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Abstract

The primary role of police in a modern democracy is to maintain order, legality, but the opposite is the case; thereby using extreme force beyond limits as permitted by the law thereby resulting to extra – judicial killings, torture to the citizens of the country. The main purpose of this thesis is to identify the major causes of the EndSARS protest in Nigeria; the human rights violation by the Nigerian police force. The objective of this study is to know the salient issues in police brutality and EndSARS protest in Nigeria. More so, the theory used are the relative – deprivation theory which talks about the obvious basis for mobilizing opposition against the state that is the higher degree of frustration the greater political instability. Social conflict theory focuses on more powerful groups tending to use their power in order to retain power and exploit groups with less power, in the present democratic Nigeria, there is the different between high profile and low profile offenders thereby the respect of human rights is extended to the rich than the poor. The social contract theory which pins – point on the state agreement on individuals such as Thomas Hobbes, John Locke, Rousseau. The methodology used for this thesis was descriptive research aimed at describing phenomenon, sampling technique was adopted both formal and informal sector, people involved in the protests, as well as students who were home as a result of ASSU strike. Population of the study are people brutalized by the police in the course of the protests. Method of data collection was both primary and secondary sources, primary sources was conducted in interview, while secondary sources such as journals, newspapers. In conclusion, there should be accountability for crimes committed by the police, thereby proper training, and improvement in the capacity of the police in their investigative responsibilities. Further recommendations are given to the Nigerian Police service to re – orient officers on human relations on monthly basis, It will help to stop people from getting killed by them on daily basis for no just cause.

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