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### ***2015 UMC RETREAT:***

## **I SHALL Operate an all inclusive Administration, VC Assures Deans & Directors**

The Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has assured that his administration would continue to be prudent and transparent in the discharge of his duties.

Professor Yahuza Bello was speaking at the opening for Deans and Directors ceremony of the 2015 end of year Retreat for Deans and Directors, which took place on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2016 at Hotel 17, Kaduna.

He said the new administration under his superintendent would promote team work and operate an all inclusive administration that placed high regard on merit, competence and credibility.

The Vice Chancellor told the Deans and Directors that he would continue to strive for excellence in every facet of the university's life, adding 'we shall not compromise competence, honesty and hard work, because these virtues are going to be our watch word,' he remarked.

Professor Yahuza Bello also assured that his administration would continue to build on the sound footprints of his predecessor; (Professor Abubakar Rasheed) who he said has written his name in diamond and in the annals of Bayero University, Kano.

He said previous Retreats were so successful in both input, output and conduct, that the management decided to make annual retreat part of the university calendar, saying that it was his hope and prayers that the four days that they

would be spending away from their stations would provide the avenues and opportunities to evaluate 'our performances as leaders of this great university; discuss the major issues and trends in higher education management; assess the existing and emerging challenges in higher education and especially in Bayero University; and also develop a workable action –plan geared toward the improvement of our overall performance.'

The Vice Chancellor also took time to explain the modest achievements recorded during the year under review and urged the Deans, Directors and all stakeholders to strive hard and re-dedicate themselves for the challenges ahead would be enormous, but surely surmountable.

He said the key to all successes was careful planning, and commitment to their institutional growth, which was why he said the kernel of their future growth, cannot be divorced from the quality of the 2016-2020 Strategic Plan Document whose draft was to be deliberated further at the retreat.

While praying for fruitful deliberations at the retreat, he urged each and every one to share 'our thought' and opinion on every aspect of the exercise, adding that the aggregate of this thought would go a long way in shaping our institutional directions and perspective.

## **2015 Retreat Successfully Held in Kaduna**

The 2015 retreat for Principal Officers, Provost, Deans and Directors was successfully held from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 at Hotel 17, Kaduna.

Forty six presentations were made by the Deans, Directors, Provost and other stakeholders, narrating the developments recorded at various sectors in 2015 as well as mentioning the challenges ahead and future plans.

The Head of the Rapporteurs Team, Professor Habu Mohammed Fagge presented the resolutions at the final session. One of the resolutions urged the Centre for Biotechnology Research and other related centres to factor revenue generation for the University in their research activities and training programmes.

Another resolution noted that more opportunities for linkages could be fostered through the formation of research groups in the University and that in view of the increasing number of students applying for accommodation on campuses, there is the urgent need for additional hostels to provide more bed spaces.

A poor attitude to work and dereliction of duty by some staff was identified as part of the major challenges of administration. It was decided that Deans and Heads of Department should address these problems based on laid down procedures.

The retreat commended the improved web-ranking of Bayero University and its enriched website just as the Housing and Maintenance Committee has been implored to immediately allocate vacant houses in the University to ease security challenges related to them.

The retreat commended the leadership of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello for a fair, dynamic and supportive leadership.

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**The Vice Chancellor**  
**Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello**

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### A ONE DAY DISCUSSION MEETING

*Under the*  
**AUSPICES OF THE CENTRE FOR ISLAMIC CIVILIZATION AND INTER-FAITH DIALOGUE**

*As follows:*

**Topic:** A Discussion on Civilization Dialogue

**Speaker:** Dr. Usman Bugaje

**Time:** 10:00am

**Date:** Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2016

**Venue:** CIT Theatre, New Campus, Bayero University, Kano.

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