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Harmonious Working Relationship, Secret of My Success - VC

Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, has attributed the successes recorded in the University during the last four years to the synergy generated by a harmonious working relationship among all critical stakeholders, including unions, students, staff and management.

Professor Rasheed, who was speaking while receiving leaders of the National Association of Science Students (NASS), Bayero University, who conferred on him the Grand Commander of Nigerian Students (GCNS) award at the Senate Chamber on Wednesday, 14th January, 2015 said on the 18th of August, 2015 he would hand over to the next Vice Chancellor, whom he hoped would continue with the laudable projects he initiated.

Professor Rasheed announced a comprehensive rehabilitation of the student hostels at the new campus with befitting facilities, new beds, mattresses and mosquito nets, in an effort to make all hostels lively, without adding a single kobo on the charges; in the same way the hostels in the old campus were rehabilitated.

He challenged the students' leaders to be alive to their responsibilities as many great leaders started as union leaders from the university, explaining also that in the UK students leadership is a full-time job with salaries and huge amount of budget.

The Vice Chancellor said the university is taking serious measures in the Senate against

any staff that oppressed students, saying that the erring lecturers are being punished in accordance with the university rules and regulations. While thanking the association for the honor, he urged students to avoid false accusation and mischief in forwarding allegations of harassment and abuse.

Also speaking, the Director, Centre for Information Technology (CIT), Bayero University, Dr. A. B. Baffa, who is a patron of NASS, said that Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed - led management has revolutionised the university, explaining that the massive restructuring of the university is more than a mere transformation.

Dr. Baffa said the entire landscape, big structures and the abundance knowledge in Bayero University have been revolutionised in the last four years, saying the university has been completely restructured, charting a new course in the number and quality of degrees, doubling the number of academic staff, tripling the number of infrastructure, promoting researches and expanding access.

The President of the association, Muhammad Bashir Abdul'aziz, said they honored the Vice Chancellor because of the gigantic transformations he carried out in the university, which he said are glaring and noticed by all people coming to all the campuses.

Also speaking, the Chairman, Local Organizing Committee, Imadudden Umar Farouk, said during the last four years the university has significantly improved due to the resourcefulness of the Vice Chancellor, faulting the government for allocating only less than 10

percent of its budget to education as against the UNESCO's 26% benchmark. He said the association has a tradition of recognizing outstanding performers for awards, hence the choice of the Vice Chancellor.

The association seized the opportunity to launch its 2015 calendar where it realized over ₦250,000 in which the Vice Chancellor purchased five copies at the cost of ₦100,000 and Bayero University ten copies at ₦50,000 amongst others.

University Dons Decry Dearth of Literature in Northern Nigeria

University dons, Professor Oba Abdulraheem and Professor Sani Abba Aliyu have decried the shortage of literary works in Northern Nigeria compared to the South.

Speaking separately at the 25th Anniversary Conference in honour of Professor Shuaib Oba Abdulraheem, OFR, organized by Bayero University, in conjunction with the Kwara State University, Malette from 7th to 10th January, 2015 with the theme: **From Foundation to Contemporary Challenges**, the speakers expressed concern over the challenges facing literature in Northern Nigeria.

Professor Oba Abdulraheem, who is a former Vice Chancellor University of Ilorin, two-time Chairman Federal Character Commission and former Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies, B.U.K, charged contemporary scholars to rise up to the challenges facing literature in Northern Nigeria and also expose students to the works of classical literary scholars.

On his part, Professor Sani Aliyu of the Department of English and Literary Studies, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, said since the conference on literature in Northern Nigeria was introduced 25 years ago, a lot has been

achieved in terms of publications of proceedings, books, PhD theses and countless scholarly works. He said a number of Professors were produced and that the conference served as a platform for academic interaction.

Prof. Aliyu argued that literature in Northern Nigeria is yet to see detailed interview series with writers, publishers and contributors and also has shortage of autobiographical individual writers. He added that effort should be intensified on dedicated manuscript in literature especially on the works of those who died so that they would be sources of research.

Prof. Aliyu advised that there should be a special index publication in order to give readers an idea of what was published since the inception of the conference.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, who declared the conference open, eulogized the virtues of Prof. Oba Abdulraheem, who initiated the conference due to the dearth of literature in Northern Nigeria. He described him as a scholar par excellence who has made outstanding contributions in the field of literature in Nigeria.

The Vice Chancellor lamented that despite the efforts of Prof. Oba Abdulraheem to change the status of literature in Northern Nigeria, the participation and paper presentations in the conference were still below expectation. He expressed the hope that KWASU would continue to join hands with Bayero University in hosting the next edition of the conference.

The Vice Chancellor of KWASU, who was represented by Dr. Hamza Abdurrahim, said his university was particularly delighted to sign a memorandum of understanding with BUK on the conference of literature in Northern Nigeria. He said the conference was organized in honour

of Prof Oba Abdulraheem and to bring researchers together to explore new grounds on literature.

Chairman Local Organizing Committee and Dean School of Postgraduate Studies, Professor Saidu Ahmad Babura, expressed gratitude to the university over the investiture done to Prof. Oba Abdulraheem.

50 BUK Students Get 2.5m Naira Jifatu Scholarship Award

Jifatu Charitable Foundation on Monday, 12th January, 2015 awarded scholarships of 50,000 Naira each to 50 indigent students of Bayero University. The beneficiaries cut across various faculties and departments. Last year alone about 250 students of BUK benefited from similar individual scholarship schemes.

Speaking on the occasion which took place at CIT Theatre, New Campus, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Professor Sadiq Isah Radda, said Bayero University would continue to remember and cherish the humanitarian gestures of wealthy individuals who awarded scholarships to indigent students of the university.

He said such humanitarian gestures are today seriously needed from wealthy individuals who Allah has blessed to assist students with a humble background who often study under excruciating hardships because of glaring poverty.

He said Alhaji Sabitu Mohammed Yahaya, the chief executive officer of Jifatu Enterprise who established Jifatu Charitable Foundation aimed at assisting the needy, was a rare gem, who believed in sharing his God-given wealth with the less privileged members of the society, saying that he was among the first set of wealthy people who planted the seed of

individual scholarship awards to indigent students in BUK, a scheme that gave birth to several other philanthropists who emulated him. He thanked Alhaji Sabitu for the gesture.

The DVC urged the beneficiaries to justify the award by making judicious use of the scholarship and called on other wealthy individuals to emulate Alhaji Sabitu by sharing their wealth with the less privileged.

Also speaking, the facilitator of the scholarship award, Dr. A.B. Baffa, who is also the Director, Centre for Information Technology (CIT), said since Alhaji Sabitu Mohammed initiated the scholarship award in 2012 a lot of other wealthy individuals have taken their cue from him.

He said prominent among them were the former Chairman of BUK Governing Council and now National Chairman of the PDP, Alhaji Ahmad Adamu Mu'azu, Azman Oil and Gas, Alhaji Danjuma Mahmud, the Accountant General of Kano State, among others.

Dr. Baffa said the beneficiaries had to pass through thorough screening exercise with a view to ensuring that only students who satisfy the criteria emerge successful, saying 'thank God through such screening exercises we have been able to ensure that only indigent students benefit.'

He thanked Alhaji Sabitu for the gesture and called on the benefiting students to consider the award as a loan not to be repaid to Alhaji Sabitu but to be repaid back to the society after graduation in future when 'Allah blesses them.'

In his address on the occasion, the founder of Jifatu Charitable Foundation, Alhaji Sabitu Mohammed, said he would be the happiest man if the benefiting students make the best use of the award and complete their studies successfully. He hoped that after the graduation

of these students, they should muster the courage not only to emulate him but also surpass him in philanthropy.

Role of Media Vital to Electoral Process – Prof. Pate

The media has a crucial role to play in providing information that will assist the electorate to make an informed decision during election, Professor Pate of the Department of Mass Communications has said.

Speaking at a lecture titled, “Media Performance in Nigerian Elections: Lessons Learned since 1999”, organized by the Mass Communication Students Association (MACOSA) in honour of its grand patron and newly turbaned Wamban Kano, Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero, held at the Musa Abdullahi Auditorium on 6th January, 2015, Professor Umaru Pate stressed that despite the challenges facing some journalists in terms of inadequacy of working facilities, pressure from people and politicians, Nigerian media should rise up to these challenges and give credible and balanced stories that would help in sanitizing electoral processes.

According to a statement signed by the Secretary General of MACOSA, Zakariyya Sa’idu, the Director General of FRCN, Dr. Ladan Salihu donated the sum of ₦500,000 to the association.

Department of Chemical Pathology Gets New HOD

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni*, MFR has approved the appointment of Dr. Idris Yahaya Mohammed as Head of Department of Chemical Pathology for two years with effect from 19th January, 2015.

A letter dated 14th January, 2015 called on the HOD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the department.”

Dr. Salisu Dan’azumi Re-appointed HOD Civil Engineering

Dr. Salisu Dan’azumi has been reappointed as the Head of Department of Civil Engineering for another two years with effect from 1st January, 2015.

A letter of reappointment signed by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abubakar Rasheed *mni*, MFR, dated 14th January, 2015 advised the HOD to “encourage democratic participation by his colleagues in running the affairs of the department.”

Sports Directorate Sets Up Table Tennis Championship Committee

The Directorate of Sports Bayero University, Kano has set up a new committee to be known as staff Table Tennis Open Championship Classic.

A statement by the Director, Malam Ahmad Tijjani Sa’id said the committee is aimed at ensuring staff welfare and postering closer links between academic staff, senior and junior staff of the University, and also to create interactive competitive atmosphere. The committee is to organize table tennis championship competition routinely.

Members of the committee are:

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| 1. Malam Idris Ahmad | - Chairman |
| 2. Malam Usman A. Salihu | - Member |
| 3. Malam Lawan Abdullahi | - Member |
| 4. Malam Nura Lawan | - Secretary |

Physical Exercise, Balanced Diet Reduce Work Stress – Idris Rogo

Physical exercise, eating balanced diet, delegating responsibilities and psychological defence mechanisms such as patience and understanding, as well as proper communication channels in a work environment are some of the procedures for managing stress.

Malam Idris Rogo of the Institute of Continuing Education (ICE), said this at the National Conference on Capacity Building organized by All Nigerian Conference of Principals of Secondary Schools (ANCOP) on 13th January, 2015 at Sultan Road, Nasarawa G.R.A, Kano. He said excess workload, lack of delegation of responsibilities, lack of human management skills, political interference and dishonesty are some of the causes of stress.

The lecturer explained that evidence has shown that work stress is found in a typical Nigerian secondary schools because of the dilapidation and difficulties the principals faced. He said most principals work in poor offices without proper hygienic toilets, air conditioners, good tables and chairs and lack of adequate remunerations.

Malam Rogo advised that to address work stress among secondary school principals there should be adequate provision of infrastructure and good welfare package and that seminars and workshops should be organized on the causes, consequences and prospects of stress.

Sociology Department Congratulates NSASA for SUG Award

The Department of Sociology has congratulated the Nigerian Sociological and Anthropological Students Association (NSASA) on winning the best departmental association award by the Student Union Government (S.U.G) 2013/2014 academic session.

In a letter signed by Ali Wada Magashi, on behalf of the H.O.D, Dr. Maikano Madaki, said all students in the department are congratulated on the well deserved award.

SSANU Magazine

This is to inform all SSANU members who are interested in writing article or feature on the next edition of SSANU magazine to submit their input to the Editor-in-Chief, Nura Garba at

Information and Publications Office before 22nd January, 2014.

All information should be accurate, justifiable and carry the writer's full address.

Application For Business Space

The University Business Premises Management Committee wishes to inform all those who have applied for allocation of business spaces on both Campuses and the outpost locations that they are required to obtain Application Forms after payment of a NON-REFUNDABLE processing fee at the Bursary Department. The processing fee would be ₦5,000.00, ₦10,000.00 and ₦20,000.00 depending on the size and nature of intended business. For further information contact the Legal Services Unit, Vice Chancellor's Office.

SEMINARS

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

Department of Political Science: MSc Internal Defense

Candidate 1: Sunday Uwadiogwu Ekeh (SPS/09/MPS/00010)

Title: *Political Corruption among Political Office holders under President Obasanjo Administration*

Internal Examiner: Dr. Mahmud Lawan

Candidate 2: Nmeli Nnaemeka Joshua (SPS/11/MPS/00049)

Title: Structural Adjustment Programme in Nigeria: Political and Economic Disempowerment

Internal Examiner: Dr. Mahmud Lawan

Candidate 3: Muhammad Jamilu Abdulsalam (SPS/11/MPS/00006)

Title: Trans- boar der Trade and Food Security: A Case Study of Jibia Boarder.

Internal Examiner: Dr. Mahmud Lawan

Candidate 4: Basiru Musa (SPS/11/MPS/00001)

Title: The impact of NATO's Military intervention in the 2011 Libyan uprising: a critical analysis.
Dr. Bawa H. Gusau

Candidate 5: Fate B. Fate (SPS/11/MPS/00026)

Title: The Politics of Privatization in Nigeria: a case study of Nigerian Telecommunications Limited.

Internal Examiner: Dr. Mahmud Lawan

Candidate 6: Garba Ubale Danbatta (SPS/11/MPS/00061)

Title: The Political dimension of budget implementation on polio in Kano State: a case study of Tarauni Local Government.

Internal Examiner: Dr. Fatima O. Ibrahim

Candidate 7: Nura Iro Maaji (SPS/11/MPS/00045)

Title: Alliance Politics and internal democracy in National Protest Movement: the January 2012 fuel subsidy removal mass protest.

Internal Examiner: Malam Ibrahim Mu'azam

Candidate 8: Sani Safiyanu (SPS/11/MPS/00029)

Title: Nigeria's Involvement of Peacekeeping in Africa: A Study of Dafur.

Internal Examiner: Prof. Kamilu S. Fage

Candidate 9: Aminu Hayatu (SPS/11/MPA/00009)

Title: WTO and the Politics of Negotiation: an Appraisal of Agreement on Agriculture

Internal Examiner: Prof. A. Sule-Kano

Candidate 10: Abubakar Salihu (SPS/11/MPS/00002)

Title: Public Service under Sokoto Caliphate: A Study of Abdullahi bn Fodio.

Internal Examiner: Dr. Fatima O. Ibrahim

Candidate 11: Surajo Yahya Muhd (SPS/11/MPS/00013)

Title: The State and Policy Re-orientation: A *daidaita sahu* in Kano State

Internal Examiner: Dr. Aisha Abdul- Isma'il

Candidate 12: Saminu Ismail (SPS/11/MPS/00017)

Title: Small Arms and Light weapons proliferations and the Armed Violence in Nigeria: The Studies of Kano Metropolis.

Internal Examiner: Dr. A. J. Jiddere

Candidate 13: Sani Garba Wakili (SPS/11/MPS/00035)

Title: The impact of mass media on political awareness in Gwale Local Government Area of Kano State: an analysis of *kowane gauta* program of Freedom Radio.

Internal Examiner: From Mass Com Dept

Date: 26, 27, 28 & 29, January 2015

Time: 10.00 am

Venue: Departmental Seminar Room

Department of Pharmacology: MSc Progress Seminar Defense

Day 1:

Presenter 1: Sama'ila Suleiman Chiroma (SPS/12/MPC/00021)

Topic: *Analgesic, Anti-inflammatory and Toxicological Evaluation of Herbal Formula (Rheumatic Tea) in Laboratory Animals*

Supervisor: Dr Musa Aliyu

Presenter 2: Kamaluddeen Garba (SPS/12/MPC/00011)

Topic: *Anticonvulsant screening of some medicinal plants in mice and chicks*

Supervisor: Dr. A. H. Yaro

Presenter 3: Aisha Shuaibu (SPS/12/MPC/00022)

Topic: *Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission of HIV: Role of Anti-Retro Viral Agents*

Supervisor: Dr. Murtala Jibril

Chairman: Dr. A. H. Yaro

Date: 21st January, 2015

Day 2

Presenter 1: Adamu Bello Shu'aibu (SPS/12/MPC/00015)

Topic: *Hepatocellular injury associated with antiretroviral and antituberculosis drugs in HIV/TB co-infection*

Supervisor: Dr. Murtala Jibril

Presenter 2: Zuwaira Yakub Ma'aruf (SPS/12/MPC/00007)

Topic: *Anticonvulsant and toxicity studies of hydroalcoholic root bark extract of Erythrina senegalensis in laboratory animals*

Supervisor: Dr. A. H. Yaro

Presenter 3: Aisha Abubakar
(SPS/12/MPC/00009)

Topic: *Evaluation of neuropharmacological potential of Lophira lancialata (Ochnaceae) methanol leaves extract in mice*

Supervisor: Dr Musa Aliyu

Chairman: Dr A.H. Yaro

Date: 22nd January 2015

Time: 10.00am

Venue: Postgraduate Class, Faculty of Clinical Sciences, College of Health Sciences

Department of English & Literary Studies: Staff Seminar was conducted as follows:

Presenter 1: Dr. Sadiya Sani Daura

Title: Language and Sustainability Education in the English as a Second Language (ESL) Context: A Survey of two states in Northern Nigeria.

Presenter 2: Faruk Abdullahi

Title: DUAL PARENTING AS A WAY OF ERASING GENDER DIFFERENCES: A Feminist Psychoanalytic Reading of Nwapa's *Efuru*.

Chair: Professor Mustapha Ahmad Isa

Date: Tuesday, 14th January, 2015

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Departmental Board Room

Department of Human Physiology: MSc Proposal Defence

Presenter 1: Abubakar Bishir Daku
(SPS/12/MHP/00012)

Topic: Age-and Gender-Related Chronic Effects of Lead Poisoning on Sex Hormones and Plasma Parameters in Wistar Rats.

Supervisor: Dr. Abbas B. El-ta'alu

Date: Wednesday, 21st January, 2015.

Presenter 2: Dissi Mahdi Gambo
(SPS/12/MHP/00004)

Topic: The Study Of Lung Function Among Flour Mill Workers in Kano.

Supervisor: M. A. Salim

Date: Tuesday, 20th January, 2015.

Presenter 3: Usman Ali (SPS/11/MHP/00008)

Topic: The Study Of Lung Function Among Flour Mill Workers in Kano.

Supervisor: M. A. Salim

Date: Tuesday, 20th January, 2015.

Presenter 4: Zainab Umar
(SPS/11/MHP/00012)

Topic: Assessment of Age-and Gender-Related Anti-ulcer Activity of Water Melon Rind Extract in Wistar Rats.

Supervisor: Dr. Abbas B. El-ta'alu

Date: Tuesday, 20th January, 2015.

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Postgraduate Lecture Room – Physiology Building (Old Campus), Bayero University, Kano.

Academic Seminar:

Presenter: Dr. Rabi'u Abdussalam Magaji
(ABU, Zaria)

Topic: Synaptic Plasticity as a Functional Basis for Learning and Memory Consolidation.

Date: Tuesday, 20th January, 2015.

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Physiology Department (Old Campus), Bayero University, Kano

Faculty of Law: Ph.D Seminar Presentation

Presenter 1: Tijjani Musa Buba
(SPS/10/PLW/00002)

Topic: Justifying the Indispensability Approach to the Attainment of Intergenerational Equity for Sustainable Development.

Chairman: Prof. Aminu Kabir

Discussants: Dr. Mohammed Isa and Dr. U. M. Shu'aibu

Presenter 2: Abubakar Aminu Ahmad (SPS/08/LAW/02737)

Topic: The Concept and Framework of Corporate Governance: Development in the Regulation of Auditing Mechanism with Focus on Nigeria.

Chairman: Dr. Mamman Lawan

Discussants: Dr. J. Badamasuiy and Dr. Musa Abubakar

Date: Thursday, 22nd January, 2015

Time: 10:00am

Venue: F204 Faculty of Law Conference Room

INEC and 2015 Election Conference: *Expectations, Prospects and Challenges*

Keynote Speaker: Prof. Attahiru M. Jega OFR, Chairman INEC.

Chairman: Justice Muhammad Lawan U. GCON, former CJ of the Federation.

Date: 19th January, 2015

Time: 9:00am

Venue: Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, New Campus, Bayero University, Kano.

Postgraduate Add and Drop Exercise for 2013/2014 Session Second Semester Courses

The exercise commences from 15th January, and ends on 23rd January, 2015, according to a statement dated 15th January, 2015 from the Director, DEAR, Hajiya Fatima B. Mohammed.

Concerned students are expected to pay the sum of ₦1000.00 at the Cash Office of the Bursary Department, as explained in the notice available on Notice boards and DEAR.

Appreciation From Mohammed Aminu Aliyu of the Economics Department

“I will like to, on behalf of myself and my wife Amina Ibrahim Adamu and my father-in-law, Dr. Ibrahim Baba Mohammed of Agronomy Department, express our gratitude to the

members of the University community, who attended our wedding fatiha and reception on Saturday, 3rd January, 2015 and the reception organized by the Vice Chancellor on Monday, 12th January, 2015.

“I am personally grateful to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, who organized the second reception for Principal Officers who could not attend the 3rd January ceremony (the University Management was away for its annual retreat between 1st and 5th January, 2015), the President of ASUU, Dr. Nasir Fagge, three former Presidents and National Trustees of ASUU, Prof. Assisi Asobie, Dr. Dipo Fashina, and Prof. Abdullahi Sule-Kano and other Principal Officers and Zonal Coordinators of ASUU, the University Registrar, the University Librarian and other Deans and Directors who spared time to attend the 12th January reception.

“My heartfelt, profound and unquantified gratitude to Alh. Kamal Usman, Dr. Ahmed Ali Yakasai, Haruna Musa Dambatta, Ibrahim Idris, Suleiman Mainasara Yar’adua and Gausu Ahmad and their families and to members of my family for organizing and coordinating the wedding ceremony.

May God in his benevolence reward you all.”

Wedding Fatiha

Dr. Mansur Saleh Kiyawa of the Department of Education invites members of the University community to the wedding fatiha of his sons and daughters, Fa’iza Mansur Saleh and Nazifi Halilu Saleh, Safiya Mansur Saleh and Mukhtasar Inuwa Ibrahim, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Sunday, 18th January, 2015 = 27th Rabi’ul Awwal 1436AH

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Hajiya Mariya Sunusi Dantata’s Juma’at Masjid (Kan Titin Tafiya Katsina) Bachirawa, Kano.