

**On Ethnic Identity: A Study of Share/Tsaragi Settlement in
Nigeria (1830 -1967)**

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ABSTRACT The problems caused by the negative use of ethnic identities in modern multi-ethnic nations and its attendant violent ethnic crises has been focused by scholars. This has made researchers gloss over abundant cases in Africa especially in Nigeria where the use of ethnic identities in intergroup relations have not led to violence ethnic crisis. The objective of this paper is to understand the intergroup relations between the Nupe and Yoruba Ethnic groups in Share/Tsaragi twin settlements in Nigeria between 1830 – 1967. It has been observed that the intergroup relations between the two ethnic groups did not experience any recorded violent ethnic crises between (1830 – 1967). This was due to the nature of pre-colonial intergroup relations between the two groups and the adoption of African approach to statesmanship.