

Review of: "Customary Land Tenure, Mining, and the Development Question: Insights From a Transitional State"

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This study contributes to the debate on the specificities and contradictions of development in countries of the Global South, under authoritarian national government and neoliberal external domination, with a broad and diversified conceptual basis and valuable empirical information. As for the structure of the article, the long [Introduction](#) could be limited to the description of the problem, conceptual bases and bibliographic references, empirical field and period of investigation, results and conclusions, transferring to the item [Results of the research](#) the discussion about the social and territorial context of the spatial area analyzed. As specific suggestions: include "customary possession" in the [Keywords](#); better specify the periodization of the events analyzed by the article; clarify the relationship between agrarian financing and artisanal mining; include concepts of "state rentism", "ideology of the center" (Moyo, 1993), and "tokenism"; and clarify the terms "Accelerated Agrarian Reform" and "chikorokoza chapera" (SPIEGEL, 2014); in [References](#), there is a lack: UNDP 2017.