

EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION: A ROAD MAP TO POVERTY ALLEVIATION

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ABSTRACT

This presentation is a thrust into the effective implementation of entrepreneurship education as a road map to poverty alleviation. The paper focused on the meaning of the concept entrepreneurship education and its objectives. The meaning of poverty and its causes. The role of entrepreneurship education in poverty alleviation and the obstacles to the effective implementation of entrepreneurship education. It was deduced that, despite the prime position occupied by entrepreneurship in the Nigerian educational system with respect to the inculcation of livable skills, poverty, unemployment and other societal ills, still pervade the land. Thus, certain factors that militate against its effective implementation were brought to bear. These factors include the quality of entrepreneurship education teachers and the way it is taught, poor funding, non-available of quality text materials among others. On the whole, the following recommendations among others were made, the training and re-training of teachers who impact entrepreneurship skills via entrepreneurship education; the use of separate departments to teach it, the granting of scholarship by government to every qualified Nigeria that wants to pursue a teaching qualification in entrepreneurship education.

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