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*As an agricultural country, Indonesia has a population with a livelihood as farmers.* *West Kalimantan Province, especially Sambas Regency is a suitable area used as agricultural land,* *because of soil conditions with fertile contents for planting various types of plants and very useful for farmers communities.* *For that the work done by the community will be successful and gain profit.* *Despite the fertile soil conditions there are still some farming communities whose living conditions are not yet prosperous and destitute.* *For this we all see the problems of rice farmers in Sambas Regency and can find solutions to existing problems,* *so that the empowerment of rice farmers to run in accordance with the expected so as to increase rice production.* *The need for guidance from the local government which is from the Department of Agriculture and Food Security Sambas Regency.*

*.* *The purpose of this research is to explain Department of Agriculture and Food Security Sambas Regency* *in Rice Farmers Empowerment, the efforts made by Department of Agriculture and Food Security Sambas Regency* *during this in overcoming the inhibiting factors* *and to examine the supporting factors in empowering rice farmers.*

*This research uses qualitative research method by using descriptive method and triangulation data analysis technique.* *Where the authors describe precisely the individual traits,* *a particular symptom or group or to determine a frequency of a certain relationship between a symptom and other symptoms in society. Data collection techniques used are by using interview techniques, documentation, and observation.*

*Results from the existing analysis in the field then the authors can give the conclusion that Department of Agriculture and Food Security Sambas Regency still need to improve the supervision and handling of agriculture in Semparuk District because there are still many obstacles that can not be resolved,* *including internal constraints, limited infrastructure and lack of agricultural budget allocation,* *and incomplete regulatory implementation. External barriers such as weak institutional role of farmer groups, large pest explosions,* *and climatic conditions are hard to predict.*

 *In order to increase Roles Department of Agriculture and Food Security Sambas Regency.* *in the empowerment of rice farmers the need to increase the intensity of empowerment of rice farmers through training,* *extension, a deeper understanding to rice farmers on the importance of maintaining food security, as well as the need to improve and procure facilities and infrastructure supporting agricultural activities.*

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