THE EDUCATIONAL IMPERATIVES OF NATIONAL UNITY AND NATION BUILDING

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ABSTRACT

Although great importance is attached to the role of education in national unity and nation building in Nigeria, the role of education has been tentative. Education is central to societal growth and the vehicle through which many nations have been built. Given the crucial need for education in development, this paper highlights the need for adequate development and revitalization of education within the context of national unity and the preservation of multi-ethnic identity. It also evaluates the various efforts made by the government to foster nation building through educational and youth development programmes.

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