

Correlates of Migratory and Spatial Patterns of Fulani Herdsmen Settlements Within Ogbomoso Region, Nigeria

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Abstract

Migration presents and remains a quandary for policy makers in Nigeria as a Result of cultural heterogeneity of the country. Consequently, an urgent consciousness of looming dangers attached to uncontrolled internal migration is crucial for nomadic development. The paper thus examines migratory and spatial patterns of nomads within Ogbomoso Region. The selection of nomadic settlement was determined using geographic coordinates and use of structured questionnaire as a means of data collection. Accidental sampling method was used to select ten Fulani settlements for focus group discussion. X, Y, Z coordinates was utilized for all identified Fulani settlements to analyse spatial pattern of nomadic Fulani settlement while six hundred and forty seven (647) residents of immediate native host communities were randomly selected based on the building population of the selected host communities for questionnaire administration. Content Analysis was employed to analyse reports of Focus Group Discussion while complete spatial randomness Index Analysis was used to determine the spatial pattern of nomadic Fulani Settlement. Likert Scale was used to analyse the perception of residents of host communities on factors contributing to nomadic Fulani migratory and spatial patterns in the study area. The findings revealed that Fulani's are becoming permanent settlers within the study area with their length of stay ranging from Thirty three (33) years to three (3) years. Also a clustered spatial pattern of nomadic Fulani Migratory as indicated by residents are easy land acquisition (MFI, 5.01%) availability of grazing area (MFI,5 %.01) good dairy market(MFI, 4.98) and peaceful environment (MFI, 9.93). The study recommends formulation of appropriate nomadic migration policies and establishment of Ogbomoso Nomadic Development Authority in order to enhance the development of the region through nomadic Fulani Migration

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1.1: Introduction and Background to the Study

Nomadic cultures (like the Fulani migrants of Nigeria), unlike settled communities in pre-industrial and industrial eras have had to deal constantly with various aspects of migration. This includes economic, cultural and social aspects of their population movement (Rafis, 2013). For the Fulani nomads, the basic settlement concern is nearness to food resources for their animals in order to guarantee survival and the expansion of their herds. Consequently, they tend to live informally in jungles and settlements many kilometers away from other residents of the community. The implication is the exemption of such informal settlements from provision of social amenities such as good communication routes, planned and hygienic environment, electricity supply, safe drinking water and among others. However, no matter how Fulani settlements appear to be largely shaped by marginalization, the transformation of this ethnic livelihood is becoming bolder particularly within Ogbomoso region.

It could be argued that settlement pattern of Fulani nomads is metamorphosing as many Fulani nomads are escaping from the traditional nomadic forms and entering into agro-pastoralism, trade or other livelihood options as they choose to have it. By implication, this diversification of livelihood of Fulani nomads is a pointer to a growing informal economy and most likely a permanent migration type which is against traditional nomadic practice. Therefore, the neglect of Fulani nomadic settlements in formal city planning processes poses a future tragedy. In broader terms, issues surrounding Fulani nomadic settlement within Ogbomoso region is a challenge that is predominant in the absence of suitable migration policies and formal settlement policies that respond to such. How effectively those challenges are met will play a big part in determining how developed this region will be in the future.

Morakinyo *et al* (2012) among other researchers highlighted the problems of informal settlements to include poor environmental conditions, informal economy, illegal and unplanned settlements, health risks, overcrowding, and poverty among others. The past attempts on this subject are meticulous nonetheless the study of informal settlements requires a survey of both positive and negative impacts particularly for Fulani nomads within Ogbomoso region so as to provide better insight on peculiarities of nomadic settlements. Furthermore, several Nigerian authors have analyzed issues relating to Fulani nomads. Authors like Olayoku (2014) and Isah (2014) are basically concerned with conflicts, violence and other crime issues emanating from the activities of Fulani nomads, neglecting the roles of planning in provision of their basic settlement needs. The opinions of Huchzermeyer (2004) and Kramer (2006), reveals that informal settlement is an attribute of urban areas coming



up as spatial manifestation of rural-urban migration. However Fulani nomadic settlement is highly concentrated in the rural parts of Ogbomoso Region with few of population within the urban parts. Thus, the paper examines the impacts of Fulani Informal Settlements across Ogbomoso region encompassing both the rural and urban parts of the region.

2.1: Method and Materials

The study focused on Ogbomoso Region. It covers all the five Local Government Areas of the Region. The interests are on Fulani nomadic settlements and residents of their host communities. With particular concern on those Fulani nomadic settlement that are enclaves of settled members of Fulani ethnic group within Ogbomoso Region. All the Fulani settlements within the region is presented in Table 1 and further Illustrated Figure 1.

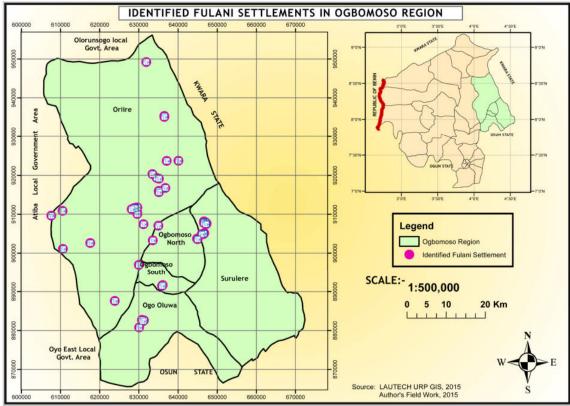


Figure 1 Fulani Settlements in Ogbomoso Region

Source. Authors Field Survey 2015



S/N	Local	Host Community	Name of Identified Fulani Settlements
	Government Area		
1	Ogbomoso	Aaje-Ikose area	Gaa Aaje-ikose
	North	Iyana Olomi area	Gaa Iyana Olomi
2	Ogbomoso	Iletitun Area	Gaa Alimi, Gaa Ibrahim
	South	Ibapon Area	Gaa alayun, Gaa Mohamodu.
		Owode Area	Gaa owode
		Abede Area	Gaa abede
3	Orire	Ajinapa	Gaa ilomo
		Tewure	Gaa Tewure
		Yawota Area	Gaa Yawota Area
4	Ogooluwa	Olorunda Area	Gaa Olorunda
		Esa-De Area	Gaa Esa-dee
		Alahausa Oloye	Gaa Abanda
		Area	
		Oguro-ologunrun	Gaa Keji, Gaa Olounda, Gaa Oke-high school.
		area	
		Ojotaye Area	Gaa Baba Fatimo, Gaa Tunde.
5	Surulere	Ojoku Area	Gaa Bello, Gaa Oja-nla, Gaa Sanda, Gaa Jumbo.
		Baba Nifa Area	Gaa Obo-owo
		Maya Area	Gaa Isa-agba, Gaa Isa-kerere.
		Iyelu I Area	Gaa Oni-Dusi, Gaa 'Laege, Gaa Arolu, Gaa ijado, Gaa alako.
		Balogun Area	Gaa Oseni
		Iyelu II Area	Gaa Alfa Hameed, Gaa Dotio, Gaa Elesun, Gaa Mumini, Gaa
			Duro, Gaa Shereki.
		Onipaanu Area	Gaa Idi-Ya, Gaa Keewo, Gaa Idi-Apa, Gaa Oke-ogbe, Gaa abule-
			Johnu.
		Iregba Area	Gaa Egbe
		Iresadu Area	Gaa olokiti, Gaa Agayan.
		Elegbodo Area	Gaa Jimoh

Source: Author's Computation, 2015

The study employed random sampling method for administration of copies of structured questionnaire to residents of selected host communities while, purposive sampling method was utilized to select the Fulani nomadic settlements for Focus Group Discussion (FGD). The inventory of Fulani nomadic settlements indicated forty-seven (47) settlements across the study area. This was compiled from information given by Surulere Local Government Area Fulani Nomads Association, Ogbomoso Farmers Association and Ogbomoso South Local Government Area Cassava Farmers Association. The immediate native communities to all identified Fulani nomadic settlements are regarded as host communities. Meanwhile, for this study, five host communities from the urban parts of the study area and five host communities from the rural part of the study area were sampled in order to analyze variations in the impacts of Fulani nomadic settlements across urban-rural interphase (see Table 1). However, the housing stock of selected host communities was obtained either through direct counting or estimates given by the community leaders. Based on this, a total number of six hundred and forty-seven (647) residents across the selected host communities were randomly selected for questionnaire administration (see Table 2). On the other hand, one Fulani settlement was sampled in each host community in order to enhance objectivity of data collection. In each of the selected Fulani settlement, interview was conducted with the head of the clan. In case the clan head is not available, an adult was interviewed while the focus group discussion served as general platform for all available Fulani's.

Content analysis was employed to analyze the migratory pattern, land acquisition practice, socio-cultural needs and challenges of Fulani nomads in the study area. The method used the thematic approach to analyze such qualitative information as socio-economic characteristics, housing characteristics among other relevant information. For further analysis, one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) was employed to show variation of various impacts of Fulani nomadic settlement on host communities within Ogbomoso region while Pearson Product Correlation Coefficient was be used to verify the relationship between increase in Fulani crime incidence and Fulani nomadic settlements. Descriptive statistics such as cross tabulation, averages and frequency counts were utilized to present the socio-economic characteristics of respondents.

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Table 2: Selected Fulani Settlements in Each Host Community

S/N	Local Government Area	Host Community	Name of Selected Fulani Settlements	Estimated Number of Buildings	Number of Questionnaires (20%)
1	Ogbomoso North	Aaje-Ikose area	Gaa Bororo	521	105
1	Ogbomoso North	Iyana Olomi area	Gaa Iyana Olomi	18	4
2	Ogbomoso South	Iletitun Area	Gaa Omotunde	42	9
		Ibapon Area	Gaa Ibapon	96	19
3	Orire	Ajinapa	Gaa Alaya I	496	99
		Tewure	Gaa Ilomo	1928	386
4	Ogooluwa	Otamokun area	Gaa Otamokun	27	5
		Oguro-ologunrun area	Gaa Oguro	45	9
5	Surulere	Iyelu I Area	Gaa Akorede	30	6
		Onipaanu Area	Gaa Alata II.	25	5
	Total	10	10	3228	647

Source: Author's Computation, 2015

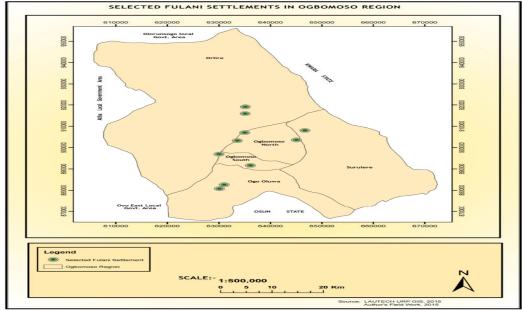


Figure 2 Selected Fulani Settlements in Ogbomoso Region Source: Author's Compilation, 2015

3: Results and Discussion of Findings

3.1: Migration Type of Fulani Nomads within Ogbomoso Region

Khandeker (2011) identified two types of migration - permanent and semi-permanent in urban Bangladesh. However, in this study area, more than three types of migration relating to Fulani nomads are revealed. As shown in Figure 4.1, these are: semi-permanent type of migration is the most dominant (61.1%) while some nomads (20.9%) are permanent migrants and fewer proportions (17.2%) are temporal type of migration. The least percentage of 0.8 recorded for other type of migration is cyclical migration (the constant outgoing and incoming of nomads within and outside the same area). This result suggests the Fulanis being nomads settle in the study area mostly on a semi-permanent basis and have more permanent settlers among them than temporal settlers. This is contrary to the common belief that Fulani nomads are mostly wanderers as in ancient times.

Furthermore, the interview conducted with different Fulani clan heads at Gaa Alaya II, Gaa Baba Biodun and Gaa Otamokun revealed that the period of stay within the study area rages from 33 years, 22 years and 3 years, respectively. Similarly, majority of Fulani nomads sampled, disclosed that their origin is mainly from Northern and Middle Belt parts of the country except one of the nomads who claimed to be a native of Ikoyi- ile, Ogbomoso, Oyo state. This could be corroborated with the assertion of Suleiman (2014) that Fulani herdsmen

are predominant nomadic sect of the Northern part of Nigeria, who in search of pasture grass and water for their cattle, move from the north to the middle belt and some to the southern parts of the country. Also, all nomads sampled acknowledged that Ogbomoso region satisfied their search for green pastures for their cattle and

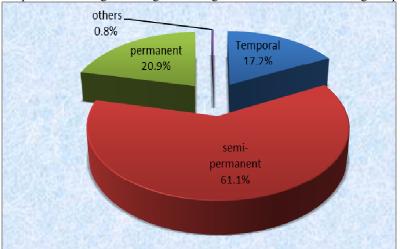


Figure 3 Migration Types of Fulani Nomads in Ogbomoso Region Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.2: Migration Season and Settlement Process of Fulani Nomads in Ogbomoso Region

Migration based on weather variations (seasons) is common within nomadic circles globally. Similarly, for Fulani nomads in Ogbomso Region migration is a seasonal phenonmenon. For instance, Figure 4 illustrates extremely low response (0.6%) to dry season migration while larger percentage of responses (38.3%) was made for all year season migration with the responses of residents who are not aware of migration season taking the largest of all (61.1%). This finding is a typical scenario of internal migration in Nigeria where different people move in and out of a community and nobody cares about the movement not even other residents of the community. This conforms with the opinion of Oyesiku (2003) that Nigeria currently lacks any coordinated policy on internal migration that can ensure that the nation harnesses the potentials (both positive and negative) inherent in internal migration.

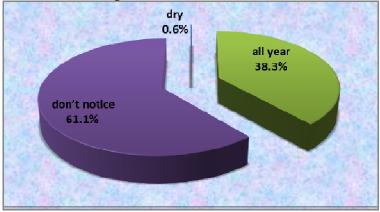


Figure 4: Seasons of Migration of Fulani Nomads in Ogbomoso Region Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

Furthermore, the discrepancy in migration patterns and seasons of migration is a major underlying factor to different Fulani settlement process. Consequent to this, and from the result of analysis as illustrated in Figure 4 majority of the nomads (50%) have not changed their settlement since their arrival to the study area. By implication, there is probability that most Nomads are contended with the space they settled since their arrival in Ogbomoso Region. However, 31 % nomads had relocated their settlements to other places even within the study area while only 18% had abandoned their settlement completely whether for other place within or beyond the study area. On the other hand, on the question of eviction, this had least response (1.%) as the environment is peaceful, providing or meeting the basic needs of nomads. It therefore implies that the environment has provided large expanse of land for grazing and farming and residents of host communities have being very friendly to the

nomads, making a forceful ejection the least settlement process.

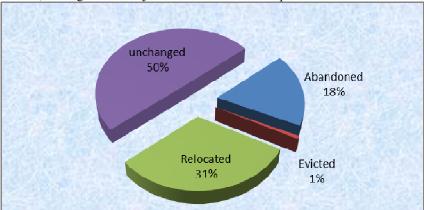


Figure 5: Fulani Nomads Settlement Process in Ogbomoso Region Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.3: Perceived Factors Contributing to the Migratory Pattern of Fulani Nomads within Ogbomoso Region Residents' views on factors contributing to migratory pattern of Fulani nomads in study area were summarized in Table 4.1 using the Likert Scales of "Very High", "High", "Indifferent", "Low" and "Very Low". This was rated 5,4,3,2, and 1 respectively. For adequate description of these factors, the highness of each was weighted through an index tagged Migratory Factor Index (MFI).

Table 3 presents an analysis that easy land acquisition and large land area for grazing recorded the highest indices of 5.01 each. This implies the two factors are the most important determinants of the migratory pattern of Fulani Nomads in the study area.

Similarly, a report given by one the nomads at Gaa Ibapon expressed that

"The land was legally and freely acquired from Ibapon family of Ogbomoso who claimed to be historically Fulanis as well. So this wide space you see, I was given free without paying a dime. The soil is good and yield enough grass for the cattle. Not only that, I am also a farmer that grows garden egg in large scale, the soil is fertile for that too and this place is very accessible to transport my farm produce to the market".

Also, Table3 further revealed that good diary market as another factor with high MFI 4.98 while a Fulani woman at Gaa Otamokun also affirmed that "Apart from cattle rearing, the sales of dairy product are good then we enjoy the hospitality of the host community". It could be inferred from the above, that dairy products like cow milk and cheese are well accepted and consumed by the residents of the host communities. This is not surprising since dairy products from Fulanis are very affordable and are also good source of protein.

Further analysis, revealed that variables like good climatic conditions and adequate facilities have low perception MFI 4.62 and 2.98 respectively. These also have low deviations around the mean (4.63). The computed standard deviations was 0.6852 at a variance of 0.4695 and coefficient standard deviation of 34.3%.

Based on this, it could be argued generally that availability or adequacy of facilities like good roads, health center, electricity, water supply, telecommunication and schools do not influence the migratory pattern of Fulani Nomads in the study area.

Table 3: Factors Contributing to the Migratory Pattern of Fulani Nomads within the Study Area

Factors of Migratory Pattern	VH	Н	IN	L	VL	SWV	X	MFI	D	\mathbf{D}^2
	5	4	3	2	1	=				
Easy Land Acquisition	643	04	-	-	-	3,239		5.01	0.38	0.1444
Large Land Area For	643	04	-	-	-	3,239		5.01	0.38	0.1444
Grazing										
Good Dairy Market	635	11	3	-	-	3,222	4.63	4.98	0.35	0.1225
Peaceful Environment	600	47	-	-	-	3,188		4.93	0.30	0.0900
Good Cattle Market	585	55	3	2	-	3,160		4.88	0.25	0.0625
Good Climatic Conditions	400	247	-	-	-	2,988		4.62	-0.01	0.0001
Adequate Facilities	185	13	56	393	-	1931		2.98	-1.65	2.7225

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.4: Spatial Pattern of Fulani Nomadic settlements within Ogbomoso Region

In this sub-section, the study appraises the spatial pattern of Fulani nomadic settlements, using Nearest



Neighbour Analysis. The process involves plotting X,Y and Z coordinates of all identified Fulani nomadic settlements in the study area on a three-dimensional surface mapping package (Surfer 8). The essence of this is to determine the value of complete spatial randomness and the implication (s) of the same.

The summary of Nearest Neighbour Grid presented in Table 4. revealed the Rn value of 0.9884 for computed coordinates of all identified Fulani settlements in the study area. This suggests clustering of Fulani nomadic settlements within Ogbomoso region. The complete spatial randomness analysis also confirmed the clustering of the nomadic settlements with Clark and Evans aggregation index of 0.421784608968 (see Table 4.1). The clustered settlement pattern of Fulani settlements can facilitate spatial planning and facilities distribution in Fulani nomadic settlements. Further analysis shows standard deviation value (Delta Z) of 10.4201620802 and coefficient of variation value (Delta Z) of 1.47177430511. The wide deviation suggests that the observed average distance of each Fulani settlements are scattered about the mean.

Table 4: Nearest Neighbour Analysis of Fulani Nomadic settlements within Ogbomoso Region

Grids	Separation Value	Delta Z Value
Minimum	0.000376563407675	0
25%-tile	0.000960416576283	1
Midrange	0.0662514794769	21.75
50%-tile	0.00250319795462	2.3
75%-tile	0.0133206381229	5
Maximum	0.132126395546	43.5
Mean	0.0134209651084	7.08
Median	0.00250319795462	2.3
Standard Deviation	0.0249185258525	10.4201620802
Standard Error	0.00336001334051	1.40505436826
Sum Absolute	0.738153080964	389.4
Sum Squares	0.043437105	8620.26
Mean Square	0.000789765545455	156.732
Coefficient of Variation	1.85668658335	1.47177430511
Skewness	2.71918296783	1.91042505361
Kurtosis:	11.1980995822	5.9615158187
	$\mathbf{R}\mathbf{n}$ =	0.9884
	Clark and Evans Index	0.421784608968

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.5: Fulani Nomads' Land Acquisition Type within Ogbomoso Region

Operationally, acquisition of land in Nigeria is recognized either by Land Use Act of 1978 (statutory law) or the custom of an area (customary law). Any of these describes land acquisition and ownership status. Land can be acquired by purchase, lease, bequeath, gift or rent.

The result of analysis as presented in Figure 6 shows that land acquisition type by the nomads is mostly through lease or purchase, each of this accounted for 45% respectively. Although, some (9%) illegal land acquisition without following formal procedure were also recorded in the study area, however just 1% of the sampled proportion acquired their land by gift. This may be substantiated with a comment of one Fulani nomad who claimed that" the leasehold of our space is been renewed with farm produce and cattle as deem fit by us to give to the Olugbon (the sovereign Yoruba monarch around here)." Therefore, a fact can be established that land acquisition of Fulani nomads is mostly legally upheld by customary law. The implication centers on land administration and land use planning. Similarly, Wilbard and Volker (2001) posited that illegality notion that is often used by bureaucrats and policy makers to question the legal status of informal settlements is a misconception about the mechanisms and norms underlying informal housing land acquisition, security of tenure and subsequent settlement development.





Figure 6: Fulani Nomads' Land Acquisition Type Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.6: The Proximity of Fulani Informal Settlements to Communities and Farmlands

Figure 7 presents the proximity range of Fulani nomadic settlements to communities and farmlands. For the former, many settlements are located between 1-2 kilometers (44.5%) followed by those found at less than 1 kilometer (37.4%) while fewer number of settlements are found 3-4 kilometers range (18.2%) while for the latter, most settlements are located less than 1 kilometer (45.7%) this is followed by settlements within 3-4 kilometers (41.1%) but fewer settlements are located between 1-2 kilometers (13.2%). The result of analysis above reveals that farthest distance between Fulani nomadic settlements to host communities and their farmlands is between 3-4 kilometers which could be referred as range as explained in Central Place Theory of Walter Christaller (1933). Adopting the theory, it could be inferred that this range between Fulani nomadic settlements, communities and farmlands is the determinant of low order marketing, transportation and administrative principles obtainable.

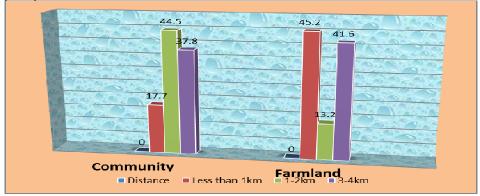


Figure 2: The Proximity of Fulani Informal Settlements to Communities and Farmlands Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.7: The Biophysical Impacts of Fulani Informal settlements

Most human activities cannot be divorced from adverse environmental impacts. The key concern for ecological and human health includes atmospheric pollution, contamination of water resources and land pollution. Consequently, in the study area, impacts of pastoral activities of Fulani nomads on land, water and air are examined based on the perception of residents of host communities.

Likhert rating was utilized on a scale of 'very significant', 'significant' 'indifferent', 'not significant' and 'not at all' corresponding to either the weight of 5,4, 3,2 or 1 accordingly. An index developed to measure this was tagged Biophysical Impact Index (BII). However, the summary in Table 5 confirms grazing cattle destroying crops (BII, 2.73) and overgrazing of land (BII 2.72) as acute impacts of these nomads on land while cattle dung adding manure to the soil (BII, 2.28) is rather not a significant impact in the study area. This situation of overgrazing could have long term effects such as soil infertility, erosion, flood, drought, land gradation, desertification and climate change. Dregne et al (1991) emphasized that consumption of plant cover by livestock has a major impact and overgrazing is believed to contribute substantially to desertification and land degradation.

It is also observed that burning of surrounding bushes (BII, 2.69) is another significant biophysical impact both on land and air quality. According to Jamala *et al* (2012), Fulani nomads habitually use moderate, localized



fires to fight ticks, insects, and harmful pests from the homes and kraals. Table 3 further revealed that water pollution through cattle dung polluting nearest water bodies to host communities (BII, 1.49) or cattle drinking from nearest river to host communities (BII, 1.43) are perceived as less significant biophysical impacts of settlement of Fulani nomads in the study area. There is probability that this perception is influenced as a result of reasons like many residents of host communities not using water from unprotected sources like rivers, streams or ponds. Also, it can be observed in Table 1 that unpleasant smell from cattle dung is the least perceived environmental impact with BII of 1.99. The possibility of such perception could be based on the fact that Fulani Settlements are located few kilometers away from the immediate host communities reducing the diffusion of any unpleasant smell from such settlements. However, the recorded standard deviation was 0.5617 while the variance was 0.3155 and coefficient standard deviation was 28%. The standard deviation suggests that distribution scatters about the mean value.

Table 5: The Biophysical Impacts of Fulani Nomadic settlements

Biophysical Impacts	VS	S	IN	NS	NAA	SWV	BII	X	D	\mathbf{D}^2
	5	4	3	2	1					
Cattle grazing on farmland destroying the crops	538	44		65		1767	2.73		0.54	0.2916
Overgrazing of land	538	43		66		1766	2.72		0.53	0.2809
Burning of surrounding bushes	538	22		87		1745	2.69		0.5	0.2500
Cattle dung adding manure to the soil	292	244		111		1475	2.28	1.97	0.09	0.0081
Cattle dung producing unpleasant smell	1	646		-		1293	1.99	1.57	-0.2	0.4000
Cattle dung polluting nearest river to your community	1	646		-		1293	1.99		-0.2	0.4000
Cattle drinking from river renders it unfit for domestic purpose	14	250		383		925	1.43		- 0.76	0.5776

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.8: Impacts of Air and Green Spaces

Although, Fulani structures are often clustered within a settlement yet adequate air space is maintained in all Fulani settlements coupled with presence of greeneries around their settlements. These are indicators to good environmental quality. Observations on location of Fulani Settlements within the study area revealed that majority of them are located in jungles, many meters away from the host communities in order to keep their animals away from intruding peoples' properties. Futhermore, such area provide large land area for animal grazing and developing settlements. Consequently, the settlements are well spaced (Plate 1 and 2) giving adequate air space between buildings and surrounded with beautiful vista of trees and grass Figure (Plate 1 and 2). The presence of adequate air and green spaces within Fulani settlements of Ogbomoso region will have direct effects on microclimate of the region. According to Ephraim and Mbina 2014) greening offer improvement in air, water, and land resources by absorbing air pollutant, increasing water catchment and flood plain surfaces, and stabilizing soils.





Plate 1 and 2: Air And Green Spaces at Gaa Alata, Surulere Local Government Area. Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.9: Social Interaction between Fulani Nomads and Residents of Host Communities

Table 6 summarizes residents' perception of social interaction of Fulani nomads in the study area. It is revealed from the analysis that the main forum of social interaction between the nomads and residents of host



communities is participation in wedding ceremony, and naming ceremony with SII 4.04 each. This is followed by community association with SII 3.86 while involvement in political activities also recorded a significant proportion (SII, 3.06) of the responses. This suggests that social interaction between Fulani nomads and residents of host communities are mostly accepted by both parties although political activities remains is civic right of every Nigerian.

The opinion of sampled residents shows that social interaction on the basis of participation in cultural festival (SII, 2.97), conferment of chieftaincy title (SII, 2.06) and funeral rites (SII, 1.58) were perceived low. This suggests that although Fulani nomads engage in political activities, community association, naming and wedding ceremony they do so, as a matter of responsibility and may not socialize for leisure or luxury through funeral rites, chieftaincy or cultural festivals. The standard variation score recorded is 0.9066 while the variance is 0.8220 and coefficient of variation is 29.3%. This implies that SII of the variables scatters around the mean value reducing the reliability of the mean value.

Table 6: Residents' Perception of Various Levels of Social Interaction Between Fulani Nomads and Residents of Host Communities

Social Interaction	VH	Н	IN	L	VL	SWV	SII	X	D	\mathbf{D}^2
	5	4	3	2	1					
Participation in community association	53	490	61	43	-	2496	3.86		0.77	0.5929
Participation in wedding ceremony	67	537	43	-	-	2612	4.04		0.95	0.9025
Participation in naming ceremony	67	537	43	-	-	2612	4.04		0.95	0.9025
Participation in political activities	114	-	287	250	46	1977	3.06	3.09	-0.03	0.0009
Participation in cultural festival	67	336	-	-	244	1923	2.97		-0.12	0.0144
Conferred with chieftaincy title	12	1	-	634	-	1332	2.06		-1.51	2.2801
Participation in funeral rites	-	-	67	244	336	1025	1.58		-1.03	1.0609

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.10: Residents' Perception of Cultural Adjustment of Fulani Nomads to the Host Communities

According to Wikipedia (2015), nomads of all kinds are facing problems in preserving their cultural heritage. As human achievements have advanced in recent times, bringing all people into greater contact with each other, the nomadic lifestyle has become endangered. Table 7 also presented that larger proportion of residents' opinion was recorded for cultural adjustments of Fulani nomads to the host communities through indigenous dress (CAI, 4.92), eating indigenous food (CAI, 4.77) and speaking indigenous language (CAI, 4.76). As a matter of fact, wearing of Fulani indigenous attire by the nomads is completely eroded even as eating of indigenous meals and speaking Fulani language are gradually going to extinction. Further analysis in Table 3 shows that the cultural adjustment indices for changing housing type to host communities' type and marriage rites are 3.88 and 3.30 in decreasing order. Also, the method and process of burying the dead (CAI, 1.87) by Fulani nomads remains unchanged. Factors upholding this cultural value could be deduced from the comment by a nomad in one the Focus Group Discussions that "culturally burial of the dead must be done at most two hours after the demise of the deceased. Also, our religious induction allows less than twenty four hours burying the dead. So there is no way we can keep the dead for long like many of the host communities do and commit sin." These are some of preserved cultural values of Fulani nomads in the study area. The variance of the mean is 1.1694 with standard deviation of 1.0814. This suggests that CAI variables scatter about the mean.

Table 7: Residents' Perception of Cultural Adjustment of Fulani Nomads to the Host Communities

Cultural Adjustment	VS	S	IN	NS	NAA	SWV	CAI	X	D	D^2
	5	4	3	2	1					
Fulani in this area wears	2985	200	-	-	-	3185	4.92		1.00	1.0000
indigenous attire										
Fulani in this area eats indigenous	2935	68	-	86	-	3089	4.77		0.85	0.7225
Food										
Fulani in this area speaks	2950	28	-	100	-	3078	4.76	3.92	0.84	0.7056
indigenous language										
Fulani in this area are changing	1635	36	243	43	25	2511	3.88		-0.04	0.0016
their housing type to host										
community type										
Fulani in this area adopts the	820	612	489	96	119	2136	3.30		-0.62	0.3844
community's marriage rites										
Fulani in this area adopts the	5	_	254	51	341	1210	1.87		-2.05	4.2025



community's burial rites

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.11: Residents' Perception of Incidences of Various Social Vices associated with Settlement of Fulani Nomads in the Past Five Years

Issues on social vices associated with settlement of Fulani nomads within the last five years are presented in Table 8 and 9. The result of findings reveals that there is a negative correlation between number of Fulani settlements and Fulani related crime incidence with correlation coefficient (r) of -0.219. Implying that in Ogbomoso region, as the number of Fulani settlements increases, crime rate decreases which is contrary to what is obtainable in most literature. However, Frieder (2003) opined that ethnicity and the status of being a foreigner are not a valuable factor for explaining crime. He further explained that specifically targeting migrants or foreigners for crime prevention is merely a social construct.

For more clarifications, further analysis on incidences of various social vices associated with settlement of Fulani nomads in Ogbomoso region was carried out. The output as summarized in Table 10 indicates that destruction of crops through grazing of cattle (SVI, 4.59) is the most perceived social vices. Other vices like robbery (SVI, 2.17), religious crisis (SVI, 1.97) loss of cattle lives (SVI, 1.88), loss of human lives (SVI, 1.88), ethnic clash (SVI, 1.84) and house burning (SVI, 1.66) are recorded to relatively less incidences in last five years within the study area. It could therefore be inferred that the nomads are not criminally inclined; they are only concerned about feeding their cattle well. The standard deviation is 0.9175 with a coefficient value of 13.1%, implying that there is a scattered distribution about the mean value.

Table 8: Correlation of Fulani Nomadic settlements and Crime Incidence

		Number of Settlement	Crime Rate
Number of settlement	Pearson correlation	1	-0.219
	Sig (2-tailed)		0.544
Crime Rate	Person correlation	-0.219	1
	Sig.(2-tailed)	0.544	

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

Table 9: Annual Reported Malicious Cases in the Study area (2006-2015)

S/N	Year	Malicious Crime	Settlement Position	1
		Reported	Compensation	Charged to Court
1	2006	3	3	-
2	2007	2	2	-
3	2008	1	1	-
4	2009	-	-	-
5	2010	6	6	-
6	2011	8	2	6
7	2012	13	-	13
8	2013	15	15	-
9	2014	10	10	-
10	2015	26	10	16
Te	otal	84	49	35

Source: Author's Compilation from Police Record, 2015

Table 10: Perception on Incidences of Various Social Vices Associated with Settlement of Fulani Nomads in the Past Five Years

Social Vices	VS	S	IN	NS	NAA	SWV	SVI	D	\mathbf{D}^2
	5	4	3	2	1	•			
Destruction of crops by grazing cattle	2555	284	-	130	-	2969	4.59	2.16	4.2025
Robbery associated with Fulani migrants	-	8	735	520	140	1430	2.17	-0.26	0.0676
Loss of human lives during conflicts	-	16	576	496	204	1292	2.00	-0.43	0.1849
Religious crisis between Fulani migrants and host community	20	16	513	536	201	1085	1.97	-0.44	0.1936
Loss of cattle lives during conflicts	-	-	477	508	234	1219	1.88	-0.55	0.3025
Ethnic clash between Fulani migrants and	-	28	285	668	211	981	1.84	-0.59	0.3481
host community									
Burning of houses during conflicts	-	-	285	478	313	1076	1.66	-0.77	0.5929

*Mean =2.43



Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.12 Economic Impacts of Fulani Nomadic Settlement on Host Communities

Blench (2010), analyses the economic interaction of herdsmen with residents of host communities to include exchange of dairy products for grain, access to local markets, among others. Against this background, this subsection presents the economic impacts of Fulani nomadic settlement on the host communities. Some of the impacts include the types economic activities carried out, goods and services demanded by Fulani nomads, as well as goods and services demanded by residents of host communities.

Tables 11, 12 and 13 summarize the level of significance of various economic impacts of Fulani nomadic settlements using Likert scale rating based on host communities residents perception. The index developed to measure this was tagged Economic Activities Index (EAI).

The results of analysis in Table 11 revealed that land cultivation and animal rearing are major economic activities with EAI (5.00) each. It is followed in decreasing order by hawking which has significant index of 4.80, while retail trade recorded 4.52 EAI indicating diversification of livelihood of the Fulani nomads in the study area. This suggests that agricultural practices such as animal rearing and land cultivation are the economic domain of the nomads while hawking and retail trade are the main economic diversification of Fulani nomads in Ogbomoso region. This is similar to assertion of Helen (2010) that diversification of livelihoods is important to the survival of pastoralists (or nomads), both for livelihoods that are related to livestock and those that are not. On the other hand, civil service, wholesale trade and artisan have negative EAI of 4.14, 3.09 and 3.12 respectively. The contributing factors to less engagement in civil service, whole trade and artisan may include lack of education and appropriate exposure. The variance is 0.59059 and standard deviation is 0.7684 .This implies that EAI variables scatter around the mean.

Further analysis in Tables 12 and 13 specifically shows the types of goods and services exchange between Fulani nomads and the residents of host communities. In comparism, the result of analysis shows that most goods and services demanded by residents of host communities from the nomads distinctively different from goods and services demanded by Fulani nomads from the host communities. For instance, there is a larger proportion purchase of dairy products like cheese (GSI, 4.93) and milk (GSI, 4.93) from the Fulani nomads. This is followed by purchase of cattle (GSI, 4.89) while a larger proportion of Fulani nomads demands tailoring services (GSI, 4.97), purchase of shoes (GSI, 4.86), with clothing and medicine (GSI 4.85) each. This implies that the economic sectors of the study area are only primary and tertiary.

It could also be observed that Fulani nomads demand less of services like bricklaying (GSI, 2.48), hairdressing (GSI, 3.40) and hair barbing GSI, 3.40) services from the residents. This is not surprising because traditional way of building houses and indigenous fashion taste reflecting in hair styles are very much accepted. Similarly, the residents demand less of shepherd services (-GSI, 2.47), purchase of farm produce (GSI, 2.81) and hunt games (GSI, 2.68) from the Fulani nomads. This establishes a fact that residents of host communities predominantly cultivate land, not necessarily interested in pastoral farming to a large extent. This expected since farming is the primary occupation in Ogbomoso region. Therefore, the economic development of the study area hinges on agriculture which includes land cultivation and pastoral farming.

Table 11: Involvement of Fulani nomads in Various Economic Activities

Economic	VS	S	IN	NS	NAA	SWV	EAI	X	D	\mathbf{D}^2
Activities	5	4	3	2	1					
Land cultivation	3235	-	-	-	-	3235	5.00		0.76	0.5776
Animal rearing	3235	-	-	-	-	3235	5.00		0.76	0.5776
Hawking	3020	-	-	86	-	3106	4.80		0.56	0.3136
Retail trade	1810	1084	-	28	-	2922	4.52	4.24	0.28	0.0784
Artisan	555	2104	03	18	-	2680	4.14		-0.10	0.0100
Civil service	325	-	1569	98	10	1973	3.09		-1.15	1.3225
Wholesale trade	1020	224	-	774	-	2018	3.12		-1.12	1.2544

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015



Table 12: Residents' Perception of Various Demanded Goods and Services by Fulani Nomads from the Host Communities

Fulani Demanded Goods and	VS	S	IN	NS	NAA	SWV	GSI	X	D	D^2
Services	5	4	3	2	1	1				
Tailoring in the community	3190	16	09	04	-	3219	4.97		0.49	0.2401
Buying Shoes from the community	2900	220	-	24	-	3144	4.86		0.38	0.1444
Buying Clothing from the community	2900	208	09	24	-	3129	4.85		0.37	0.1369
Buying Medicine from the community	2900	212	-	28	-	3140	4.85		0.37	0.1369
Buying Food items from the community	2710	396	-	12	-	3118	4.82		0.34	0.1156
Carpentry in the community	2870	184	45	08	08	3115	4.81		0.03	0.0009
Grinding and milling of food items in the community	3005	12	-	86	-	3103	4.79		0.31	0.0961
Motorcycle repairs in the community	2990	24	86	-	-	3100	4.79	4.48	0.31	0.0961
Shoe repairs in the community	2970	28	09	86	-	3093	4.78		0.30	0.0900
Buying Animal drug from the community s	2645	376	9	38	2	3070	4.75		0.27	0.0729
Hairdressing in the community	1395	28	195	578	07	2203	3.40		-1.08	1.1664
Hair barbing in the community	1395	28	195	578	07	2203	3.40		-1.08	1.1664
Tailoring in the community	3190	16	09	04	-	3219	4.97		0.49	0.2401
Buying Building materials from the community	2645	372	-	44	3	3064	4.74		0.26	0.0676
Buying Farm tools from the community	2650	316	66	28	02	3062	4.73		0.25	0.0625
Buying Books and stationeries from the community	2860	88	-	78	14	3040	4.69		0.21	0.0441
Hairdressing in the community	1395	28	195	578	07	2203	3.40		-1.08	1.1664
Hair barbing in the community	1395	28	195	578	07	2203	3.40		-1.08	1.1664
Brick laying in the community	25	372	501	652	56	1606	2.48		-2.00	4.0000

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

Table 13: Residents' Perception of Various Demanded Goods and Services by Residents of Host Communities from the Fulani Nomads

Community Demanded Goods	VS	S	IN	NS	NAA	SWV	GSI	X	D	\mathbf{D}^2
and Services	5	4	3	2	1					
Buying Cheese from Fulani nomads	3020	172	-	-	-	3192	4.93		1.11	1.2321
Buying milk from Fulani nomads	3020	172	-	-	-	3192	4.93		1.11	1.2321
Buying cattle from Fulani nomads	2980	172	3	14	-	3169	4.89		1.07	1.1449
Buying Herbs from Fulani nomads	2690	261	44	-	-	2995	4.59		0.77	0.5929
Buying birds from Fulani nomads	1255	440	129	486	-	2310	3.57	3.82	-0.25	0.0625
Spiritual consultation from Fulani nomads	65	1268	951	-	-	1184	3.53		-0.29	0.0841
Buying farm produce from Fulani nomads	215	204	870	526	-	1552	2.81		-1.01	1.0201
Buying hunt games from Fulani nomads	15	376	735	610	-	1721	2.68		-1.14	1.2996
Shepherd service from Fulani nomads	-	-	1044	504	47	1595	2.47		-1.35	1.8225

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

3.13 Variation in the Impacts of Fulani Nomadic settlements across Ogbomoso Region

Despite some commonalities in the impacts of Fulani nomadic settlements in each host community, some



variations exist. It is therefore important to analyze the variations observed across the study area. However, the focus is centered on variation in urban local government areas and rural local government areas. On this premise, ANOVA test performed reveals that residents of different local government areas do not perceive the impacts of Fulani nomadic settlements the same way.

The probability values for only few impacts indicate that there is spatial variation in the perception of residents across the five local government areas. The impacts concerned are social interaction impact and biophysical impacts (Table14). Also, the variation of these two impacts are confidently significant at 95% level with the means of the same independent variable not the same for different local government areas. This implies that, characteristics of urban and rural (particularly the population size and land availability) of Ogbomoso region will introduce variation in social interaction and environmental impacts of Fulani informal settlements.

On the other hand, there is no spatial variation in the perception of residents across the five local government areas on such impacts like types of goods and services demanded, cultural adjustment, economic activity, social vices, and shared facilities with probability values of 1.257, 0.385, 0.302, 0.094, and 0.00 respectively. It could be inferred that the impacts of types of goods and services exchanged between the nomads and residents of host communities, economic activities, cultural adjustment, social vices, and shared facilities are not influenced by urban or rural characteristics.

Table 14: Analysis of Variance: Impacts of Fulani Informal settlements within Ogbomoso Region

Major impacts	Variations	Sum of Squares	DF	Mean Square	F	Probability Value
Types of goods and	Between Groups	3684.996	4	296.250	27.450	1.257
services exchanged	Within Groups	8314.790	642	10.685		
O	Total	11999.786	646			
Social Interaction	Between Groups	156.973	4	39.243	22.776	0.000
Impact	Within Groups	1165.445	642	1.723		
•	Total	1322.418	646			
Economic Activity	Between Groups	165.508	4	41.376	12.245	0.302
•	Within Groups	2169.355	642	3.379		
	Total	2334.863	646			
Social Vices Impact	Between Groups	186.399	4	46.599	7.516	0.094
•	Within Groups	3979.528	642	6.200		
	Total	4165.927	646			
Shared Facilities Impact	Between Groups	164.821	4	41.205	6.912	0.060
•	Within Groups	2548.572	642	5.961		
	Total	2713.393	646			
Biophysical Impact	Between Groups	54.264	4	13.565	5.762	0.037
	Within Groups	1511.887	642	2.354		
	Total	1566.151	646			
Cultural Adjustment	Between Groups	72.076	4	18.019	2.639	0.385
Impact	Within Groups	10.685	642	6.828		
*	Total	11.665	646			

^{*}Mean difference significant at 0.95 level.

Source: Author's Fieldwork, 2015

4. Recommendations

Based on the findings of this research, it is observed that formalizing Fulani settlement cannot erupt overnight. Therefore, the recommendation of this study is made as strategic planning. The strategic plan should have the backup of both the institutional and legal frameworks of Oyo State Government, also it should involve stating of attainable goal and measurable objectives with a time target. The institutional and legal frameworks must recognize the role of planners and involve full participation of Fulani Nomads. The strategic plan should evolve an encompassing vision, goals and objectives for the realization of the vision. The vision should revolve around a renown united and functional agro-based region in Nigeria which is sustainably dynamic and guided by appropriate statutory bodies. This can be achieved by formulating appropriate Nomadic policy through establishment of Ogbomoso Region Nomadic Development Authority as well as Preparation of Ogbomoso Region Nomadic Degree. Land can be secured and reserved for grading this will undoubtedly ban scavenging and free-ranging animal gazing This paper also suggest adoption of indigenous knowledge of environmental management.



5. Conclusion

The study concludes that the impacts of Fulani nomads' informal settlement on host communities within Ogbomoso region have adverse implications on the environment. At the same time, cattle production of the nomads is a potential development of a regional specialization of the study area. The study therefore believes if the provided recommendation can be used by decision makers, Ogbomoso region will be a pace setter in regional development.

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