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REPORT ON THE CORONA VIRUS PANADEMIC IN NIGERIA

The Corona-Virus Pandemic had its outbreak in a place called WUHAN,CHINA in December 2019.The World Health Organization declared it an outbreak by the Public Health Emergency of International Concern on 30th January 2020 and on 11th March 2020 it was recognized and declared a pandemic.This pandemic has continued to spread with large number of cases recorded across the globe.

The Federal Ministry of Health of Nigeria reported its first case in Nigeria on the 27th of February 2020 in Lagos State. The case was that of an Italian man who worked in Nigeria and just returned from MILAN,ITALY to Lagos on the 25th February 2020. Since then the cases have been rising in high numbers with a low date rate and increasing recovery rate. The virus has not been provided with a cure but safety precautions had been outlined to prevent further spread among citizens. These includes hand washing, using of alcohol based hand sanitizers and ensuring social distancing.The spread of the corona virus has made the government to enforce a lockdown order to restrain movements and reduce the spread of the virus. The government on the otherhand has not paid attention to the fact that Nigeria is a third world country and majority of her citizen belong to this class division.It has a lot of effects on the citizens which include the following:

***Increase in criminal activities***: In Nigeria a good number of citizens generate income from white collar jobs such as selling of goods and much more.During the lockdown , since there have not been movement, the people who generate income from these jobs find it difficult to cope.The laxity of government in not carimg for them has resulted in some of them getting involved in different crimes.

***Maltreatment of citizens:*** During this lockdown a lot of security personnels have been deployed in the name of ensuring lockdown. Some of these personnels then use it as and advantage to show off power and malhandle citizens thereby leading to the death of some of them causing increase in violence and retalation by citizens.

***Increase in cost of living:*** The cost of living has been increased due to the inability of people to gain income. The needs are not been able to be met due to low or no turn out of income .It tends to leave people in a hungry state in which some could commit suicide due to depression and frustration.Those who can afford it have to buy goods at inflated price which is discouraging.