



# The Transformation of African Philosophical Discourse in Post-Colonial Tanzania: An Evolutionary Study

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## Abstract

The post-colonial era in Africa has seen a resurgence of interest in philosophical thought and its integration into public policy frameworks. The research employs thematic analysis on contemporary philosophical texts published since the end of colonial rule in Tanzania (). A notable theme emerging from this analysis is the increased emphasis on indigenous knowledge systems as a basis for policy formulation, particularly within environmental and educational sectors. This study identifies a shift towards more inclusive and culturally grounded philosophical foundations in Tanzanian public discourse. Policy makers should leverage these philosophical insights to promote sustainable development practices that are deeply rooted in local cultural contexts.

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