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INTRODUCTION

WHAT IS CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC?

Corona virus is a respiratory disease that is affecting the human race globally, both aged and young. The virus was first found in the city of China in the town of Wuhan. The famous Huanan sea food market in Wuhan in late 2019 someone was affected with the virus by an animal.

People affected with the virus will experience mild respiratory illness and recover quickly. Older people and those with medical problems like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness.

The best way to prevent and slow down transmission is be well informed about the COVID-19 virus, the disease it causes and how it spreads. Protect yourself and others from infection by washing your hands or using an alcohol based rub frequently and not touching your face.

The COVID-19 virus spreads primarily through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes, so it’s important that you also practice respiratory etiquette (for example, by coughing into a flexed elbow).

Preventive measures are ;

Clean your hands often. Use soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand rub. Maintain a safe distance from anyone who is coughing or sneezing. Don’t touch your eyes ,nose or mouth with unclean hands. Cover your nose and mouth with your bent elbow or tissue when coughing or sneezing. Stay you home if you feel sick and seek medical help.

EFFECT OF THE LOCKDOWN AND RESTRICTION OF NIGERIANS MOVEMENT

The lockdown was initially 14-day lockdowns in three areas began on March 30. There are currently 323 confirmed cases of the virus in Nigeria , with 71 percent of them registered in Lagos and the capital territory of Abuja , ten people have died so far. It’s a matter of life and death, Buhari said of the nations response . The repercussions of any premature end to the lockdown action are unimaginable."

Economic hardship

One of the effect of the lockdown is economic hardship , Nigeria with 200 million people ,is Africa most populous nation. Some 20 million reside in the megacity of Lagos the extension of the lockdown is expected to add or even add to the hardship of millions of Nigerians living hand to mouth , often on less than one dollar a day. The government has pledged series of support measures to ease the financial pain , but there have being done for those facing hunger.

The restriction of movement of Nigerians has enabled families to get along to do a lot of indoor games getting to know each other more. during this period , it also helps Nigerians to sit back at home and learn new things and just be creative.

It also made shows celebrations of wedding birthdays, burial ceremony has also being restricted projects and so on. Nigerians are restricted from their daily life style ; schools and university institution has been shut down restricting student from going to school. Markets is als shut down restricting sellers and buyers from having any form of transactions .

Goods and services are now bought online due to the restriction of movement people now buy goods online and do a lot of business transaction through the internet

Schools and other college of institution , universities are now subjected to have their classes online as well in other for the school and the students not be behind schedule.

Major examination that were meant to be taken are now restricted till further notice such exams are WASSEC , NECO , NAPTEB AND SCHOLARSHIP EXAMINATIONS . due to the lockdown and the restriction of movement ,and the current COVID-19 pandemic in the world.

Fast food , banks , resorts ,game club church , mosque and other religious activities , sports , including the Olympic match has also been shifted till further notice . peoples means of income has been restricted leaving some families to hunger .

 In conclusion, the COVID -19 pandemic has affected every human being one way or the other .