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**CORONA VIRUS IN NIGERIA AND ITS EFFECTS**

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease caused by a newly discovered virus known as severe acute respiratory syndrome.

Most people infected with the COVID-19 virus will experience mild to moderate respiratory illness and recover without requiring special treatment.  Older people, and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular disease, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. Symptoms of corona virus (COVID-19) include: fever, tiredness, dry cough, aches and pains, nasal congestion, nasal congestion, runny nose and some people do not show any symptoms of the virus, it takes the average of 5-6 days from when someone is infected with the virus for the symptoms to show, however it can take up to 14 days.

In Nigeria, the first case confirmed was a male Italian citizen who worked in Nigeria and had recently visited Milan, Italy, the case was confirmed on the 27th of February at the Lagos university teaching hospital. The patient was presented with no serious symptoms and was treated at the Infectious Disease Hospital Yaba, Lagos state. The Government of Nigeria, through the ministry of health and Nigeria Centre for Disease Control have however taken some measures to curb the outbreak of the virus, one of which is the imposition of the stay at home order which has had it’s positive and negative side effects on Nigerians. On the positive side, through observation some Nigerians have used the stay at home order as an opportunity to bond with their families, make healthy life decisions and acquire new skills. While on the negative side, there has been an increase in crime rate in the nation as result of the lack of the basic provisons (food, finance and so on). Economically, the stay at home order has affected the businesses of various Nigerians especially the petty traders and it has been noted that there might be a negative aftermath on the economy when the pandemic is over.

**OBSERVATION AND CONCLUSION:**

Aside the stay at home order imposed by the government, there has been daily reports of new cases in different states, in other words, the stay at home order has not been fully effective. In conclusion, if the government alongside the ministry of health and the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control take the right measures in curbing the pandemic would yield positive outcome for Nigeria as a whole.