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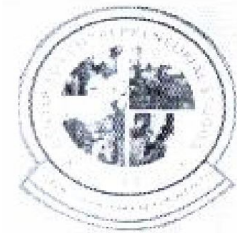
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ASSESSING ENTREPRENEURSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN WASTE MANAGEMENT: CASE STUDY OF NIGERIAN URBAN CENTRES

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Abstract

The generation of wastes particularly solid wastes continue to increase at a rate faster than the ability of the agencies to improve the financial and technical resources needed to balance the growth. In Nigeria waste management is characterized by inefficient collection methods, insufficient coverage of the collection system and improper disposal of wastes. This characteristic and the clear inability of the Government owned agencies to cope with the increasing volume of urban wastes led to the creation of a vacuum in the collection, transportation, recovery, recycling and disposal of wastes generated in the country. This led to the involvement of individuals, groups and even communities as part of the private informal sector in waste management activities as a source of income or business undertaking. There are indeed small scale business opportunities in waste management for inspiring young entrepreneurs in different parts of the world especially in developing countries where open space dumping of wastes is practiced. This paper is theoretical in nature that aims at critically assessing entrepreneurship opportunities in waste management in Nigerian urban centres with the hope that the teeming unemployed youths will take up this opportunities for sustainable development.

Key words: *Assessing, Entrepreneurship, Opportunities,, Waste management.*



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