

Land Administration and Policy Issues in the Nigerian Scenario: An Overview

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SUMMARY

The continuous conflict over land parcels between communities / various stakeholders has resulted in the loss of several lives and properties in places where such crises occur. Mitigating this major social vice is a cadastral-related problem that can be solved by the adoption of relevant policies and land laws. This paper examines the various land laws and policies in operation in Nigeria and proposes modifications to them with a view to ensuring that sustainable land administration policies are adopted for the development of a national multipurpose cadaster. Issues of land legislation and land administration have been discussed with emphasis on the Nigerian scenario. Based on the outcomes of the review, the study recommends the adoption of the fit-for-purpose concept for Land registration in Nigeria.