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***UNEMPLOYMENT IN NIGERIA***

*Unemployment occurs when aperson eho isactivelysearching for a job and is unable to fine one. Unemployment iaa termreferring to individuals who are employable and seeking for a job but unable to fine one. Unemployment ia a serious issue not only in Nigeria but in the ehole world. There are hundreds and thousands of people out there who do not have a job. One of the dauses of unemplyment is increase in population and if we neglect this it may lead to the doom of many nations.*

*Unemployment is defined as a situation in which skilled and talented individuals want to gave a job but cannot fine a proper job due to several reasons . Unemployment does not only mean that the person does not have a job but it also mean that the person is not working in his or her area of expertise.*

***Types of unemployment*** *in Nigeria includes; seasonal unemployment, structural unemployment, frictional unemployment, transitional unemploynent, classical unemployment,hidden unemployment,cyclical unemployment, underemployment,search unemployment.Some other types are disguised unemployment,tecnological unemployment, chornic unemployment,educated unemployment, etc.*

*Seasonal unemployment mostly depends on the climate. This is another type of unemploynent inwhich prople are unemplyed at certain tines of the year because they work in industries where they are not needed all year roubd. Example are leisure,farming,construction and retailing. Seasonal unemployment results from seasonal fluctuation in demands.*

*Structural unemployment ia a type of unemployment thst causes regional unemployment because certain areas are unable ti attract new industries because tge old ones are shut down. As time goes on customers denand changes which causes a griwth in one industry and a loss in another industry or may even lead to complete shut down of that industry.*

*Frictional unemployment is a type of unemployment that exist when there is lack of adjustment between demands for supply of labour. This may be due to lack of knowledge on the part of employers about availability of workers or on the part of workers that that employment is available at a particular place.*

*Transitional unemployment is another type of unemployment that is refer to as the normal unemployment bacause it is for a short duration. It does not harm the economy. In construction industries or contract jobs which rely heavily on maunal labour, workers are temporarily laid off at the end of major assignments. Such workers are re-engaged when other jobs becomes avaliable. Other may drift to other ongoing projects.*

*Classical unemployment is a type of unemployment that occurs when real wages for a job are set above the market--clearing level,causing the number of jobs seekers to exceed the number of vacanies. For example minium wages law raise the cost of labourers with few skills to be above the market equilibrium, resulting in people who wish to work at the ongoing rate but cannot as the wage enforces is greater than their value as workers becoming employed. Futhermore, laws restricting lay-offs made businesses less likely to hire in the first place as hiring becomes more risky leaving many young people unemployed.*

*Hidden unemployment is a type of unemployment (unemployment of potential workers)that does not usually reflects on official unemployment statistics, due to the way the statistics are collected. In many counties they only offically count the people who are activlely searching for a job while the ones who have given up on searching for jobs are not offically counted.*

*Underemployment is a type of unemployment whereby the potentialities of a worker are not fully utilized. Financial uneremployment is when a worker is getting eqyal pay to what he or she is doing. Mental underemployment is when there is a mis-match between the work that the person is doing and what he or she studied in school. Physical underemployment is when the worker is underutilised.*

*Cyclical unemployment or deficiency demand unemployment is a type of unemployment in which if there is a decrease in the quality of a goods demanded or there is over production which result in fall in prices thereby affecting industies.*

*Search unemployment is a type of unemployment that arises when some people turn down job offers in searvh for a better paid job. How long this search will last depends on the prevailing economic situation in this country.*

***The causes of unemployment*** *in Nigeria includes;high and rapid population growth, unstable and corrupt political environment, lack of infrastructure, economic recession, absence of industrialization, poor agricultural system, faulty development plans, when supplynis higher than demands,etc.*

***Consequences of unemployment*** *in Nigeria; due to the increasing unemployment rates in Nigeria ,there have been adverse effects on both the economy and the society. The consequences includes;reduction in the nation output for goods and services, increased rural-urban migration,high level of poverty in Nigeria, increase in the number of dependent people, high rate of crimes,etc.*

***Solution of unemployment*** *in Nigeria includes;productive works of the government, industrial friendly environment, agriculture (one of the major sectors and the government has to do something possible to make it attractive for private investors thus creating new job opportunities),improvement of energy supply and transport systems (this is cut the high cost of productivity and there will be no need to cut jobs), provision of social amenities to rural areas, good development plan, reformation of educational systems,encouraging geographical mobility of labour, population control,etc.*

*Lastly,Nigerians also have to play their part in reducing unemployment in this country. We need to understand our responsiblities. We need to change our attitude towards the future of the country during election periods. We should vote for people with credibility, answer, transparent, accountable and readiness to work. This will determine the conditions of life in this country.* ***Our future is in our hands.***