



Stability and Expansion Opportunities in Taita-Herero Cultural Heritage Conservation Projects: A Comparative Study of Two-Year Funding Sources in Tanzania

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Abstract

This study examines two-year funding sources for cultural heritage conservation projects among the Taita-Herero population group in Tanzania, focusing on stability and expansion opportunities. Funding data from two-year grants provided by both governmental and non-governmental organizations were collected and analysed using comparative methods to assess their effects on cultural heritage conservation efforts among the Taita-Herero population. A notable finding is that consistent funding from a single source over two years significantly increased project stability, with 70% of projects achieving sustained support compared to only 35% when funded by multiple sources in varying amounts and durations. The analysis suggests that establishing long-term partnerships between the Taita-Herero community and stable funding sources could enhance the sustainability and scope of cultural heritage conservation initiatives. Recommendations include fostering stronger relationships with consistent funders, advocating for more stable financial support from governmental bodies, and exploring innovative models to secure funding for ongoing projects.

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