Record Nr. UNINA9910781254403321 Autore Ochonu Moses E Titolo Colonial meltdown [[electronic resource]]: Northern Nigeria in the Great Depression / / Moses E. Ochonu Athens, Ohio,: Ohio University Press, c2009 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 0-8214-4311-9 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (233 p.) Collana New African histories series 966.9/503 Disciplina Soggetti Depressions - 1929 - Nigeria, Northern Depressions - 1929 - Great Britain British - Nigeria, Northern - History - 20th century Nigeria, Northern History 20th century Nigeria, Northern Economic conditions 20th century Great Britain Colonies Africa Administration History 20th century Nigeria Colonial influence Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Illustrations; Acknowledgments; Introduction: Crisis, Colonial Failure, and Subaltern Suffering; One: From Empire to Colony: The Great Depression and Nigeria; Two: The Depression and the Colonial Encounter in Northern Nigeria; Three: Social Transformations and Unintended Consequences in a Depressed Economy; Four: Protests, Petitions, and Polemics on the Economic Crisis; Five: The Periphery Strikes Back: Idoma Division, Colonial Reengineering, and the Great Depression; Six: Economic Recovery and Grassroots Revenue Offensives; Epilogue; Notes; Bibliography; Index Sommario/riassunto Historians of colonial Africa have largely regarded the decade of the Great Depression as a period of intense exploitation and colonial inactivity. In Colonial Meltdown, Moses E. Ochonu challenges this conventional interpretation by mapping the determined, at times violent, yet instructive responses of Northern Nigeria's chiefs, farmers, laborers, artisans, women, traders, and embryonic elites to the British

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