Personal, Environmental Hygiene Key Elements to Societal Civilization
- Professor Kasule

A Senior Lecturer with King Fahd Medical City Riyadh in Saudi Arabia, Professor Omar Hassan Kasule, has described personal and environmental hygiene as the backbone of societal civilization.

Professor Omar Kasule disclosed this on Friday, 12th February, 2016 at Mambayya House when he delivered a paper titled, “Conceptual and Philosophical Reading Kitab At-Taharah: Islamic Guidelines on Personal and Environmental Hygiene As A Basis For Building A Civilization,” organized by the Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue, Bayero University Kano.

He said because of the importance of hygiene, Islam has implored Muslims to perform ablution before they offer any prayer and to take bath at least once in a week, that is on Fridays. According to him, Islam also instructed Muslim women to take a purification bath after their menstruation period and both male and female to take a similar bath after coition.

Professor Omar Kasule, who attributed the causes of diseases such as cholera, to lack of personal hygiene, however urged people to always wash their hands before and after taking their meals. This, he said, would assist in addressing the frequent outbreaks of epidemics in the society.

In their separate contributions, the former Vice Chancellor of Usmanu Danfodio University, Sokoto, Professor Shehu Ahmad Galadanci and the former Niger State Grand Khadi, Sheikh Ahmad Lemu, said, though personal and environmental hygiene were crucial in any civilization, however, fear of Allah is also a very important component of a civilized society.

In his welcome speech, the Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Dean, School of Continuing Education, Professor Salisu Shehu, commended the centre for organizing the lecture. He promised to support the centre to achieve its desired goals.

The Director of the Centre for Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue, Bayero University, Kano, Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar, in his address said the lecture was the second in the series since its inception in August 2015.

IIIBF - IRTI Design New Formula to Address Economic Crisis Through Islamic Finance

The International Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance (IIIBF), BUK, in collaboration with the Islamic Research and Training Institute (IRTI), Malaysia, has organized a three-day international workshop aimed at addressing the global economic challenges using Islamic Financial Instruments.

The conference, which was themed: Financing Small and Medium Enterprises Using Islamic Financial Instruments, brought together various stakeholders, including micro finance banks, small and medium enterprises, academics, businesswomen, the representatives of CBN, Kano Chambers of Commerce, CAC, Manufacturers Association of Nigeria (MAN), training centres, the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), government and other relevant participants to exhaustively brainstorm and proffer solutions on how to address some economic challenges through Islamic Finance.
The Director of IIIB, Dr. Binta Tijjani Jibril said the institute and IRTI had earlier signed a memorandum of understanding and, in pursuance of the MoU, the two institutions felt that, due to the current economic challenges, there was the need to train stakeholders on the need to utilize Islamic instruments to finance small and medium enterprises.

She explained that the aim was to help and liberate Nigeria from total dependence on crude oil to a more diversified economic system through SMEs, since they are the propellers of the economy.

The Chairman of the occasion and Commissioner of Finance, Kano State, Professor Kabir Isa Dandago, said SMEs and Micro-finance enterprises were the bedrock of sustainable economic development, explaining that the problem of Nigeria was lack of a sincere commitment to developing them, which negatively extended the wide gap between the rich and the poor.

He challenged stakeholders, especially the MAN and SMEDAN, to embrace the workshop as a tool to appreciate Islamic Finance, thereby training traders on how to use Islamic instruments in financing their SMEs.

The Chief host and the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said it was an important workshop organized at the right time to address economic challenges using Islamic approaches and that if a similar system was used a long time ago, corruption would have been minimal in the country.

Represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Administration, Professor Sadiq Isah Radda, the Vice Chancellor commended the IIIBF and the Faculty of Social and Management Sciences for making the university active through organizing fora for academic discourse. He said such a workshop would continue to cement the town and gown relationship.

The workshop was held from 16th to 18th February, 2016 at the Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages and Folklore.

**We Shall Not Compromise Quality, VC Assures Collaborating Partner Varsities**

Bayero University will take all necessary measures to ensure that quality was never compromised for whatever reasons, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has assured.

The Vice Chancellor was speaking when received officials from Universiti Utara (UUM), Malaysia, who paid him an exit/thank you visit after holding a series of meetings/interactions with the officials of BUK’s International Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance,(IIIBF) aimed at further cementing the existing collaboration between the UUM and BUK’s IIIBF.

He said BUK was very happy with the relationship between the two institutions and that everything humanly possible would be done to sustain what he called the symbiotic relationship between the two premier institutions.

He, however assured all institutions either on affiliation or collaboration with BUK that ‘we shall not compromise quality irrespective of whether the programmes being run are on part time or full time bases.’

Professor M. Y. Bello disclosed that many of BUK’s academic staff passed through Utara University for their Postgraduate studies.
especially at PhD level. ‘This was even before we entered into collaboration. Now that we have agreed to work together for the promotion of academic and research exploits, on our part we shall not compromise quality be it part-time or full-time,’ he re-assured.

The Vice Chancellor stated that under the collaboration, a lot of BUK’s academic and non teaching staff are currently pursuing their PhD programmes in Universiti Utara Malaysia and re-assured the visiting UUM officials that BUK would insist on academic quality, no more no less.

Earlier, the Director of IIIBF, Professor Binta Tijjani Jibril had told the Vice Chancellor that at the moment there are about 28 students in special PhD programmes made possible through the collaborative agreement.

She said the centre held an interesting and beneficial meetings with the UUM officials and some of the PhD students in attendance, adding that apart from the meeting, a colloquium was conducted for the students.

Also speaking, the Coordinator of the programme from Utara University, Dr. Mohammed Shahril bin Ahmad Razimi congratulated the Vice Chancellor, Professor Yahuza Bello over what he called his well deserved appointment as the 10th Vice Chancellor of BUK and wished him Allah’s guidance.

He said it was their hope and prayers that such collaboration between BUK and Utara University should be beneficial to their countries.

BUK Mourns Barrister A. S. Umar, Alh. Garba Bappa

Barrister Abubakar S. Umar died on Saturday, 6th February, 2016 in a hospital at Kaduna State after a protracted illness. He was a former Director, General Administration in the Registry Department.

Barrister Umar was born on 10th March, 1965 and joined the services of Bayero University, Kano on 1st February, 2002.

Alhaji Garba Lawan Bappa died suddenly on Tuesday, 9th February, 2016. He came to office on Monday, 8th February, 2016 and left for home hale and hearty.

He joined the services of Bayero University, Kano on 14th February, 1994 and rose through the ranks to become a Chief Executive Officer in the Bursary Department. He was in a Payroll section of the department.

The management and staff trooped in their hundreds to condole the families of Barrister Umar and Alh. Garba Bappa.

Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello led a delegation to condole the families and prayed to Allah to grant them eternal rest.

The wife of the late Barrister A. S. Umar, who is the Director, DEAR, Fatima Binta Mohammed expressed her deep appreciation to the members of the University community for condoling with the family over the death of the former Director, General Administration.

Similarly, the family of the late Alhaji Garba sent its appreciation over the condolence visits and prayers by the University community.
To All Students:

Attention of students is drawn to the following plans for registration for the 2015/2016 academic Session. Students should take note of the plans and abide by them.

Registration Procedure: The registration procedure is still through the myBUK portal. A student is to login to the University website www.buk.edu.ng and click on the myBUK link. Thereafter, follow the procedure explained on the site and on billboards. A student who pays an amount different from what is on the BUKPPF would not be able to continue.

Registration Timetable: The following timetable will be strictly enforced:

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NOTES:
(1) Registration means paying the appropriate registration fees AND REGISTERING FOR COURSES.
(2) Senate has directed that any student who fails to register within the specified time has to apply for Suspension of Studies for the Session within two weeks. Those who fail to apply for Suspension of Studies within that time would be considered withdrawn from the University.
(3) The Senate decision will be strictly enforced. YOU HAVE BEEN INFORMED IN ADVANCE!
(4) All undergraduate students should submit their Course Registration Form (CRF) not more than three (3) weeks after registration to the Level Coordinator.

Schedule of Fees: The following is the Schedule of Fees for Undergraduate Students:

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<td>Students from Faculties of Arts &amp; Islamic Studies, Law, and Social &amp; Management Sciences; and students from Mathematics Department</td>
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<td>Students from Faculties of Agriculture, Computer Science &amp; Information Technology, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Education, Engineering, and Science (except Mathematics students)</td>
<td>₦29,000</td>
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<td>Students from the Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences (Anatomy, Biochemistry, and Physiology), Pharmacy</td>
<td>₦30,000</td>
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<td>Students from the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences (Medical Lab. Science, Nursing Science, Physiotherapy, and Medical Radiography)</td>
<td>₦35,000</td>
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<td>Students from Faculties of Clinical Sciences and Dentistry (MBBS &amp; BDS)</td>
<td>₦36,000</td>
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The above fees are for Nigerian students. **Non-Nigerians are to add Tuition Fees** as follows:
- Arts, Social Science, and Education: ₦40,000
- Agriculture, Computer Science & IT, Environmental Sciences, and Science: ₦50,000
- Engineering and Medicine: ₦60,000

Other Guidelines/Information: Other guidelines and/or information would be provided in due course as the need arises.

Signed
Fatima Binta Mohammed
Director of Examinations, Admissions & Records

For: REGISTRAR
To All Students:

2015/2016 UG REGISTRATION EXERCISE
ONLINE REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

(A) Authentication
All students whether fresh or returning need to authenticate their studentship before starting the registration process.

Fresh Students need their (i) Admission Letter serial number, (ii) JAMB (UTME/DE) Number and (iii) Registration Number for authentication. Fresh students are free to choose their password at the point of authentication. After successful authentication, a username is generated for a student.

Returning Students need their (i) Registration Number, (ii) Last Session's Username and (iii) Last Session's Password for authentication. Returning students have a choice of changing their password at the point of authentication.

All passwords must be at least 6 characters long and are case-sensitive.

(B) Login
After successful authentication, students can use their respective username and password to login in order to start or continue with the registration process.

(C) Registration Procedure
The registration procedure is as follows:

i) Profile Update: Students must first update their profile. Note that students are strongly advised to update their phone numbers and emails as they are used on their BUK Personalised Payment Form (BUKPPF).

ii) Student Information Form (S.I.F.): After profile update, students can generate and download/print their Student Information Form (SIF).

iii) BUK Personalised Payment Form (BUKPPF): Students must generate, download and print a BUK Personalised Payment Form (BUKPPF). Registration fees are reflected on student's BUKPPF, to be paid using Remita e-Payments and e-Collection platform. Make sure you carefully read, understand and follow the payment procedure, as BUK will not be liable for any lost of funds as a result of incorrect data entry. Students must make sure that they entered ALL the information of the BUKPPF EXACTLY. Students must also ensure that:
   - Name of MDA, Name of Service/Purpose, Description, Amount to Pay (₦), Registration No., BUKPPF ID, Payer’s Full Name, Payer’s Email, and Payer’s Phone.

   Are captured exactly as they are written on the BUKFFP. Note that Payer (Payer’s Full Name, Payer’s Email, Payer’s Phone) means the student, so even if the student is not the one making the payment (payment by proxy) make sure to use the student information. Any misinformation may lead to unnecessary delay in validating and processing of payment. Payments are usually validated and processed within 24/48 hours of making payment. NOTE THAT ALL FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER

PAYMENT
iv) Student Payment Receipt (S.P.R.): After payment is validated and processed, students must generate and download/print Student Payment Receipt (SPR) in order to continue with the registration.

v) Course Registration: After printing the SPR, a student can register his/her courses. Students are strongly advised to seek the guidance of their respective level coordinators on the courses they are supposed to register with any limitations and/or restrictions.

vi) Course Registration Form (C.R.F.): After course registration, students must generate and download/print the Course Registration Form (CRF). The CRF contains the details of the registered courses.

vii) Registration Acknowledgement Slip (R.A.S.): After printing the CRF, students can print the Registration Acknowledgement Slip (RAS) to acknowledge that they have successfully completed their registration process. Students can logout and continue the registration at a later time.

Signed
Fatima Binta Mohammed
Director of Examinations, Admissions & Records
For: REGISTRAR
CALL FOR INDICATION OF INTEREST IN THE NOTAP INDUSTRY TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FELLOWSHIPS (NITTF) SCHEME 2015/2016 SESSION

Applications for support to participate in the NOTAP-INDUSTRY TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER FELLOWSHIP (NITTF) scheme 2015/2016 session are invited from suitably qualified Nigerians to undertake PhD studies in Nigerian Universities in all fields of study including, Engineering, Technology, Basic and Applied Sciences, Arts, Humanities and the Social Sciences. The applicants are required to undertake research in any of the following areas:

3. Prospects of spectrum re-farming in Nigeria.
5. Optimizations of Network Resources via complete (active) Infrastructure sharing in Nigeria.
8. Permanent hairs straightening by Enzymatic Manipulation of disulphide.
9. Methods of modifying the stagnant water layer around textile fibers to improve soil removal during washing.
10. Refined calcium carbonate for improved particle size, colour, appearance opacifying effect.
11. Locally sourced UV absorber additive for improved light fastness of colours of alkyd resins that are prove to fading.
12. Improved alternative alkyd resins to combat the yellowing effect of alkyd paints.
15. Soil remediation and improvement.
17. Milk production and preservation process.
18. Dairy Animal Vaccines Development.
20. Characteristics and chemical evaluation of plant essential oil indigenous to Nigeria.
21. Developing local sourcing of materials (e.g. Cassava starch, Garlic powder) in the Nigeria environment vis-a-vis importation of material for industrial use.
22. Technical efficiency of resources use and coping strategies of farmers in local production of ingredients (e.g. garlic) in Nigeria.
24. Sustainable production and marketing of Agricultural products in increasing small scale and commercial farmers interest in contributing to Nigerian economy.
26. Soda-Ash processing/development from Trauna or other local sources

The NOTAP-Industry Technology Transfer Fellowship (NITTF) is a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) platform designed to create indigenous critical technological competences of elite applied knowledge workers in Nigeria through special PhD programmes tenable in Nigerian Universities. The support for a maximum period of 4 years to be jointly implemented by NOTAP and Industry. The fellows will basically be all future academic workers in Universities and Research Institutes and will be required to enter into clear contracts/agreements with NOTAP, Industry, University/Research Institute such that close relationship will be developed during the study period and after completing their studies, they will return as lecturers or researchers in the universities or Research Institutes (Ris). This mode of fellowship will ensure speedy technology transfer.

i. **Qualifications:** Applicants must process First or Second Class Upper Degree with a Masters Degree.

ii. **Age:** Preferably 35 years or bellow on commencement of the PhD Programme.

iii. **Duration and Tenure of Award:** The support is for 3 years which could be extended to maximum of 4 years under special circumstances. All fellowships are tenable in Nigerian Universities only. There may be opportunities to access Industry research Laboratories/facilities in Nigeria or abroad.

iv. **Conditions of Award:**
   a) Fellows must already be in or committed to pursue an academic career to Teaching/Research in Nigerian Universities/Research Institutes.
   b) The support may cover for tuition fee, maintenance allowance and/or Research support only.

v. **PhD Projects:** The PhD Project must be tailored towards only of the research fields stated above.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION**

Application Forms can be obtained at www.notap.gov.ng/NITTF completed forms with non-refundable application fee of N5,000.00 Payable through the NOTAP Remita platform on www.notap.gov.ng. Application closes on 30th April 2016. Considerations and short listing of candidates would dynamically depend on availability of fellowship positions.

Short listed candidates will be contacted via the e-mail address provided. Successful and engaged Fellows will periodically be published in some national dailies. The operational guidelines on the NITTF can be accessed or downloaded from www.notap.gov.ng/NITTF.

All further correspondences on NITTF should be addressed to:

The Director-General/CEO
National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP)
No 4 Blantryre Street, off Adetokunbo Ademola Crescent-Wuse II
P.M.B 5074 Wuse, Abuja FCT.
APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION INTO PART-TIME DEGREE PROGRAMMES

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has given approval to the University to mount part-time Degree Programmes in the 21 areas listed below effective from the 2015/2016 Session. Applications are therefore invited from qualified candidates for Direct Entry Admission into the following programmes:

1. B.Sc Accounting
2. B.Sc Public Administration
3. B.Sc Business Administration
4. B.Sc International Relations
5. B.Sc Criminology and Security Studies
6. B.Sc Mathematics
7. B.Sc Nursing Science
8. B.A Hausa
9. B.A English
10. B.A Arabic
11. B.A Islamic Studies
12. B.A (Ed) Arabic
13. B.A (Ed) English
14. B.A (Ed) History
15. B.A (Ed) Economics
16. B.A (Ed) Hausa
17. B.A (Ed) Islamic Studies
18. B.A (Ed) Geography
19. B.A (Ed) Mathematics
20. B.BLS Library Science
21. B.Ed Adult Education

Entry Requirements:
The general entry requirements for the part-time degree programmes are OND (with merit), NCE, IJMB (with a minimum of 8 points), GCE 'A' Level (3 Credits). In addition to the 'A' Level qualifications stated above, applicants must also possess all the necessary 'O' Level requirements applicable to the regular full time undergraduate admissions. This means that credit in English is compulsory for all courses applied, while Mathematics is necessary for Science based courses and the social sciences. Only candidates of twenty five (25) years of age and above would be admitted. Candidates with only 'O' level results need not apply.

HND and first degree candidates would be admitted into level 300.

The Application Procedure
Step 1 Visit www.buk.edu.ng and under the PART-TIME DEGREE STUDENTS TAB click Application forms at the home page. Login using your NAME and select "Applying for a Part-time Degree Programme."
Step 2  Personalized Payment invoice will be sent immediately into your email inbox. Print it and go to any branch of nationwide to make a non-refundable payment of N10,000.00 (Ten thousand Naira only).

Step 3  Return to www.buk.edu.ng and login to fill in the Application Forms, Fill in the Personal Data Form, qualifications Form, and Course Selection Form.

Step 4  Review your forms to ensure accuracy of all information you have provided. Click 'SUBMIT' to complete the application process.

Step 5  An auto-generated acknowledgement slip will be sent immediately into your mail box. Print the slip and keep it safe. The Slip will be needed during the collection of admission letter and during registration.

A letter signed by Professor Salisu Shehu, Dean, School of Continuing Education, said, payment at the Bank open on Monday 4th January, 2016 and closes on 2nd February, 2016.

For enquiries or difficulties in applying, email should be sent to application.pt@buk.edu.ng

CHS Organises Research Grants Proposal Writing and Systematic Review and Meta Analysis Workshops

The College of Health Sciences organized workshops on Research Grants Proposal writing from 8th to 9th February, 2016 and Systematic Review and Meta Analysis from 10th to 11th February, 2016 for selected academic staff members in the College.

In his welcomed address the Provost of the College, Professor Abdulrazaq G. Habib said that the workshops were timely especially now that the Center for Advance Medical Research and Training (CAMRAT) and Center for Infectious Diseases and Research (CIDR), had been established in the College. He said the two centers would serve as platform that would help Bayero University, Kano in the areas of research and training of all the Deans and Head of Departments within the College. Furthermore, he said the aim of workshops was to bring together and share knowledge and experience among the academic staff members in the college.

He thanked the University and the Vice Chancellor for establishment of the Centers and his constant support to the College.

Earlier in his opening remarks the Vice Chancellor Professor M.Y. Bello reiterated that the workshops were very timely and apt for a number of reasons just like the Provost said. He said added that in the last 2 two years the University had been moving towards becoming a research oriented University. The University had been doing very well as it was attested by the National University Commission and a number of other professional bodies, that the University was seen as a reference point by so many others. He said the university had been doing very well in the area of research particularity at individual level, as it was confirmed from the result of promotion exercise of our academic staff to the rank of Professors and Associate Professors, the comment we are receiving from their assessment within and outside the country are very positive. "However"
the outcome of the researchers or discoveries made by our academic staff are not heard in the news, in order to change this trend and make input in the area of research, the University in the last 2 years established a number of research centers, two of these are Center for Advance Medical Research and Training (CAMRAT) and Center for Infectious Diseases and Research (CIDR) among others, he added.

The Vice Chancellor, urged the academic staff to give more emphasis on ethical research, which is highly competitive and funded with huge amount of money like N50 or N100 millions by government or external research donors, because that is where the University can make the difference.

He gave examples of the previous research grants which were very competitive, the University benefited from, like the $850,000 Mac Arthur foundation granted to Center for Dry Land Agriculture, another one was about $8 million which the World Bank, African Center of Excellence granted to the University among others.

Furthermore, he said that the TETfund had recently made an advertisement in the national dailies calling for research proposals, he called on the academic staff to utilize the opportunity by making contact and collaboration with the University's research centers particularly, Directorate of Research Innovation and Partnership (DRIP) to write at least 5 or 10 strong and competitive research proposals which the University will support.

He said although the University is facing financial challenges but it would do everything possible to support strong and competitive group research proposal with at least N250,000 per group. He gave an example with the research proposal from the College that nearly scale through which was on venom and anti venom serum, a serious issue that is affecting the country, and urged the college to update it and re submit.

While declaring the workshop the Vice Chancellor hoped that other unit within the university would borrow a leaf from the college and start making progress in the area of research.

At the end of the workshop certificates at attendance were issued to all the participants. A total of 53 staff were nominated for the first workshop, while 49 staff were nominated for the second one.

**BAYERO JOURNAL OF ECONOMICS AND DEVELOPMENT (BAJED)**

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**CALL FOR PAPERS**

The Editorial Board of Journal of Economics and Development (BAJED) wishes to invite articles on contemporary economic and development related issues from interested researchers for consideration and possible publication in its next edition. The BAJED is a bi-annual, blind peer review publication of the Department of Economics, Bayero University, Kano, – Nigeria (July and December).
MODE OF SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPTS
Three (3) hard copies of the manuscripts should be forwarded to

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PMB 3011, Kano – Nigeria
In addition to sending the hard copies, contributors **MUST** forward an electronic copy to ahmadutsauni@gmail.com; bmsany@yahoo.com (Note: Graphs and figures should be camera ready please).

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF MANUSCRIPTS

- All manuscripts must be original and in Microsoft word, double line spacing with normal border margins of one (1) inch all round on A4 size in Times New Roman and font size 12. The article should not be more than 15 pages including abstract, references and appendices.
- Manuscript submitted must not be under consideration for publication in any other research outlet.
- An abstract of not more than 200 words single line spacing should precede the main body of the paper with four key words.
- The journal adopts the American Psychological Association (APA, 11th edition) format as its referencing style. Authors are advised to get acquainted with the format which can easily be sourced on the internet.
- A payment of five thousand naira (N5,000) or its dollar equivalent only, as assessment fee must be made to (BAJED) at the United Bank for Africa Bank account No:1015735556, Account name: Department of Economics, Bayero University, Kano. Evidence of payment sent together with the manuscripts.
- The deadline for submission of articles is 30th June, 2016 and November of every year.

**Federal University Lokoja Condoles BUK Over Director’s Death**

A delegation from the Federal University, Lokoja in Kogi state had paid a condolence visit to commiserate with the Bayero University community over the death of Director, General Administration, Barrister Abubakar Sadiq Umar.

The leader of the delegation and Deputy Registrar, Human Resources, Prince Victor A Obadele, while addressing the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello in his office, on Wednesday 17th February, 2016 said they were deeply touched when they heard about the death of Barrister Umar, describing him as very gentle, humble, hard working and above all a God fearing person.

In particular, they said Late Barrister Abubakar was an inspirational leader, whose commitment to serving humanity was never in doubt, just as he was always willing and ready to accept correction from his subordinate and superior officers alike.

“You cannot fault the Late Barrister Abubakar Umar, when it comes to work, only those with dubious character in them feel threatened by him”, he declared.

Receiving the delegation on behalf of the Vice Chancellor, the Deputy Vice Chancellor
Professor Sagir Abbas, thanked the Management of the Federal University, Lokoja for the visit, which he said showed the good bond between the two Universities.

The team had equally paid a similar visit to the widow of the late Director, Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed, Director of Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR) at her campus residence.

**Early Career Academics Grants**

The Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership (DRIP) wishes to bring to the notice of academic staff especially those who have not previously had the opportunity to travel outside their home region the opening of applications for the Early Career Academics Grants.

This grant would enable them participation in an academic conference of their choice in a Commonwealth country other than their own. The grant must be used to participate in a conference between 1 July 2016 and 31 December 2016.

Since the scheme began in 2013, staff of 53 different member institutions have benefitted from the receipt of the career grant. In 2016, 30 grants in total are on offer, with a maximum amount of GBP 2000 each.

Applications close on 15 April 2016. To apply, visit www.acu.ac.uk/membership/grants-awards/early-career-academic-grants/.

**BUK MICRO FINANCE BANK LTD:**

**Sale of Vehicle Information Card (VIC) & Third Party Insurance**

Bayero University Micro Finance Bank Ltd informs the University community and general public that it is participating in the sales of Vehicle Information Card (VIC). It also participates in the issuance of Third Party Insurance as major Vendor and Distributor.

A letter signed by Kabiru Wali, Head, Credit and Marketing, said interested people in any of the above mentioned products should please contact Lawan A. Lawan on any of these numbers: 08030929292 and 09035133000 or visit Bayero Micro Finance Bank Ltd. New Campus.

**SEMINARS**

The following Faculty/Departments invite the University Community to their seminars/workshop, scheduled as follows:

**Department of Physics:**

**MSc Seminar Presentation**

**Presenter:** Ibrahim Garba Shitu (SPS/13/MPY/00007)

**Topic:** Geoelectrical Evaluation of Subterranean Condition of Sule Lamido University Kafin-Hausa, Jigawa State.

**Chairman:** Dr. M. O. Aku

**Date:** Thursday, 25th February, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am

**Venue:** Physics Research Laboratory

**Department of English & Literary Studies:**

**Departmental Seminar Series**

**Speaker:** Prof. Ibrahim Bello-Kano

**Topic:** Eros, Thanatos, Silence: Poetic Form and the Play of the Unspeakable in Matthew Arnold's "Dover Beach" and Emily Dickinson's "Because I Could Not Stop for Death."

**Chair:** Prof. Mustapha Muhammad

**Departmental Seminar Coordinator:** Ralia Maijama'a Abdullahi

**Date:** Thursday, 25th February, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am

**Venue:** Departmental Committee Room

**Faculty of Engineering:**

**Faculty Seminar**

**Presenter:** Dr. M. S. Abubakar

**Title:** Concepts, Prospects and Challenges of Precision Agriculture.

**Chairman:** Dr. M. M. Maina

**Date:** Tuesday, 23rd February, 2016