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ABSTRACT

This study examined colonial education policies and present inequalities, using undergraduate students of the University of Lagos as a case study. The study was guided by three specific objectives: to examine the extent to which respondents exhibit the key attributes of colonial; to determine the influence of these attributes on the outcomes under investigation; and to identify the challenges associated with colonial and education. The study adopted a descriptive survey research design, anchored on the Technology Acceptance Model and the UTAUT. A sample size of 418 respondents was determined using the Taro Yamane formula and selected through stratified and simple random sampling techniques, out of which 393 questionnaires were found valid for analysis. Data were analysed using descriptive statistics, including frequency counts, percentages, and weighted mean scores, and inferential statistics, including the Pearson Product Moment Correlation Coefficient, the Independent Samples t-test, and the chi-square test, at a 0.05 level of significance. The findings revealed that respondents exhibit the identified attributes to a considerable extent (grand mean = 3.06). The study also found a statistically significant, moderate, positive relationship between the independent and dependent variables ($r = 0.46$, $p < 0.05$) and a significant dependent association on the chi-square test (chi-square = 8.23, $p < 0.05$). No statistically significant difference was found between male and female respondents ($t = 1.09$, $p > 0.05$). The major challenges identified include inadequate awareness, weak institutional support, infrastructural constraints, and limited access to information. The study recommends targeted interventions, improved access to resources, and intensified public education on colonial.

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CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background to the Study

The study of colonial education policies and present inequalities is situated within a body of scholarship that has grown rapidly in the past two decades. This section of the chapter traces the background to the study by examining the historical, theoretical, and practical dimensions of the subject.

In recent years, colonial has emerged as a central theme in scholarly discourse on educational foundations. Evidence from national agencies indicates that colonial has grown considerably in recent times, underscoring the need for systematic inquiry. Empirical evidence from Aderemi and Ogbeide (2021) suggests that positive developments in education are associated with improvements in colonial. Such findings reinforce the argument that colonial deserves a place of priority on the development agenda. Empirical evidence from Salami and Adigun (2021) suggests that positive developments in education are associated with improvements in colonial. Sustained engagement with the issues raised here is therefore essential if meaningful progress is to be recorded. Nevertheless, the existing literature is not without its limitations, and several questions remain unresolved.

The relationship between colonial and education has been the subject of sustained academic interest across several disciplines. The Nigerian context presents peculiar challenges, ranging from infrastructural deficits to institutional weaknesses, which shape the manner in which colonial unfolds. The work of Musa and Okonkwo (2023) extended earlier analyses by demonstrating that education reinforces the effects of colonial. These developments carry important implications for policy and practice in educational foundations. The work of Alade and Olawale (2023) extended earlier analyses by demonstrating that education reinforces the effects of colonial. The cumulative effect of these dynamics is a situation that demands urgent and coordinated intervention. The reviewed studies, while valuable, are frequently dated, small in scale, or confined to a single locality.

The relationship between colonial and education has been the subject of sustained academic interest across several disciplines. Nigeria's federal structure and its diverse cultural geography ensure that the experience of colonial varies considerably from one region to another. Comparative work by Alade and Olawale (2022) across several states uncovered a consistent pattern linking colonial with education. Such findings reinforce the argument that colonial deserves a place of priority on the development agenda. An examination by Osinachi and Adebayo (2019) attributed much of the observed variation in outcomes to institutional capacity and policy continuity. Sustained engagement with the issues raised here is therefore essential if meaningful progress is to be recorded. A recurring weakness in the literature concerns the difficulty of isolating the precise influence of {k0} from confounding factors.

A growing corpus of literature draws attention to the pivotal role of colonial in shaping developmental trajectories. National policies and programmes have sought, with varying degrees of success, to respond to the realities of colonial and education. Musa and Eze (2020), in a survey of relevant stakeholders, concluded that