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ABSTRACT

Nigeria, a populous and diversified nation, uses different modes of transportation to ease movement inside and between its cities. With the most popular of these modes being road, rail, air, and water, in which transport by road is the most patronized mode of transportation within the nation. It's no news that most Nigerian roads are in very poor conditions leading to traffic congestion and delays, and in most cases are unsafe. It is therefore essential that the nation whilst not totally neglecting improving transportation by road, should begin to think forward in this forward moving age and era, in focusing on another means of transportation which is actually safe and will not give any woes of delay to commuters, which in this context is transport by rail, in order to meet the fast and growing need of the nations' population for efficient transportation. In an increasingly urbanized world, the effective management of passenger flow and movement within train stations stands as a vital factor in shaping the overall travel experience. With a focus on the Nigerian environment, this thesis aims to investigate and resolve the complex dynamics of passenger mobility within train stations. The main goal of the study is to suggest design solutions that improve circulation paths and, in turn, improve user experience.

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