



# Gendered Power Dynamics in African Political Transitions: A Theoretical Framework for South Africa's Context

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## Abstract

Gendered power dynamics have been pivotal in shaping African political transitions, particularly in South Africa where gender inequality and empowerment are critical factors. A qualitative analysis will be employed to explore existing literature and conceptualize gendered power dynamics within the context of South African politics. This theoretical framework underscores the importance of gender-specific policies to enhance inclusive governance and promote sustainable development in South Africa. Policy makers should prioritise gender-sensitive interventions to ensure equitable representation and participation of women across all sectors of government.

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