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An Evaluation of the Adaptability of Nigerian Indigenous Building Tools in Modern House Construction

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ABSTRACT This study is a survey of the different types of tools and implements used for building operations in the Yoruba Indigenous Architecture of Nigeria. The tools include "Abero", "Kudunsu", "Anset" (handset), digger, hoes, "bamubamu" (a ramming device), shell, etc. They were all examined alongside their roles and efficiencies in indigenous building construction works. Also examined were the dual roles of some of these implements (as both tools and building materials), and their prospects in the drive towards fashioning a modern, home-based, house construction technology for Nigeria.