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ABSTRACT

This study examined teacher competence in operating workshop machines, 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 teacher; to determine the influence of these attributes on the outcomes under investigation; and to identify the challenges associated with teacher and competence. The study adopted a descriptive survey research design, anchored on the Constructivist Learning Theory and the Technology Acceptance Model. A sample size of 403 respondents was determined using the Taro Yamane formula and selected through stratified and simple random sampling techniques, out of which 368 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 = 2.99). The study also found a statistically significant, moderate, positive relationship between the independent and dependent variables ($r = 0.51$, $p < 0.05$) and a significant dependent association on the chi-square test (chi-square = 6.47, $p < 0.05$). No statistically significant difference was found between male and female respondents ($t = 1.29$, $p > 0.05$). 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 teacher.

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CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background to the Study

The study of teacher competence in operating workshop machines 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.

The relationship between teacher and competence has been the subject of sustained academic interest across several disciplines. In Nigeria, the intersection of teacher and competence is conditioned by unique socio-economic, cultural, and institutional factors that differ markedly from Western settings. Nnamdi and Ogunlana (2020), in a survey of relevant stakeholders, concluded that the benefits of teacher are unevenly distributed across groups. Accordingly, there is a growing consensus that deliberate policy action is required. Comparative work by Kalu and Osinachi (2022) across several states uncovered a consistent pattern linking teacher with competence. The practical import of these findings extends well beyond the academic sphere into everyday institutional practice. It is therefore imperative that further empirical work be undertaken to clarify the causal relationships at stake.

Contemporary scholarship increasingly frames teacher as inseparable from the broader question of competence. Federal and state governments have initiated several reforms, yet implementation gaps continue to constrain progress in matters of teacher. The work of Oyelaran and Ibrahim (2023) extended earlier analyses by demonstrating that competence reinforces the effects of teacher. For practitioners, the practical significance of teacher cannot be overstated, given its demonstrable link with competence. Osinachi and Ogunlana (2020), in a survey of relevant stakeholders, concluded that the benefits of teacher are unevenly distributed across groups. The practical import of these findings extends well beyond the academic sphere into everyday institutional practice. It is therefore imperative that further empirical work be undertaken to clarify the causal relationships at stake.

teacher, when examined in relation to competence, reveals complex and often paradoxical dynamics. Globalisation and technological change have intensified both the opportunities and the challenges associated with teacher. The work of Osinachi and Ogunlana (2023) extended earlier analyses by demonstrating that competence reinforces the effects of teacher. Accordingly, there is a growing consensus that deliberate policy action is required. Longitudinal research by Bakare and Ekwueme (2016) revealed that sustained attention to teacher yields appreciable dividends over time. The weight of evidence therefore points toward a renewed commitment to evidence-based decision-making. A recurring weakness in the literature concerns the difficulty of isolating the precise influence of {k0} from confounding factors.

Contemporary scholarship increasingly frames teacher as inseparable from the broader question of competence. The Nigerian context presents peculiar challenges, ranging from infrastructural deficits to institutional weaknesses, which shape the manner in which teacher unfolds. An examination by Musa and Ogunlana (2019) attributed much of the observed variation in outcomes to institutional capacity and policy