

Entrepreneurship Opportunities in Delta State of Nigeria: The Perception of Technical College Final Year Students on Graduation

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ABSTRACT This study was conducted to identify the perception of technical college prospective graduates about entrepreneurship in Delta State of Nigeria. Five research questions were formulated and answered and two null hypotheses tested. Instrument used for data collection was the questionnaire. 50 technical teachers and 632 prospective technical college graduates formed the population of the study. 12 students failed to return their questionnaire to the researcher bringing the population to 670 subjects. The data collected were analysed using the mean and critical ratio statistics. The result of the study showed that: Technical College prospective graduates possess the skills necessary for entrepreneurship to a very great extent, government should provide electricity to all communities in Delta State especially in the rural areas, lack of initial capita, high cost of raw materials, scarcity of equipment and machines were restraints, to entering entrepreneurship. The study therefore, recommends among others, that the government should provide initial capital in form of soft loan with little or no interest to the prospective graduates who intends practicing entrepreneurship.