

## **Chapter 4**

### **Title: Microfinance support for rural non-farm sector in Zimbabwe**

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#### **Introduction**

This chapter attempts to make a contribution to the discourse on micro-finance support for non-farm enterprises in the rural sector. It discusses challenges that the sector faces in attracting microfinance as well as prospects for financial support for this vital sector in rural development. In making such a contribution, focus is on Zimbabwe as one low-income or less developing country whose rural non-farm enterprise sector has for long been desperately in need of propping up. While attention in this instalment is specifically on Zimbabwe, examples are also drawn from the experiences of other countries in situations more or less similar to that of Zimbabwe. Such experiences, it is hoped, would immensely enrich this important discourse. ...