



The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) In Creating Self-Resilience Community: A Case Study in Sri Lanka

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ABSTRACT

Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) are playing a dominant role in the developing socio-economic conditions of the vulnerable communities in Sri Lanka. However, there is a discussion among the developers that the NGOs truly created the self-resilience communities. The study aims to study the role of NGOs in creating a self-resilience community in the Nuwara-Eliya District of Sri Lanka. A qualitative case study was adopted. The in-depth interviews and focus group meetings techniques were applied in this study. The purposeful sampling technique was used and 20 in-depth interviews and 4 focus group meetings were organized to collect the data. The study identified that NGOs have been involved in several interventions for developing the community that are; micro-credit schemes, helping people to establish and expand businesses, supporting education and health, Nutrient promotion, assisting farmers, child protection, women empowerment, creating self-help groups, providing leadership training, providing resilience training and providing employment opportunities. However, the NGOs have achieved mediocre in achieving self-resilience community in the Nuwara-Eliya District.

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