



VOL XXXIII BULLETIN FRIDAY 23RD MAY, 2014 No. 22

Economic Status, Literacy Level Lead to Collapse of Magazine Industry in Nigeria – Mohammed Haruna

The diminishing purchasing power of citizens and falling literary levels are the major factors that led to the collapse of the magazine industry in Nigeria, the former Managing Director of *New Nigerian Newspapers*, Malam Mohammed Haruna, has stated. Speaking at a one-day lecture coordinated by Malam Haruna Isma'il on behalf of the Mass Communications Department on Friday 16th May, 2014 with the theme: **The challenges of publishing magazines in Nigeria**, the veteran journalist lamented that unlike in the past, Nigerians have lost the reading culture and expressed surprise that even lecturers nowadays hardly buy newspapers to read.

He also lamented the proliferation of online journalism most of which is a burden to the journalism profession because ethical provisions are not adhered to.

Mohammed Haruna, who is a columnist with *Daily Trust Newspapers* called for the intervention of private individuals towards revitalizing the magazine industry, especially in Northern Nigeria, where the business has been hard hit.

Speaking at the occasion, Professor Abdallah Uba Adamu recommended for the magazine industry to portray the cultural reality of

people as a way of justifying their confidence.

Delivering the vote of thanks, the Head of Mass Communications Department, Balarabe Maikaba, PhD enjoined the guest speaker to document all his articles in a book format, so that the upcoming generation of journalists and students of Mass Communications would benefit immensely from his intellectual works.

46th Congregation Postponed: Now to Hold 11th June, 2014

The secretariat of the Standing Committee on Congregation regrets to inform the University Community and all graduate staff in the service of the University who are statutorily qualified to attend, that 46th Congregation meeting scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 27th May, 2014, 10am at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, New Site, has been postponed to 11th June, 2014. Time and venue remain the same.

The Vice Chancellor, who chairs the Congregation, has been invited to an urgent and crucial meeting of the implementation committee on Needs Assessment on that day. Moreover, there is a scheduled Senate meeting on 28th May, while 29th May has been declared a public holiday by the FG (Democracy Day).

The H.O.D. and other lecturers of the department accompanied Mohammed Haruna to see the Vice Chancellor for a courtesy call. The Vice Chancellor was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, (Academics) Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello.

Western Media's Demonization of Islam Mischievous – Dr. Yuguda

Western media's portrayal of Islam is a total misrepresentation and mischievous and aimed at demonizing the religion and fuelling skepticism and hatred among the people of the world, Dr. Sunusi Yuguda of the Mass Communications Department, has said.

Speaking at a walimat organized by Mass Communications graduating students at Musa Abdullahi Auditorium on Sunday, last week, Dr. Yuguda challenged Muslim journalists to correct the bad impression created by the western media on Islam, thereby projecting its status as a peaceful, loving and transparent religion.

Dr. Yuguda, whose paper presentation entitled: *Life after Graduation: What is Expected of Muslim Journalists*, tasked the graduating students to exercise decorum, fear of Allah and not engage in falsehood in their journalism career.

Reviewing the lecture, Professor Abdallah Uba Adamu said journalism is a lucrative profession that has ample opportunities to empower people to become self-reliant without depending on government. He said professional journalists generate additional income through the creation of blog, web-page design and freelancing.

Prof. Adamu, while calling on them to make maximum use of their skills, also charged them to always observe the ethical provisions of the journalism profession wherever they find themselves.

The Head of the Department of Islamic Studies and Shari'ah, Dr. Ibrahim Mu'azzam Maibushira, who was a guest at the occasion, said journalism nowadays guides people or misleads them. He called on the potential journalists to work assiduously towards reorienting people to the right path in order to set a good precedence for others to follow.

Also speaking, the Examinations Officer of Mass Communications Department, Malam Nura Ibrahim, advised the graduating students to always remember the teachings of Islam, which should be their guiding principles in the journalism profession.

As part of the graduation activities, the Mass Communication graduates of 2013 had earlier visited an orphanage and distributed some consumer items.

Hundreds Witness the Wedding of the Daughter of Registrar in Zaria City

Hundreds of well wishers Saturday 17th May, 2014 converged on the ancient city of Zaria to witness the wedding fatiha of the daughter of the Registrar of Bayero University, Kano, Alhaji Sani Ibrahim Amin.

The wedding took place at Unguwan Juma in Zaria City at 12 noon. Unguwan Juma is the location of the family house of the Registrar.

Among important dignitaries that graced the occasion were the Deputy Governor of Katsina State, Barrister Abdullahi Faskari, representatives of the INEC Chairman and the Ooni of Ife, Dr. Magaji Babura and Moshood Abimbola; BUK Principal Officers, Directors, BUK senior academics, and senior non-teaching staff, as well as junior staff. Others were, the Registrar of Federal University, Kogi, Mrs. Habiba Adeiza, members of SSANU, NAAT, NASU and ASUU.

Meanwhile, the Registrar, Alhaji Sani Ibrahim Amin, on behalf of his family wishes to express his profound gratitude to all those who were opportune to attend, as well as those unable to be physically present but sent in their prayers and good wishes.

14th Professorial Inaugural Lecture: Professor Sa'idu Muhammad Gusau

This is to invite members of the University community to the 14th Professorial Inaugural Lecture as follows:

Presenter: Professor Sa'idu Muhammad Gusau
Topic: Wakar Baka Bahaushiya (The Hausa Oral Songs).

Chairman: Prof. A. A. Rasheed, *mni*, MFR

Date: Monday, 26th May, 2014

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, New Campus.

SEMINARS

The following departments invite the University Community to their departmental seminars, scheduled as follows:

Department of Electrical Engineering: **PhD Seminar**

Candidate: Kafilu Barau Danbatta (PGS/TEC/07/03762).

Topic: *'The Performance Analysis of a Price and Utility Based Congestion Control Model in Mobile WIMAX.'*

Chairman: Dr. Mohammed Ajjiya

Supervisor: Prof. U.G. Danbatta

Date: 19th May, 2014

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Department of Electrical Engineering Seminar Room

Department of Agricultural Engineering: **M. Eng Title Proposal Defence**

Student: Anibude, Emmanuel Chinweike (SPS/11/MAE/00018).

Title: *'Development of An Animal Drawn Hydraulic Boom Sprayer.'*

Chairman: Prof. M. L. Suleiman

Date: Tuesday, 27th May, 2014

Time: 2:00pm

Venue: Level 500 Students Class (Agricultural Engineering Department).

Department of Economics: **PhD Research Seminar**

Student 1: Cornelius N. Kwanga (SPS/12/PEC/00001).

Topic: *'Impact of the Aviation Subsector on Economic Growth in Nigeria 1980-2013 – a Literature Review.'*

Date: 26th May, 2014 at 10:00am

Student 2: Sa'idu O. Yakubu (SPS/12/PEC/00006).

Topic: *'The Impact of Bank Consolidation on the Growth of the Financial Sector in Nigeria: Evidence from the Literature.'*

Date: 3rd June, 2014 at 10:00am.

Student 3: Tijjani Umar (SPS/12/PEC/00008).

Topic: *'An Assessment of Health Sector Expenditure in Nigeria 1980-2013: A Review of Literature.'*

Student 4: Nura Ali (SPS/12/PEC/00005).

Topic: *'Commodity Prices and Consumer Choice: A Survey of Literature.'*

Student 5: Abdulrazaq Ibrahim (SPS/12/PEC/00002).

Topic: *'Energy Consumption and Economics Growth: A Literature Survey.'*

Student 6: Salelel Iro (SPS/12/PEC/00007).

Topic: *'The Contribution of Informal Sector to the Development of the Nigerian Economist in the Literature.'*

Date: 3rd June, 2014

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Conference Hall.

Security Alert

Members of the University community are reminded of the efforts of Security Division to respond to distress calls from them in the Campuses. Our lines earlier procured to our various operational Heads are still functional. The lines are on 24-hour alert. The distribution of the lines is as follows:

Director - 07044238158 (8pm – 8am)

Duty Officer - 07045318709

(a) New Campus:

- | | | |
|-----------------|---|-------------|
| 1. OIC | - | 07045318707 |
| 2. Duty Room | - | 07042829723 |
| 3. Gate 'B' | - | 07042829722 |
| 4. Gate 'C' | - | 07045318708 |
| 5. Ramat Hall | - | 07042829727 |
| 6. Fence Patrol | - | 07046248040 |

(b) Old Campus:

- | | | |
|--------------|---|-------------|
| 1. OIC | - | 07045318706 |
| 2. Duty Room | - | 07042829724 |
| 3. Gate 'A' | - | 07045128838 |
| 4. Gate 'B' | - | 07044593741 |
| 5. Nana Hall | - | 07045128839 |

(c) Outpost

- | | | |
|-------------------|---|-------------|
| 1. OIC | - | 07046250019 |
| 2. Zoo Road | - | 07042829721 |
| 3. Mumbayya House | | 07046243293 |
| 4. ICE | - | 07044238159 |

(e) Essential Numbers:

- | | |
|------------------------|-------------|
| 1. Fire Service R/Saki | 064895002 |
| 2. Fire Service H/Q | 07051246833 |
| 3. Water Engr.N/C | 08065323203 |

Wedding Fatiha

Dr. Ibrahim Khaleel Abdussalam of the Department of History invites members of the University community to the wedding fatiha of his son, Arc Abdullahi with Na'ima Abdulkadir, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday, 31st May, 2014

Time: 1:00pm

Venue: Al-Furqan Mosque, Alu Avenue behind Race Course, Kano.

Appreciation

"I wish to express my profound and heart-felt appreciation to all people who attended the wedding fatiha/ceremony of our daughter Maryam Sani Ibrahim, and/or sent their wishes. May Allah, the Almighty reward everyone abundantly, amin." **Signed:** Sani Ibrahim Amin.

Lost Items

- 1) A wallet containing BUK I.D. card, NUESA I.D. card, Library I.D. card, 2 passports, driving license and ATM cards belonging to Yahaya Sayuti (ENG/12/AGR/00027).
- 2) A wallet containing BUK I.D. card, NUESA I.D. card, voters' card, and ATM card belonging to Mansur Mohammed Alhassan (TEC/08/CIV/00337).
- 3) A BUK I.D. card belonging to Amina Umar Dandanduna (EDU/12BAE/00351).

If found please bring it to the Publication and Documentation Division for onward return to the owners.

CDD MAY 2014:

11 Conference, 8 Sabbatical, 23 Visiting Teaching Applications Approved

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the recommendations of the Committee of Deans and Directors (CDD) arising from its 132nd regular meeting (and fourth monthly meeting for 2014) held on Wednesday, 14th May, 2014. According to the CDD Chairman, who is also the DVC Academics, Prof. Yahuza Bello items approved include the following.

Conference Attendance

Local and foreign conference attendance was approved for the following eleven staff members at the total cost of Three Million, Nine Hundred and Seventy Thousand, Six Hundred and Eight Naira (N3,970,608).

S/N	Name	Department	Venue
1	Dr. Muhd A. Auwal	Arabic	UAE
2	Dr. Shehu U. Ahmad	Arabic	UAE
3	Maikudi A. Zukogi	Theatre & Film	UK
4	Balarabe B. Isma'il	Food Science	H/Kong
5	Dr. Sabo B. Ibrahim	Electrical Engg	Umuahia
6	Dr. M. O. Aku	Physics	Uyo
7	Dr. Muhd Y. Waziri	Mathematics	Abuja
8	Hassan Mohammed	Mathematics	Abuja
9	Prof. Abdulrazaq Habib	Medicine	China
10	Prof. Akintade Dare	Radiography	Finland
11	Dr. Balarabe A. Jakada	Business Adm.	Malaysia

Extension of Study Fellowship

One-year extension of study fellowship has been approved in favour of Aminu Nasiru of Animal Science Department, who is pursuing PhD studies at Universiti Sains Malaysia.

Sabbatical Leave

One-year sabbatical leave has been approved for the following:

S/N	Name	Department	Venue	Remarks
1	Prof. Stephen O. Olubadewo	Education	IBB University, Lapai	
2	Dr. W. L. O. Jimoh	Chemistry	FU, Dutse	
3	Prof. Baffa A. Umar	Sociology	GSU, Gombe	
4	Dr. Isa Garba	Mechanical Engg.	ABU, Zaria	

Sabbatical Appointment

One-year sabbatical appointment has been approved for the following:

S/N	Name	Department	Going from...	Position
1	Prof. G. S. Bawa	Animal Science	ABU, Zaria	Professor
2	Dr. Nafiu Abdu	Soil Science	ABU, Zaria	Sen. Lecturer
3	Prof. Ibrahim Galadima	Sci. & Tech. Educ.	UDU, Sokoto	Professor
4	Prof. Jonathan S. Mari	Sci. & Tech. Educ.	ABU, Zaria	Professor

Permission to Participate in Part-time/Visiting Teaching

Permission has been given to the following 23 staff members to participate as part-time/visiting lecturers for one year each, in the institutions shown against their respective names.

S/N	Name	Department	To Serve in...	Remarks
1	Dr. Mustapha Muktar	Economics	UMYU, Katsina	
2	Dr. Bawa Hassan Gusau	Political Science	UMYU, Katsina	
3	Prof. Habu Mohammed	Political Science	UMYU, Katsina	
4	Dr. Mukhtar Halliru	Business Admin.	UMYU, Katsina; NWU, Kano	
5	Prof. Isiaka A. Pedro	Economics	UMYU, Katsina	
6	Dr. Mohd S. Tijjani	Economics	BSU, Gadau	
7	Dr. Mansu Idris	Economics	KASU, Kaduna; KU, Katsina	
8	Dr. Badamasi Usman	Economics	NWU, Kano; KU, Katsina	
9	Dr. Muhammad A. Aliyu	Economics	NWU, Kano	
10	Dr. Ahmad M. Tsauni	Economics	KU, Katsina	
11	Dr. A. O. Musa	Physics	NWU, Kano; KUST, Wudil	
12	Dr. Bello I. Tijjani	Physics	NWU, Kano	
13	Dr. Junaidu Na'aliya	Chemistry	UMYU, Katsina; KU, Katsina	
14	Dr. Muntari Bala	Biochemistry	FU, Dutsin-ma	
15	Dr. Mohammed Hayatu	Plant Biology	BSU, Gadau	
16	Dr. Shamsuddeen Umar	Microbiology	UMYU, Katsina; KU, Katsina	
17	Dr. Tijjani S. Imam	Biological Sciences	KU, Katsina	
18	Dr. Aminu L. Auta	Nigerian Langs.	UMYU, Katsina; KU, Katsina	
19	Dr. Halima A. Dangambo	Nigerian langs.	BSU, Gadau	
20	Dr. Umma A. Abbas	Nigerian langs.	UMYU, Katsina	
21	Dr. Usman U. Fagge	Nigerian Langs.	JSU, Kafin Hausa	
22	Dr. Magaji Y. Azare	Nigerian Langs.	BSU, Gadau	
23	Dr. Muhammad M. Bello	Arabic	BSU, Gadau	

- A number of applications from staff members in various departments could not be considered because either copies of the letters of appointment from the universities to be visited were not attached, or the letters were very much outdated (e.g. issued in 2011 and valid for one year).
- Staff members serving/planning to serve as visiting/part-time lecturers are, once more, reminded that it is a misconduct to do so without written permission. They are therefore urged to apply for permission on the prescribed form.

Sabbatical Leave Application Form

The Committee had earlier noted that, often times, applications for sabbatical leave did not contain enough information for an informed decision to be made. Such information includes the number of staff members already on sabbatical leave and the fact that there would be no replacement employment for a staff member going on sabbatical leave. A Sabbatical Leave Application Form has, therefore been designed by the Committee and approved by the Vice-Chancellor. Any staff member planning to go on sabbatical leave should apply using the new form, and no application would be entertained if made otherwise.

Deadline for 2013/2014 Sabbatical Leave Applications

It was noted that the 2013/2014 Session is commencing at the end of June. For proper planning, departments and faculties need to know the staff members that would be on ground. It has therefore been decided that no application for sabbatical leave against the 2013/2014 session would be considered after June 30, 2014. Applications submitted after that date would be considered at the end of the session.