



The Evolution of Ghanaian Philosophical Thought Post-Colonial Era

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Abstract

Ghana, a West African nation, has undergone significant political and social changes since its independence from British colonial rule in . Post-colonial era Ghanaian philosophical thought reflects these transformations, offering insights into the country's cultural evolution. An interpretive analysis of historical documents, scholarly articles, and primary sources from the post-independence period up to present day. The study employs a thematic approach centred around key philosophical figures and their contributions. Themes such as Pan-Africanism, Neo-Pan-Africanism, and African Renaissance have been prominent in Ghanaian philosophy, characterized by a strong emphasis on cultural identity, unity, and development. Post-colonial Ghanaian philosophical thought has significantly contributed to the understanding of African Studies, particularly in its exploration of national identity and integration within global frameworks. Further research could focus on contemporary philosophical movements and their impact on policy formulation. Policy makers should consider integrating these insights into educational curricula to promote a holistic view of Ghana's cultural heritage.

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