BUK Mourns Galadiman Kano, Shehu Karaye

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, has described the death of Galadiman Kano, Alhaji Tijjani Hashim as a great loss not only to the Kano Emirate Council, the people of Kano but to the country at large.

Professor Rasheed made the remark when he led members of the University management team on a condolence visit to the family of the deceased on Tuesday, 30th September, 2014. He said the late Galadima would be remembered for his humility, dedication to the cause of his religion and for always supporting the needy and the downtrodden.

Professor Rasheed prayed to Allah to grant the deceased Jannatul Firdausi and the bereaved family the fortitude to bear the great loss.

Responding, one of the children of the deceased, Barde Tijjani Hashim, thanked the Vice Chancellor and members of his management for the visit and prayed to Allah to reward them abundantly.

The BUK management also paid a similar visit to the Emir of Kano, Muhammadu Sunusi11, over the death of Galadiman Kano.

Also, the Vice Chancellor led the management team on a condolence visit to the family of the late Alhaji Shehu Karaye, a staff of BUK, who died on Monday 29th September, 2014. The late Shehu Karaye joined the services of Bayero University about four months ago as a Principal Assistant Registrar attached to the Advancement Office. He died shortly after attending funeral prayers of the late Galadiman Kano, Alhaji Tijjani Hashim.

The Vice Chancellor prayed for the repose of the soul of the deceased and urged the family to bear the great loss.

Those who were on the Vice Chancellor’s team included new Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, Deputy Vice Chancellor, Administration, Professor Sadiq Isah Radda, the Registrar, Alhaji Sani Ibrahim Amin, the Bursar, Alhaji Buhari Musa, Directors of APU, Professor Mustapha Isa, Center for Qur’anic Studies, Professor Ibrahim Muhammad, PPU, Arc. Sani Ali, Establishment Matters, Alhaji Muhammad Sani Amin, and Dean, Faculty of Science, Professor Bala Sidi Aliyu, among others.

Stop Cutting Trees for the Interest of All - Mansur Abdul

Nigerians have been urged to stop cutting trees due to the fact that the attitude is doing more harm than good both to human beings, animals and the soil.

Mallam Mansur Abdul Mohammed of the Department of Geography, while presenting a Departmental seminar paper on 25th September, 2014, at the Geography Department, titled “the Impact of Soil Respiration on Atmospheric Carbon under Different Land Use in Kano State and Northern Nigeria”, said it had become
mandatory for the authorities to stop the rampant cutting of trees.
Mansur said cutting trees should be reduced to the barest minimum because they serve as a carbon sink and when cut down, the soil may be affected by problems such as erosion and poor structural stability, saying further that increase in the rate of soil respiration through adding more litter from their remnant both create more carbon-dioxide emission to the atmosphere.

He said natural sources of atmospheric carbon, apart from being created by human activities, also released into the atmosphere by natural processes in form of carbon dioxide. He said soil respiration and decomposition are important natural source of atmospheric carbon, which account for 28.5 percent and volcanoes 0.03 percent.

Mansur said many organisms that live in the earth’s soil use respiration to produce energy, among them are decomposers that break dead organic materials.

**Brief on Dept. of Foreign Languages**

The Department was created in January, 2013 when the National Universities Commission (NUC) approved for the split of the Department of English and Literary Studies.

The new Department is currently running undergraduate programme (B.A French) and Postgraduate Programme (M.A and PhD in Language and Literature).

Professor Bashir Sambo, who got his B.A French (1st Class) in 1990; M.A General Linguistics, 1995 and PhD General Linguistics in 2004 is the Head of the Department, after his appointment on 8th April, 2013.

**VC, Management Condole Dr. Halima Kiru’s Family**

A high University Management delegation, led by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR has condoled the family of Dr. Halima Isyaku Kiru, the first medical doctor in Kano state and Chief Medical Officer of the University, who died at a hospital in Cairo on Tuesday 23rd September, 2014.

Professor Rasheed, who was also accompanied by the Chief Imam of Kano State, Professor Muhammad Sani Zahraddeen, described the deceased as epitome of peace and harmonious relationship, who he said had made a greater contribution to the development of the university.

Professor Rasheed said the delegation was the strongest ever in the university to condole family of any diseased university staff, saying “the sad news came to me when I was chairing a meeting, we were shocked, she has been with us, we agree and disagree, that was the human nature, but at the end we resolve whatever and move forward”.

He said both the university and the family had lost a strong pillar, whose assiduous contributions impacted a lot towards moving the society forward, praying to God to forgive her shortcomings.

The mother of the deceased, Dr. Amina Isyaku Kiru, told the Vice Chancellor that she was proud to be in the midst of the University Management’s delegation, saying that the deceased spent six months in a Cairo hospital, receiving treatment.
She said, “Before her death, she asked for my forgiveness and we were opportune to forgive each other. In fact she died reciting Kalimatu Shahadat. I want to also condole you and the entire University Community for the great loss. I thank God she had a peaceful death.”

Dr. Amina Kiru thanked the Nigerian Ambassador to Egypt, Lawan Gana Buba, the former Deputy Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Tijjani Muhammad Gwarzo, and Dr. Nasiru Sani Gwarzo, for their support in bringing back the corpse at the time when movement of the dead body was so difficult due to the Ebola problem.

She also thanked the Vice Chancellor, the Management staff and Chief Imam of Kano, Professor Sani Zaharaddeen, for the condolence, saying that the funeral prayer of the deceased was led by the Chief Imam.

Professor Zaharaddeen prayed for the repose of the deceased and urged the family members to continue praying for her eternal rest, describing the deceased as a mentor, who contributed immensely towards assisting the society.

**Helping Subordinate to Grow is an Act of Genuine Leadership** - Dr Abdul Bambale

It has been observed that effective leadership in any organization could only be achieved with the ability of possessing the knowledge of the organization and tasks at hand for one to be in a position to effectively support and assist others, especially the immediate followers.

Presenting a paper titled ‘Effects of Servant Leader Behaviors on Organizational Citizenship Behaviors for the Individual (OCB-I) in the Nigeria’s Utility Industry’, Using the Partial Least Squares (PLS), Dr Abdu Ja’afaru Bambale, of the Department of Business Administration, Bayero University said, helping subordinates to grow is an act of demonstrating genuine concern for others’ career and development in providing support and mentoring.

Dr Bambale, who presented the paper during an International Workshop with Theme,’ Trends and Challenges on Human Resources’ on 23rd and 24th October at Porto, Portugal, said leaders should prioritize an act of using actions and words to make it clear to the immediate followers in satisfying their work needs.

He spoke on the impact of Utility Sector, which he said had a greater impact on country’s living standards and overall economic growth, saying that some of the causes of low performance in utility sector include late coming of workers to their place of work, absenteeism and indiscipline as cited by (Echu, 2008).

Dr. Bambale said leadership styles such as transformational leadership and charismatic leadership were found to influence employee Organizational Citizenship Behaviors.

He based his study in the non-Western culture of Nigeria due to the fact that all the previous servant leader behavior’s studies, except Walumbwa et al (2010) and Gucel & Begec, 2012, were conducted in the western cultures, using the Social Exchange Theory to explain relationships of variables for the study, which in essence is demonstrating that individuals would reciprocate good gestures in response for benefits they received.
The researcher used a population of 1,017 low and middle ranked employees of three utility organizations in Kano in conducting his study.

**Appreciation from Prof. Lukman Diso**

Professor Lukman Ibrahim Diso, the University Chief Librarian expresses sincere appreciation to the members of the University community for attending his wedding fatiha on Saturday 27th September, 2014 at Sabontiti near Mandawari Police Station.

His sincere appreciation goes to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, mni, MFR, Deputy Vice Chancellors, Academic and Administration, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello and Professor Sadik Isah Radda, Registrar, Alhaji Sani Ibrahim Amin, Bursar Alhaji Buhari Musa, Director, Center for Biotechnology Research, Professor Hafiz Abubakar and many senior and junior staff of the University.

**Public Holiday: Eid-El-Kabir**

The Federal Government has declared Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th October, 2014 as public holidays in commemoration of the Eid-el-Kabir Sallah celebration.

This was announced by the Minister of Interior, Comrade Abba Moro in Abuja.

In this regard, however, staff on shift duty, emergency or essential services in various units will report for duty as usual.

Work resumes on Wednesday 8th October, 2014. The Vice Chancellor and Management wish all members of the University community a successful happy celebration and Allah’s blessing.

**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.

**Taskforce on Inventory and Asset Register**

This is to inform the Provost, College of Health Sciences, all Deans, all heads of department and unit that the Vice Chancellor has inaugurated the above taskforce to take inventory of all assets of the university and subsequently to compile and come up with an updated Fixed Asset Register.

In a statement signed by Suleiman M. Bello, Chief Internal Auditor, who is the Chairman, said another set of technical personnel would be around to conduct office numbering, labeling and engraving the respective items recorded.

**Lost and Found**

A BUK I.D Card belonging to Musbahu Sulaiman of Accounting Department with registration number SMS/12/ACC/000345. The owner should come to the Publications and Documentation Division (Bulletin Office) for collection.