

Covid-19 took the world in shock. The virus has proven itself to be resilient and has warders off all medical combatants thrown its way. What is most alarming, however, is the mortality rate of the Corona virus. Since its appearance in early January, it has claimed more than a million lives directly and many more as part of its aftermath.

As such, governments have had to install measures to fight the spread of the virus. Locking down states and social distancing are the most effective ways of curbing the propagation of the virus. This has left adverse effects on the citizens, however.

Firstly, many people like from hand to mouth and as such it is a problem for them to obtain the basic necessities they need to survive. As a result, poverty and hunger are becoming more widespread.

Next, some hoodlums have used the lockdown to perpetrate their acts as most shops are left unprotected and with the police trying to maintain the state of emergency, these criminals are left to their own devices and run amok, robbing the people of the precious little they have to sustain themselves in these trying times.

Another problem rearing its ugly head as a direct consequence of the imposed curfew is dire economic situation. With people being unable to attend to their businesses, the economy is falling into ruin as while demand is increasing there is no supply leading to inflation and currency devaluation.

School calendars have been left in shambles as students will not be able to write the WAEC exam in time for the next academic session. Schemes of work would have to be rushed and some vital information may be lost as a result.

All in all, although the lockdown is a sensible solution to the coronavirus epidemic, it still spawns issues of its own.