Glossary

Commodity – is a raw material or primary product that can be bought and sold, such as copper or coffee or housing.

Community – is a group of people living in the same place or having a particular characteristic in common.

Cultural - of or relating to the ideas, customs, and social behavior of a society.

Dwelling unit - is a structure or the part of a structure that is used as a home, residence or sleeping place by one person who maintains a household or by two or more persons who maintain a common household.

Economy – is the wealth and resources, especially in terms of the production and consumption of goods and services.

Gross Domestic product (GDP) – is the broadest quantitative measure of a nation's total economic activity.

Investor – is someone who provides (or invests) money or resources for an enterprise, such as a corporation.

Micro finance - is a source of financial services for entrepreneurs and small businesses lacking access to banking and related services.

Mortgage - convey (a property) to a creditor as security on a loan.

Policy – is a course or principle of action adopted or proposed by a government, party, business, or individual.

Social - of or relating to society or its organization

Slum – is a squalid and overcrowded urban street or district inhabited by very poor people.

Stakeholder - those groups without whose support the organization would cease to exist.