Preliminary Title: How Well Do Experience-Based Food Insecurity Measures Compare to Nutrition-Based Food Insecurity Measures? Evidence from India, Bangladesh, and Ethiopia

Type of Report: ERR [X]

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service [ ]

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Subject of Review:
There are a variety of methods to perform quantitative assessments of food insecurity—assessments based on national food availability, household expenditure, and household experiences. These measures are used by policy makers and the international donor community to provide assistance to the food insecure, to develop programs and interventions aimed at the food insecure, and to assess the efficacy of such interventions. However, experience-based measures of food security, which are created from survey responses designed to directly elicit the experiences households and individuals have with food security over a period of time, are becoming more popular amongst both policy makers and researchers because of the lower relative cost to collect these measures and the because of the ease of integrating the measures into existing surveys. Given the importance of food security measures for policy development and implementation, and the growing emergence of experience-based measures of food security, it is important to understand how experiential measures compare to other measures of food security.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [ ] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers

[ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 1/5/16 End: 05/25/16 Completed: 05/25/16

Number of Reviewers: [X] 3 or fewer [ ] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization

Organization’s Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No

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Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No