
Political patronage and financing of public institutions in Nigeria

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Abstract

This study examined the relationship between political patronage and financing of public institutions in Nigeria. To achieve this purpose, hypothesis was formulated and a review of related literature was made. The population for this study consisted of public institutions in Rivers and Bayelsa States of Nigeria. The chief executive officers of the institutions formed the population elements for this study. The data for this study, which were generated through the administration of a questionnaire designed in 5 point Likert scale, were statistically tested with regression analysis. Our findings revealed that public institutions with political connections have more and easy access to funding by the government. It was therefore recommended that public institutions in Nigeria should be politically connected in order to raise adequate funds for its operations and capital projects.
