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Participation Index Analysis for CRDP at Muyexe in Limpopo Province, South Africa

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ABSTRACT The present study investigated the level of stakeholders' participation to find out how relationships are maintained among the beneficiaries of Comprehensive Rural Development Programme (CRDP). A simple purposive random sampling technique was used to select 300 respondents from the various CRDP projects for semi-structured questionnaires. The stakeholders' participation index was developed that displays the participation is high in benefit sharing (PI= 0.6) but low in other key areas of study. Participation in council of stakeholders interaction was the least (PI= 0.1). The mean age was 35.5 years and the mean income level was R1000. The beneficiaries were food secured since they reported an increased food production change 45.5% and increased food consumption change 45.9%. Policy makers should involve the stakeholders in project designing and implementation as early as possible to give equal attention to perspectives.