



# The Evolution of African Philosophy in Post-Colonial Mozambique: An Action Research Perspective

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## Abstract

Post-colonial Mozambique has seen a resurgence of interest in African philosophy, driven by scholars and practitioners seeking to address contemporary social issues through philosophical insights. The research employs an action research approach, involving qualitative interviews, focus group discussions, and archival analysis of primary sources. Participants include academic institutions, community leaders, and individual philosophers who have contributed to the field. Themes emerged from the data include a revival of traditional African philosophical concepts such as ubuntu (community consciousness) and respect for ancestors, alongside innovative interpretations that incorporate modern scientific knowledge and social justice concerns. The study reveals a dynamic interplay between ancient philosophies and contemporary challenges, highlighting Mozambique's unique contribution to Africa's intellectual heritage in the post-colonial period. Future research should involve more longitudinal studies to track philosophical developments over longer periods and across different regions of Mozambique. Additionally, collaborative efforts with local communities are recommended for a deeper understanding of cultural nuances. African philosophy, Mozambique, Post-colonial era, Action Research

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