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In December 2019, an infectious disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome was said to have emanated from Wuhan, China. This virus was referred to as Corona virus before later code named Covid-19 by the World Health Organization. At the initial stage, it only affected China but it was not properly managed as China was said to have concealed information about the virus. The virus has spread to more than 190 countries in the world. Medical practitioners advised maintaining a distance of 1metre or 3 feet away from infected persons to avoid spread of the virus. As at 20th of April,2020 the records globally were 2,414,617 confirmed cases, 165,174 deaths, 629,491 recovered. The most affected countries dealing with this virus are Italy, USA, UK and Spain with highest record of fatality. What started like an outbreak in Wuhan, China became a pandemic as declared by the WHO.

Nigeria is among the affected countries of this virus. Nigeria’s index case was a consultant to Lafarge who became ill after his arrival, though asymptomatic, he later tested positive. Lagos state government commenced immediate search for those that had contact with the index and were isolated and tested. Thereafter, cases were discovered and this was due to the arrival of people from already infected countries. Preventive measures were taken and human migration was checked by the government through airports and border closure.

President Mohammad Buhari addressed the nation on the virus where he highlighted certain measures to curb the spread and announced some palliative measures to ameliorate the impact of the tough economic measures in checking the spread of the virus in the country. Subsequently, federal government declared total lockdown in Lagos, Ogun and FCT as these states were considered as the epicenter of covid-19. Lagos is the commercial center of Nigeria, while Fct is the political center. Commercial activities have become grounded with most companies shutting down except for those that are involved in the provision of essential services, there are no more production or commercial activities. Nigeria has recorded a total of 541 confirmed cases, 166 discharged and 19 deaths.

Hitherto, Nigeria has poor record of medical facilities; poorly equipped hospitals across the country but with the outbreak of the virus in the country budgetary provisions were made for the establishment of the isolation centers across the country, several donations were also received from individuals and corporative bodies. Local industries depend largely on imported raw materials but with the closure of the border are now forced to explore local sources to sustain production and ensure survival of their business. It is hoped that these measures shall be sustained, streamlined for larger benefit of the country’s economy in the long run

The citizens are being supported with cash and other incentives to cushion the hardship occasioned by covid-19. The federal and state government are paying greater attention to the nation security architecture due to the increase in cases of robbery, theft and internet fraud. The security agents are now being supported with security gadgets, patrol vehicles and this has motivated them to be more dedicated to their duties.

The various organs of government are working towards flattening the curve of the cases of the virus with the sponsoring and equipping of research centers with a view to developing vaccines to cure the virus. The drop in production activities worldwide has caused a fall in the prices of crude oil which also affected the nation’s foreign reserve. The federal government has set up an economic team headed by the vice president to provide solutions to the sudden depreciation of the foreign reserve.