

## ABSTRACT

This paper entitled *Zimbabwe in Robert Mugabe Era (1980-2008): A Historical Study* aims to discuss the issue of Zimbabwe's situations during Robert Mugabe era (1980-2008). From this issue, four research questions will be discussed further: (1) How is Zimbabwe regarding its political, social, and economical condition on the beginning of its independence, (2) What is Robert Mugabe's role on Zimbabwe's independence, (3) How is Robert Mugabe's role as Zimbabwe's prime minister, and (4) How Robert Mugabe takes role when he becomes the president of Zimbabwe. The methodology used for this research includes historical inquiries such as heuristics, criticisms, interpretations, and historiography. To take the this research in-depth, this research uses politics as well. Robert Mugabe leads Zimbabwe for 30 years and during his reign, Mugabe forms some policies that affects the changes of the country. One of his policies is *Landreform*, created to take care of land issues in Zimbabwe caused from inequality between its natives and the whites from British colonialism. This condition leads the natives to live in barren and crowded land. Another one of Mugabe's policies is *Gukurahundi*, created to take care of ethnical issue that occurred between 1982 to 1987. Not only that, there is also economical policy that leads Zimbabwe to experience hyperinflation.

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