Rural Roads and Agricultural Development in Swaziland

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ABSTRACT The objective of this study was to examine the importance of managing and maintaining the quality of rural roads to support agricultural development and rural development in the Kingdom of Swaziland, to facilitate the distribution of agricultural products to be more accessible to the population. Both secondary and primary data sources were used following a document methods of research. The findings suggest that rural roads in the country are impassable and needed urgent attention for improvement. The study concludes that rural roads are critical in supporting both rural and agricultural development for improved socio economic conditions of the people.