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The analysis from the global assessment of COVID- 19 impacts on the food security status in 62 low- income and middle- income countries (LMICs) showed that both financial and physical accessibility to food have been disrupted. However, little is known on the impact of COVID- 19 on household food insecurity in poor resource settings like Papua New Guinea (PNG). [From the Introduction] |
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