development of the co-operative movement in agriculture in North Viet Nam and shows how the peasants were gradually induced to form co-operatives and move to collective agriculture, by methods such as reliance on the initiative of the poorer and lower middle peasants and combining a progressively developing participatory irrigation programme with the co-operativization programme. Some of the major participatory aspects of the working of the co-operatives are described, such as co-operation in graduation themselves are described. of the working of the co-operatives are described, such as co-operation in production through work teams, mass participation in distributional decision-making through the work point system, and also in decision-making regarding the rate of investment from the co-operatives? income. Contradictions in participation are also co-operatives' income. Contradictions in participation are also brought out, such all the role of party or state organs vis-a-vis the general assembly of a co-operative in settling internal disputes; the relationship between the collective and family economy; and lack of mass participation in running the "affairs of the State"

Studies in rural participation. A study prepared for the International Labour Office within the framework of the world

The studies included in this volume present the results of the first the scales included in this volume present the results of the first phase of the ILO's work on participation of the rural poor in development. The basic aim is to make a contribution to the development and strengthening of participatory and self-reliant organizations of the rural poor. Participation is a social experience shared by individuals and groups who live in definite economic and social relations to each other in a society. The various dimensions of participation are analyzed by the eight case studies in this volume in the context of a wide variety of socio-economic structures, so anning eight countries in four continents. The authors represent a wide range eight countries in four continents. The authors represent a wide range of disciplinary backgrounds thus reflecting the multi-disciplinary dimensions of the subject under study. These studies emody the "participatory research" approach and should held in forming action programmes. The following topics are discussed: Ujamaa villages (Tanzania); agricultural cooperatives (Vietnae); peasant movements (Sthiopia, Chile and Pakistan); rural organizations and movements (Sangladesh); development institutions and legislation (Papua New Guinea); social change and power of rural communities (India). Individual papers are abstracted separately. (See "social participation, case studies" in subject index) Individual papers are abstracted sepa participation, case studies in subject index)

The protection of mothers and children in Vietnam La protection de la mere et de l'enfant au Vietnam Vietnam Vietnam, Comité Central pour la Protection de la Mere et de l'Enfant Carnets de l'Enfance, Assignment Children, no 39, 1977, p. 33-46, In French; Summary in English, Spanish, (Jat 7864)

This paper was presented at the UNICEF Special Meeting on the Situation of Childrn in Asia, neld in Manila from the 17-19 May, 1977. The Council for the Protection of the Mother and Child directs Vietnam's national system of day-care centres, of which there are 50,000 creenes and 45,000 kindergartens, in both villages and towns. Special training centres have been established for day-care staff, and the Council has gone to great lengths to make the care of children a respected profession, as in the past it was relegated to the aged. The creenes also benefit from the support of the population as a whole—women's organizations, youth groups, co-operatives—and communities construct and manage them. A vast network of community health centres for mothers and children has also been developed and since 1972, the last year of the war, the number of diseases due to malnutrition has been halved

Collectivisation of agriculture in North Vietnam; productivity and conflict

Gordon, A.

Manchester Polytechnic, Aytoun Street, Manchester M1 3GH, UK Discussion Papers, Department of Economics and Economic History, Faculty of Management and Business, Manchester Polytechnic, no 12, 1981, p. 28pp., 5 tab., ref., BIDS In English , (Ja: 8303)

Collectivized land now accounts for almost all the cultivated land area in North Vietnam. However, collectivization has not been conflict-free. This paper provides background data on land ownership, agricultural output and food production in the 1950s and early 1960s. The formation of low-level cooperatives is traced for the period 1958-60, followed by years of regression and crisis 1960-63, then the formation of high-level cooperatives and the outbreak of war 1963-65. The main themes are cooperatives and productivity and cooperatives and class struggle

HEWLETT, R., MARKIE, J., La coopération agricole, instrument de développement rural: l'exemple de la Chine, du Vietnam. de la Tanzanie et de l'Inde. (Agricultural co-operation, instrument of rural development: the example of China, Vietnam, Tanzania and India.) Réforme agraire. co-opératives et colonisation, Rome. 1976. 2, 46-60.

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Aspects of land development in Vietnam Hill, R. D.

Contemporary Southeast Asia, Vol 5, no 4, 1984, p. 389-402, 2 tao., SIDS In English , (Jat 8408)

The history of land development in Vietnam since the war is examined in the context of the establishment of New Economic Zones (NEZ). Que to the devastation of the war it is necessary to try and distinguish between extending the area under cultivation and the rehabilitation of abandoned and war damaged lands. Information is fragmentary but it is estimated that from 1975-8C about 7 Mha, or about one tenth of the available cultivable land in 1980, was cleared. In the same period almost 1.5 million people were moved to the NEZs to work on state farms, cooperatives and collective farming organizations of some kind. Incentives increased according to the rigour of the new settlements. Administrative (nefficiency and mismanagement were rife; however, the rubber, industrial and grain crops and rice sectors were infused with new workers. There are gass in information on areas cleared and planted and the organizational framework is often unclear. In assessing achievements the very difficult conditions of the post-war period must be taken into account

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Vietnam in social transition: inside a village commune Houtart. F. c/o Indian Institute for Regional Development Studies, Kottayam 636002, Kerala. India State and Society, Vol 2, no 3, 1981, p. 5-14, BIDS In English (Ja: 8303)

This article is based on research in mid-1979 in Hai Van, a commune in the coastal rice belt of the Red River delta. Emphasis is placed on social and cultural features of change in the village. Agrarian reform, cooperative cultivation, the reorganization of production, the tasks of work groups, work and payment, and the role of women are among aspects of the commune which are discussed

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Contradictions in the scientific organization of agricultural land and labour in North Vietnam, 1954-81

Les contradictions de l'organisation scientifique de l'espace et du travail agricoles au Nord-Vietnam 1954-1981

Nguyen, D. N. Espace Geographique, Vol 11, no 2, 1982, p. 81-94, 18 ref., 5 tab., GG.In French; Summary in English, (Jas 8408)

A preliminary survey of agricultural policy in Vietnam suggests contradictory results: the foundations of traditional society have been more radically destroyed by agrarian reform than by the whole colonial period. Cooperatives have been set up on a large scale and work is "scientifically organized", namely segmented into simple and homogenous components. The revolutionary regime has also enlisted a less qualified workforce of children, women and the elderly, thus releasing manpower for the administrative service, industrial production and national defence. Out of this process of pureaucratization and the general decline in standard of skill, a new type of agricultural worker has emerged; such a worker concentrates exclusively on specific tasks, shows little concern about completion of the work, may withdraw themself psychologically or even physically from state production and will invest most energy in private plot production or domestic activities. Thus, while cooperatives are taking over much of the productive area, there is a gradual development of small scale production associated with extended families and beyond control of the state

PADMANABAN, S.Y., Report of the agricultural delegation on their visit to Socialist Republic of Vietnam. New Delhi 1978, pp. 29, 8 tab.

Vietnam

Agrarian relations under socialism Agrarnite otnosneniya pri sotsialisma - Papav, N. G.

Sofia, Bulgaria: Izdatelstvo na B®lgarskata Akademiya na Naukîte, 1976, p. 357pp., In Bulgarian ; Summary in English , (Ja: 7703)

main subject considered is the emergence and development of agrarian relationships both the common forms and specific socialist socialist agrarian relationships both the common forms and specific manifestation in individual socialist countries. All socialist countries all socialist countries. All socialist countries. All socialist countries are considered but least attention is given to thinativities. Albania and Yugoslavia, since little information is mailable. Part I studies economic relationships of agriculture in these countries during the period of capitalist development and indicates the factors required to change these relationships. Part 2 on the socialist reconstruction of agriculture, discusses the need for and implementation of agrarian reforms as well as Lenin's theory of the necessity of the socialist reconstruction of agriculture. A detailed analysis is made of the economic prerequisites for the collectivization of agriculture in the socialist countries. At the present stage of socialist development the trend is towards the third and most advanced form of agricultural production co-operatives where private ownership of the means of production is entirely done away with or its existence is purely formal. Collectivization of farms has been most rapid in China and Koreas followed by dulgarias and then by the German Democratic Republic, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, the Soviet Union is fourth and Mongolia fifth. Collectivization has not yet been union is fourth and mongotia fifthe Collectivization has not yet been completed in Poland and Tugoslavia. The development of the economic relationships in the co-operative sector after the triumph of socialism in agriculture is discussed in Part 3. The final part considers the character and development trends in the economic relations between the subsidiary private plots of the co-operative

Transition to collective agriculture and peasant participation -North Viet Nam, Tanzania and Ethiopia

Rahman, M. A.

Bangladesh Gevelopment Studies, Vol 7, no 3, 1979, p. 1-22, QAE In English , (Ja: 5110)

The paper compares experiences in the three countries of the peasant responses to initiatives undertaken by national leaderships to transform the agrarian scene. The study suggests that there must be evident material compulsion for the peasantry to adopt collectivism. Forcing the pace may be narmful to long-term success. A careful strategy of progressive praxis in collective agriculture can create an evolutionary process even before any macro-political change takes place. The studies show an important difference between the strategy of the co-operative movement in north Vietnam and its counterparts in Ethiopia and Tanzania that must have a crucial bearing on the respective courses of those movements. In both ithiopia and Tanzania communal production has been separated as an activity from individual production from the very beginning, so that the growth of communal production becomes a question of increasing the relative size of such production for each community, whereas in north Vietnam individual production has been gradually transformed into communal production as a component of the strategy of staging the co-operative movement

Ministry of Water Resources, Hanoi, Vietnam Water Resources Series, United Nations, no 56, 1982, p. 102-105, In English , (Ja: 8511)

Improvements to existing channels to cater for the servicing of 800+000 ha of irrigated land and 720+000 ha of drained land are discussed

Irrigation and drainage canals improvement in the co-operative fields in Vietnam.
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Comparative economic indicators of the fertilizer sector in selected developing countries of the Asia-Pacific region

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UN, Economic and Social Commission, for Asia and the Pacific News in Brief, Agro-Chemicals Fertilizers and Agro-Pesticides, Vol. 5, no December, Special Issue, 1982, p. 1-39, 21 tab., DAE In English, (Ja: 8308)

mainly covers the period 1979/80 and 1980/81, with some review 1981/82 data. Production of nitrogenous fertilizers in 1980/81 increased by 9.2% over 1979/80. Pakistan showed the largest increase there was a relative increase in production in China and (45.7%) and Indonesia in 1930/81. Production of phosphatic fertilizers in 1980/81 increased in China. India- Indonesia. Pakistan and Vietnam. stagnated in Bangladesh and the Republic of Kurea, but declined in Iran. Halaysia and the Philippines. Fertilizer imports increased in 1980/81 compared to 1979/80. Nitrogenous, phosphatic and potassic fertilizers showed an to 1979/80. Nitrogenous, prosonatic and potassic lettines such increased increased of 13.4%, 56.2% and 27% respectively, exports increased marginally. Fertilizer use in the region increased 13.1% in 1980/31, and slightly again in 1981/82. Urea, diamendium phosphate, triple superphosphate and muriate of potassic were the commonly used. fertilizers in the region. Application of fertilizer nutrients per ha was 61 kg on average (79 kg world). In most of the countries of the 61 kg export of (except Malaysia and Thailand), import and fertilizers was channelled through government agencies. Retailing of fertilizers was carried out by governments, cooperatives and private traders. All the developing countries in the region except Burma, Iran region Negal made an upward revision of the fertilizer price in 1981/92. Fertilizer marketing distribution costs increased during 1979, 1980 and 1981 in eight countries, while they decreased in Afghanistan, Bangladesh and Nepal. Fertilizer subsidies were prevalent in all the countries in one form or another

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Vuong Lu (Ministere d'Agriculture, Hanoi (Viet Nam). Departement de Gestion des Cooperatives).

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Agricultural planning, pricing policy and co-operatives in Vietnam White, C.

Institute of Development Studies, Sussex University, Brighton, UK World Development, Vol 13, no 1, 1985, p. 97-114, 8 tab., 35 ref., OC In English , (Ja: 8506)

the competition between national governments and local cooperatives, a central contradiction in socialist rural development, the price system, market control and terms of trade are crucially related to the relative power and capacity of the central government to control ratios of accumulation and consumption. In Vietnam there is dynamic interaction between government and agricultural producers over pricing policy and, paradoxically, it is the cooperative, primarily viewed by the state as a means of providing cheap food, which has strengthened the collective bargaining position of which has strengthened the collective bargaining position of agricultural producers. The government has had to introduce material incentives to expand agricultural production beyond subsistence levels and bow to pressure to alter the previous accumulation/consumption ratios in favour of consumption