Understanding Community and Rural Development is a well researched work in time and class. The book is written in simple everyday English to help make the subject matter clear to students, researchers in the field as well as the general reader who develops interest in the development of the Nigerian Community and Rural areas, its emerging challenges and prospects. The book, in clear terms, addresses the concepts of rural areas, rural poverty and rural development policies. It also examines emerging community development strategies and offers great insight on their impacts on the

socio-economic lives of rural dwellers.

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