



ADEQUATE ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT: A PANACEA FOR SELF-RELIANCE

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ABSTRACT

The need for society and or individual self-reliance is not particularly new in the history of human being in general and in Nigeria in particular. Nigerians have for example, sought and pressed for independence and self-determination from colonial rule and in October, 1960 were granted. It is often said that self-reliance cannot be achieved without self-freedom, and so there was the justification to seek, first for political independence. It was soon realized that being merely politically independent as it were, did not mean much, unless it is matched with economic self-reliance. The term self-reliance may be defined as the ability to be self-sustaining economically without the anxiety and agony of desperately seeking for assistance. At the level of individual, self-reliance is having or ability to have the necessities of life. One of the problems we have in Nigeria today is how to inculcate the spirit and virtue of self-reliance. This study addresses the issues of self-reliance and realizes that self-reliance can be achieved through proper entrepreneurial training and education. The target audience in the realization of self-reliance objectives, the study suggests, should start with graduates, unemployed, school leavers, subsistent farmers and the disabled, as they are in greater need of employment opportunities. The methodological approach, suggests the use of train the educators, mounting workshops and seminars and employing the services of consultants and specialists.

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