

**Library Acquisitions in the 1990s under the Federal Universities
World Bank Development Sector Adjustment Project:
A Case Study of University of Lagos, Nigeria.**

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Abstract

The 1990s witnessed a rapid decline in the acquisition of library materials for teaching and research work in tertiary institutions in the country. The decline is seen as a result of increase in the number of tertiary institutions, decrease in funding and the state of the nations economy. The decade was thus spent in searching for meaningful solution to the development of the nation's education. Provision of adequate library materials for teaching and research was considered as one of the solutions to the problem. This paper discusses the Federal Universities Development Sector Adjustment Project under the auspices of the World Bank and the National Universities Commission. The aims, the objectives and problems of implementation were highlighted. Comparative studies of situations in various federal universities both before and at the introduction of the project with particular reference to the University of Lagos are also discussed. The paper recommends effective continuity of the educational reforms started under the Adjustment Credit with the proposed Federal Universities Sector Investment Credit for the development of lasting educational policy in the country.