



# The Political Economy of Natural Resource Extraction in Chad: A Comparative Study

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## Abstract

Natural resource extraction is a critical economic activity in Chad, influencing political stability and development across Central Africa. A mixed-methods approach combining qualitative interviews with quantitative data analysis to assess policy frameworks, local community engagement, and economic indicators related to extractive industries. Chad's oil sector has seen significant revenue inflows but also contributed to political instability due to uneven wealth distribution among regions and ethnic groups. The study highlights the need for more equitable resource management policies to mitigate conflict risks associated with natural resource extraction in Chad. Policy reforms should prioritise inclusive economic growth strategies, enhance transparency in revenue sharing mechanisms, and strengthen local governance structures. Natural Resource Extraction, Political Economy, Chad, Central Africa

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