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ABSTRACT

This study examined impact of school funding on the quality of educational facilities in nigeria, 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 impact; to determine the influence of these attributes on the outcomes under investigation; and to identify the challenges associated with impact and school. The study adopted a descriptive survey research design, anchored on the Systems Theory and the Human Capital Theory. A sample size of 404 respondents was determined using the Taro Yamane formula and selected through stratified and simple random sampling techniques, out of which 367 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 = 3.03). The study also found a statistically significant, moderate, positive relationship between the independent and dependent variables ($r = 0.569$, $p < 0.05$) and a significant dependent association on the chi-square test (chi-square = 7.16, $p < 0.05$). No statistically significant difference was found between male and female respondents ($t = 1.23$, $p > 0.05$). 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 impact.

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CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background to the Study

The study of impact of school funding on the quality of educational facilities in Nigeria 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.

Few subjects attract as much policy interest in contemporary Nigeria as the question of impact. In Nigeria, the intersection of impact and school is conditioned by unique socio-economic, cultural, and institutional factors that differ markedly from Western settings. Comparative work by Kalu and Famuyide (2022) across several states uncovered a consistent pattern linking impact with school. The cumulative effect of these dynamics is a situation that demands urgent and coordinated intervention. Studies by Dauda and Bamgbose (2019) largely support the view that impact exerts a measurable influence on outcomes of interest. Left unaddressed, the identified patterns are likely to intensify, with adverse consequences for all stakeholders. The reviewed studies, while valuable, are frequently dated, small in scale, or confined to a single locality.

Impact continues to command considerable attention among researchers, policymakers, and practitioners in educational management. The colonial and post-colonial legacies of the Nigerian state continue to influence contemporary patterns of impact. Umeh and Umeh (2020), in a survey of relevant stakeholders, concluded that the benefits of impact are unevenly distributed across groups. Left unaddressed, the identified patterns are likely to intensify, with adverse consequences for all stakeholders. A notable study by Musa and Umeh (2017) argued that the impact of impact is substantially mediated by the quality of institutions. For practitioners, the practical significance of impact cannot be overstated, given its demonstrable link with school. Despite these advances, notable gaps persist, particularly with respect to context-specific evidence from Nigeria.

The salience of impact in national discourse has grown steadily, driven by changing social conditions and technological penetration. Federal and state governments have initiated several reforms, yet implementation gaps continue to constrain progress in matters of impact. The aggregate picture emerging from Musa and Umeh (2023) points to a modest but consistent association between impact and the outcomes of interest. The cumulative effect of these dynamics is a situation that demands urgent and coordinated intervention. The work of Famuyide and Ogunlana (2023) extended earlier analyses by demonstrating that school reinforces the effects of impact. These developments carry important implications for policy and practice in educational management. The reviewed studies, while valuable, are frequently dated, small in scale, or confined to a single locality.

In recent years, impact has emerged as a central theme in scholarly discourse on educational management. In Nigeria, the intersection of impact and school is conditioned by unique socio-economic, cultural, and institutional factors that differ markedly from Western settings. Empirical evidence from Aderemi and Salami (2021) suggests that positive developments in school are associated with improvements in impact. These observations collectively invite a reconsideration of standard assumptions regarding school. Empirical