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SHORT TEST 2

Explain issues of the Nigerian legal system and its effects on engineering industries?

Legal environment plays a very important role in determining the success of any businesses around the globe. The government taxes that are being imposed among other regulatory measures help to promote economic growth and to protect consumers from exploitation and other illegal factors.

In Nigeria, the process to get a license to get an incorporated company is very stressful because of corruption and slow judgement and when they are trying to get a license, it will take a very long time which will affect the projects deadline.

Judicial corruption reduces public confidence in the country’s justice system. This means that suspected incidents of directors’ misconducts are less likely to be reported given the prevailing belief that justice is unlikely to be served. Similarly, it can affect the attitude of investigators and prosecutors who might have less incentive to investigate and prosecute cases diligently.

When a project is launched, some law agreements are unfair and when the projects commence, engineers may find themselves involved in litigation for reasons such as being an expert witness, product liability and accident investigation cases, the professional engineer serving as an expert witness plays an essential role on the resolution of disputes involving technical engineering matters. In the Nigerian legal system, being mindful towards bias when serving as an expert witness, the great responsibility that this role entails, there can be bribery with the court, the firms and even the engineering witness, thus the case will be handled unfairly.