

Tackling Corruption in Nigeria Using Social Studies and Other Agents of Socialization

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Abstract

Corruption has become endemic in Nigeria, affecting almost all facets of the society, thereby thwarting the effort of national development. The thrust of this paper therefore, is to see how corruption can be brought to its barest minimum if not totally eradicated using Social Studies and other agents of socialization. In doing that, the paper defines the concepts of corruption, Social Studies and Socialization. Discourse on the causes of corruption and the effect on national development is made. The paper examines the role of Social Studies, family and the mass media in tackling corruption. The paper also asserts that if aggressive campaign is mounted by the mass media as a way of supporting the present government in her effort to solving corruption problem in the country, it will help in changing the psyche of the citizenry about corruption. Finally, the paper recommends among others that families and communities should sanction their sons and daughters involved in corrupt practices if proven by competent court of law.

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