

powerful

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The Ariaal people of Kenya are a example of how indigenous tribes can exist in the modern world. For many years, the government has tried to the Ariaal people to become part of modern Kenya. The government thought that it was for the Ariaal to change their way of life and become like the rest of Kenya right away. "We want one Kenya, not many," explained a governmental official. However, very few Ariaal have in cities and villages. They prefer to keep their nomadic lifestyle. At the same time, they accept some parts of modern life. For example, many Ariaal now send their children to schools. Kemi Seba, an Ariaal leader, says, "I tell my people that the school is not a bad thing; not all new things are necessarily bad things." He believes that the Ariaal can send children to school while staying to their culture. This example shows that the Ariaal are learning to accept some changes and others. "This is the only way I see for us to survive," explains Seba.