



Gender and Power Dynamics in Ugandan Political Transitions: A Scholarly Perspective

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Abstract

Gender plays a critical role in shaping power dynamics during political transitions in Uganda, influenced by historical context and current socio-political factors. A qualitative analysis of existing literature on Ugandan political history and contemporary sociopolitical discourse was employed to understand the intersection of gender and power dynamics. Findings indicate that women's participation in leadership roles is significantly underrepresented, with a proportion as low as 20% in key government positions, highlighting the need for policy interventions to increase female representation. The analysis underscores the importance of addressing gender disparities in political structures to ensure equitable power distribution and sustainable governance outcomes. Recommendations include implementing quotas for women's participation in political processes and fostering gender-sensitive training programmes for policymakers to promote inclusive leadership. Gender, Power Dynamics, Political Transitions, Uganda

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