



Constitutionalism and the Rule of Law in Gambia's Post-Electoral Transition: A Comparative Analysis

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Abstract

In the context of Gambia's post-electoral transition, constitutionalism and the rule of law have emerged as critical factors influencing democratic governance. The study employs legal scholarship and qualitative research methods to examine judicial decisions, legislative reforms, and public policy documents from . Comparative frameworks will be employed to identify commonalities and differences in constitutional practices within the region. Recent court judgments have shown a significant increase in legal challenges against government actions, indicative of growing judicial independence and a robust application of the rule of law. While progress has been made towards strengthening constitutionalism and the rule of law, persistent issues such as corruption and lack of transparency remain critical barriers to democratic consolidation. Enhanced public education campaigns on constitutional rights and legal processes are recommended alongside stricter enforcement mechanisms for anti-corruption laws.

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