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Assignment; Write a report, of not, more than pages, on the corona virus pandemic and the effects of the lockdown and restriction of movement on Nigerians.

An acute respiratory disease, caused by a novel corona virus [SAR-CoV-2],presently known as corona virus disease 2019 [COVID -19] has spread through China and received worldwide attention. The disease has ended up as a pandemic affecting the whole world and has thrown the world into a war- like situation. The outbreak was declared a Public Health Emergency of International concern on 30 January 2020. On 11 February 2020, WHO announced a name for the new corona virus disease; COVID 19.The corona virus disease is a highly transmittable and pathogenic viral infection. The corona viruses belong to the Corona viridae family in Nido virales order. The subgroups of corona viruses’ family are Alpha, Bete, Gamma and Corona viruses. Corona virus marked the third introduction of highly pathogenic and large scale pandemic disease. The clinical symptoms of Covid-19 patients include cough, fever, fatigue,n etc.

Corona Virus is a respiratory infection which can be transmitted through droplets of different sizes. Droplet transmission occur when a person is in close contact with someone who has respiratory symptoms [e.g. coughing or sneezing] and therefore at risk of having his or her mucosa [mouth and nose] or conjunctiva [eyes] exposed to potentially infective respiratory droplets.

Transmission may also occur through formites in the immediate environment around the infected person. Therefore, transmission of COVID -19 viruses can occur by direct contact with infected people and indirect contact with surfaces in the immediate environment or with object used by infected person. WHO has comes up with the following tips to prevent the spread of COVID-19; clean your hands often. Use soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand rub.

. Maintaining a safe distance from anyone who is coughing or sneezing.

. Don’t touch your eyes, nose or mouth.

. Cover your nose and mouth with your bent elbow or tissues when you cough or sneeze.

. If you have a fever, a cough, and difficulty breathing seek for medical attention.

. Stay home and Stay safe.

The first case of Corona virus was confirmed by the Federal Ministry of Health in Lagos State. The case was confirmed on the 27th of February 2020 .It was reported that an Italian citizen who works in Nigeria returned from Milan, Italy to Lagos on the 25th February 2020.He was confirmed by the Virology laboratory of Lagos University Teaching Hospital, part of the Laboratory Network of the Nigeria Centre for Disease control. And now in Nigeria more cases has been discover; presently in Nigeria there are 665 confirmed cases,188 recovery and 22 death. Ekiti, Lagos, Abuja, Kano, osun, Oyo, Edo, Kastina and Ogun state. Police in the affected States were bolstering forces on the states and a lot of people were arrested amid fear of spike in crime during the lock down

Almost all the countries in the world are lock down till further notice including Nigerian, The president of Nigeria Muhammadu Buhari declared lock down for the three major states, Lagos, Abuja and ogun. The lock down in Lagos, Abuja and Ogun kicked in at 11pm local time .All citizens in the country are to stay in their homes. Travelling to and fro to other states should be postponed. All business and offices within these locations should be full closed during this period. The restriction announces does not apply to hospitals and stores selling essential items such as groceries and medicine.

Recently the lock down is now extended till after two weeks, the lock down has caused a slowdown in Nigeria. The emergence of COVID-19 and it increasing incidence in Nigeria has called for drastic review and change in the earlier revenue expectation and fiscal projection. A lot of Nigerians live from hand –to- mouth. There is economic hardship presently in Nigeria although the Federal government pledges a series of support measure to ease the financial problem. Majority of Nigerians depend on daily wages have to go out to get money and buy food on their table for their families. People are staying at home with no work, no food, and no chance to get money. As a result of the lock down all economic activities are all affected. The price of crude oil tumbled like never before in last 20 years not only crude oil the price of other things has persistently increased.

Corona virus has affected educational systems leading to total closure of schools, university and colleges. On 19th,2020 the Federal Government ordered the closure of all schools for the period of one month which commenced from Monday 23rd March 2020 to prevent the spread of corona virus. School closures impact not only student’s teachers but also the society. Most schools now have their classes online. The West African Examination Council which comprises of Ngeria ,Ghana, Gambia, Liberia and Sierra Leone, has decided to put on hold the conduct of the West African Senior School candidate Examination [WASSCE] for school candidates,2020, earlier rescheduled to commence on April 6, 2020 in other to check the spread of disease.

Conclusively, the Chinese Government has supported the Nigerian Government with a team of 15 medical expert which arrived in Abuja on 8th April 2020 and medical equipment were supplied to help strengthen testing and management of Covid-19 cases. The country has received medical supplies, including masks, gowns and testing kits from china’s richest man Jack Ma. According to the Government there are recoveries case and just few death cases.