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FACTS AND FIGURES OF BOSSO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA NIGER STATE, NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

This is a research carried out in accordance with section (1a) as provided by the Fourth schedule 1999 constitution which states one of the function of the local government council as; the consideration and making of recommendations to a state commission on economic planning. three aspects of the economic where look into and recommendations where made based on those three aspects. These are; population growth rate (indigenous and non-indigenous) and housing figures of Bosso local government, employment status and the average annual educational enrollments from Bosso LGA. From the findings; population of the indigenous and the housing population of the local government grows in arithmetic order while the population of the non indigenous grows in geometric progression. In the aspect of employment status, there is high rare of unemployment in the local government area which self employment is recommended as the trending solution to it. The findings also shows that there is high illiteracy rate in the local government area, higher percentage of the population of the local government are not into any educational system.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Background Of Study

Bosso Local Government Area is one of the 774 local government areas in Nigeria. It is located in Niger State and lies between Decimal degrees 9.61463 latitude and 6.36587 longitude and has its headquarters in Maikunkele. It is known to be a major metropolitan of Minna the capital city of Niger State and one of the largest Local Government Area in the State having a land mass of 1,592km² with over 60% of the land not utilized or improved. Bosso LGA consists of 9 districts and 10 wards;

SN	DISTRICTS	SN	WARDS
-	-	1	BEJI
1	BEJI	2	BOSSO CENTRAL 1
2	BOSSO	3	BOSSO CENTRAL 2
3	CHANCHAGA	4	CHANCHAGA
4	GARATU	5	GARATU
5	KAMPALA	6	KAMPALA
6	KODO	7	KODO
7	MAIKUNKELE	8	MAIKUNKELE
8	MAITUMBI	9	MAITUMBI
9	SHATA	10	SHATA

Bosso is the home for the two campuses of the Federal university of Technology Minna the top 4 best university in Nigeria. The chairman seeing the affairs of the local government currently is Hon. Arc. Abubakar Gomna which emerge into office through the democratic election system (majority Votes) in 2019.

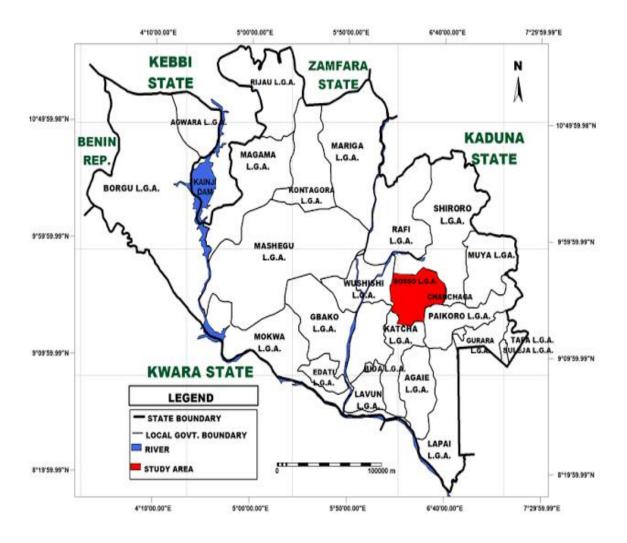


Figure 1.1

: Map of Niger State showing Bosso LGA, Boundaries and the 25 Local Government Areas

Source: Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Federal University of Technology

Minna

2.0 Facts and Figures

2.1 Population of Bosso Local Government

In line with the nation population commission 2006 population figure, the projected population of Bosso local government area 2019 is 203,134 with 2.5 average annual growth rate which consist of both males and females with 52% an 48% distribution respectively among the two gender. The local Government is said to have male population as the dominant population while the population of the females is little bit lower than the males due to the increasing number of male migrants from other regions to the local government. Based on estimation, the current population will double in 29 years time this is more rapid than the current population growth rate of Kano State (2.39%) [Macrotrends LLC]. The present population occupies 22,289 houses in the local government having averagely 9 persons per household which even with the large expanse of residential lands in the local government, it is still one of the housing deficient local government in the country.

Gender	Population	Percentage
Male	105,630	52%
Female	97,504	48%
Total	203,134	100%

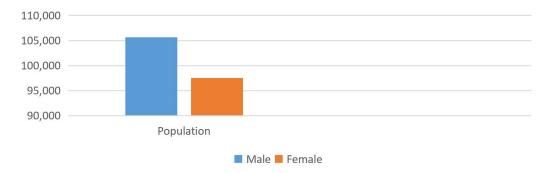
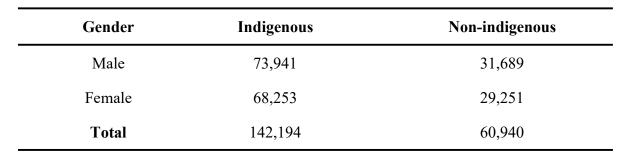


Figure 2.1

Source: Chawaza Foundation worldwide 2020

2.2 Population of Bosso local Government by Indigenship

The local government is occupied majorly by the indigenous people of the Local government with a population of 142,194 which is about 70% of the total population. The population (indigenous) of the men is more than the population of the women having a figure of 73,941 and 68,253 respectively. The massive migration into the local government has led to the increase in population of the Non-indigenous people with a current population of 30% which is almost an half of the population of the indigenous people. With these figures, the population of the Non-indigenes is likely to equate the indigenous population in less than 50 years through an estimation using the E-M Rule.



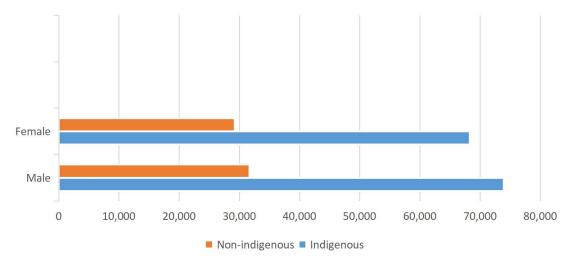


Figure 2.2

Source: Chawaza Foundation worldwide 2020

2.3 Employment Status

In Bosso local today there is high rate of unemployment which by report it is the major mover of crime rate in the local government. Based on research, 40% of the populace in the local government are unemployed while 30% are either civil servants or others into another category of job or are self employed and 30% are farmers which are the majority in the villages of the local government. About 40% of the people in the local government are not employed. 75% of farmers in this region are small scale farmers who produce only for their family consumption.

Category	Figure	percentage
Civil Servants/Other	21,329	15%
Self Employed	21,330	15%
Farmers	42,658	30%
Not Employed	56,877	40%
Total	142,194	100%

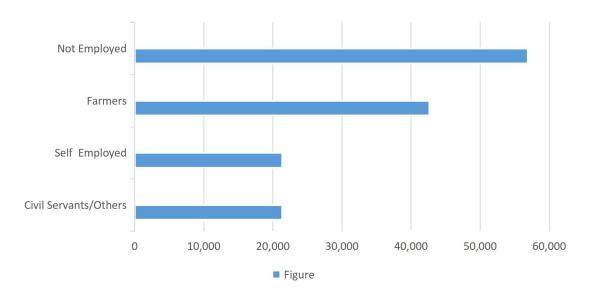


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Source: Chawaza Foundation worldwide 2020

2.4 Average annual Educational Enrollments From Bosso LGA

Despite the presence of educational institutions like universities, polytechnics and other higher institutions in the state, the local government is far from being a literate community. Bosso local government as a whole has a very few number of graduates. In a figure of Educational enrollment in Bosso LGA by Joint admission and matriculation Board 2018, the average number of candidates from Bosso LGA that applies for Jamb annually are 458 which is 0.22% of the total population of the entire local government. The figures are further subdivided in the table below. the table shows the average number of people in the local government enroll into educational institutions;

Category	Figure	percentage
University	23	5%
National Diploma/Others	137	30%
Higher Diploma	46	10%
NCE	183	40%
No Admission	69	15%
Total Application	458	100%

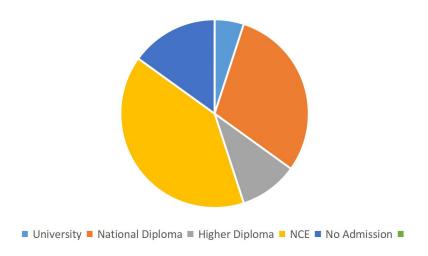


Figure 2.4

Source: Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (Jamb)

3.0 Summary of findings

According to United Refugee Agency Reports 2014, Bosso has become a home of thousands of refugees fleeing fighting in Borno State Nigeria (*UNHCR*, 2014). The facts and figures presented here represents some of the common current challenges facing the local government in which it was found that there is high rate of unemployment, illiteracy and low quality education, housing deficiency and non control of immigrants coming into the local government which stirs up crimes and other unlawful acts in the society.

4.0 Recommendations

- To meet the needs of the future population, it will require the application of the sustainable development goals (SDGs) which aim at enhancing good living through ending poverty, protection of the environment and ensuring that all people enjoy peace and prosperity.
- ii. There should be educational awareness and sensitization on how important and valuable education can be to the populace' lives, future and the society.
- iii. There should be a scholarship scheme provided by the local government to support the populace willing to go to school without having the appropriate funds.
- **iv.** To reduce unemployment rate in the local government, various skill acquisition programmes like catering, fashion designing and tailoring etc should be established by the local authority.
- v. The government should initiate an housing scheme programme to meet up with the current housing deficiency in local government to enhance good living.
- vi. Government should support the small scale farmers by providing and granting of mechanized farming tools and machinery to increase their farming into a large scale one.

5.0 Conclusion

In other for the local government to reach its maximum potential for the well-being and development of the populace, the above recommendations should be considered and be adopted for implementation. In the aspect of unemployment which is the pusher of all illegal, crime and corrupt act of any nation, the majority of the unemployed populace should be train to acquire self reliance skill. Below are 5 importance of skill acquisition to individual and the society:

- i. Self-employment
- ii. Diverse job opportunities
- iii. Employment generation
- iv. Effective function
- v. Crime reduction