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ASSIGNMENT: Write a report in not more than two pages, on corona virus pandemic and the effects of the lock down and restriction of movement on Nigerians.

Corona virus belongs to the coronaviridae family in the Nidovirales oder. Corona represents crown-like spikes on the outer surface of the virus; thus, it was named as a corona virus. Corona virus are minute in size and contain a single- stranded RNA as a nucleic material size ranging from 26 to 30kbs in length. The virus where thought to infect only animals until the world witnessed a severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) outbreak caused by SARS-coV, 2002 in Guangdong china. Only a decade later, another pathogenic corona virus known as Middle East respiratory syndrome corona virus (MERS-CoV) caused an endemic in middle Eastern Countries. Recently at the end of 2019, Wuhan an emerging business hub of china experienced an outbreak of novel corona virus that killed more than 800 and infected 70,000 within the first fifty days of the epidemic the virus was named Wuhan virus or 2019 novel corona virus by the Chinese researches.

The first case of corona virus in Nigeria was confirmed in Lagos state, Nigeria on the 27th of February 2020. It was the first case to be reported in Nigeria since the beginning of the our break in China in January 2020.it was an Italian citizen who works in Nigeria and returned from Milan, Italy to Lagos, Nigeria on the 25thof February 2020. That was how this deadly virus was brought to Nigeria. I feel that this virus was brought to Nigeria due to the fact that the Nigerian government didn’t take it serious. The borders should have been closed when the pandemic became serious, but they didn’t and that lead to what the country is going through now. We presently have 493 confirmed cases and 159 recovered cases and 17 deaths.

Due to the continues increase of corona virus in the country, some states decided to lock down. States like Abuja, Lagos and Ogun. Corona virus did not just affect the health of the people. It affected businesses, schools, churches, movement and the mental health of people. This virus has really affected business, ,shops are closed, markets where food stuffs are not sold where closed down so as to reduces the spread of this deadly virus. And this has lead to huge problem in the country because a lot of people are suffering from lack of food. People are hungry and this has lead to the return of (one million boys ) they are creating a nuisance in the society, stealing food stuffs from one house to the other. The governments are not doing much to help the people like the other countries who go from house to house to give their citizens food. Some individuals are also trying to help the needy. Due to this economic problem in this country people might die of hunger and not corona virus. The governments are just saying stay in your house, but they are not providing for the people, which is very sad. It is really affecting the rich less and affecting the poor more.

In the area of Education this virus has really affected us drastically, most schools have not finished with their semester exams and their school work. Once again in the area of education the rich is being affected less and the poor are really suffering. Most private universities, secondary school primary and even the nursery schools have started online classes so that their students can continue with their education and still maintain social distancing, while the government is doing nothing for the public schools. I have a friend in Unilag, who told me he wished he could have the same opportunity that we have. Corona virus has really affected the country, not just Nigeria but the whole world is suffering.

In the area of religion corona virus has really affected the world drastically. We no longer go to the church or the mosque. So we wouldn’t infect people with the virus. The movement of the people is being restricted. People are not allowed to go to crowded places so as to reduce the spread of the virus. We had to celebrate our Easter at home. With the way things are going we might not have summer holiday.

This virus has really affected the mental health of the people. The people are worried, they people are scared. From morning till night all we hear is corona virus and this is really affecting everybody. The social media is not helping the people at all, people keep making up fake news that makes the people scared and more worried. As there is a lot of disadvantages of corona virus there is little advantage. It brought a lot of families together. I hope this virus goes very soon so that the world would be free.