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**CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC AND ITS EFFECT ON THE NATION**

The 2019–2020 coronavirus pandemic has had far-reaching consequences beyond the spread of the disease and efforts to quarantine it. As the pandemic has spread around the globe, concerns have shifted from supply-side manufacturing issues to decreased business in the services sector. Low income individuals are more likely to contract the coronavirus and to die from it due to poor and unhealthy feeding, many may lack access to health care due to being uninsured or underinsured. The fear of the spread of the coronavirus will destroy economic growth and government action may not be enough to stop the decline.

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 preventive measures is by washing ones hands regularly for twenty seconds, maintaining physical distance from others, use of masks. In Nigeria the spread rate of the virus has been increasing uncontrollably since February 27th, 2020 when the first case was recorded in the nation. Government has made an effort through the Nigerian center for disease control (NCDC) to control the spread of the virus, by creating awareness on precautionary measures for people to imbibe, they provide medical facilities to test people. The president declared that some states with corona virus cases should be locked down.

Lockdown is an emergency protocol that usually prevents people or information from leaving an area. The federal government has ordered a total lockdown in Nigeria and this prevent the restriction of movement among the Nigerians. The lockdown has even brought about a medium for families with its relatives scattered across the country bond together and do things together, also brought a need to spend time with God, created time for rest for hardworking individuals even as it is a time for a time of work. It makes people reasons to think about how to do businesses online.

Also it has affected the nation negatively as it increased the rate of stealing, prostitution, armed robbery in the country, has a poor effect on the economy, food stuffs are now like treasures as the prices of limited goods in the market are going for a very high price. It has also affected the educational system as school students can’t go to school like primary, secondary and tertiary student.

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.