Holistic Approach Can Prevent Violence Against Women & Children - VC

By Nafisa Liman Yaro

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has advised that preventing violence against women and children is a collective effort that requires a holistic approach that addresses the security, religious, socio cultural and economic as well as human rights dimensions of the problem.

The Vice Chancellor was speaking at a one day policy dialogue organized by Aminu Kano Center for Democratic Research and Training, Mambayya House, in collaboration with Centre for Gender Studies, BUK and State Conflict Management Alliance (SCMA) with the support of the Nigeria Stability and Reconciliation Program (NSRP).

The one day policy dialogue had the theme, Strategies for Preventing Violence against Women and Children in Kano State. The occasion took place on Saturday, October 8th 2016 at Sa’adu Zungur Auditorium complex, Mambayya house.

Professor Bello added that women and children were the most vulnerable members of the society and they suffered from heinous practices arising from issues, such as domestic violence, indiscriminate divorce, forced marriage, child neglect and child hawking, as well as molestation of step sons and daughters, among others.

Speaking on the occasion, the Special Adviser to the President on Social Protection Plan, Hajia Maryam Uwais, stated that overt physical abuse, psychological abuse, treatment of women and girls as commodities, which included trafficking in women and girls and forced sexual exploitation were the broad categories of Gender Based Violence (GBV).

Uwais was of the opinion that there was no greater violence done to girls, families and communities than child marriage, “under the misconception that it is sanctioned by our faith.” She cited the marriage of the noble Fatima, the daughter of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) at the age of 18, as a powerful proof and an example to copy.

She added that in the Northwest of Nigeria, 48% of girls were married off at the age of 15 and only 18% were married at age 18. This was capable of placing them at a
high risk of maternal death and injury with a significant number of them in the highest risk categories of maternal morbidity, Uwais explained.

In a keynote address titled “Violence Against women and children in Kano State and strategies for its prevention: an overview,” Dr. Mansur Isah Yalwa stated that the issues connected to this problem were child abuse, drug abuse, trafficking, prostitution and forced marriage.

Dr. Yalwa lamented that female IDPs are forced to offer officials sex for food, with children starving to death in IDP camps, while cruelty and battery against children were in most cases found in the Northern part of the country.

According to some reports, it is shown that Kano state has the highest rate of violence against women and children. It was also disclosed that out of the total reported incidences of violence against children between February to April, this year, 23 were captured as sexual violence against children, six abducted, one child was abused and one other classified as domestic violence. He suggested that religious, social and legal means be exploited to prevent and handle incidences of violence against women and children.

Respect Traffic Rules & Regulations
– Prof. Tanko Charges BUK Okada Riders

Commercial Motorcycle operators that engage in shuttling students from the New Campus Main gate to the various locations within the university (popularly called Okada Riders Association, BUK chapter) have been advised to always obey simple traffic regulations while carrying out their activities.

The new Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration), Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, gave the advice when members of the Association led by their leaders, Malam Jibrin Aminu and Abdu Sule, paid a congratulatory visit on the new DVC Administration in office on Monday 10th October, 2016.

He said that obeying simple traffic regulations and all other university regulations would go a long way to enhance their work, prevent accidents in which “our students who are trusted to us,” might end up being the major victims. He also said their positive attitudes would equally strengthen the bond of friendship between the members of the association and the university.

Professor Tanko stated that carrying more than one passenger on a motorcycle was breaking traffic regulation and riding a motorcycle through a one-way was another traffic offence. Above all, reckless riding was the worst form of abuse, as it used to constitute the greatest number of motorcycle accidents within the campus, the DVC pointed out.

On their request for the recruitment of their members should a vacancy exist and allocation of a small piece of land adjacent to the university main gate to them to build as shelter during rainy season and also for safe keeping of students' missing properties, the DVC said their requests would be conveyed to the university management.

He thanked them for the visit and assured them of management support to enhance and improve their business.

Earlier, the Chairman of the Association, Malam Abdu Sule, said they were in the new DVC's office to congratulate him over his well-deserved appointment, assuring him of the support and cooperation of his members in Management's efforts to move the university forward.

He appealed to the DVC to consider his members for recruitment into the university should a vacancy exist, saying that a lot of his members are holders of Diplomas and NCE while a few others are SSCE holders. He equally requested for the allocation of a piece of land close to the university New Campus main gate for them to build and use as shelter and to keep students’ missing items.
SEMINARS

The following Faculties/Departments/Centre invite the University Community to their seminars:

**Department of Physics: MSc Seminar Presentation**

**Presenter**: Abubakar Aliyu (SPS/14/MPY/00004)

**Topic**: Performance Improvement of Photovoltaic Module using Place Mirror

**Chairman**: Dr. U.M. Gana

**Venue**: Physics Research Laboratory

**Date**: Thursday 20th October, 2016

**Time**: 10:00am

**Department of Human Physiology: Seminar Presentation**

**Two Internal Defence:**

**Presenter 1**: Jamila Bashir (SPS/13/MHP/00019)

**Topic**: Evaluation of Cognitive Function in Patients with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Attending Murtala Muhammad Specialist Hospital, Kano

**Presenter 2**: Tasneem Muhammad Hassan (SPS/13/MHP/00012)

**Topic**: Evaluation of Cognitive Function in Post-Stroke Subject Attending Murtala Muhammad Specialist Hospital, Kano

**Proposal Defence:**

**Presenter**: Bashir I. Waziri

**Topic**: Assessment of Some Blood and Tissue Parameters in Artificially Paralysed Albino Rats

**Chairman**: Dr. Lukman Owolabi, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Clinical Sciences, AKTH/BUK

**Date**: Tuesday, 18th October, 2016

**Time**: 10:00am prompt

**Venue**: PG Lecture Room, New Physiology Building, BUK Old Campus

**Department of Theatre & Performing Arts: Departmental Seminar**

**Presenter**: Muhammad Muhsin Ibrahim

**Topic**: Kannywood and the Question of Originality

**Chairman**: Dr. Suleiman 'Yar' Adua

**Discussants**: Mal. Ashiru Tukur Inuwa

**Date**: Tuesday, 18th October, 2016

**Time**: 10:00am

**Venue**: Department of Mass Communication (Seminar Room)

**Department of Microbiology: 2015/2016 Session (Second Semester)**

**Seminar**

**M.Sc. Proposal Seminar**

**Presenter 1**: Joseph John Tagwai (SPS/15/MMB/00023)

**Topic**: Studies on Biodegradation Potential of Bacteria isolated from Soil Contaminated with Tannery Effluent in Challawa Industrial Estate, Kano

**Supervisor**: Dr. A.I. Aminu

**Specialization**: Environmental

**Presenter 2**: Oluwayemisi B. Awofuyi (SPS/15/MMB/00030)

**Topic**: Isolation and Biodegradation Studies of Bacteria and Fungi associated with Pesticide – treated Soils in Kano State, Nigeria

**Supervisor**: Prof. A.H. Kawo

**Specialization**: Environmental

**Presenter 3**: Umar Ibrahim (SPS/15/MMB/00035)

**Topic**: Isolation and Identification of Bacterial Food-Borne Pathogens from Locally processed Cow Milk and their Susceptibility to Antimicrobial Agents

**Supervisor**: Dr. A.M. Magashi

**Specialization**: Food

**M.Sc. Final seminar:**

**Presenter 4**: Fatima Hussain Lawal (SPS/14/MMB/00022)

**Topic**: Studies on the antibacterial activity of *Boswellia odorata* against some agents of wound infection

**Supervisor**: Prof. Sani Yahaya

**Specialization**: Medical

**Presenter 5**: Jamila Muhammad Sani (SPS/14/MMB/00033)

**Topic**: Antimicrobial effect of *Syzygium aromaticum* and *Allium sativum* against bacterial isolate from respiratory tract of humans

**Supervisor**: Dr. S. Umar

**Specialization**: Medical

**Date**: Wednesday 19th October, 2016

**Chairman**: Dr. Ibrahim Yusuf

**TIME**: 9:30am

**VENUE**: Microbiology PG Class II (Near Undergraduate Microbiology Laboratory)

**Department of Physical & Health Education: Notice of Walk for Life**

The Department of P.H.E. wishes to remind staff and students of this month’s “WALK FOR LIFE PROGRAMME” as follows:

**Date**: Saturday, 15th 2016

**Time**: 7:00am

**Venue**: Take Off Point (New Campus Stadium).

**ALL STUDENTS: Bed Space Allocation Forms Out**

This is to inform all interested students that Bed Space Allocation Forms will be ready for collection on 29th and 30th of October, 2016 from Hall Administrators.

A statement signed by Altine Maryam Ali, Secretary, Students’ Affairs Division dated 13th October, 2016 advised all students interested to take note.
Mass Communication Students Embark On Media Tour

BY Rabiu M. Sagir

As part of activities marking the MACOSA week, the Mass communication students of BUK under the umbrella of their association MACOSA have this week embarked on a tour of some selected media organizations in Kano metropolis.

The Media organizations include Freedom Radio, Dala FM, Cool FM, Wazobia and Arewa FMs as well as Media Trust, publishers of the Daily and Weekly Trust newspapers.

The delegation of the students numbering above seventy which was led by their President Isa Ismail Jalingo was first received by the Wazobia/Cool FM sister stations located at the Nassarawa Local Government Area of Kano state.

Receiving the students on behalf of the management of the stations, Hajiya Hidayat Mohammad welcomed the students and later took them round the studio complex of the organization which is housing the studios of the trio radio stations.

While at the Freedom Radio, Kano, the students were received by Mr. Abdullateef Abubakar Jos on behalf of the management of the media outfit. Welcoming the students, Mr. Jos charged the students to always concentrate on their academic activities and strive to be good Ambassadors of the Institution they are coming from.

Mr. Abdullateef Abubakar who described BUK as a cradle of excellence in graduating students of mass communication many of whom are now the pride of the nation, told the students that the doors of freedom Radio will always be open for the students. He later took the students round the studios, Newsroom and the marketing units of the radio station.

The leader of the delegation who is the MACOSA President Isa Ismail Jalingo expressed appreciation to the management of Freedom Radio for always opening their doors for the students of Bayero University, Kano more especially the Mass Communication students.

Isa Jalingo added that, “It is indeed astonishing to see how welcoming the management of freedom Radio is to our members. Not only here, whenever we invite you to our events, you honour despite short notices. You also gave some of our members the opportunity to come and practice their chosen profession. We shall always remain grateful to you”.

The student’s media tour was rounded up at the Media Trust Kano regional office where the students were received by the Bureau-Chief, Malam Yusha’u Adamu behalf of the management of the organization. Students also got the opportunity of going round the technical production unit of the organization and had a face-to-face contact with the production cycle of newspapers.
Professor Yusuf Muhammad Adamu
Re-appointed Director Bayero University Press

The Vice Chancellor has approved the re-appointment of Professor Yusuf Muhammad Adamu as Director, Bayero University Press for another period of two years with effect from 9th October, 2016. A letter signed by Jamil Ahmad Salim, Director, Establishment Matters, dated 10th October, 2016 said: “all conditions stated in the first appointment letter remain.”

Prof. Salisu Shehu:
Appointment As Deputy Secretary General (North) of The Nigerian Supreme Council For Islamic Affairs (NSCIA)

This is to bring the attention of the University community to the fact that Professor Salisu Shehu, the Dean, School of Continuing Education has been appointed as a Deputy Secretary General of NSCIA (North), according to a statement signed by Peter S. Alabi, Senior Assistant Registrar (SAR).

NAEAP Urges Govt. to Provide Sufficient Fund for Admin & Planning

The National Association of Educational Administration and Planning has urged federal and state government to provide sufficient funds for promoting administration and planning for sustainable development in education.

The President of the Association, Professor David Olufemi Durusaro, made this call at the opening ceremony of NAEAP’S 35 Annual Conference on Wednesday, 12th October, 2016 at Convocation Arena, BUK.

Prof. Durusaro, who delivered the welcome address, expressed gratitude to the management of Bayero University for graciously accepting to host the conference.

Declaring the conference open, the executive Governor of Kano State Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, OFR, tasked the NAEAP to expedite action to come up with policy guidelines and principles that would help policy makers to design sustainable pathways for good educational administration and planning in the country.

Delivering a keynote address, the Director General of National teachers' institute, NTI, Professor Garba Dahuwa Azare, who was represented by the immediate past Registrar of NECO, Professor Abdurashid Garba, said the conference brought together an impressive group of educational researchers, policy makers and administrators to discuss issues of funding education.

He explained that education was undoubtedly, recognized worldwide as an enterprise, and it is inspiring to see this is considered in the papers presented at the conference.

In his remarks the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said it was an honour to choose BUK as venue for the conference, especially now when the university pays maximum attention to excellence in research and quality assurance aimed at improving the standard of education.

The Vice Chancellor urged the participants to work assiduously to deliberate and come up with credible solutions to the problems of administration and planning in Nigeria.

Highlight of the ceremony was the conferment of the honorary fellowship status of NAEAP on his excellency the executive Governor of Kano state, Dr Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, and his wife, Dr Hafsat Abdullahi Umar.

The conference is scheduled to last from 11 to 14 October, 2016.
Girl Child Education Panacea to Societal Problems
- Director CGS  By Abubakar Yusuf

Director, Centre for Gender Studies, Bayero University Kano, Professor Aisha Abdul Ismail, has identified Girl Child Education as one glaring panacea to addressing socio-economic and political crisis in the society.

She made the disclosure on Tuesday, 11th October, 2016 during the celebration of this year’s International Day of Girl Child organized by the Centre. The occasion took place at the Conference Hall of the centre.

She said the United Nations set aside every 11th day of October as the Gird Child Day to give emphasis to the role of Girl Child in the Society.

The Director stated that the Theme of this year’s celebration: ‘Girl Child Education, Peace and Nation Building’ was timely, considering the importance of Girl Child Education in the development of every society.

Professor Aisha Ismail said the Centre would look into the possibility of assisting girls, who dropped out school to further their education. “The centre has already started making consultation with individuals, organizations and cooperatives to get some funds to assist such girls so that their dreams could become a reality,” the Director further stated.

In her presentation, Hajiya Zainab Abba Gwadabe described Nigeria as one of the countries in the world that had a high number of school girl drop-outs, which indicated a bad future for Nigerian society. She called on the government and individuals to do something about it.

In her contribution, Hajiya Madinat Lawal Sani lamented the difficult situation women often find themselves in the society as a result of violence and rape, human trafficking, deprivation of inheritance, among others.

Some of the girls who spoke at the occasion called on parents to give maximum support to Girl Child education. They also called on parents to desist from using divorce as a means of solving marital problems.

In her vote of thanks, the Deputy Director of the Centre, Dr. Amina Lawal, thanked the University Management and other organizations who contributed in making the occasion possible and a huge success.

Dr. Mohammed Baba
Re-Appointed HOD Animal Science

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the reappointment Dr. Mohammed Baba as Head of Department of Animal Science for another two years term commencing from 2nd October, 2016.

In a letter dated 7th October, 2016, the Vice Chancellor advised the HOD to, “with diligence and hard work, exercise general superintendence over the academic and administrative affairs of the Department, and to give sound academic and administrative leadership to the Department,”
BUK Opens a Liaison Office in Abuja
This is to bring to the attention of members of the university community that the management has approved the opening of a new Bayero University Liaison Office in Abuja.
A statement signed by the Director, Directorate of Public Affairs, Vice Chancellor's Office, Malam Ahmad Shehu, said the new Liaison Office is located at CVC Secretariat No.4 Parakou Street, Off Aminu Kano Crescent, Wuse II, Abuja. Members of the university community are advised to make the best use of the liaison office.

Training Workshop for Administrative Staff
Holds 18th – 20th October
The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello invites members of the university community to the opening ceremony of a Three-Day Training Workshop for administrative staff of the university. The training with the theme: Enhancing Capacity of Tertiary Institutions Administrators in the 21st Century is organized by the Registry Department of the university.

The opening ceremony is scheduled to hold as follows:
Date: Tuesday, 18th October, 2016
Time: 10:00am prompt
Venue: Convocation Arena, New Campus, Gwarzo Road

Sharfaddeen Kamilu Ilah of the Department of Environmental Management Science invites members of the University community to his wedding fatiha scheduled as follows:
Date: Saturday, 22nd October, 2016
Time: 11:00am
Venue: Umar Bn Khattab Mosque by Zoo Road, Kano

I, Usman M. Gana of the Department of Physics, wish to express my profound appreciation to the members of the University Community that turned out in great numbers in honor of the invitation I extended to them for the wedding fatiha of my Daughter, Ruqayyah Usman Gana. May Allah S.W.T. reward each and every of one of them abundantly. Special appreciation goes to the Vice-Chancellor Professor M.Y. Bello and his management team for the honor despite their tight schedules.

Health & Hygiene Advice from the University Health Services
Would you like to know malaria by common signs and symptoms?
- Malaria shares signs and symptoms with many other infections
- Only Malarial parasite tests can reveal the actual pathogens i.e. parasites
- Some of the signs and symptoms include the following
- There may be loss of appetite (Lack of desire to drink or eat food)
- There may be general body weakness
- There may be joint pains
- There may be nausea (desire to vomit or feeling like to vomit)
- There may be fever (high body temperature) which is characterized by shivering due to cold-like condition. When this occurs a patient may prefer to stay at a hot temperature place or to cover her /his body with a blanket.
- There may be a headache
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ANNOUNCEMENT

The interim Executive Council of Samaha Multipurpose Cooperative Society (SMCS) wishes to express its delight over the successful take off of the Society's activities, having started Bursary deductions from last month (September, 2016). We want to extend our appreciations to the entire University Community for their enthusiasm with which the Samaha project has been received and the overwhelming support and commitment so far demonstrated by members towards having an efficient Shari'ah Compliant Cooperative Society in our dear University.

As we work tirelessly to put other things in proper shape, we want to call on all members who are yet to submit their completed forms to do so, in order to enable us include them in the list of fully registered members.

All forms should be submitted together with the registration fees of N2,000.00, please.

Meanwhile, forms are still available at the IIIBF (New Campus) and Nasiha Stores (Old Campus).

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