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**REPORT**

**THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC; THE EFFECT OF THE LOCKDOWN AND RESTRICTIONS OF MOVEMENT ON NIGERIA**

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 The rapidly evolving situation of COVID19 seems to have made the entire world pause for a moment. The coronavirus outbreak which originated in Wuhan China in the year 2019 December is a harmful virus that causes illness ranging from common cold, severe fever and difficulty in breathing, which affects the lungs and can, led to death. Older people and those with underlying medical problems like cardiovascular diseases, diabetes, chronic respiratory disease, and cancer are more likely to develop serious illness. The COVID19 virus spreads primarily through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when an infected person coughs or sneezes.

 As at 20th April, 2020 the confirmed death rate globally was 170,324 and 2.5 million confirmed cases around the world, also more than 651,503 people have recovered from the disease. The first confirmed case of this pandemic in Nigeria was announced on 27 February 2020, when an Italian citizen in Lagos tested positive for the virus, In Nigeria as at 20th of April 2020, 38 new cases were confirmed bringing the number of patients to 665,188 cases have been discharged and 22 deaths has been recorded, out of the 36 states in Nigeria 25 states has been recorded with cases of corona virus. With the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic and the death rate globally and confirmed cases recorded, the world health organization (WHO) in collaboration with the NCDC (Nigerian center for diseases control), has taken strategic measures and sensitization of the people in order to create awareness globally on how to curtailed and manage the spread of the deadly virus. Through the use of face mask, hand gloves, constant washing of hands, use of alcohol based sanitizers, application of social distancing, outright lockdown of religious places, closure of schools and organization has also been lockdown.

 Also, a decision by the government for palliatives measures to be send in helping the less privileges in the country and a fourteen days compulsory quarantine of returnees that travelled and coming from other countries before being granted access into the country

 Furthermore, the UN (United Nations) has also supplied medical equipment like testing kits etc. to different country in the world and voluntary assistance by individuals, health workers that may want to help to attend to infected person. In addition, theses are supports by private individuals and organization to raise finance to purchase more medical supplies to be provided to isolation centers, including incentives to help ease the difficult being experienced by the less privilege.

 However, inspire of these measures undertaken by the government, there is still an increase in the number of confirmed cases in the country, which with the extension of the lockdown has led to some challenges, in the country which has been observed since the outbreak of the pandemic; such as the economy in the world has really develop a great a great loss in times of production and distribution of essential commodities, HealthCare products and general goods for instance the crude oil price recorded the datum price in recent years , which may take time to recover because the entire continents of the world are involved and the end result is recession so this is definitely going to take a longer time of recovery.

 Also, the students and workers have been restricted to work and school, and are depending on online studies and work. This is seen as a problem because some students from poor background can not be able to assess some electronic materials to partake in this lesson and will be left out and also bad connection network might enable some individuals to finish their office work at home because of this problem this has created an impendent in organizational and individual pursuits of goals and target. It has also led to high crime rate in the country, because those individuals whose shop has been closed cannot be able to work to gain their daily income and it increases the suffering of the citizens have to steal in order to feed themselves and provide for their family, which also led to a protest in the States for instance the case of the robbers in Lagos and Ogun. Even the poor in the States are finding it hard to sustain themselves because their business have been shut down, which has caused a great hardship great loss and will be hard for them to recover the income they lost during the period of time. Even with the government incentives it doesn’t get to the destitute because the elites hijacked these incentives by so doing causes untold hardship to the families.