Worksheet: Rural Development

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Q1. Despite commercial banks and cooperative banks being available, rural farmers often borrow from moneylenders at 40–60% annual interest. Give THREE reasons why informal credit persists. *[3 marks]*

Q2. Explain how a Self-Help Group (SHG) works to provide credit to poor rural women. What are its advantages over a moneylender and over going directly to a bank? *[4 marks]*

Q3. A farmer in Rajasthan grows onions. Explain the problems he faces in selling his produce under the traditional APMC mandi system, and how e-NAM (Electronic National Agriculture Market) attempts to solve these problems. What are the limitations of e-NAM that still need addressing? *[6 marks]*