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Democratic Governance and Political Participation in Nigeria 1999 - 2014 - Femi Omotoso 2016-05-21

The year 1999 was a watershed in the history of Nigeria as it witnessed the peaceful transfer of power from the military to the political class. Given Nigeria's tumultuous history of successive military interventions, this development was the first 'genuine' transition that saw the military elite transferring political power to civilians without itching to stage a comeback. This edited volume, composed of 22 chapters discusses the form, trajectory and substance of democratic governance in post-military Nigeria between 1999 and 2014. It is a compilation of well researched essays and narratives on Nigerian government and politics. The book is a multi-disciplinary assessment of Nigeria's democratic strides, including contributions from scholars in a broad range of disciplines such as history, sociology and anthropology, political science, economics, international relations, among others. The book examines the factors responsible for the resilience of the current democratic governance structures, in spite of centripetal and centrifugal forces frustrating democratic consolidation in the country. It equally interrogates these factors and makes appropriate recommendations for overcoming them. Key themes covered in the book in the Boko Haram insurgency, governance and corruption, militancy, sharia law, Islamic banking amongst others. It sheds light on contending issues affecting, afflicting and retarding the country's progress. Issues like ethnicity, electoral corruption, human rights abuses, privatization of national assets, kidnapping and armed robbery, overbearing leadership personality and many more are critically discussed. Local government autonomy and the challenges of grassroots development and civil service administration are also thoroughly analysed. *Democratic Governance and Political Participation in Nigeria 1999-2014* is a detailed, exhaustive, deep, stimulating and captivating narrative of the Nigerian situation. It is enthusiastically recommended for those who wish to know more about contemporary Nigerian history. As a collection of contemporary issues on the Nigerian government and politics, the book is recommended for courses in politics and governance in Nigeria in particular and Africa in general. It is an invaluable companion for both graduate and undergraduate students as well as scholars of African politics.

Local Government Autonomy - Michael E. Libonati 1993

Nigerian Local Government Finance - Frank Alu 2006

Federalism in Africa - Aaron Tsado Gana 2003

Looking at the experiences of other federal societies across the globe this volume interrogates the problem of national integration within the context of ethno-religious and cultural pluralism, and presents exciting prospects for the resolution of the National Question. Compelling and indispensable, this work is the most comprehensive and authoritative treatment of the subject in recent years.

Local Accountability and National Coordination in Fiscal Federalism - Charles R. Hankla 2019

This book argues that fiscal federalism will consistently deliver on its governance promises only when democratic decentralization is combined with the integration of political parties. It formalizes this argument and, using new data on subnational political institutions, tests it with models of education, health, and infrastructure service delivery in 135 countries across 30 years. It also presents comparative case studies of Senegal and Nigeria. The book emphasizes that a "fine balance" in local governance can be achieved when integrated party structures compensate for the potential downsides of a decentralized state.

Principles and Practice of Local Government in Nigeria - Ezekiel E. Umoren 1994

Reinventing Localgovernment in Nigeria - J. Agharese Egonmwan 1999

Local Governance Reform in Global Perspective - Norbert Kersting 2009-07-15

"Good local governance" reflects the dual functions of local government. On the one hand, democratic regimes gain input legitimacy by responsiveness and by being inclusive towards the preferences of their citizens. On the other hand, they achieve output legitimacy by effectively delivering public goods and services. Their governance strategies follow three major paths - "decentralisation," "political administrative reforms" and "participatory reforms". But national contexts, actors, political culture and path dependency matter a lot. In this book continent-wide developments are compared by using relevant country studies. This comparative approach focuses on "developing countries" in Asia, Africa and Latin America, comparing and contrasting their experience with that of European countries

Local Government in a Global World - Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly 2010-01-01

Contributors provide insights into key themes impacting local governance in two federations with much in common historically, culturally, and politically: Australia and Canada. These essays examine changes in the Australian and Canadian systems through four thematic lenses: citizen participation in government systems, the restructuring and reform of local governments, the use of performance measures and management systems in the administration of local governments, and the relations of local governments within higher levels of governments.

Comparative Issues In Local Government And Community Studies - Abdulganiyu Salim 2021-12-03

Studienarbeit aus dem Jahr 2019 im Fachbereich Politik - Internationale Politik - Allgemeines und Theorien, , Sprache: Deutsch, Abstract: This paper analyses the concept of local governments, taking into account several examples. Local governments, an authority to determine and execute measures within a restricted area inside and smaller than a whole state. Some degree of local government characterizes every country in the world, although the degree is extremely significant. The variant, local self-government, is important for its emphasis upon the freedom of the locality to decide and act. There is more than a technical importance in the difference between the two terms, because they are related to the distinction sometimes drawn between deconcentration and decentralization. Local government is often, but not necessarily, related to the former; local self-government to the latter. These distinctions are important, even if they are blurred. Deconcentration broadly means that, for the sake of convenience, some functions have been devolved from a central government to administration on the spot. Power is still administered through officials appointed by and responsible to the centre, and authority and discretion are vested in the centre. On the other hand, decentralization represents local government in areas where the authority to decide has been devolved to a council of locally elected persons acting on their own discretion with officials they themselves freely appoint and discipline.

Presidentialism at the Local Government Level - Ibrahim Omale 2002

Local Government Administration - Victor Bassey Eyo Abia 200?

Religion, Violence, and Local Power-Sharing in Nigeria - Laura Thaut Vinson 2017-10-26

Why does religion become a fault line of communal violence in some pluralistic countries and not others? Under what conditions will religious identity - as opposed to other salient ethnic cleavages - become the spark that ignites communal violence? Contemporary world politics since 9/11 is increasingly marked by intra-state communal clashes in which religious identity is the main fault line. Yet, violence erupts only in some religiously pluralistic countries, and only in some parts of those countries. This study argues that prominent theories in the study of civil

conflict cannot adequately account for the variation in subnational identity-based violence. Examining this variation in the context of Nigeria's pluralistic north-central region, this book finds support for a new theory of power-sharing. It finds that communities are less likely to fall prey to a divisive narrative of religious difference where local leaders informally agreed to abide by an inclusive, local government power-sharing arrangement.

Nigerian Politics - Rotimi Ajayi 2020-12-03

This volume engages in an in-depth discussion of Nigerian politics.

Written by an expert group of Nigerian researchers, the chapters provide an overarching, Afrocentric view of politics in Nigeria, from pre-colonial history to the current federal system. The book begins with a series of historical chapters analyzing the development of Nigeria from its traditional political institutions through the First Republic. After establishing the necessary historical context, the next few chapters shift the focus to specific political institutions and phenomena, including the National Assembly, local government and governance, party politics, and federalism. The remaining chapters discuss issues that continue to affect Nigerian politics: the debt crisis, oil politics in the Niger Delta, military intervention and civil-military relations, as well as nationalism and inter-group relations. Providing an overview of Nigerian politics that encompasses history, economics, and public administration, this volume will be useful to students and researchers interested in African politics, African studies, democracy, development, history, and legislative studies.

The Politics of Federalism in Nigeria - J. Isawa Elaigwu 2007

This is a scholarly, political biography of someone the author believes has rendered great services to the Nigerian nation despite his weaknesses as a leader: General Gowon emerged from relative obscurity to become Nigeria's head of state in 1966.

The Dynamics of Centre-periphery Dominance in the Nigerian Political System - Vincent Osa Aghayere 2008

Readings on Federalism - A. B. Akinyemi 1979

Relationship Between Federal and State Governments - J. Finine Fekumo 2002

Cooperation and Conflict Between State and Local Government - Russell L. Hanson 2021-05-27

This book introduces students to the complex landscape of state-local intergovernmental relations today. The contributors, leading experts in the field, help students enhance their understanding of the importance of state-local relations in the U.S. federal system, argue for b...

Nigerian Federalism - Ibeanu, Okechukwu 2016-11-25

Nigerian Federalism: Continuing Quest for Stability and Nation-Building explores the nature of and the debate over a number of recurrent issues, such as the "origins of Nigerian federalism, the number of state units in the federal system, fiscal issues, political parties, distributional issues, and intergovernmental relations" in Nigerian federalism since the establishment of proto-federalism under the Richards Constitution, 1946 seventy years ago. In exploring the issues, the book seeks to answer the question, "what accounts for the persistence of Nigerian federalism, despite the serious discontents that the debate throws up now and again?" The book offers a reinterpretation, which argues that the demand for true federalism, which anchors the major trend in the age-long debate on the structure of Nigerian federalism, is ahistorical and therefore static. The book uniquely emphasises the need to periodise the practice of Nigerian federalism into four major phases. Based on the periodisation, two cardinal propositions emerge from the various chapters of the book. First, in spite of separatist and centrifugal threats to its existence, Nigerian federalism has typically never sought to eliminate diversity, but to manage it. In this sense, the construction of Nigeria's federal system from its earliest beginnings shows clearly that it is both a creature of diversity and an understanding that diversity will remain ingrained in its DNA. Secondly, Nigeria's federal practice has not sought to mirror any model of "true federalism", be it in the United States, Canada or elsewhere. Instead, Nigeria's federal system has been a homegrown, if unstable modulation between foedus and separatus, a constantly negotiated terrain among centripetal and centrifugal forces and between centralisation and decentralisation. Consequently, a historical, periodised understanding of Nigerian federalism is inevitably essential. It is this historical and theoretical-methodological approach to explaining and understanding Nigerian federalism that gives the book its unique character. The book is for the general reader as well as for students, including researchers of Nigerian federalism and of Nigerian

constitutional and political development, policymakers, and political parties.

A General History of the Pyrates - Daniel Defoe 2021-01-01

First published in the year 1724, the present book titled 'A General History of the Pyrates' is a historical work by English fictional writer and journalist Daniel Defoe.

The Architecture of Democracy - Andrew Reynolds 2002

This text discusses the successes and failures of constitutional design.

Chapters analyse the effect of presidential and parliamentary systems, federalism and autonomy, and electoral systems.

Who creates local government and what are the criteria for local government creation in Nigeria - Mujeeb Muraina 2020-12-23

Essay from the year 2018 in the subject Politics - International Politics - Region: Africa, grade: 87%, Obafemi Awolowo University, course: Management Problems in Nigeria Local Government, language: English, abstract: The yearnings for development in rural communities and urban localities have increased call for more local government creation in Nigeria. However, the question of who creates local government remains one of the controversies of the contemporary Nigerian federal arrangement. The study analyses the question of local government creation in Nigeria and the criteria for such creation. Local government creation in Nigeria has been through numerous experiences that we tend to ask at some points in time: "who creates local government?"

Numerous attempts have been geared towards bringing government nearer to the people at the most basic level. The importance of bringing government nearer to the people cannot be overemphasized. This translates to bringing services of great importance to the welfare and livelihood of the community. Such services have high positive implication on the standard of living of the people at this primary level of administration. The Nigerian experience has brought another dimension to discourse of local government being a residual affair of the state government as it is obtainable in classic federal states like United States, Canada amongst others. In other words, creation of local government is the prerogative of state, provincial or regional government. The Nigerian case through the local government creation tussle between the federal government and Lagos State government has left many wondering which level of government wields the power to create local government. This paper seeks to answer the shrouding question of 'who creates Local Government?' and highlight the criteria for creating local government in Nigeria. It does this through its various parts.

Federalism: A Very Short Introduction - Mark J. Rozell 2019-10-24

Early Americans were suspicious of centralized authority and executive power. Casting away the yoke of England and its king, the founding fathers shared in this distrust as they set out to pen the Constitution. Weighing a need for consolidated leadership with a demand for states' rights, they established a large federal republic with limited dominion over the states, leaving most of the governing responsibility with the former colonies. With this dual system of federalism, the national government held the powers of war, taxation, and commerce, and the ability to pass the laws necessary to uphold these functions. Although the federal role has grown substantially since then, states and local governments continue to perform most of the duties in civil and criminal law, business and professional licensing, the management of infrastructure and public services: roads, schools, libraries, sanitation, land use and development, and etc. Despite the critical roles of state and local governments, there is little awareness-or understanding-of the nature and operations of the federal system. This Very Short Introduction provides a concise overview of federalism, from its origins and evolution to the key events and constitutional decisions that have defined its framework. Although the primary focus is on the United States, other federal systems, including Brazil, Canada, India, Germany, Russia, South Africa, Switzerland, and the EU, are addressed.

Democratic Governance and Political Participation in Nigeria 1999 - 2014 - 'Femi Omotoso 2016

Democratic Governance and Political Participation in Nigeria 1999-2014 seeks to critically analyse Nigeria's democratic experience since 1999 when the current Republic was instituted. Given the chequered democratic antecedents of the country, the book examines the factors responsible for the resilience of the present democratic dispensation, in spite of forces inhibiting democratic consolidation. It also examines these inhibiting forces and makes recommendations for overcoming them. Finally, the book seeks to stimulate intellectual discourse on Nigeria's democracy and arouse greater research interests in the subject.

Understanding Modern Nigeria - Toyin Falola 2021-06-24

An introduction to the politics and society of post-colonial Nigeria,

highlighting the key themes of ethnicity, democracy, and development.
The Nigerian Journal of Federalism - 1994-06

Appraisal of Local Government Autonomy on Service Delivery at the Grassroots in Nigeria - Rasak Salaam 2017-11-23

Bachelor Thesis from the year 2016 in the subject Politics - International Politics - Region: Africa, grade: 70, Obafemi Awolowo University, course: Political Science, language: English, abstract: This term paper deals with the following questions: To what extent does Local Government autonomy influence service delivery in Nigeria? Do Local Government constitutional powers and functions enable execution of service delivery in Nigeria? Does Local Government autonomy has any impact on service delivery at the grassroots in Nigeria? It is a piece that revolves around Local Government. It aims at examining Local Government against the backdrop of its autonomy and the consequences on service delivery in Nigeria. Do access the groundbreaking analysis so as to be abreast with contemporary research on Local Government in Nigeria. The overall aim of this study is to critically examine the nexus between Local Government autonomy and effective social service delivery. In the light of this, the study seeks to examine the degree of Local Government autonomy on service delivery in Nigeria and to appraise constitutional powers and functions of Local Government as regards service delivery. It also examines the impact of Local Government autonomy on service delivery in Nigeria. Based on the aforementioned research questions, the following research assumptions are formulated for this study: Local Governments ineffectiveness and inefficiency on service delivery are due to their lack of autonomy. Constitutional powers and functions of the Local Government do not enhance service delivery at the grassroots. Local Government autonomy has no impact on service delivery in Nigeria.

The Oxford Handbook of Nigerian Politics - A. Carl LeVan 2018-10-18
The Oxford Handbook of Nigerian Politics offers a comprehensive analysis of Nigeria's very rich history and ever changing politics to its readers. It provides a deep understanding of Nigeria's socio-political evolution and experience by covering broad range of political issues and historical eras. The volume encompasses 44 chapters organized thematically into essays covering history, political institutions, civil society, economic and social policy, identity and insecurity, and Nigeria in a globalized world. By identifying many of the classic debates in Nigerian politics, the chapters serve as an authoritative introduction to Africa's most populous country. The chapters are interdisciplinary, introducing readers to classic debates and key research on Nigeria, as well as new methodologies, new data, and a compelling corpus of research questions for the next generation of researchers and readers interested in Africa.

The Theory and Practice of Local Government Reform - Brian Dollery 2008-01-01

'Structural reform has been one of the most important, and yet one of the most neglected, aspects of modern local government. This book represents the first attempt, since the early seventies, at providing a comprehensive account of both the theory and practice of structural reform in local government in developed countries. Using recent policy experience from seven different countries, the authors present seminal theoretical perspectives on structural reforms in local governance and the policy implications deriving from them. Written by well-known scholars of local government from around the world, this volume is a "must-read" for all academics, practitioners, students and policymakers.'

- Giorgio Brosio, University of Turin, Italy

Authority in Government - B. C. Nwankwo 1992

Nigeria - J. Isawa Elaigwu 2005

Handbook of Comparative and Development Public Administration - Ali Farazmand 2019-02-21

With contributions from nearly 80 international experts, this comprehensive resource covers diverse issues, aspects, and features of public administration and policy around the world. It focuses on bureaucracy and bureaucratic politics in developing and industrialized countries and emphasizing administrative performance and policy implementation, as well as political system maintenance and regime enhancement. The book covers the history of public administration and bureaucracy in Persia, Greece, Rome, and Byzantium and among the Aztecs, Incas, and Mayas, public administration in small island states, Eastern Europe, and ethics and other contemporary issues in public administration.

Ethnic Minority Conflicts and Governance in Nigeria - Rotimi T. Suberu 2013-04-09

Ethnic Minority Conflicts and Governance in Nigeria explores and analyses the underlying sources and salient features of recent ethnic minority conflicts in Nigeria, the largely controversial policies by which the Nigerian state has sought to contain these conflicts, and the prospects and preconditions for a more stable and equitable system of federal governance in the country. Through an insightful examination of two most recent minority conflicts in the country, the author probes the contemporary problems of ethnic minorities. He appraises the management of the conflicts by the State, and proffers appropriate policy responses for the resolution of the country's ethnic minority problems. The book is recommended to policy makers, students of history and political science, academicians and the general public.

The Property Tax and Local Autonomy - Michael E. Bell 2010

This book examines the issues and consequences of a declining property tax base with respect to local government autonomy. Some of the nation's leading scholars provide their views on how the property tax effects intergovernmental relations, local autonomy, and education finance. --from publisher description

Decentralization and Local Democracy in the World - United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG) 2008-11-04

'Decentralization and Local Democracy in the World' constitutes a global reference on decentralization by presenting the contemporary situation of local governments in all regions of the world. The report analyzes local authorities in each continent under three main themes: the evolution of territorial structures; responsibilities and power, management and finances; and local democracy. An additional chapter is dedicated to the governance of large metropolises, where rapid growth presents major challenges, in particular in the fast-developing countries of the South. This report also offers a comparative overview of the different realities concerning the state of decentralization, and how the basic indispensable mechanisms for local democracy do, or do not exist in some countries. Relationships between the state and local authorities are evolving toward innovative forms of cooperation. In this context, the role of local authorities in the development of global policies is increasingly recognized. The first Global Observatory on Local Democracy and Decentralization (GOLD) Report is one of the main products of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG). The GOLD Report is the first of what will be a triennial publication. UCLG represents and defends the interests of local governments on the world stage, regardless of the size of the communities they serve. Headquartered in Barcelona, the organization's stated mission is: To be the united voice and world advocate of democratic local self-government, promoting its values, objectives and interests, through cooperation between local governments, and within the wider international community.

The Principle of Equality in Diverse States - Eva Maria Belser 2021-05-25

This book examines different approaches by which states characterised by federal or decentralized arrangements reconcile equality and autonomy. In case studies from four continents, leading experts analyse the challenges of ensuring institutional, social and economic equality whilst respecting the competences of regions and the rights of groups.

Establishing Democratic Rule - Ilpyong J. Kim 1993

Local Government and Metropolitan Regions in Federal Countries - John Kincaid 2009-07-01

While local government is found in all federal countries, its place and role in the governance of these countries varies considerably. In some countries, local government is considered an essential part of the federal nature of the state and recognized in the constitution as such, whereas in others it is simply a creature of the subnational states/provinces. When referring to local government it is more correct to refer to local governments (plural), as these institutions come in all shapes and sizes, performing widely divergent functions. They range from metropolitan municipalities of mega-cities to counties, small town councils, and villages. Their focus is either multi-purpose in the case of municipalities or single purpose in the case of special districts and school districts. What unites these institutions of state is that there is no level of government below them. That is also their strength and the source of their democratic claim - they are the government closest to the people. Political science experts from across the globe examine local governments by drawing on case studies of Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Germany, India, Mexico, Nigeria, Switzerland, Spain, South Africa, and United States. Contributors include Martin Burgi (Ruhr-

University Bochum), Luis Cesar de Queiroz Ribeiro (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro), Jaap de Visser (University of Western Cape), Habu Galadima (University of Jos), Sol Garson (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro) Boris Graizbord (National College of Mexico), Rakesh Hooja (HCM Rajasthan State Institute of Public Administration, India), Andreas Kiefer (European Affairs Office of the Land Salzburg), Andreas Ladner (Swiss Graduate School of Public Administration), George Mathew

(Institute of Social Sciences, India), Mike Pagano (University of Illinois at Chicago), Graham Sansom (University of Technology Sydney), Franz Schausberger (Salzburg University), Nico Steytler (University of Western Cape), Francisco Velasco Caballero (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid), and Robert Young (University of Western Ontario).

The Local Government System in Nigeria - I. B. Bello-Imam 2007