Editorial

This issue of RRA Notes includes three accounts of applications of RRA approaches in the fields of agroforestry in the Philippines, rural artisans in Zimbabwe and poverty investigation in Swaziland. The authors outline the techniques and context for the studies, and particularly emphasise any limitations encountered. In addition, there are two short discussion articles, one on the dangers of poor listening skills among interviewers, based on the authors' experiences in Somalia, Ethiopia and Sudan and one on the question of the cultural appropriateness of RRA, based on the author's experience with a RRA activity in Guinea-Bissau.

While the majority of RRA publications are still in the form of informal reports and documents for limited circulation, there have been a number of recent publications of wider availability. We will be trying to keep up with these publications and pass on the information as and when available. The announcements at the end of this issue include three recent publications and notice of a forthcoming conference. Please let us know of any other events or publications, which would be of interest to RRA Notes readers.

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