ACHIEVING HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT IN NIGERIA THROUGH VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FOR NATION BUILDING

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ABSTRACT

Human capital development is something that must exist or happen for National development. In addition, human capital development teaches people how to utilize the power of diverse thinking styles (analytical and intuitive) so that they achieve holistic best practical solution. Human capital development and training and development are basically the same. Human capital development presupposes investments, activities and processes that produce vocational and technical education knowledge, skills, health or values that are embodied in people. It implies building an appropriate balance and critical mass of human resource base and providing an enabling environment for all individuals to be fully engaged and contribute to goals of an organization or a nation. This paper is geared to x-ray the meaning of human capital development in relation to nation building. The authors took a cursory look at the concept. the areas of problems facing the application of human capital development in the country were touched in the paper. Also, possible recommendations were made therein.

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