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Abstract: The paper examines democratic governance and development in Nigeria. It argues that democratic political culture based on shared national, rather than sectional or ethnic sentiments engender good governance for development and hence the enhancement of the living standard of the people. It recommends that for Nigerians to live together as a united people there is the need for the citizens to avoid all forms of undemocratic norms as panacea for political stability and development in a multi-ethnic society like Nigeria. The paper points out that this is more likely to be realized when proper training on democratic norms is given to public officeholders and indeed the entire citizenry to enable them imbibe proper democratic culture for development in Nigeria