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## Determinants of Linking Gaps Tea Production: Case Study of Tea Production Households in Northern Midland and Mountainous Region, Vietnam

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## **Abstract**

Small-scale, outdated, fragmented production and individuals are typical characteristics of agricultural production in Vietnam. These features have caused difficulties for farmers in agricultural production in general and are barrier to the application of technology for farmers in particular. In fact, linkages between agricultural production households are needed, but at present, the linkage status is still low and rather loose. This study aims to identify factors affecting the production linkages decision of GAPs tea farmers in the Northern Midlands and Mountains region. Results from using probit models have shown that low-experienced households, low levels of education, production technical conditions to apply low GAP standards tend to be associated together, at the same time, the characteristics of the household head who are members of socio-political organizations also have a positive influence on the decision to link production of GAPs tea households. ...

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