

DIGITAL AND TRADITIONAL POVERTY ALLEVIATION USING AFFORDANCES OF INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY: NIGERIAN EXPERIENCE

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ABSTRACT

This paper tries to examine the Digital and Traditional Poverty Alleviation based on affordances of Information Communication Technology in Nigeria. The technology revolution that necessitated change and innovation was discussed. Concept of ICT was discussed. The concept of digital poverty and traditional poverty were looked into. Economic poverty, social poverty and political poverty and their causes were discussed. Affordances to Information Technologies were observed in view of government empowerment, opportunities for ICT, agriculture, education and health. There were classifications for these affordances as they would help the alleviation of poverty in Nigeria. Besides, there were challenges to these affordances. They were equally discussed. There were ways to achieving the effectiveness in implementation of ICT in Nigeria which if harnessed would make Nigeria a comfortable ICT nation.