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House of Reps Gives BUK Pass Mark Over Proper Utilization of Funds

The House of Representatives has expressed appreciation to Bayero University for its proper utilization of funds appropriated to it by the Federal Government and identified itself with the University's ongoing transformation agenda.

The Chairman, House Committee on Education, Honorable Aminu Sulaiman, expressed the commendation on Monday 26th August, 2013 when members of the committee came to the University as part of their oversight functions to critically assess the level of utilization of government's fund appropriated to it.



V.C, Prof. Rasheed (1st left), Hon. Aminu Sulaiman (2nd left) and other members of the House Committee on Education

The lawmaker said his committee was on tour to federal tertiary institutions having visited the Southern and Eastern parts of the

country, saying Kano was the first state visited in the North.

Comrade Sulaiman, who is a member, representing Fagge Constituency in the Lower Legislative chamber averred that the main aim of the assessment was to compile a comprehensive report, analyze it and proffer solutions with a view to making recommendations to the National Assembly. He said the Assembly would ensure that government takes urgent steps towards solving the problems bedeviling tertiary education in Nigeria.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni*, MFR made a power-point presentation of Bayero University's historical background, staff strength, student population, the recent upgrade of facilities, capacity building and the ongoing transformations of physical projects and academic programmes, which excited the lawmakers.

The Vice Chancellor told the honorable members that the objectives of the University's expansion programmes were to expand access, ensure relevance, improve science/art ratio and address many societal issues.

Meanwhile in a separate interview with the Chairman of the House Committee on Education shortly after the presentation on why only less than 30% of the funds



appropriated to tertiary institutions could be accessed, the lawmaker queried the executive/legislature impasse that caused delays in the budget implementation.

He appealed to Nigerian journalists to play a key role towards ensuring that the two arms of government address the lingering budget problems.

Other members of the University management present at the occasion were: the Deputy Vice Chancellors, Academics and Administration, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and Professor Sadiq Isa Radda, the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin, the Bursar, Alhaji Buhari Musa, the Librarian, Professor Lukman Diso, the Director, General Administration, M. D. Nasiru, Directors of the Vice Chancellor's Office and Academic Affairs, Barrister A. S. Umar and Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed, as well as the Director Personnel Affairs, Mohammed Sani Amin.

SSANU Executives Commiserate with Bursar Over Father's Demise

The executives of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU) have paid a condolence visit to the Bursar, Alhaji Buhari Musa, who lost his father last week.

The Chairman of SSANU, Comrade Kabiru Baba, who led other members to sympathize with him on Tuesday 27th August, 2013 in his office, prayed for the repose of the soul of the deceased and his family members the fortitude to bear the loss.

The deceased, Musa Gidado, 81, died on Monday 19th August, 2013 in his home town of Ayogwiri in Auchi, Estakor West Local Government of Edo State, after a brief illness.

The SSANU executives on the same day condoled the Acting Director, Maintenance Services Department, Engr. Bashir Dan'umma over the death of his father that occurred on Friday 5th July, 2013.

Both Bursar and the Ag. Director, MSD expressed appreciation over the condolence visits.

BUK Seeks N/Assembly's Intervention On Petroleum, Chemical Engineering Programs

Bayero University has called on the National Assembly to assist the University through intervening in its effort to mount degree programmes on petroleum and chemical engineering.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR made the appeal on Monday 26th August, 2013 when members of the House of Representatives Committee on Education came to the University on assessment visit.

Professor Rasheed told the lawmakers that the University Senate had approved the mounting of the programmes but was faced with the challenges of resources. He said the National Assembly has a formidable role to play in ensuring that the University gets financial support from the federal government.

The Vice Chancellor further explained that the University has started contacting philanthropic individuals and corporate organizations on how to come to the University's aid, saying the University would not relent in its determined effort to ensure the improvement of its academic programmes.

He said presently some philanthropic individuals, state governments and corporate organizations have made goodwill gestures by building some projects or donating equipment to the University.

The Vice Chancellor stated that some newly completed projects would soon be commissioned possibly by the President and chief Commander of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria, Mr. Goodluck Ebele Jonathan.

Prof. Rasheed stressed that Bayero University has in the last two years been expanding, restructuring and realigning in its quest to maintain excellence.

The Chairman, the House Committee on Education, Honorable Aminu Sulaiman, expressed satisfaction with the University's rising academic standard and said his committee would play a prominent role towards ensuring that the federal government assists the University.

Staff Games: Ag. Coach Calls for More Participation in Training

The Acting Coach of the Staff Football Team, Dr. M.Y Waziri has called for more participation of staff in training ahead the forthcoming staff games scheduled to hold

for November this year in the University of Benin.

The Ag. Coach, who disclosed this on Wednesday before the routine afternoon training at the Old Campus training ground said staff members needed to train adequately because other universities have since gone far in preparation for the fiesta.

Dr. Waziri charged the newly employed staff who are interested to come and pitch their tent as training is held from Monday to Friday each week beginning from 4pm.



Staff team in a friendly match recently

The Acting Coach also appealed to other staff who absconded training to resume immediately, saying the field is in high spirit at the moment due to large turn-out of players.

It would be recalled that the last edition of staff games was hosted by Kano University of Science and Technology (KUST) Wudil.

Wedding Fatiha

The families of Liman Galadanci Zubairu and the late Alh. Habibu Muhammad (Makaman Gado da Masu) cordially request the pleasure and company of the entire



University and general public to the wedding fatiha of their son and daughter, Badruddeen Sirajo Muhammad of the Department of Agronomy and Hauwa Abdullahi Habib Muhammad (Mama), scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday 7th September, 2013

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Friday Mosque, BUK Old Site.

Appreciation

(1) Dr. Hafizu Miko Yakasai, Dean, Faculty of Arts and Islamic Studies, wishes to extend his sincere appreciation to members of the University community, particularly the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, *mni*, MFR, the Deputy Vice Chancellors, the Registrar, the Bursar, Deans and Directors for the condolence visit and prayers over the death of his father, Malam Miko Ahmad Yakasai (who was also the grandfather of Professor Bashir Tijjani, HOD Accounting) who died on 12th August, 2013 and prayed to Almighty Allah to grant the deceased eternal rest.

May Allah reward all abundantly, amin.

(2) Hassan Ibrahim Indabawa of the Security Division wishes to extend his sincere appreciation to members of the University

Community, particularly the Director Security, Col. A. A. Mohammed and Director Security, Northwest University, Col. Garba Umar, for the condolence visit and prayers over the death of his mother, Hajiya Aishatu Umar who died on 22nd August, 2013 and prayed to Almighty Allah to grant the deceased eternal rest.

He added that “as condolence visits, phone calls, text messages and e-mail continue to pour in, once more, we pray to Allah, the Beneficent to reward you abundantly.”

Lost & Found

- 1) A green office file containing documents titled: 2013 Short-Term Training Programmes at Nigerian Institute of Science Laboratory Technology, National Association of Academic Technologist, Annual Report and some other related documents was found on the ground of Faculty of Engineering and brought to Publications and Documentation Division.
- 2) A BUK I.D card belonging to Benevayen Efe Odiri (TECH/08/ELE/00336).

The owners should come and claim these items at the Publication and Documentation Division.

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