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With historical Data and explanations, I will want to DISAGREE with what you said here ma'am Or at Least Reframe what you said because what you said can be used to refer to a lot of scenarios.

**Who are the "Citizens of Nigeria" you claim are not ready because they are...
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I will repeat it yet again.

Citizens of Nigeria are not yet ready for Good Governance.

They absolutely enjoy and believe they deserve to be poorly governed.

The Politicians know this and dish Bad Governance in large doses to them.

When citizens are ready, it will end.\u270d\u0001f3fe

— Oby Ezekwesili (@obyzeeks) February 18, 2021

Not demanding good governance?.

If by this you mean the Vast majority of Nigerians that are in the lower class should demand for good governance, then I hope you know this can never be effective.

Why?

It is virtually impossible for the lower class citizens to gather and...

Demand for good governance. What do they know that they want to demand? The few among them that are "enlightened" will have their voices drown out by the many that are not. I hope you know that there will always be the ignorant, evil men (hired assassin, political thugs) and also

Good men, the proportion of good men to the ignorants and evil men in this social class is low. Therefore I, gathering to something meaningful will be low.

How will they even gather? Through elections? I also hope you know that the wicked political leaders will not just fold...

Their arms and not defend their rulership from being overthrown. They will surely sow misinformation, spread lies aimed at misleading the masses. This particular social class, that are also numerous will be easy to swallow such lies and cajoled. Buhari was sold to us as a...

Reformed Democrat with the campaign starting in 2011. We all lapped it up.

Even if power is dramatically given to a member of this class, do you think they will be able to manage it well ma'am? History says they can't!

Wat Tyler in 1381 in the Revolts of the peasants was...

Quickly crushed (even though he captured London) and him beheaded. Revolts or demand for good governance by persons of the lower social class without being backed by Elites will always fail.

Remember ma, that our Constitution says "We the People of Fed Rep of Nigeria having...

Solemnly swear that... "Through our freely elected representatives adopt the constitution as the supreme law of the land"

Therefore, things can only work through elected officials. The process of electing officials to political post is largely controlled by elites ma'am.

The iron law of Oligarchy will always stand firm ma'am. There must be a leader, therefore all what any group of elites needs to do is to sell a "leader" to the masses (mostly those in the lower social class) at the critical point of election, then Herd mentality will do the rest

Until Elites also, Business Men, Men of influence and power in Nigeria gather themselves and produce a political leader that will do good by them, I'm sorry to say that you shouldn't expect anything good from the next elections, El-Rufai is on his way in. @DavidHundeyin put...

This very cleanly and I love it in this article:

<https://t.co/eC7kFVjJgr>

The "Glorious revolution" of 1640 (which brought about modern democracy as we know it) was started by the Elites of England at that time. It was even called revolution yet that of Wat Tyler is called...

Nigeria on paper has the largest private sector in Africa. This size however, does not seem to have translated into significant influence over basic economic or monetary policy, unlike what is obtainable in other multibillion dollar economies.

Why is this?

Something I wrote. <https://t.co/tDGQmDftun>

"peasants revolution".

Until our Elites start a revolution against what we know as "Nigeria" today, we are still going to maintain status quo ma'am.

Please, categorically state which Nigerians you are talking to, is it the 50k/month salary worker whose knowledge of democracy...

Does not go beyond "Govt for the people and by the people" and can't even put together sentences on "social contract", "collective common wealth" OR the Elites.

This outsourcing of their responsibilities and blaming the masses will not get us anywhere soon.

@hartng was...

Lamenting on the poor state of the Apappa port. My response for him is that he should gather his fellow big men and counter war. A war has long been declared by the present crop of selfish leaders we have now, the sooner they start treating the situation as a war, the better

For all of us.

@EmekaOkoye sir, remember when I said Nigerians are not angry enough in a reply to you sir?? This was what I meant. Our Elites are sleeping.

@threadreaderapp please unroll