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

**Construction Projects:** In Nigeria, common law principles and practices govern and regulate contracts for designs and building works. In a design or construction contract, the fundamentals of common law agreements, parties, intention, considerations etc must be in place. Many states in Nigeria have laws regulating contract and which laws are codifications of common law principles.

There are a number of local regulations governing designs and building construction works in Nigeria. These regulations specify the designs and building standards which the owners/developers, architects and building contractors must comply with when undertaking the construction works.

Aside the standard forms, construction contracts must not contravene the provisions of the relevant laws contained in the Urban and Regional Planning Laws, National Building Code, 2006, National Environmental Standards and Regulations Enforcement Agency Act, Etc.

**Health and Safety:** Below are a few Nigerian laws towards engineering employees working conditions

* At the workplace, employees should be given clothing and equipment that meet the highest safety standards.
* Workers in enclosed area should have proper ventilation and temperature at their workplaces.
* The highest hygienic standards at the workplace and washing facilities should be met for the sake of every worker.
* Depending on the magnitude of labour, employees should have adequate break periods.

**Contract Law:** If the intention is to enter an agreement with another person or company, then contract law is binding. This also has a special area which is known as government procurement laws that is directly involved with factors affecting engineering business.