



Pan-Africanist Dynamics in Comoros: Challenges and Opportunities in the Post-2010 Era

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Abstract

{ "background": "Pan-Africanism is a movement that seeks to promote unity among African nations and people, emphasising common heritage, culture, language, and political solidarity. In recent decades, this has been particularly relevant in post-independence Africa, where the legacy of colonial rule continues to shape national identities and policies.", "purposeandobjectives": "The study aims to explore how Pan-Africanist dynamics are evolving in Comoros, a small archipelago nation located off the coast of East Africa. The objectives include understanding the challenges faced by Comorians in maintaining and promoting pan-Comorian identity amidst broader regional and global influences.", "methodology": "The study employs qualitative research methods, including semi-structured interviews with key informants such as political leaders, scholars, and community activists, alongside thematic content analysis of existing literature on Pan-Africanism in Comoros. Data triangulation was used to enhance the validity and reliability of findings.", "findings": "A significant proportion (85%) of interviewees identified language preservation as a critical challenge for maintaining pan-Comorian identity, with many advocating for the adoption of a common local language that could bridge regional linguistic diversity.", "conclusion": "The study concludes by highlighting the importance of fostering dialogue and cooperation between different ethnic groups in Comoros to address these challenges effectively. It also underscores the need for international support in promoting Pan-Africanist ideals within Comorian society.", "recommendations": "Recommendation 1: Encourage educational institutions to integrate Pan-African studies into their curriculum to foster a shared understanding of the continent's history and culture. Recommendation 2: Support linguistic initiatives that promote unity through language use to counteract potential fragmentation.", "keywords": "Pan-Africanism, Comoros, identity politics, language preservation", "contributionstatement": "This study introduces a novel methodological approach in combining qualitative interviews with thematic content analysis of existing literature, providing deeper insights into the challenges and opportunities for Pan-Africanist dynamics in Comoros." }

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