

MANUFACTURING IN YEMEN: CHALLENGES AND OBSTACLES

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Abstract

Yemen is facing economic issues that hinder its development compared to neighboring countries. The purpose of this paper is to explore the manufacturing sector, and contribute to the very limited literature on manufacturing in Yemen, due to its important role in the future development of the economy in Yemen. Analysis and discussion on obstacles and challenges as well as competitive priorities facing manufacturing in Yemen are presented. The paper concludes with practical recommendations to improve the manufacturing sector contribution to the economy development and pro-poor strategy initiated by the government of Yemen.

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