

Somali's Post accession to East African Community: Opportunities and Challenges

Introduction

East African Community (EAC) is a regional intergovernmental organization comprising seven states. The EAC was formed in 1967 and dissolved in 1977. In 1999, a treaty for re-establishing EAC was signed, which finally forced in 2000. Somalia first applied in 2012 and joined 2023.

Problem of Statement

Thus, this study focuses on Somalia's post-accession to EAC: Opportunities and Challenges.

Research Questions

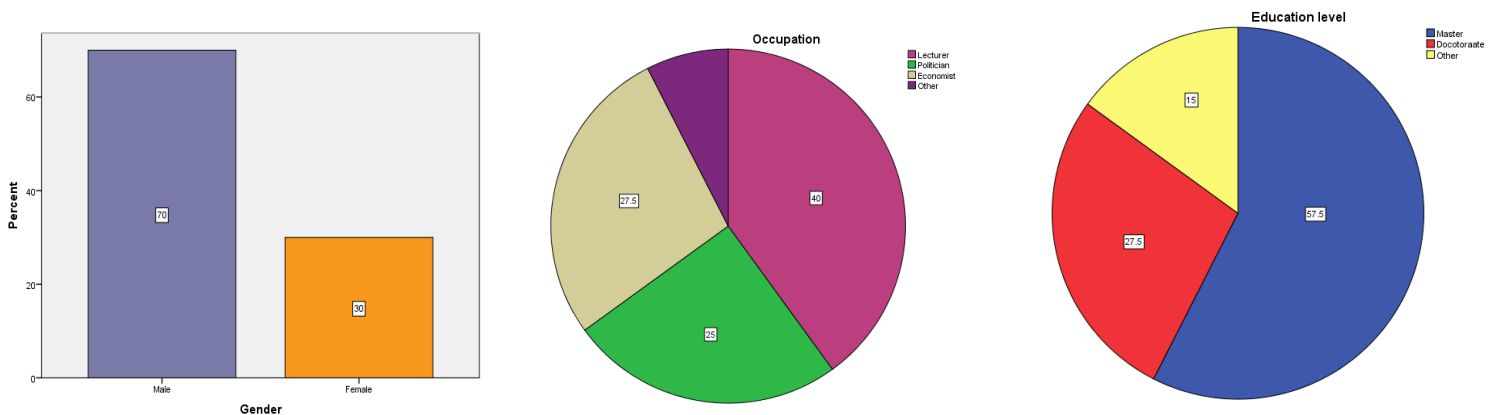
- ✓ What are the Political, Economic and Cultural opportunities and challenges of Somalia's Post-accession to EAC?

Methodology

Both primary and secondary data were used. The researchers used a quantitative method with a target of 40 respondents from lecturers, economists and politicians.

The Findings

The study revealed political, cultural and economic pros and cons. In the pros include being active in the regional, Somali will have access to large markets and less trade barriers and will open cultural exchange and interactions. The cons are less awareness of the EAC integration, being as EAC importer and adopting new various cultures against the traditional one.



Conclusion and Recommendations

- The Somali gov. must prioritize institutional capacity building.
- The Somali gov. should enhance public awareness about EAC integration.

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