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 The current pandemic going on in the world right now known as the “corona virus” or covid-19, has led to the loss of many lives, and has affected the world at large in various ways. For a fact everyone has a part to play in curbing the pandemic, one of the many ways to help reduce the disease is by everyone staying inside their houses, hence the lockdown.

 In our country Nigeria the lockdown has attracted many side effects both on the individuals and on the economy as well. For instance, some individuals do not have homes so it is really sad because they are at high risk of getting infected, they also do not have enough money to get safety kits like the alcohol based hand sanitizer, or face masks. They probably don’t have a means of survival because it they were beggars before the lockdown, people are no longer going to work therefore they have not been getting and source of money at all. Also some people who depend on daily manual labor or those who earn wages have no work doing at the moment; therefore they don’t have money coming in right now. Some people who live in rural areas that don’t usually have light do not have means of stocking up their house therefore they rely on buying foodstuffs daily and the amount of money they spend to and fro from the market is really a thing of concern. Basically, most individuals are really going through a lot this period of the lockdown, because there is a lot to spend on at the moment, parents are stocking up the house, buying diesel for when the light fails, buying data to be active on social media to ease boredom.

 Students are also feeling the lockdown impact, for example students who are in public universities may not have proper facilities to carry out online classes, therefore their educational life is currently asleep, except for the students who would go extra mile to work on themselves, for the students in the private sector, sometimes there are difficulties sometimes it can be data problem, or light issues, or poor network, and the online classes are really demanding.

 Furthermore, some families who are currently together in the house at the moment may consist of violent parents, no one knows what their children may be going through at this trying times, or what the spouses may be going through, it is probably difficult for them to cope. Some people who sell things at the market are probably ignorant of some facts, because there are some viral videos on social media showing how the law officials caught some of them washing and reselling already used face masks and coveralls, which is more harmful to everyone buying the article because they stand a chance to be infected by the virus. Even on the case of violence some of the youth have resorted to stealing from several homes across some states, there was the issue of the “one million boys” sending warning notes to people and actually stealing from them.

 Currently a lot of businesses are slowly growing into bankruptcy due to the lockdown as regard the corona virus pandemic, the economy is becoming worse as the day goes by, the government officials are cashing out the money being deposited to the country’s aid to help the poor and homeless citizens, even th money that was sent to the country to share amongst the citizens, was shared amongst themselves. The government really does not care about their citizens. The rate of cyber crime is increasing; an idle mind is definitely the devils workshop. And the citizens are honestly trying their best to stay indoors but the government has refused to give the citizens any help at all

 In conclusion, the lockdown has posed a very serious threat to the Nigerian citizens and Nigeria as a country also, these are really trying times and everyone is feeling the impact therefore everyone should play their role properly for us to see the end of this terrific and tragic corona virus pandemic.