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THE CORONA VIRUS

The corona virus (COVID-19) is an infectious disease which originated from CHINA because of the rat they ate. The virus affects the respiratory organs on the person infected and can be easily transmitted through droplets of saliva or discharge from the nose when a person coughs or sneezes. Although the cure is yet to be found they advised to stay clean always like it is said PREVENTION IS BETTER THAN CURE.

Due to the rapid spread of this virus, various countries including Nigeria has ordered a lockdown in other save my lives. Although this is considered taking the right steps to battle this pandemic, the government of Nigeria tends to forget that Nigeria is a third world country and majority of her citizens belong to the class division and this has various effects on the citizens.

Some effects which lockdown and restriction of movement has caused in Nigeria are countless but some of them include;

**High cost of living**: Because of this lockdown there has been an increase in the cost of living. People who go to the market find it difficult to buy what they need. Both those who no longer have work to do have no means or earning money hence they find it difficult to make purchases with the little that they have.

Those who sell especially foodstuff make things worse by increasing the price, although it's not their fault because it is a difficult time for everybody. It is also because of the restriction of movement and it is to their advantage because people have little or no choice on where to purchase their essential needs from.

**Violence:** Due to the lockdown, there has been an increase of security everywhere but some of these officers abuse their power and beat up citizens or worst kill them. This makes citizens to take laws into their own hands and retaliate. The rate of violence has risen to a great extent in Warri, Delta State.

There has also been reported sightings of jungle justice since the lockdown. People who are caught stealing are being beaten mercilessly by fellow citizens. People are trying to survive with their Family.

There was declaration of two-week lockdown in all the states in Nigeria, but due to the increase in the numbers of cases found everyday there has been an extension of the lockdown in various states. The most heart breaking part is the money given to each governor for their people was not given out as they were told to do so.

 **High criminal activities**: Some citizens who provide for themselves from jobs like pushing of wheel barrow, hawking, moulding of blocks, selling of goods, carrying of building blocks and so on have no work to do to earn money which makes them idle like it is said AN IDLE MAN IS DEVILS WORKSHOP. The government just wants safety but forgot about the needs of these people, hence these persons without jobs do not have what to eat. In response to the laxity of the government they have resulted to crime. There has been a report about the increase in rate of crime in various state like Ogun State, Lagos state and so on.