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## Popular perception and participation in land water conservation: a case study of Wonogiri district

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## **Abstrak**

In comparison with lowland area, the upland area has been less prioritized in the development scheme and relatively left behind in the introduction of productive technology. Additionally, physical condition of the dry-upland becomes major problem for people to gain a better welfare. There is now steadily an increasing government concern and awareness of the importance of this area. Despite the development equity jargon, the recognition of the significance of upland lies to the fact that upland position is not only substantial but also decisive within watershed system. Land and water conservation work on these spheres of upland attractiveness. The study is directed to the inventory of this land and water conservation activities as a mean of development interventions to upland. Furthermore, appraising popular perception and participation in the activities is also the main part of the objective of this study. To facilitate this objective achievement, the study is purposely conducted in one of upland regency in Wonogiri. Two villages have been selected and 150 farmers has been randomly selected and interviewed.