



Constitutional Review and Democratic Consolidation in Zimbabwe: A Critical Examination

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Abstract

Zimbabwe has experienced a series of constitutional reviews aimed at consolidating its democratic institutions since gaining independence in . The analysis draws from existing literature, official government documents, and secondary data sources to assess the effectiveness of these reviews in enhancing democratic practices and addressing past challenges. While the reviews have made strides towards greater democratic governance, persistent issues such as political interference remain. Recommendations focus on enhancing transparency in appointment processes and strengthening oversight bodies. The government should prioritise transparent appointment procedures for judicial positions to rebuild public trust and ensure fair representation across all sectors of society. Additionally, bolstering the independence of oversight bodies is crucial for effective governance and accountability.

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