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A REPORT ON CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC AND THE

EFFECTS OF THE LOCKDOWN AND RESTRICTION OF

THE MOVEMENT OF NIGERIANS

INITIATION:

Corona virus also known as the COVID19. It was emerged in Wuhan, China on December

31,2019.Corona virus belongs to the Coronaviridae family in the Nidovirales order.At the end of

2019,wuhan an emerging business hub of china experienced an outbreak of the disease corona

virus that killed more than eighteen hundred and infected over seventy thousand individuals

within the fifty days of epidemic. Anybody with this pandemic shows symptoms five days but it

will range from two to fourteen days. The symptoms are, diarrhoea, cough, shortness of breath,

fever and loss of smell. The virus can be easily spread when an infected person is in close

contact with a non infected person. It begins when the infected person sneezes, when talking to a

non-infected person, in the process, the virus can be contacted through the air especially when it

is a crowded place.

Currently there is no vaccine but as our elders say “ prevention is better than cure” the

preventive measures is by washing ones hands regularly for twenty seconds, maintaining

physical distance from others, use of masks and so on.

Presently, the pandemic has been ravaging and put the whole world in health emergency.

CORONA VIRUS IN NIGERIA.

Corona virus cases as been increasing drastically in the past few months since February 27th

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2020. It has taken more than a hundred thousands of lives in other countries where some

Nigerians too visited, and this make covid19 spread like wild fire, especially from foreign

returnees and international travelers who are Nigerians. Government has made an effort through

the Nigerian center for disease control(NCDC) to curb the spread of the virus. They create

awareness on precautionary measures for people to imbibe, they provide medical facilities to testpeople. The president declared that some vulnerable states should be locked down. Some states

observe them like Ogun, Osun, Ekiti and so on and so forth

NCDC(NIGERIAN CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL) : It is the government agency

with the mandate to coordinate the surveillance ,detection, and response to infectious disease

control outbreak. Over the last three years, NCDC has deployed a new tool for disease

surveillance. The surveillance, outbreak response management and analysis system(SORMAS) is

a system jointly developed between NCDC and HZI(Helmholtz centre for infections) . so far so

good, NCDC has supported states for improved coordination of outbreak preparedness and

response. NCDC is located in Osun, Lagos, Oyo, Abuja, Sokoto, Kaduna, Kano, Ebonyi, Borno,

Plateau, rivers.

EFFECTS OF LOCKDOWN AND RESTRICTION OF MOVEMENT IN NIGERIA

Lockdown is an emergency protocol that usually prevents people or information from leaving an

area. The federal government has ordered an ultimate lockdown in Nigeria and this prevent the

restriction of movement among the Nigerians. There are positive and negative effects of the

lockdown in Nigeria. The positive effects of the lockdown in Nigeria are

• It allows family to bond together and do things together

• It corrects a child mistakes and adjusts him/her

• Spend more time with God

• Relaxation to those who don’t have time for themselves before the lockdown

• Reduce the virus from spreading more further from other countries to our country

• It makes people reasons to think about how to do businesses online

• People are now wiser to make their plans flexible knowing that there is nothing that

can’t be cancelled

The negative effects of the lockdown includes:

• It introduces vices which includes stealing, prostitution, armed robbery and so on

• It has a poor effect on the economy

• It leads to the increase in the prices of limited goods in the market.

• The poor becomes poorer

• People struggle to survive

• School students can’t go to school like primary, secondary and tertiary students, which

cause idleness.

• The school academic calendar is extended. Students will graduate as an when due

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, corona virus has caused a lot of things in Nigeria and changed a lot of things in

our country, Nigeria. The federal government of Nigeria though the federal ministry of health

have been trying their best to ensure that the outbreak in Nigeria is been controlled and stopped

immediately. The NCDC has been activated in national emergency operation center working in

different states in Nigeria. Medical personnel are trying their best to give out ways to stop the

pandemic called corona virus. As the outbreak is still in our country and the lockdown is still

going on, we should listen and act to the preventive measure that can keep us safe in this

pandemic. The federal government are really trying their best to make sure Nigeria is safe andwe need to listen to the preventive measures and put it to act