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Local Government Administration Under 1999 Constitution in Nigeria

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ABSTRACT The Nigerian 1976 Local Government Reform and the subsequent one that follows are geared towards making local government a bedrock for socio-economic and political development. Somehow, the 1999 constitution seems to have overridden the gains and aspirations of this tier of government with the exclusion of local government from the constitution. This phenomena has become a critical issue since the beginning of the Nigerian Fourth Republic: This paper is devoted to exposing the contradictions and how the 1999 constitution undermined peoples aspiration as well as the efficacy of grassroots governance. The paper also proffer solutions for the sustainability of Nigerian Local Government.

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