



The VC & Registrar, in a group photograph with the newly elected SUG officials

## BUK Admission: We Don't Siphon Funds from Applicants - VC

**B**ayero University Management is up-and-doing and as such it will not compromise its name and siphon funds from candidates being admitted into the University, as out of the 10,000 candidates who applied for admission during the 2015/2016 academic year, over 7,000 were admitted, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has disclosed.

Speaking on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 during the formal introduction of the new Student Union Government (SUG) leaders in his office, the Vice Chancellor said unlike other universities where the sale of forms remain an avenue to siphon money from candidates, Bayero University has a limit on the number of forms it sells to the candidates in keeping with best practices.

Professor Yahuza Bello also said that students were being involved in any matter that affected them, explaining that presently most Nigerian universities had increased tremendously their registration fees to earn additional internally generated revenue. However, Bayero University refused to do so in keeping to the standard.



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He said even though the University charged the least students registration fee, however, it is way ahead in the procurement of consumables that feed laboratories and provided enough facilities for both teaching and research ahead of its contemporaries and even first generation universities.

He said over 180 million Naira worth of laboratory consumables were being procured annually just as the University cut the number of students per class to improve interaction despite the availability of teaching staff. Theatres and classes were being provided with modern teaching facilities, such as white boards and permanent projectors, he added.

The Vice Chancellor said, the Management of Bayero University did not interfere in the election of students' union leaders because it wanted to nurture the spirit of democracy and inculcate leadership quality in students, saying the University was overwhelmed that student unions elections were fruitful and peaceful.

He said the Management had done a lot towards improving student welfare through numerous works such as the rehabilitation of student hostels and the provision of facilities in addition to the four on-going student hostels at the New Campus, the Old Campus and Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital. He added that the University was joining hands with the private investor to provide additional hostels.

Professor Yahuza Bello urged the students to judiciously utilize the e-learning centres in the University during registration, adding that "you should register yourselves and don't allow others to register for you because of the tendency to make mistakes. He expressed concern that last year even when many students made payments, they refused to register,

advising them to register in good time this session.

He also urged students refusing to register in anticipation of getting the indigent scholarship to reconsider their decisions because there was a high demand for the scholarship, even though he promised to continue expanding the allocation. He urged the SUG leaders to inculcate the habit of maintenance and sustainability in students, as expensive facilities, more especially in the classes, were being broken.

Earlier, the Dean of the Student Affairs, Professor Isma'ila Zango, told the Vice Chancellor that they were in his office to formally introduce the new students' leaders and seek elderly advice.

The President of the Students' Union Government, Muhammad Gambo Muhammad, said the new leadership would cooperate with the Management to move the University forward. He described the Management as a humble one that carried everybody along.

## **BUK's CESPOR to Enrich Government Policies - VC**

The setting up of the Centre for Economic, Social and Population Research (CESPOR) in Bayero University is intended to streamline efforts toward enriching policy formulation by the three tiers of government in the country, Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has affirmed.

Speaking on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 in his office, while receiving members of the steering committee for the setting up of the centre, he said the centre would assist government on researches to address bedevilling societal problems.

Professor Yahuza Bello said pertinent societal problems would be tackled by government at all stages with the research and activities to be carried out by CESPOR, advising the north and the entire country to make good use of the services that would be provided by the centre.

The Vice Chancellor said Bayero University had come of age in serving the Nigerian nation and even beyond with highly quality services across all its centres, saying with the establishment of CCSPOR the sky was the limit.

Presently, he said one of the globally acknowledged centres, the Centre for Democratic Research, Mumbayyah House, was conducting about 60 million Naira worth of work for the UNDP. This would go a long way towards impacting on livelihood of Nigerian citizens.

He expressed happiness that the committee constituted to formulate structure for the centre under the Dean, Student Affairs, Professor Isma'ila Zango, which comprised people from different professions, had done wonderful work, saying also Sheikh Isyaka Rabi'u and his son, Alhaji Abdussamadu Isyaka Rabi'u, were to expend 180 million Naira on providing a befitting building for the Centre.

Professor Yahuza Bello, expressed gratitude to Sheikh Isyaka Rabi'u and his family for supporting the University, saying that the building of the Centre for Qur'anic Studies, the only one of its kind in the country, was a monumental contribution by the family to assist scholarly work and research.

The Vice Chancellor said the centre would focus on different researches to do with society, economics, population, etc. And this would greatly help the government and nongovernmental organisations to make life meaningful to the generality of people.

The Chairman of the Steering Committee, Professor Isma'ila Zango, said people were drawn from across Faculties and Centres in Bayero University and even outside and that useful discussions were made before drafting the document for the setting up of the centre.

Professor Zango, said people from the Department of Economics, Agriculture, Community Medicine, Sociology, etc were co-opted into the committee, saying issues pertaining to poverty, climatic change, insecurity and a host of others formed part of the agenda during the roundtable discussion aimed at laying a solid foundation for the centre.

### **Be Proactive in Sourcing for Funds, Minister Urges Universities**

The Minister of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu, has urged Nigerian Universities to be proactive by exploring and exploiting new sources of funding and making it an integral part of the pursuit of excellence. He said 'there cannot be excellence for those who cannot compete for, and win grants or raise their own money.'

Speaking shortly before he declared opened a 5-Day Capacity Enhancement and Sustainability Workshop for the Africa Centres of Excellence in Nigerian Universities, which took place from 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 at the National Universities Commission (NUC), Abuja, the Minister stated that, under the present circumstances, where the African sub-region was faced with a multiplicity of developmental challenges, there was the need for them to explore and exploit new sources of funding internally, as well as compete favourably and win grants.

The Minister congratulated the 10 Nigerian Universities that scaled through the rigorous selection processes and won the World Bank grants, thereby having their Universities named Africa Centres of Excellence. This landmark achievement had boosted the image of Nigeria's higher education.

The federal Government he said was pleased to note that the 10 ACEs not only cut across Federal, State and private Universities, but also across the projects' three thematic areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), Health and Agriculture.

Having won 10 out of 22 centres in Africa much was expected of Nigeria. 'Africa as a whole will now look up to Nigeria for the success of the ACE project. If our ACEs fail, the entire ACE project will crumble. This is the more reason why we should be up and doing.'

He said the ACE Project was a regional higher education project for West and Central Africa with support from the World Bank, and ends in 2018, adding that already two years of its life cycle had elapsed. The question now was how to sustain it. He, therefore, re-iterated the commitment of the Federal Government, through the Ministry of Education, to the success and sustainability of the Africa Centres of Excellence project beyond its initial life cycle and called on all the stakeholders to take advantage of the project to turn the Nigerian University System around, particularly in the areas of research.

In his speech, the Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission, Professor Julius Okojie, who traced the history of the project, stated that 'for us to develop in all spheres of our national life, we must seriously consider advancement in Science and

Technology to overcome all our challenges. These considerations were the motivating factor for our participation in the ACE project.

The NUC scribe said in August 2015, the Commission organised a post-effectiveness workshop for all the Africa Centres of Excellence in Nigeria to enlighten them on the best approach that would ensure that project guidelines were followed in order to achieve the set goals. And that today (Monday 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2016), 'We are gathered to witness the opening ceremony of the Capacity Enhancement and Sustainability Workshop for the Nigerian Africa Centres of Excellence (ACEs).' The Workshop he said was designed to strengthen the capacities of the Nigerian ACEs to achieve the objectives of the ACE project and to ensure sustainability beyond the expiration of project grants from the World Bank, adding that 'it is my firm belief that the outcome of this workshop will further strengthen your capacity to deliver on this project.'

In his remarks, the ACE Task Team Leader from the World Bank, Mr. Andreas Blom, called on Nigerian universities to be at the forefront of regional research and to take advantage of its huge opportunities to attract regional students, saying that there was a big market for tertiary education in the region.

## **BUK Plans to Recruit Nannies for its Nursing Mothers' Babies – VC**

Bayero University, Kano will be willing to collaborate with the British Government in the areas of gender promotion and other gender mainstreaming activities.

This was disclosed by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello when he received the British High Commissioner to

Nigeria, Mr. Paul Akwright, in his office on a courtesy call on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January, 2016. managers and that tutoring accounted for the quick development of the institutions.

He said Bayero University took gender issues very seriously and that was why it established a Research Centre (Centre for Gender Studies) solely on gender studies and its related activities. He said a lot of BUK academic staff trained in British Universities, adding that at the moment there were about 20 lecturers pursuing higher degrees in different Universities in Britain. He thanked the High Commissioner for the visit.

The Vice Chancellor disclosed that in the areas of staff development and even appointment to position of responsibilities, the University in the last few years had given priorities to its female teaching and non-teaching staff special consideration, adding that 'today we have a lot of female Directors, deputy Directors and heads of department.' Earlier, the High Commissioner, Mr. Paul Akwright, had told the Vice Chancellor that this was his first time of coming to Kano and to Bayero University and congratulated the management for the level of infrastructural development on the ground.

He said the British Government was happy with the current fight against corruption and pledged and promised to support the crusade.

Professor Yahuza Bello also stated that as part of the university's effort to encourage and support girl child education, the management was thinking of discouraging its female staffs, who were nursing mothers and often come to the school with girls of school age in the name of nannies. 'These little girls who serve as nannies are supposed to be in school, but are often recruited as nannies only to come and take care of their employer's babies instead of going to school,' he fumed.

The High Commissioner said British Government would be interested in the University's effort at the promotion of gender studies and promised to support the initiative.

He said the management was planning to recruit elderly nannies and station them in a creche with the responsibility of taking care of such babies. 'If we do this, it will then afford those nanny girls the opportunity of going to school.'

Mr. Akwright also took time to visit the Department of Sociology and interacted with some students undergoing the citizenship/leadership training a programme being supported and promoted by DFID at Bayero University and three other universities in the north.

### **Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Tsauni Appointed Head, Department of Economics**

The Vice Chancellor, who recalled the role the British Government played in nurturing the education sector, stated with pride that both Ahmadu Bello and Bayero Universities had Britons as their foundation staff/lecturers and The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Tsauni as the Head of Department of Economics for two years from 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2016.

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor dated 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 called on the HOD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the department.”

### **Prof. Isma’ila M. Zango Reappointed Dean, Student Affairs**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the reappointment of Professor Ismai’la M. Zango as the Dean, Student Affairs for another period of two years with effect from 1st February, 2016.

A letter signed by the Registrar dated 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

### **Dr. Dalha Wada Taura Appointed Deputy Director II, Centre For Advanced Medical Research**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Dalha Wada Taura as the Deputy Director II, Centre for Advanced Medical Research for the period of two years with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

A letter signed by the Registrar dated 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

### **Dr. Bello Ibrahim Appointed Head, Sociology**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Bello Ibrahim as the Head of Department of Sociology for two years from 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2016

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor dated 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 called on the HOD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the department.”

### **Joseph Ayo Babalola University: First International Conference of the Colleges of Social & Mgt. Sciences**

The Management of Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji Arakeji invites its First International Conference of the College of Social and Management Sciences, scheduled as follows:

**Theme:** “Sustainable Development and Quality of Life in Developing Country”

**Date:** Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> to Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am each day

**Venue:** Oba Oladele Olashore Auditorium, Joseph Ayo Babalola University.

### **SUG: Impersonation is a Serious Crime & Punishable Act**

The Students Union Government (SUG) wish to debunk the information trending online which was claimed to be from the secretariat office that SSANU’s “strike has been called off and registration date has been fixed. It is an impersonation to the P.R.O of the SUG. Students are urged to desist from any further circulation of the information as it is false and all hands are on deck to fishing out the culprit(s)”.

A letter signed by the Abubakar Sadeeq Isa, Public Relation Officer said, as from now onward, any information that is not on the union’s official letter head should be debunked and disregarded. Students should note that **REGISTRATION DATE HAS NOT BEEN FIXED YET BY THE UNIVERSITY MANAGEMENT.** You should remain calm and resolute as any new development shall be communicated in due course”, he said.

**NOTE:** Impersonation is a serious crime and a punishable act. So for anyone caught, the law will surely take its course, he added.

### **NAKS Honours Maikalwa with Award of Excellence**

National Association of Kano State Student (NAKS) BUK chapter has honoured Bashir Isa Maikalwa as the most hardworking cleaner among Bayero University cleaners. In his six years of service with the University, he spent two years in the Security Division and later transferred to the Student Affairs Division and was posted to Elkanemi/Idris Garba Hall as Head Cleaner where his hardworking services to humanity led him to bag this award of excellence.

Mal. Rufa'i Sagir who is the Hall Admin. of Elkanemi/Idris Garba expressed his happiness and appreciation to NAKS and said this would serve as a motto for motivating others.

### **Pension Unit: Staff Due for Retirement Between Jan. & Dec., 2017 Under the Contributory Pension Scheme**

In line with the provisions of section 15 of the Pension Reform Act, 2014 and as part of the implementation process of the issuance of Federal Government Retirement Bond, the National Pension Commission plans to organize a verification and enrolment exercise for employees in the service of the Federal Government of Nigeria (Universities) that are due to retire between January and December, 2017 by virtue of attaining the age of 65 years of age for non-professors and non-teaching staff and 70 years of age for professors.

Staff who will attain the age of 65 years and 70 years (Professors only) between January and

December, 2017 are requested to forward their notice of retirement to the Registrar between Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2016.

Staff who wish to retire voluntarily can also forward their notice of voluntary retirement to the Registrar within the above mentioned period.

Affected staff are to forward photocopies of the underlisted documents to the Pension Secretary also within the above mentioned period.

1. Evidence of Registration with Pension Fund Administrator (PFA).
2. June 2004, July, 2007, January 2010, June 2010 and current pay slip.

### **ASUU – BUK Executives Election Comes up on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2016**

This is to inform members of the University community that the tenure of the current executives' officers of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) Bayero University, Kano chapter will expire on 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2016. Consequently, the National Executive Council (NEC) had approved that Bayero University chapter shall conduct election into the following offices:

- (1) Chairperson (2) Vice Chairperson (3) Treasurer (4) Secretary (5) Assistant Secretary (5) Assistant Secretary (6) Financial Secretary (7) Welfare Secretary (8) Investment Secretary (9) Internal Audit

Members of ASUU-BUK are invited to send nominations for the different offices. The nomination forms can be obtained from:

- 1) Secretary, Electoral Committee, Sabi'u Y. Zakari (08037116079).

- 2) ASUU Secretariat, Old Campus. k. Malama Amina Lawal, Dryland Agriculture – 08039671396.
- 3) Faculty/Centre Representatives as follows:
- a. Dr. Rabi’u Sani Shatsari, Law - 08039685684. l. Dr. Salihu Lawan, SCE – 07039255166.
- b. Mal. Anas Abubakar Bisu, Science - 08038052237. m. Auwalu S. Ali, FCSIT – 07033039732.
- c. Dr. A. A. Sama’ila, Medicine – 0806131534. n. Dr. A. S. Kumurya, Allied Health – 07032153561.
- d. Kabiru Haruna Isah, FAIS – 08034411573. o. Dr. Isyaku Yarube, Basic Medical Sciences – 8036968518.
- e. Dr. Dahiru Sani Shu’aibu, Engineering – 08099045666.
- f. Dr. Ibrahim Tafida, Agriculture – 08035868653. p. Ummulkhulthum Moh., Earth & Environmental Science – 08062558482
- g. Mal. Aminu Ali, SMS – 08060028429.
- h. Dr. Bappa M. Abubakar, Education – 08063514814. A letter signed by Sabi’u Y. Zakari, Secretary for ASUU-BUK Electoral Committee said, nomination forms shall be submitted to the Secretary of the Electoral Committee not later than 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2016 by 6:00pm.
- i. Kemi Jummai Amadu, University Library – 07037390078.
- j. Malam Tahir Abba, CSNL & Folklore – 08055584078.

### KUST: Vacancies for Senior Academic Staff

For the purpose of enhancing quality teaching and research, the Kano University of Science and Technology, Wudil was granted approval to employ Senior Academic Staff. Consequently, vacancies now exist in the University for the Positions of Professors, Readers and Senior Lecturers in Faculties and many academic Departments.

A letter signed by Professor Shehu Alhaji Musa, Vice Chancellor, said the positions are to be filled by Retired Professor or Senior Academics, Permanent or on Sabbatical basis as well as on Secondment status.

The vacancies especially on Sabbatical or on Leave of Absence basis in the following areas:

POSITION	AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION	NUMBER REQUIRED
Professors/Readers	MATHEMATICS	2
	Civil Engineering	2
	Mechanical Engineering	1
Senior Lecturers	Biochemistry	1
	Biology	2
	Microbiology	2
	Chemistry	2
	Civil Engineering	1
	Mechanical Engineering	1
	Chemistry (Education)	1

## SEMINARS

The following Faculties and Departments invite the University Community to their seminars, scheduled as follows:

**Faculty of Engineering: Seminar**

**Presenter 1:** Abubakar Mohammed

**Topic:** Standardizing Engineering Laboratories for Effective Utilization and Maximum Productivity

**Chairman:** Engr. Professor Ado Dan-Isa

**Presenter 2:** Yusuf Ibrahim Suleiman (SPS/13/MMT/00002)

**Time:** 10:30am

**Presenter 3:** Engr. Dr. Abdussamad Umar Jibia

**Topic:** *Literature Review in Engineering Research.*

**Chairman:** Engr. Dr. Haruna Musa

**Time:** 12:00noon

**Date:** January 26, 2016

**Venue:** Faculty of Engineering Boardroom

**Department of Business Administration and Entrepreneurship: MSc Seminar Presentation**

**Presenter 1:** Umma Lawal Suleiman (SPS/11/MMN/00013)

**Title:** Impact of the Socio-Economic Challenges of Performance of Women Entrepreneurs in Kano Metropolis.

**Supervisor:** Dr Bala Ado Kofar-Mata

**Internal Examiner:** Prof Garba Bala Bello

**External Examiner:** Dr. K. J. Ringim

**Presenter 2:** Suleiman Kassim Ibrahim (SPS/12/MMN/00007)

**Title:** Effect of Emotional Intelligence on Job Satisfaction

Among Academics of Universities in Kano State

**Supervisor:** Dr Abdu Ja'afaru Bambale

**Internal Examiner:** Dr. Balarabe A. Jakada

**External Examiner:** Dr. K. J. Ringim

**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2016

**Venue:** Departmental Conference Room

**Department of Mathematical Sciences: MSc Internal Defence**

**Presenter 1:** Muhammad Sani (SPS/12/MMT/00009)

**Title:** *Some Applications of Iterative Algorithm for Fixed Point of Some multi-valued Mappings.*

**Supervisor:** Dr Ma'aruf S. Minjibir

**Presenter 2:** Yusuf Ibrahim Suleiman (SPS/13/MMT/00002)

**Title:** *Generalized Metric Spaces and Some Fixed Point Theorem.*

**Supervisor:** Dr. Bashir Ali

**Chairman:** Dr. Nafiu Hussaini

**Date:** Wednesday, January 27, 2016

**Venue:** Departmental Computer Lab

**Time:** 02:00pm

**Department of Physics: M.Sc Seminar Presentation**

**Presenter:** Karibullah Ibrahim Shuaib (SPS/13/MPY/00052)

**Topic:** *Effects of Routing Protocols and Differentiated services implementation in IPV4 and IPV6 Networks.*

**Chairman:** Prof B. I. T.

**Time:** 10:00am

**Date:** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2016

**Venue:** Physics Research Laboratory

**Department of Electrical Engineering: Seminar**

**Presenter:** Binta Usman

**Topic:** *Power Harvesting from Fluid Flow in Pipeline System Using Turbine-Brushless Generator System.*

**Session Chairman:** Dr. S. I. B/Kudu

**Date:** Monday 20 January, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am



## LOST ITEMS

Safiya Jibril Kabir of Department of Business Admin with phone no. 080 60418770 has lost car keys. If found, please call the Phone number or hand them over to the Publication and Documentation Division (Bulletin office).

## Wedding Fatiha

Yusuf Saminu Saidu (Engr. Yakasai) a.k. (Mai Saida Shadda da Takalma) invites members of

the University community and general public to his wedding fatiha with his bride, Hauwa'u Sunusi Bamalli (Maijidda), scheduled as follows:

**Date:** Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> Rabiul Thani, 1437AH (7<sup>th</sup> February, 2016).

**Time:** 11:00am

**Venue:** No 938, Residence of Late Malam Bamalli behind Shekara Girls Secondary School along Kasuwar Rimi Road, Kano City.

# DO YOU KNOW:

- That BUK consumes a lot of Energy Daily?
  - That Power Supply by PHCN is Poor?
  - That The University Relies on its Generators for Power Supply at Staff Quarters, Administrative, Academic and Students Areas?
  - That The University Spends a lot of money on Diesel and Generators' Maintenance?
  - That Some Staff members Leave Offices Without Switching-off Electrical Appliances?
  - That 1 Extra Hour of Air-conditioning in a Room Uses Enough Energy to Power A TV for a Year?
- ✓ To Reduce Cost and for Safety, Help the University by Putting-off all Electrical Appliances when not in use!