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Participatory Budgeting in Nigeria: An Anthropology

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ABSTRACT Following the success of participatory budgeting in Latin America, it has become a popular tool for promoting fundamental principles of qualitative urban governance. In Brazil, participatory budgeting was implemented at national, regional, and local level. The participatory budgeting mechanism is meant to deliver products that can achieve the ultimate goal of building inclusive cities. But, in concept and practice, participatory budgeting as it is, cannot fit into a single model because the practice represents a range of initiatives with their own peculiar characteristics which is constantly evolving and changing. It is in view of this that the paper aims to examine the concept of participatory budgeting, within the context of urban governance in Nigeria.