



Historical Foundations of Governance Challenges in Malawi: A Comparative Analysis

Nkhata Tembo¹, Chizarama Chihana^{2,3}

¹ Department of Research, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR)

² Mzuzu University

³ Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR)

Published: 07 November 2006 | **Received:** 15 July 2006 | **Accepted:** 05 October 2006

Correspondence: ntembo@aol.com

DOI: [10.5281/zenodo.18830728](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.18830728)

Author notes

Nkhata Tembo is affiliated with Department of Research, Lilongwe University of Agriculture and Natural Resources (LUANAR) and focuses on African Studies research in Africa.

Chizarama Chihana is affiliated with Mzuzu University and focuses on African Studies research in Africa.

Abstract

Historical Foundations of Governance Challenges in Malawi examines the long-term impacts of colonial governance on contemporary African political structures. This comparative analysis employs archival research and secondary data from academic journals and government documents to trace the evolution of governance structures in Malawi since colonial times. A significant theme emerging from the historical examination is the lasting influence of colonial administrative divisions, which continue to impact electoral outcomes and resource distribution today. The analysis reveals how colonial-era decisions have created persistent disparities that affect political stability and economic development in contemporary Malawi. Future research should explore potential solutions for integrating historical governance structures into modern democratic frameworks to mitigate current challenges.

Keywords: *Africanization, Colonialism, Decolonization, Governance, Historical Continuity, Indigenous Institutions, Power Dynamics*

ABSTRACT-ONLY PUBLICATION

This is an abstract-only publication. The complete research paper with full methodology, results, discussion, and references is available upon request.

✉ **REQUEST FULL PAPER**

Email: info@parj.africa

Request your copy of the full paper today!

SUBMIT YOUR RESEARCH

Are you a researcher in Africa? We welcome your submissions!

Join our community of African scholars and share your groundbreaking work.

Submit at: app.parj.africa



Scan to visit app.parj.africa

Open Access Scholarship from PARJ

Empowering African Research | Advancing Global Knowledge