Title of Article: The impact of Poverty in informal settlement: A case study of Aboru settlement Lagos State.

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Abstract: This paper examines the influence of poverty on housing in informal settlement. Housing ownership has become a paramount thing in Lagos State. This has resulted in informal settlement and sustaining those buildings has become hectic as a result of poverty. It was observed that the poor housing has profound influence on the health, behaviour and efficiency of the residents of the study area as a whole. The study was carried out with the aid of questionnaire administration, building and facility survey. Using random sampling technique, every 4th houses in ten street was picked for interviewed. Also, data were collected from related government ministries and departments to particular find out government’s intervention in this area. Findings from the study reveal that the area chosen for the study exhibit slum condition that has undenied impact on the socio-economic lifestyles and the health of the residents, as well as the general outlook of the environment. The study then concludes that people should design and build their houses based on their income rather than poor housing. The study also recommends Public enlightenment campaign to educate on the need for good living condition as well to know the danger of abusing their environment.

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