

Title	Poverty Analysis of Cotton-Producing Agricultural Enterprises in West Mediterranean Region of Turkey
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Abstract:

Agriculture is the sector which is supported by each country with its own resources and is seen as an important sector that has to be supported. It is a fact that the sector has the highest risk when examined both the general characteristics of the sector and the situation of people engaged with it and the people living in the community and being subsisted on this sector are the most affected group from the poverty. This situation is not only same in Turkey, but also it is same more or less in the world especially in Asian and African countries where the agriculture is done intensively and the people density is more. In conclusion, the poverty was lived by the people who are living in rural area in the world. When considered the agriculture sector is coming the first order in rural area, the strong bond with rural area and agriculture is seen being formed in between agriculture and poverty.

Poverty is a multidimensional concept and the situation of poverty varies from country to country and from rural area to urban area. The poverty is lived more in rural area in developing countries like Turkey because of the most people in rural area subsisted on the agriculture and the income stability from the agriculture is very low. Thus, the poverty is at the first rank should be solved by Turkey, because of 25% of people are living in rural area.

Title of this project will be conducted by our Institute (BATEM) is “Poverty Analysis of Cotton-Producing Agricultural Enterprises in West Mediterranean Region of Turkey” and, is a sub-project of the Project titled as “Poverty Analysis of Cotton-Producing Agricultural Enterprises in Turkey” which is an integrated project coordinated by Bahri Dağdaş International Agricultural Research Institute and conducted by 5 agricultural research institutions in 14 provinces. In this study, putting forward the social and economic dimension of poverty in the agricultural holdings which are producing cotton and the factors triggered the poverty is being aimed. The research will be carried out with the farmers registered to the Farmer Registration System and producing cotton by implementing questionnaire forms face to face to them in **Antalya** province.

In this study, the data base will be formed to exploit from exception in the subsidies within the framework of the WTO Agreement on Agriculture. In addition, the contribution to the studies on poverty and agricultural business shall be done.