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ENDSARS AND PROBLEMS FACING NIGERIAN YOUTH IN THE REALIZATION OF THEIR FULL POTENTIALS: A STUDY OF TWO CONGREGATIONS

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Abstract
This study is aimed at finding out the problems facing Nigerian youths in the realization of their full potentials. A society without the youth is really heading for ruin. They are the basic life wire of any society and future of the Church. The whole of this work is divided into five chapters; the first chapter is an overview of what the problem is all about. The second chapter is a review of the study as observed by other researchers, while the third chapter is on the research methodology. Then chapter four comprises the presentation and analysis of data, research findings and discussions. Finally, in chapter five, conclusion is drawn, and recommendations made for further studies, with works cited at the end.

Introduction

Who Is A Youth?

It has been the desire of every nation, society, institution, family even the Church that its culture, beliefs, customs and norms, especially the relevant ones be held firm and preserved from one generation to the next. It is in view of this that we look up to the youths for a greater development in our world. Hence, a nation or community without the youths is actually heading for damnation.

Considering this, a youth is therefore, defined in many ways, based on how an

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individual perceives it. Whenever "youth" is mentioned what comes to a layman's mind is a person who is unmarried, a young person, a vigorous and dynamic person. The Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary asserts that youth is "when a person is young especially the time before he/she becomes an adult." It is also a state or quality of being young or young people considered as a group. They are the basic life wire of any society and the future of the Church, our future leaders and our future generations. They are the source of creativity, energy and initiative of dynamism and social renewal.

Contextually speaking, youth is experienced within the age range of 15-40; early youth is from 15-25 while late youth is from 26-40. Those within this range are believed to be ambitious, stubborn, rebellious, immoral, atheistic and unrecollected. In addition there are some outstanding positive behaviors that youths within that range also exbit which includes; active, reflective, available, serviceable, and eager to learn. In 2008, the Pontiff Pope Benedict XVI urged the young people to let themselves be shaped by the Holy Spirit in order to be messengers of divine love, capable of building a future hope for all humanity. He added, "Youth is a special state of hope because it looks to the future with a whole range of expectations. Youth is a state when decisive choices concerning the rest of our lives come to perfection.

Fr. T. Onoyima declares that the youth are those between the age of sixteen and thirty, in all, their action categorizes them. Pope John Paul II, in his address to the youths, during his visit to Nigeria in 1982 points that, "youth is the age of hope, of promise, of enthusiasm, of plans and ideas". Also, the World Bank defines youth as a state in a person's life between childhood and adulthood.

Youthful Exuberance

This refers to the force, energy and enthusiasm that push youths into taking so many actions without considering the consequences. Since they are referred to as the work force of every nation, they have the ability to exercise any function or task with the fullness of energy, excitement and happiness. Most of these actions undertaken by youths with their youthful energy, which other people, that is, the aged and children cannot do with such excitement, are all caused by youthful exuberance. In the society,

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some of the things that are seen as taboos by the elders are done by the youths irrespective of the consequences. Some of the difficult tasks are undertaken by youths. Sometimes, they are condemned as being naturally bad; they are not, but are prone to negative influences in the society. The youth are "quick" in responding to any call, showing their eagerness and enthusiasm. The excitement and happiness with which they do their work make them to pull mountains. Most of the youths are optimistic, and with such, they pursue their goal in life. A youth cannot stay back and watch things done wrongly or go wrong. Most of them are known as the "Peter" of today because of their impetuousness. When such happens, they always have solutions for such problems. They plunge head -long into the existential ocean of corruption, yet they are open to accept re-orientation, correction, sound directions, ethical counseling and adults' exemplary life.

Statement of the Problem.

It is observed that youths are faced with so many problems which hinder them from achieving their goal as our future hope. These problems are either as a result of their ignorance of the things they should know or as a result of their exuberances. Even those that graduated from different universities after youth services are still wonder at home looking for white collar job that is not coming soon. The end sars saga was an accumulated anger because youths are waiting for the fulfillment of their destiny by hoping upon hope. Will these dreams come through? could it be that youths should look for skill and creative jobs, to identify their potentials and follow it up. That is why this study seeks to identify Problems facing Nigerian Youths in the realization of their full potentials.

Scope and Limitation Of The Study.

This study is meant to look into some of the problems associated with our youths of today, which hinder them from achieving their potentials in life. It will delimit the survey to two formation houses of religious congregations, Daughters of Divine Love Novitiate Abakpa Nike Enugu and Holy Rosary Novitiate Abakpa Nike Enugu. The purpose of the scope is to know the problems that are hindering them from their maximum support to the nation as youths not withstanding that they are in the formation houses. In this study, first year novices of both congregations are

used. A sample of 10 written questionnaires will be selected at random from each congregation. The answers obtained from these congregations as case study will be used to assess what is happening outside as far as the problems associated with youths are concerned. There are so many problems facing Nigerian youths in the realization of their full potential but because of the scope of the research and constraints of time and money, the researcher has limited herself to selected problems mentioned above.

Review of Related Literature

Nigeria's youth plays key role in our National Development efforts hence our administration has enunciated a clear policy framework to ensure that the enabling environment is created for them to maximally realize their creative and productive potentials. Appropriate strategies to mainstream youth concerns into our national development efforts are receiving priority attention in order to properly face up to the challenges thrown up by our commitment to human capital development with special emphasis on our vibrant youth. The Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development has completed the review and updating of the 2009 National Youth Policy. The new document is all inclusive, elaborate and proactively crafted to take into account exiting, new and emerging challenges in the youth sector. The review process itself took into consideration the guidelines originating from best practices as synthesized under the United Nations. The ministry and its partners moved beyond the guidelines to add areas peculiar to Nigeria setting such that the new policy has 3 strategic thrusts, 10 thematic areas and 21 objectives and commits to evidence based approach. The review also incorporated a pragmatic approach to policy formulation; it emphasized the need for a coherent, systematic and comprehensive approach to the determination of good programmes for the youth. The new National Youth Policy is a product of an all-inclusive, participatory and consultative meetings with various stakeholders across the length and breadth of the country as well as International Development Partners. The participatory approach to the design of the policy has heightened awareness and provided opportunities for various actors to articulate their views and make inputs into the new policy. The approach also promoted

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collective ownership of the policy by all stakeholders. A major thrust of the current review is regarding the age bracket for the classification of youth from existing grading of 18 – 35 years to 15 – 29 years. The review is informed by practical empirical analysis and the need to promote the appropriate targeting of desired beneficiaries of intervention programmes for the youth rather than adults masquerading as youth. As a national policy framework for the development of our youth, implementations as the roles of all stakeholders are clearly spelt out.

Policy Highlights

The National Youth Policy represents a declaration and commitment to the priorities, directions and practical supports that a country intends to provide for the development of its young men and women. It is a concrete and bold step to put the development and participation of youth at the centre of national development efforts. It is indicative of the readiness of the Government and people of Nigeria to meet the needs and aspirations of the youth as well as seek a solution to their problems. It sets guidelines and provides the framework for all stakeholders to empower the youth to realise their potentialities and take advantage of the opportunities available to make positive contributions to the well-being of their communities across the entire country.

Policy Vision

Develop Nigeria youth with equal opportunities to realise their dreams and aspirations, irrespective of their background and living in a safe and secure environment that would optimise their contributions to National Development.

Policy Mission

To provide stakeholders in youth development an all-inclusive framework that will ensure the realisation of the full potentials of all Nigerian young men and women irrespective of their ethnic, religious, and socio-economic background.

Policy Goal

To provide an appropriate framework that protects the fundamental human rights of all youth, promote their optimal development and well-being, and enhance their participation in every

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sphere of national development processes.

Target Population

The National Youth Policy broadly targets all young people in Nigeria between the ages of 15 and 29 years, while recognising that youth are not a homogeneous group in terms of needs and circumstances. Therefore, the policy aims to provide a basis for interventions to appropriately address the specific and special needs of each of several identified target groups. In this regard, this policy categorises the target population into three groups: low-risk youth, especially vulnerable youth, and most-at-risk youth.

Strategic Thrusts

The strategic thrusts of this Policy are five cross-sectoral developmental pillars that are fundamental to enabling youth to transit to self-fulfilled and productive adulthood with opportunities for full, effective and constructive participation, in line with the Policy vision and mission. These are:

1. Productive Workforce and Sustainable Economic Engagement of Youth: Development of youth into a productive and committed workforce through appropriate quality education and skills development, adequate opportunities for productive employment and successful entrepreneurship that will enable them to live economically empowered lives and make sustainable contributions to national development, as well as strategically position the country for the achievement of demographic dividends.
2. Health and Health-Promoting Lifestyle: Fostering the health development of youth through appropriate health systems and supportive social sector actions and health related behaviours geared towards the attainment of physical, social, mental, and spiritual well-being to enable young people live meaningful and fulfilling lives, and contribute appropriately to the achievement of a healthier and more productive society.
3. Participation, inclusiveness and equitable opportunities for all Youth: Address barriers to meaningful youth engagement in civil and political affairs, and enhance opportunities for constructive involvement and

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meaningful participation of all Nigeria youth in community and social development, political processes and governance agenda at all levels, to the limit of their ability, desires and experience.

4. Promotive and Protective Environment for Youth Development: Ensure an enabling environment that is supportive of optimal development of youth and protective of their fundamental human rights, thereby ensuring inclusion, equal opportunities for development and freedom from abuse, violence, intimidation and discrimination.
5. Partnership-building and effective collaboration: Enhance cooperation, collaboration and synergy among all stakeholders as well as sustain the inter-sectoral and multisectoral dynamic of youth development agenda through the creation of relevant supportive structures and partnership engagement frameworks driven by competent and committed professionals, to ensure the maximum impact of youth-focused programmes and activities on the individual and the society.(Solomon, 2019)

Youths, Society and End SARs Protest

The youths, as earlier written, are the basic life wire of any society. In fact, they are the hope of every society. A promising youth however stores for the society positive habits that would make him/her noble and a respectful future leader. His/her duties stretch further to making a remarkable and beautiful impact by working towards the good of the society, while strength and zeal still exist in him/her, suffice it to say that youth are naturally energy - packed, and full of curiosity to know what is happening around the society and in the world. They find themselves especially in terms of science and technology so as to encourage new inventions and ideals in the society.

They are capable of undertaking various tasks for the interest of their society and themselves. They are the talented hopes and heroes of every nation, thus, they have lots of responsibilities to play in the development of the society.

– They are to protect the interest of their fellow citizens.

- They are to work at all costs to prevent violence.
- They are to be loyal to the elders.
- They are expected to act as law defenders for the development of the nation.
- Youths are to serve the society by placing their physical and intellectual abilities at their service.
- They preserve and strengthen social and national solidarity.
- They are to preserve the African and human cultural values in their relation with other members of the society.

Widespread excessive use of force on youths lead to EndSARs protest

The Government has acknowledged in 2016 that "in the course of security operations against Boko Haram in North-East Nigeria and recently in the context of countering militant and separatist groups like the Islamic Movement of Nigeria (IMN), the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB), and the Niger Delta Avengers, the Nigerian Military has been accused of extrajudicial killings, torture, arbitrarily arrest and detention" [14]. The report further states that all allegations of torture, extrajudicial killings and war crimes made against the Nigerian Military will be investigated.

The Constitution allows for a broad use of lethal force, including for the defence of property while the provisions of the Code of Criminal Procedure, the Administration of Criminal Justice Act, and the Police Order 237 authorize the use of force without adequately restricting the nature of the force and setting out the principles of necessity or proportionality. These laws were criticised in the 2006 Report of then Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial killings (E/CN.4/2006/53/Add.4, paras. 47 and 105(c) and were singled out by the UN Human Rights Committee Concluding observations on Nigeria published on 25 July 2019 (CCPR/C/NGA/CO/R.2, paras. 26 and 27). I can only concur with these critiques.

There are countless allegations of excessive use of force by the police force. Officers of the unit established in 2006 to fight violent crimes including armed robbery and kidnapping (Special Anti Robbery Squad or SARS) have been accused of human rights violations, including widespread torture, in some cases leading deaths in custody, and

extrajudicial killings. The majority of the cases occurred in Southern Nigeria.

A social media campaign called #ENDSARS was launched in November 2017, and led to street protests in some parts of the country. The movement prompted the immediate past Inspector General of Police to call for a reform of SARS.

In August 2018, the Acting President directed the NHRC to set up a Special Panel to conduct an investigation of the alleged unlawful activities of SARS in order to afford members of the general public the opportunity to present their grievances with a view to ensuring redress. Public hearings confirmed 95% of the allegations of extrajudicial killings by SARS. The findings of this Panel are yet to be made available to the public. (United Nation, 2020)

Saturday, October 3rd, 2020

- A viral message broadcast on social media suggested men of the Special Anti-Robbery Squad SARS had gunned down a Nigerian youth, snatched his car, and sped off with it. The person who recorded the video can be heard making frantic yells at anyone watching the video to see what had transpired.
- As the video spread on Social media, the hashtag #ENDSARS started to garner momentum as more young people demanded an end to the brutal police unit that has for years brutalized young Nigerians.
- As twitter raged on, reports indicate SARS officials stopped the young man, pushed him out of his vehicle, shot him, and went away with the vehicle.
- As the video spread, several other young Nigerians, particularly those from the tech community recalled their experience and started lamenting on Twitter, escalating into a fury of outburst that eventually morphed into one of the largest youth organized protests in the history of Nigeria.

Sunday, 4th October 2020

- As Social media protest raged on, Nigeria's Minister for State for Labour, Festus Keyamo revealed the young man was not dead and shared a picture of him in a hospital with head wounds.
- The Nigerian Police Force, through the Inspector General of

Police, announced the ban of SARS members and other Tactical Squads from carrying out routine patrols and other conventional low-risk duties, stop and search duties, checkpoints, mounting of roadblocks, traffic checks, etc with immediate effect.

- Vice President, Yemi Osinbajo disclosed that President Muhammadu Buhari wants to see reforms in the Nigerian Police Force."We reviewed several of these issues. The President and I have had discussions on this, he is very concerned about it. He wants to see reforms."
- House of Rep member, Honourable Akin Alabi filed a motion with the House of Reps to dissolve the Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (FSARS). Alabi who represents Ona-Ara/Egbeda Federal Constituency of Oyo State disclosed his intentions to dissolve the Unit today and the issue is set to be discussed during the plenary session this week.

Wednesday, 7th October 2020

- Youths in Lagos State set out for a three-day protest to call for the disbandment of the **Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS)** unit of the Nigeria Police Force, as part of the push for reforms in the police system to put an end to the extra-judicial activities of the agency. Youths were seen marching to the Force Headquarters at Ikeja, carrying placards with various inscriptions such as "***Protect, not exploit***", "***Nigeria police stop killing us,***" amongst other printed messages.
- This was the start of a 14-day protest that eventually turned violent and hijacked by hoodlums.
- The Speaker of the House of Reps, Femi Gbajabiamila says that the House will draft new legislation to establish a system of accountability for the Nigerian police.

Thursday, October 8th, 2020

- Nigerian musicians join protests showing their support for the calls to #ENDSARS.
- Nigerian artistes such as Tiwa Savage, Runtown, Falz, Wulrd, and DJ Spinal were amongst the first to join the protest carrying placards that said: "No to SARS".

- Meanwhile, The Inspector General of Police (IGP), Mohammed Adamu, warned against attacks on law enforcement officers by the ENDSARS protesters following the reported murder of one policeman, injury to another, and alleged stealing of arms and ammunition by the protesters.

Friday, 9th October 2020

- The Nigerian Bar Association condemn the serial breaches of the fundamental rights of Nigerians by officers of the Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (FSARS) and urged that the Police put in place demonstratable measures to ensure proper enforcement and monitoring of the new directives.
- Former Vice President, Atiku Abubakar says he condemns any use of force on #EndSARS protesters across the nation and urges the FG to listen to the youth and investigate the use of force on protesters.
- Lagos State through its Gbenga Omotoso, Commissioner for Information and Strategy said it has noted the protests against the brutality of the Special Anti- Robbery Squad (SARS) and says it agrees that such acts of brutality must stop.
- The management of Flutterwave Inc announced the opening of a public fund aimed at catering for the medical bills of those injured during the protest against the brutality of officers of the Federal Anti-Robbery Squad.
- President Buhari through his Twitter handle revealed he had ordered the Inspector General of Police to address Nigerians appealing for calm and patience. "The IG already has my firm instructions to conclusively address the concerns of Nigerians regarding these excesses, & ensure erring personnel are brought to justice. I appeal for patience & calm, even as Nigerians freely exercise their right to peacefully make their views known

Saturday, 10th of October 2020

- Other startups joined Flutterwave in raising funds to

support the EndSARS protest and stop police brutality. The funds were also to be channeled towards treating victims of Police Brutality.

- The Governor of Oyo State, Seyi Makinde questioned why State Governors are called Chief Security Officers and don't have the necessary powers to control police force. The Governor disclosed this in a statement while reacting to the death of Jimoh Isiaka, a protester killed by the Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (FSARS) on Saturday.
- Isiaka was allegedly killed by the Nigerian Police on Saturday in Ognomosho over the #EndSARS protests against police brutality. The Police claimed they did not shoot protesters. Makinde received the news of Isiaka's passing with "deep sadness" after he was declared dead at the Bowen University Teaching Hospital, Ogbomoso
- The killing of Jimoh Isiaka angered more protesters leading to a massive coalition to move the protest from social media to the streets.

Sunday, 11th October 2020

- The Inspector-General of Police, **Mohammed Adamu,** via his Twitter handle, disclosed that the operations of the Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (FSARS) has been dissolved across all 36 states and the Federal Capital with immediate effect.
- The first major gathering of protests along the Lekki-Epe expressway took place disrupting the traffic along the 49.5-kilometer road.
- Iconic images of the protests start to spread across social media spurring more young Nigerians into joining the protest to show solidarity.
- Most motorists did not get home till early in the morning the next day, some as late as 3 am.

Monday, 12th October 2020

- Protesters gathered at the Lekki VI toll gate making it the epicenter of the call for the End of SARS.

- President Buhari addressed the SARS protest in his first televised speech saying, "The disbanding of SARS is only the first step in our commitment to extensive police reforms in order to ensure that the primary duty of the police and other law enforcement agencies remains the protection of lives and livelihood of our people."
- The protest was now over a week old.
- Meanwhile, reports on Social Media indicates protesters were being attacked by Police in an attempt to quell the protests.
- Amnesty International announces that the Nigerian Police Force has killed 10 persons since the anti-police brutality protests started last week against the Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (FSARS)
- The Governor of Rivers State, **Nyesom Wike** announced that all forms of protest have been banned in the state, therefore the proposed #EndSARS protest in Port Harcourt for Tuesday 13th October 2020 should not hold. He disclosed this in a social media statement on Monday evening, after the Lagos protests turned violent, as police allegedly attacked protesters in Surulere, Lagos.
- Olumide Akpata, President of the Nigerian Bar Association(NBA), said the association is working to secure the release of protesters in the #EndSARS protests.
- Police shootings were reported around Surulere, a suburb in Lagos with one protester allegedly killed by the Police. Social media video also revealed a Police officer shot from an alleged friendly fire.
- The Lagos State Government says reports of a protester getting killed in Surulere #EndSARS protests was not true, and that the casualty was a bystander who was hit by hoodlums trying to free two suspects standing trial for alleged kidnapping.
- Nigerian celebrity and superstar, Davido meets with the IG of Police in Abuja calling for a psychological reevaluation of Policemen.

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Tuesday, 13th October 2020

- The Lagos State Government set up a N200 million fund for residents in the states who have been victims of police brutality. This was made known by the state governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu while addressing protesters in Alausa, Ikeja area of Lagos State.
- He requested a list of names of Lagos State residents that have been affected by police brutality.
- The Inspector-General of Police announced the set up of a new Police outfit known as Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT) to take over from the dissolved Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS).
- He also ordered all personnel of the disbanded unit to report to the force headquarters in Abuja for debriefing, psychological and medical examination.
- The Presidential Panel on Police Reforms set up by the government met and okayed the five demands made by the #EndSARS protesters across the country.
- Despite the ban of protesting activities in Rivers State, residents of Port Harcourt defied the Governor and marched to the Government House while chanting the song "*solidarity forever*".
- Nigeria's immediate past president, Goodluck Jonathan weighed in on the protest, saying that Nigerians don't deserve to lose their lives while protesting peacefully for the advancement of their country.
- The Inspector-General of Police, Mohammed Adamu ordered the personnel of the disbanded Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) to report to the force headquarters in Abuja for debriefing, psychological and medical examination.

Wednesday, 14th October 2020

- The Federal Government declared that no Police Officer of any unit is allowed to look into people's phones, or look at the type of vehicle they are using, or

profiling them to see whether they are yahoo boys or not. The Inspector-General of police also stated that "Justice will be done. An investigation team will be constituted which will include Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), to identify all abuses, and officers that are found culpable will be punished."

- Chairman of Flutterwave denies he personally directed the suspension of the fintech firm's payment platform.
- One of the leading NGOs currently campaigning against police brutality in Nigeria, Feminist Coalition announced that it had raised the total sum of N37,355,149.48 in crowdfunding for the protest which is aimed at supporting protesters.
- FinTech advocates reveal plans to start adopting cryptocurrencies to raise funds to support to protest. This was in reaction to rumours that the CBN had instructed banks to stop allowing their platforms to be used to raise funds.
- Billionaire boss of the leading social media platform Twitter, and payments company Square, Jack Dorsey, joined the support of the #EndSARS protest that has overtaken Nigeria. His tweet was the first major social media support from a Founder of a social media platform.

Thursday, 15th October 2020

- The popular hacking group, Anonymous claimed via its Twitter handle, that it had breached some Nigerian government websites. This was the start of many other hacking of government social media assets.
- One of the most revered men in Nigeria, the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG), Pastor E. A. Adeboye says he supports the peaceful #EndSARS protests.
- The Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCTA) announced that all street demonstrations have been banned after a wave of #EndSARS protests in the city

due to police brutality. This came on the back of protesters still actively demonstrating on the streets, despite the Federal Government scrapping the unit.

- The Governor of Lagos State disclosed that the State Government has arrested and is currently probing police officers that were involved in brutalizing protesters at the Surulere protest venue.
- The Nigerian Governors Forum (NGF) demanded that all the police officers who participated in actions that led to injury or death of Nigerians must be brought to justice. This was disclosed by the Ekiti State Governor and NGF Chairman, Kayode Fayemi, on after the governors, held a meeting with the Inspector General of Police, Mohammed Adamu.

Friday, 16th October 2020

- The **Police Service Commission** reportedly listed the names of 37 former members of the disbanded Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) for dismissal from service.
- The Minister for Africa for the UK Government, James Duddridge MP, says the United Kingdom is monitoring the #EndSARS protests in Nigeria and called for a peaceful police reform process.
- The Vice President of Nigeria, Yemi Osinbajo, broke his silence on the #EndSARS protests to announce that the 36 State Governors and the FCT Minister will set up judicial panels of inquiry that will adopt public hearings.
- The Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) has debunked rumours that its website was hacked. Information on social media suggests the Apex bank had its website hacked.
- The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) announced that it has constituted members of an independent investigation panel into the activities of the dissolved SARS, as the Federal Government finds a way to end the nationwide protests.

Saturday, 17th October 2020

- The Governor of Lagos State, **Mr. Babajide Sanwo-Olu** announced through his official Twitter handle, that the trial of the erring police officers who were allegedly involved in the attack on #EndSARS Protesters in Surulere, which led to the death of one of them had started on Friday, October 16, 2020.
- The Nigerian Army announced that it will commence a nationwide Exercise Crocodile Smile VI from the 20th of October to the 31st of December. It will be a cyber warfare exercise designed to identify, track, and counter negative propaganda on social media. Meanwhile, the military later claims it was not targeted at protesters.
- By now protests had spread nationwide with many other cities joining in to demand an end to SARS.

Sunday, 18th October 2020

- #EndSARS protesters launched a helpline center and an online radio platform named **'Soro Soke'** to aid the coordination of the protesters nationwide through effective and timely communication.
- The Senate President, **Ahmed Lawan** called for an end to the #EndSARS protests after a closed-door meeting with President Muhammadu Buhari and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabiamila at the State House in Abuja.
- The Governor of Lagos State, Babajide Sanwo-Olu announced the terms of reference of the Judicial Panel of Inquiry and Restitution into abuses by the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS).
- The #EndSARS protesters reportedly blocked the headquarter of the Central Banks of Nigeria in Abuja so as to prevent activities at the apex bank on Monday.
- Meanwhile, the former Lagos State Governor and National Leader of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC), Bola Ahmed Tinubu, reacted to media reports that he was among those sponsoring #EndSARS protesters across

the country. While denying the allegation and exonerating himself, Tinubu advised Nigerians to jettison the news.

- The Lekki/Ikoyi tollgates were unblocked by protesters allowing for vehicular movement.

Monday, 19th October 2020

- **Lagos State Government** inaugurated an 8-man Judicial Panel of Inquiry and Restitution to investigate cases of police brutality in the state. This was disclosed by the Lagos State Governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, who cited Section 5 of Tribunals of Inquiry Law, Laws of Lagos State, 2015 as a legal justification to set up the panel.
- EdoStateGovernment announce dthe imposition of a 24-hour curfew across the state with effect from 4pm. This was due to incidents of vandalism and attacks reportedly carried out by hoodlums who hijacked the #EndSARS protests.
- Soldiers were deployed to the streets of Abuja and stationed in strategic places to curb the #EndSARS protest that has in some cases gone out of hand as suspected hoodlums were reportedly attacking protesters and pro-SARS groups.
- Meanwhile, protesters continued their protests at the Lekki Toll Plaza with more youth pouring into the streets of Lagos. Reports indicate the protest had cost was adversely affecting the Lagos economy. A Lagos State Government source revealed they had lost at least N234m to the closure of tollgates since the commencement of the #EndSARS protests, although the state has continued to generate money from adverts at the toll plazas.

Tuesday, 20th October 2020

- The Speaker of the Federal House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabiamila, vowed that he will not sign off the 2021 Appropriation Bill presently before the National Assembly if adequate provisions are not made for the compensation of the families of the victims of police brutality and meeting the

demands of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU).

- Suspected miscreants and arsonists burnt down the **Dutse Makaranta police station** in the Kubwa area of Abuja. This is after the clash between policemen and #EndSARS protesters in the area where a protester, Anthony Onome, was stabbed on Saturday and a stray bullet hit and killed another protester, who died on the spot.
- At 11:49 am, the **Lagos State Government** announced the imposition of a 24-hour curfew in all parts of the state, with effect from 4 pm Tuesday, October 20, 2020. This was due to the hijacked #EndSARS protests in the state, where hoodlums attacked citizens and destroyed properties.
- At about 4 pm, the IG of Nigerian Police Force, **M.A Adamu,** ordered the immediate nationwide deployment of anti-riot police unit, Police Mobile Force (PMF), over attacks on police facilities by hoodlums during the #EndSARS protests.
- About noon, a **police station** in the Orile-Iganmu area of Lagos State was set on fire by suspected thugs. Eyewitnesses who shared videos via their Twitter accounts said the reprisal attacks were allegedly fueled by the shooting of one person in that area by policemen.
- The **United States embassy and consulate** in Nigeria, announced the shutting down of its consulate in Lagos State for two days with effect from Tuesday, October 20, 2020, due to the hijacked #EndSARS protests.
- US airline Delta turns back passenger airline en route to Nigeria from the United States. The airline had a stopover in Dakar Senegal but had to go back to the US after several reports of violence. The airline canceled subsequent flights into Nigeria.
- Meanwhile, The Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) denied the alleged shut of the nation's airspace due to the unrest, arising from the hijacked #EndSARS protests in Lagos, Abuja, and

some other states in the country.

Lekki Toll Shooting

- At about 6.45 pm Tuesday, October 20th, several social media accounts revealed **peaceful protesters were allegedly being shot at by the Nigerian military at the Lekki toll gate holdout.**
- **Lagos State Government** had issued a directive to extend the enforcement of its 24hour curfew from 4 pm today to 9 pm, to enable residents stuck in traffic get to their destinations. This was disclosed by the State Governor, Mr. Babajide Sanwo-Olu on Tuesday evening via the state's official Twitter handle.
- At about 10 pm, the Lagos State Government orders an investigation into the Lekki Toll Plaza shooting that was allegedly done by men of the Nigerian Army on Tuesday evening. This was disclosed in a statement issued by the state's Commissioner of Information and Strategy, Mr. **Gbenga Omotoso**, via his Twitter handle.
- Former US Presidential Candidate, Hillary Clinton, calls on President Muhammadu Buhari's administration and the Nigerian Army to stop the killing of young protesters in the country. Several other notable leaders across the world start tweeting about the alleged "massacre" at the Lekki Toll.
- At around 11 pm, **GT Bank**'s branch on Admiralty Way, Lekki, Lagos state was allegedly set ablaze in the middle of the night by hoodlums disguised as #EndSARS protesters. This was disclosed by eyewitnesses around the affected branch, through their respective Twitter accounts.

Wednesday, 21st October 2020

- The **Inspector-General of Police** (IGP), Mohammed Adamu ordered the withdrawal of all Police Officers attached to Very Important Persons (VIPs) across the country, with the exemption of those in Government houses, the Senate

President and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

- **Lagos State Government** suspended all government activities and declared lockdown for 72 hours in view of growing violence in the state. The Governor had earlier visited the injured protesters at the hospitals where they received treatment and also stated via a broadcast that there was no record of fatality in the controversial Lekki Toll Plaza shooting on Tuesday.
- Lagos State Governor Jide Sanwo-Olu confirms two people had died as a result of the Lekki Shooting.
- The **United Kingdom High Commission** in Nigeria announced the shutdown of its VISA application centers in Nigeria for the next 48 hours, with immediate effect, due to the ongoing #EndSARS protests in the country.
- **Television Continental (TVC)** station in the Ikosi-Ketu area of Lagos state has been allegedly burnt down by hoodlums who attacked the building. This was disclosed by some residents, who sent videos on social media.
- The headquarters of the **Nigerian Ports Authority** in Marina, Lagos was also reportedly set on fire by hoodlums involved in the #EndSARS protests.
- Around 1 am**,** The **Nigerian Army** took to their official Twitter handle and denied deploying soldiers to attack #EndSARS protesters who defied the imposed curfew and peacefully assembled at the Lekki Toll Plaza.
- Nigerian football players, local and international celebrities take to their Twitter handle to condemn the alleged shooting of protesters at the Lekki Tollgate.

Thursday, 22nd October 2020

- In an interview session with Arise TV, the Governor of Lagos State, **Mr. Babajide Sanwo-Olu** said that the curfew initially imposed for 72 hours could be lifted partially within 24 hours, to allow

Lagosians re-stock on food and critical household items.

- The Governor also responded to the question on who ordered the removal of the CCTV at the toll gate and the switching off of the light. *"Nobody ordered, they were the security of LCC on the ground. I called the security of LCC that night and because of the curfew they took off the installation. That camera that you saw is not a security camera it is a laser camera that picks your number plate… The security camera is still available. The Managing Director of LCC does not have a reporting line to me."*
- Sanwo -Olu said he is yet to speak with the President, following the Lekki shootings that occurred on Tuesday evening
- Later in the evening by 7 pm, Nigeria's President Buhari addresses the country in a nationwide broadcast. In his remarks about the protest, the president said he was pained that innocent lives were lost. "All these executed in the name of the ENDSARS protests. I am indeed deeply pained that innocent lives have been lost. These tragedies are uncalled for and unnecessary."
- Most critics on social media expressed anger, as they felt his speech to the nation, did not mention the Lekki Tollgate shooting.

Friday, 23rd October 2020

- In his speech, President Muhammadu Buhari pointed out that the promptness with which the Federal Government acted in meeting the demands of the #EndSARS protesters seemed to have been misconstrued as a sign of weakness and twisted by some for their selfish unpatriotic interests. Most critics saw this as a disguised threat against further protests.
- Lagos State Governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu said the Lagos State government is working towards stabilizing things across the state and rebuilding through verification of victims and has called on youth leaders to provide representatives for a judicial panel.

- US Senate leader, Elizabeth Warren called for the United States to stand with the Nigerian people over the #EndSARS protests to demand justice and equality for the victims.
- President Muhammadu Buhari presides over a National Security Council meeting with some former heads of state and some security chiefs.
- The Lagos State Government released a schedule of cases to be heard in the criminal prosecution of police officers for offenses related to violation of human rights in the state.
- Feminist Coalition, a not-for-profit organization and one of the leading supporters of the #EndSARS campaign, informed all financial supporters of the campaign to stop sending funds to the group, while also revealing plans for the remaining donated funds.
- Instagram apologized for its algorithm malfunction that lead to the dismay of its users, saying that its algorithm incorrectly flagged the posts, "*Yesterday our systems were incorrectly flagging content in support of #EndSARS and marking posts as false. We are deeply sorry for this. The issue has now been resolved, and we apologize for letting our community down in such a time of need.*"
- The Lagos State Government eased the 24-hour curfew which was earlier imposed on Tuesday, October 2020, to now run from 6 pm to 8 am.
- Coca-Cola Nigeria announced it made a donation of N20 Million to cover the medical costs of victims of the #EndSARS protests in hospitals.

Saturday, 24th October, 2020

- With curfews announced around Nigeria, the #EndSARS protests have been halted. However, in the diaspora, Nigerians picked up the pace of protests with protests recorded in Zurich, Paris, New Zealand , Berlin, Toronto, Belgi

um and other cities around the globe.

- The Mayor of Houston, Sylvester Turner announced that the Houston City Hall would be lit green and white in solidarity with the #EndSARS protests in Nigeria. He said,"Houston is proud to be home of one of the largest Nigerian communities in the country and stands with Nigerians around the world calling for an end to the violence against peaceful demonstrations. Tonight, city hall is lit green and white to show our solidarity."
- HumanAngle reported that forensic evidence from videos recorded during the Lekki shootings reveals that the recorded videos were authentic despite claims by the Nigerian Military that the videos were doctored.
- The Governor of Lagos State, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, announced that Lagos State will not burn on his watch, as he tried to calm things down after hoodlums wreaked havoc post-Lekki shootings, and announced that the Judicial panel set up by the state would include the incident at Lekki toll gate.
- The Vice President of Nigeria, Prof. Yemi Osinbajo told a US delegation that the proposed reform of the Nigerian Police Force (NPF) will be a game-changer in ensuring an end to impunity. He added that reforms have become necessitated by reports of police brutality, extortion, unlawful arrests, and extrajudicial killings.
- The British High Commissioner to Nigeria, Catriona Laing, disclosed The UK's willingness to support efforts for genuine reform of the Nigerian Police Force (NPF) and to improve accountability.
- The Independent Petroleum Marketers Association of Nigeria (IPMAN) warned of a looming petroleum scarcity in the country, following attacks on fuel tankers and the disruption of depot operations across the country by hoodlums who had hijacked the #EndSARS protests.

- Access Bank Nigeria Plc. announced N50 billion in support of Nigerians through interest-free loans and grants to support communities, the youths, and micro, small and medium-sized businesses.
- Osun State Governor Gboyega Oyetola announced a 24-hour curfew in the state. The decisionwas announced barely 24 hours after the initial curfew, which was suspended.
- Minister of Youth and Sports Development, Mr. Sunday Dare, announced President Buhari will address Nigerians on the Lekki toll Plaza shootings, as he awaits the outcome of the investigations into the shootings of unarmed #EndSARS protesters by soldiers.
- The Inspector-General of Police, Mohammed Adamu ordered the immediate deployment of all police operational assets and resources to bring an end to the unrest. "*The Inspector-General of Police, IGP M.A Adamu, NPM, mni has ordered the immediate mobilization of all police operational assets and resources to bring an end to the wanton violence, killings, looting and destruction of public and private property, and reclaim the public space from criminal elements masquerading as protesters in some parts of the country,"* the Police announced.
- Governor Hope Uzodimma of Imo State approved N2 billion for youth empowerment, following a fruitful meeting with a group of youths associated with the #EndSARS movement in the State.
- After a long absence since the day of the Lekki Shooting.The former Lagos State Governor and the National Leader of the ruling All Progressives Congress (APC), Bola Ahmed Tinubu, reacted to the outbreak of violence during the curfews after the Lekki incident. "*I didn't go nowhere; I'm a Lagosian and I still hold the title of Asiwaju of Lagos and I am still a Jagaban. Fake news is all over the place. They say Seyi my son was kidnapped and was chased but look at him. I*

didn't pay a penny to bring him here", he said.

Sunday, 25th October, 2020

- 6 time Formula 1 Champion, Lewis Hamilton joined to raise awareness about the #EndSARS protests on the same day he beat Micheal Schumacher's record by winning his 92nd Grand Prix. Hamilton said "We all have a responsibility to educate ourselves and raise awareness of the tragedies happening in the world around us and take action where we can. The recent events in Nigeria are a human rights crisis."
- The Nigerian diaspora continued protests as curfews limit protests in Nigeria with protest recorded in Dallas and Czech Republic.
- Lagos State Government announced that it will be prosecuting 229 suspects who allegedly took advantage of the #EndSARS protests to vandalize and loot public and private properties in different parts of the State.
- Martin Luther King III, son of late 60's civil rights leader, Martin Luther King Jr. called on the Federal Government of Nigeria to guarantee the freedom of peaceful protesters in Nigeria as the #EndSARS protests draw more International attention after the Lekki shootings.
- Minister of Finance, Zainab Ahmed, announced The Federal Government launched a N25 billion Youth Fund to address the #EndSARS protests and other related youth restiveness in Nigeria.
- Pope Francis called on the Catholic faithful to pray against violence in Nigeria as events relating to the #EndSARS protests and police brutality continue to draw international attention.
- The house of former House of Representative Speaker, Yakubu Dogara, was looted in Jos. An eye witness said, *"They broke into the house of the former Speaker and attacked everyone, including Dogara's brother, and (they) are currently moving anything they see. In the process, the invaders moved several items – tricycles,*

furniture, electronics, and other valuables – out of the house."

- Governors of the South-West states pledged their supports to their Lagos State counterpart, as they described the coordinated attacks in the state as an attempt to weaken the region's economy.
- The Lagos State Governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, reviewed the curfew earlier imposed on the state to help contain the large scale violence following the hijacked #EndSARS protests against police brutality and extra-judicial killings. The curfew now starts at 8 pm and ends at 6 am daily.
- The Lagos State Government revealed that 27 of the burnt Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) vehicles in the Oyingbo and Ojodu Berger areas of the state cost $200,000 each, while 57 of them cost $100,000 each, all totaling about N3.9 billion.
- The Pentecostal Fellowship of Nigeria (PFN) sued for peace in this critical time, the body urged the protesting youth to sheathe their sword, and give peace a chance.

Monday, 26th October, 2020

- Nigerians in diaspora continued protests with protests recorded in Philadelphia, Indonisia and Houston.
- Senior Special Assistant to the President on Media and Publicity, Garba Shehu, issued a statement on behalf of the president, and explained that the President decided not to speak on the shooting incident until he had access to all the facts.
- President Muhammadu Buhari announced the Lagos State Judicial Panel has his full support, and expressed confidence in the outcomes of other panels set up by states.
- The Minister for Works and Housing, Mr. Babatunde Fashola, on Sunday, discovered a hidden camera at the Lekki Toll Gate, Admiralty Circle, Lagos, during an on the spot assessment.
- The Beer Sectoral Group (BSG) of the Manufacturers Association of Nigeria

(MAN),announced the creation of N50million fund to support those affected by the civil unrest spiked by the hijacked #EndSARS protests.

- Kwara State Government announced the launch of a N500 million recovery fund for businesses whose properties were looted and vandalized in the state by hoodlums who seized the #EndSARS protests to wreak havoc on private and public properties.
- The Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (FMARD), warned that wheat seeds looted by hoodlums in Jos is not meant for consumption, as it is poisonous.
- The National Broadcasting Commission, NBC, fined Nigerian media houses including AIT, Channels TV and Arise News, claiming they used unverifiable video footages from social media to cover the #EndSARS protests. According to media reports, the regulators imposed various fines on Arise TV, African Independent Television (AIT) and Channels Television between N2million and N3million.
- The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabiamila disclosed that Lagos State will need about N1 trillion for the reconstruction and repair of the properties and infrastructure that was vandalized and destroyed by hoodlums.
- The Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI), urged the Federal Government to assist the Lagos State Government to rebuild the state's assets destroyed by hoodlums, who hijacked the #EndSARS protest to vandalize and loot government and private properties.

Tuesday, 27th October, 2020

- Lagos State Judicial Panel on police brutality commenced today and adjourned to Friday, 30th Novermber, 2020 due to petitioners not being available.
- Protests continued in the Nigerian Diaspora, with reports of Nigerians protesting in Finland.

- The Archbishop of Canterbury and Head of the Anglican Church, Justin Welby, warned that the deliberate shooting of unarmed protesters in Lagos was an act of outrage, and he urged for a path to peace, justice and reconciliation.
- Lagos State Governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, announced that the Lagos State Government would ensure that anyone found culpable in last Tuesday's shooting at the Lekki Toll Plaza would be held accountable for their actions. The Governor said in an interview with CNN's Becky Anderson.
- The Lagos State Governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, insisted that there were only two confirmed deaths during the shooting incident that happened a week ago at the Lekki Tollgate.
- The Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), called on protesters to be peaceful in conducting their protests and urged Nigerian security operatives to exercise restraint in the handling of protests.

Wednesday, 28th October, 2020

- National Economic Council (NEC), launched a committee to meet the needs and demands of Nigerian youths behind the #EndSARS protests. The head of the Committee is Vice President Yemi Osinbajo.
- Oyo State Government launched a N500 million MSME fund to fund youth entrepreneurs in the State with bright business ideas
- The Nigerian Army stated that the alleged massacre of protesters at Lekki Toll Plaza is untrue, unfounded, and aimed at causing anarchy in the country and that their presence was requested by the Lagos State Government to restore normalcy.
- Professor Bolaji Akinyemi, former Nigerian Minister of External Affairs, disclosed that the judicial panels for inquiries have just two weeks to address all the issues raised by the

#EndSARS protesters, as failure to do so may drag youths back to the streets.

- Speaker of Nigeria's House of Representatives, Femi Gbajabiamila, said that some of the demands of the youths following the #EndSARS protests would be addressed constitutionally, as part of the decision was to reform the Police, in a quest to accommodate a better Police Force.

Thursday, 29th October, 2020

- The Lagos State Governor, Babajide Sanwo-Olu, said he will compensate the families of policemen killed during the hijacked #EndSARS protests that erupted in Lagos and pledge to rebuild destroyed police stations.
- Femi Adesina, Special Adviser to the President on Media said the looting of Covid-19 palliatives was not only done out of hunger, but out of greed and criminality.
- Desmond Elliot, a member of the Lagos State House of Assembly, apologised and allegedly broke down in tears on live TV for addressing #EndSARS protesters as "Children."

Friday, 30th October, 2020

- The Lagos State tribunal continued today and was adjourned to Tuesday November 2nd. The Panels visited the scene of the Lekki Toll gate shooting and found 5 bullets shells.
- The Inspector-General of Police, M.A Adamu, said that officers of the Nigeria Police Force acted professionally and exercised commendable restraints during the protests, in a response to Amnesty International about police firing at protesters.*"Officers of the Nigeria Police Force acted professionally, exercised commendable restraints and some paid the supreme price for peace during the recent protests and ensuing violence in some parts of the country."The Amnesty Int'l report is untrue, misleading, and contrary to all available*

empirical evidence" the IGP said.

Saturday, 31st October, 2020

- Global popstar, Beyonce announced a call to donation and support for the #EndSARS protests. "I listened to the voices of some young people from all parts of Africa and they are asking to be heard. They have seen too much that is wrong and they are crying out for the world to listen through our actions" she said.
- The Nigerian Police Force stated that about 205 critical national security assets, corporate facilities and private properties were razed down and vandalized during the EndSARS protest, which was hijacked by hoodlums and arsonists.
- Lagos State Governor ,Babajide Sanwo-Olu, announced lifting the curfew imposed on the state with immediate effect.
- Celebrities begin the WeMOVE webinar to discuss the way forward after the protests.

Sunday, 1st November, 2020

- The Minister of Information and Culture, Alhaji Lai Mohammed, announced that the Federal Government has no plans of shutting down social media but must regulate it to prevent the spread of hate speech.
- Lai Mohammed also stated that the attack on The Nation newspaper and Television Continental (TVC), is an attack on free press. The media houses were attacked by hoodlums during the curfew following the unfortunate hijack of #EndSARS protests.
- The Army said its unprofessional and against the operational security of the organization to disclose the identities of soldiers deployed to Lekki Tollgate on Tuesday, October 20, 2020.

Monday, 2nd November, 2020

- President Muhammadu Buhari announced that protests cannot last indefinitely and has called on youths to dialogue with the government and engage in comprehensive reforms.

- The President of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), Olumide Akpata, stated that the Federal Government's plan to introduce regulation of social media after the #EndSARS protests are suspicious, as the social media space is already regulated. (Vanguard, 2020). I don't want talk more on this endsars issue.

Problems Facing Nigerian Youths In The Realization Of Full Potentials.

Youths, as our future hope must be recognized in all spheres of the economy, since they are focused in life and zealous to work. Nigeria, as a nation must try to recognize the importance and the role of the youths so as to enable them come out with their maximum output.

So many factors can make youths not to achieve what is expected of them especially as regards their place in our future generation.

Pessimism

There are some youths who never believe that something good can ever come out of them, they are always pessimistic, and they lack self confidence, determination, and courage in all they do, thereby allowing themselves to be ruled by inferiority complex. They need to resist the inclination towards pessimism because studies show that optimists are healthier and live longer than pessimists. Suffice it to say that optimism is a virtue that is a source of strength and vitality to a promising future leader. A youth that is pessimistic in life sees everything in a negative way.

Youths Relationship With God

Some youths have missed the mark for a superb future because they pay less attention to God who is the source of life. They think they can make it on their own, forgetting that the scripture says in Psalm 127 "That if the Lord does not build the house those who build it labor in vain," and the fear of God is also the beginning of wisdom.

St. John rightly puts thus, "Apart from me you can do nothing" John 15:5. To this a youth who is strongly rooted in God and has confidence in him, has all that is needed for a better tomorrow because "One with God is majority; Thus, a prayerful youth is a powerful youth.

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A youth that has no foundation in God can easily join bad company. A rotten fruit, they say spoils the good ones. The truth in this remains that many youths have rendered themselves useless, and to total ruin because of the type of company they involve themselves in. Some form cliques or succumb to negative peers influences such as cultism, armed robbery, prostitution etc, which have obviously led many youths to their untimely death. To avoid destruction of one's future, the youths should follow Socrates exhortation, "Man know thyself."

Organisation

A youth who lacks organization or focus has the tendency of not building a brighter future. But when he or she knows actually what he/she wants and works towards attaining it, a promising future leader emerges.

Some are uninformed and so lack the resources or techniques applied at any time or situation in life. A youth who is versatile and well informed in all spheres of life leaves the impression of a qualitative future leader in the mind of people. All these are the problems facing Nigerian youths in the realization of their full potentials.

Conclusively, since the youths aspire towards noble things they must know that they can achieve nobility only with the help of God who gives them strength.

If a youth is closer to God, optimistic and organized, he/she moves towards honorable activities and makes worthwhile resolutions for the growth of our future generation.

Research Method

This research is an evaluative research, which seeks to investigate problems facing Nigerian youths in the realization of their full potentials. In this study, factual information is collected and analyzed.

This study was carried out in two religious congregations namely: Daughters of Divine Love congregation Enugu and Holy Rosary congregation Enugu. The study is restricted to written answers about youths of the first year Novices in the formation houses of the two congregations. The two formation houses are predominantly located in the eastern part of Nigeria.

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The population for this study is made up of the total number of scripts used by the first year Novices of the two Congregations in the year 2012. According to the statistics collected from both formation houses, first year novices of the Daughters of Divine love congregation Enugu are twenty one while the first year novices of the Holy Rosary congregation are twenty. These taken together, make a total population of fourty one scripts.

The sample is made up of twenty five scripts collected from the two formation houses. Fifteen scripts were randomly selected from the Daughters of Divine Love congregation while ten scripts were randomly selected from the Holy Rosary congregation, making a total of twenty five scripts.

Name of the congregation	Population	Sample	Percentage
Daughters of Divine love Congregation Enugu	21	15	51.2%
Holy Rosary Congregation Enugu	20	10	48.8%
Total	41	25	100%

Sample of the congregations.

The instruments used to collect the data for this research are the already marked answer scripts on "youths our future hope" in the year 2012. The answer scripts of questions on "youths our future hope" in the two congregations were indepthly analyzed, and problems facing our youths actualization of their goals has been taken note of. The data collected were analysed, based on the information gathered from the novices' scripts. The descriptive statistics (percentage) will be used for the analysis.

DATA ANALYSIS

Classification of problems

The number of novices that supported that youths are not pessimistic were 22, consisting of a total of 32.4 **%,** those that strongly believe that youths must build their foundation in God were 24, consisting of a total of 35.2% while those that agreed that youth must be more organized and focused were 22 consisting a total of 32.4%.

Problems	Frequency	Percentage
Youth are not pessimistic	22	32.4%
Youth relationship with God	24	35.2%
Organization	22	32.4%
Total	68	100%

Analysis of data

Analysis of the problem, "youth are not pessimistic," in the Daughters of Divine love formation house, Enugu and Holy Rosary formation house Enugu.

Name of the congregation	Problems	Frequency	percentage
Daughters of Divine Love Congregation Enugu	Youths are not pessimistic	14	63.6%
Holy Rosary Congregation Enugu	Youths are not pessimistic	8	36.4%
Total		22	100%

Table 2: Analysis of the problem youths are not pessimistic in the two congregations.

From the above table Daughters of Divine Love Congregation formation house had 63.6% of the problem of pessimism, as one of the factors that hinders the youth from achieving their aim, while Holy Rosary Congregation Enugu had 36.4%. The table shows that pessimism is a great problem facing our youths in the realization of their full potentials.

Analysis of the problem, some youth are not-rooted in God in the two congregations.

Name of the congregation	Problems	Frequency	percentage
Daughters of Divine Love Congregation	Youth relationship with God	15	62.5%
Holy Rosary Congregation	Youth relationship with God	9	37.5%

Total	24	100%

Table 3 Analysis of the problem, youths relationship with God in the two congregations.

From the above table, Daughters of Divine Love Congregation Enugu had 62.5% of the problem youths relationship with God while Holy Rosary congregation had also 37.5% of the same problem. This shows that the problem is strongly distributed in the two congregations.

Analysis of the problem youths must be more organized in the two congregations.

Name of the congregation	Problems	Frequency	percentage
Daughters of Divine Love Congregation	Problem of organization	14	70%
Holy Rosary Congregation	Problem of organization	6	30%
Total		20	100%

Table 4 presents an analysis of the problem youths is not organized. The table shows that lack of co-operation (with God) is a big problem that hinders youth from achieving their goal in life.

Discussion of Findings

The discussion of the results of this study is organized under the following headings:

Problem of Pessimism:

Research hypothesis (1), sets out to find out the problem of pessimism. Analysis of data in table 4.2 shows that some youths are often faced with the problem of pessimism, not hoping for the best, they lack courage and confidence in themselves.

Youths Relationship with God:

Research hypothesis (2), sets out to find out why some youths have shallow trust in God and its consequences towards the development of our society. Analysis of 4.3 shows that they do not trust in God as the all knowing, by being less affair in the practice of their own religion, they are not firm in their conviction about God.

Problem of Organization:

Research hypothesis (3), sets out to find out the effect of the unorganized nature of some youths in our society. Analysis of table 4.4 shows that, they lack organization, focus and are sometimes uninformed.

Summary:

Looking at the findings of this study, one discovers that youths have so many problems that hinder them from achieving their aim in life. Some of these problems are being pessimistic, not rooted in God and lack of organization.

These errors were serious because some youths lacked the knowledge needed and were most of the times uninformed. According to the purpose of this study, some of the problems that hinder youth from achieving their aim has been identified and classified. The reasons for these errors and the ways of eliminating them have been suggested.

The problem of youths suggested by the novices from the two congregations was fairly the same.

Conclusion:

Based on the findings of this study, the researcher concludes by saying that youths have problem that is facing them from achieving their goal.

Recommendations:

For these problems to be avoided, the researcher suggests that youths should be well directed, focused and put their trust firmly in God. Parents, teachers, religious organizations should help out in modeling them to the best way of life and to be optimistic in life.

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