ABOLISHING GENDER INFERIORITY AND CURBING THE VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN IN NIGERIA

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ABSTRACT

This paper examined gender, women’s rights and violations in Nigeria. The paper started by looking at the concept of gender as presented by various authors. It then delved into the concept of human rights noting that the path to ensuring equal rights for women through international laws have been slow and tortuous. The paper highlights women’s rights as provided in the protocol to the African Charter on Human and Peoples’ Rights. Several violations of women’s rights are highlighted. The paper concludes that not until the violations are addressed and removed, women cannot freely exercise even the basic rights in the society. Some suggestions on how to remove the violations are presented.

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