

## CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS OF LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OF LGUs IN TAWI-TAWI: TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE SOCIO- ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL AGENDA

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### **ABSTRACT**

*This is a descriptive quantitative correlational research design with eighty (80) local government executives such as municipal councilors, mayors and vice mayors from eight (8) island municipalities as the participants selected through total enumeration. To measure the challenges and prospects of leadership development, an inventory questionnaire was administered to the respondents, a Development Rating Scale was used which was analyzed and measured using standard deviation, mean, Pearson Correlation Coefficient, T-test, and ANOVA. The questions posited in the study are the following: What are the leadership development challenges encountered by the local government executives of Tawi-Tawi province? Is there a significant relationship between internal leadership challenges and prospects of leadership development? Is there a significant relationship between external leadership challenges and prospects of leadership development? Is there a significant difference in the internal leadership challenges encountered by the local government executives when data are grouped according to gender, family income, and educational attainment, Is there a significant difference in the external leadership challenges encountered by the local government executives when data are grouped according to gender, family income, and educational attainment, Is there a significant difference in the prospects of leadership development when data are classified according to gender, family income, and educational attainment. The results of the study transparently indicated that the respondents in this study demonstrated high challenges in both internal and external challenges of development.*

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