

**Migration of Cholistan People from Desert areas toward Irrigated areas:  
Causes and Consequence (A Case Study of Cholistan, Pakistan)**

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**ABSTRACT**

Economy of Cholistan desert totally depends on the ecological conditions prevailing in the area. Purpose of this study is to describe migration pattern adopted by the people of Cholistan. Their income and expenditures in desert areas and irrigated areas are also described to know their problems with regard to household management. Two hundred samples were selected from the people who having agricultural land or without land and they visit to desert area during rainy season. Primary data on economic conditions and house hold strategies of people of Cholistan desert was collected by interview technique. The analysis of data showed that migration of cholistan people is not only for managing Cholistan desert dry lands but it could support to cultivation in the irrigated areas of cholistan. As people move toward desert for the better health of their livestock's and migration towards cultivated areas results to increasing the cultivation of crops.

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