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A REPORT ON CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC AND THE EFFECTS OF THE LOCKDOWN AND RESTRICTION OF THE MOVEMENTS OF NIGERIANS TAKEN ON THE 20TH OF APRIL 2020.

INTRODUCTION

Clearly the corona virus disease[covid-19]that started out as an epidemic in Wuhan, china in December 2019 and ended up as a pandemic affecting the whole world into a warlike situation. Covid-19 is an infectious disease and can travel from person to person via contact. Scores of thousands of death have been recorded commutatively for all countries across the world. Health systems are overwhelmed by the seriously sick patients in hospitals and are nursed in the intensive care units. Global and local economies stand at their worst in decades. At the end of 2019, Wuhan and emerging business hub of china experienced an outbreak of the disease that killed more than eighteen hundred people. The symptoms of the corona virus are: cough, difficulty in breathing, fever and diarrhea. Presently, the virus has no vaccine and has put the world in health emergency but preventive measures can be taken like washing of hands and use of alcohol based sanitizers.

CORONA VIRUS IN NIGERIA

The corona virus patients have been increasing drastically which is causing fear among the citizens. The rate at which patients with the virus increases daily is quite alarming and fearful. The first case of covid-19 in Nigeria was confirmed on the 27th of Febuary 2020 on Atiku’s son who was a returnee from the United states of America. More cases where thereafter discovered a number of them being high ranking politicians and senior government officials, the governor of Bauchi, Oyo and many more who refused to follow the public health on social distancing and 14 days self- isolation expected of all travelers. The NCDC have made effort to create awareness and precautionary measure foe people to imbibe and they provide medical facilities to test people. To prevent the spread, the president has declared compulsory lockdown in some vulnerable states like Lagos, Ogun, Ekiti, Abuja etc.

EFFECTS OF LOCKDOWN AND RESTRICTION OF MOVEMENT

The effects of lockdown has both the positive side and negative sides. The federal government has ordered an ultimate lockdown in Nigeria and this prevent the restriction of movement among the Nigerians.  
The positive effects of the lockdown are:

1) It allows family to bond together and do things together.

2) Relaxation to those who don’t have time for themselves before the lockdown.

3) It helps people to spend more time with God.

4) Reduces the virus from spreading more further from other countries to our country.

5) It makes reason to think about how to do businesses online.

The negative effects are:

1) Increase in population

2) Increase in personal and family expenditure

3) Uncontrolled weight gain

4) Increase in data usage by students to attend electronic lectures

5) High dependency .

6) Increase in electricity bills and high usage of fuel for generator.

CONCLUSION: The corona virus has caused a lot of damage in Nigeria. The federal health ministry of health have been trying their best to ensure that the outbreak in Nigeria is being controlled and managed immediately. Medical personnel are trying their best to give out ways to stop the pandemic. We must also help in preventing the spread by staying home and safe.