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Analysis of Factors Responsible for Access to Food Security by Beneficiaries of Cooperatives: A Multinomial Logit Approach

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ABSTRACT This study was aimed at analyzing the levels of access to food security by beneficiaries of Ratanang Cooperatives in the Limpopo Province of South Africa using the multinomial logit regression approach. The results of the study indicated that beneficiaries of cooperatives who earned high income from farming and were able to have access priceless information on farm management were likely to be food secure. Comparatively, those beneficiaries who operated close to the marketing centres, had less trust in buyers, with less farming experience and not members of cooperative organization were likely to experience food insecurity. It was recommended that access to invaluable information and efficient farming to earn high income from farming should be set as priorities in cooperative faming.