

Causes of Nigeria Unrest and Conflict Situation

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Abstract : In 2005, the CIA published a report warning that Nigeria, the seventh most populous country in the world, could disintegrate within 15 years. Nigeria experiences civil unrest, violence and strikes. Nigeria has one of the highest rates of internal violence in the world, only unlike others with similar levels of bloodshed such as Colombia or Chechnya, there is not a civil war going on. The types of unrest observed in Nigeria from literatures consulted can be categorized into five namely: religious, social, political, labour, and communal or ethnic unrests. The causes of the unrests are as follows: injustice, unemployment, religious intolerance, illiteracy and government not fulfilling agreements reached with unions. The cost due to these unrests cannot be quantified because it affects human, material/properties and money.

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