



## Certification Without Morality is Useless - University Don

*By Abubakar Yusuf & Sabitu M. Jinjiri*

**A** Senior Academic with Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto (UDUS), Professor Ja'afaru Makau Kaura, has said that obtaining an educational certificate without good morals will be a fruitless effort.

Speaking at a National Conference organized by the Department of Islamic Studies and Shariah of Bayero University, on Tuesday, 18th April, 2017 at Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, he said spirituality in the human was the driving force for his thinking faculty.

“Certificates without spirituality in learners do not and will never yield any fruitful results”, he emphasized. He advised government to review the curriculum on Islamic and Arabic Education, pointing out that Islamic Education was a tool for successful living both here in this world and in the hereafter. The conference with the theme, “Islamic Scholarship and Scholars in Modern Nigeria: 1900 to date,” attracted scholars from all over the country.

Earlier, the Guest Speaker, Emeritus Professor Shehu

Ahmad Said Galadanci, lamented that the replacement of Arabic with English in the educational system of the then Northern Nigeria had a devastating effect on Islamic Learning.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, in his remark said the conference came at the best of times, promising that the University would do everything possible to make it an annual event.

In his welcome address, the Head of Department, Islamic Studies and Shariah, Dr Ibrahim Mu'azzam Maibushira gave the brief history of the department which he said was the pioneer department of the Bayero University, College established in 1964 as a component of the then Faculty of Arabic and Islamic Studies of Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

Highlights of the event included the presentation of plaques to Emeritus Professor Shehu Ahmad Said Galadanci, the lead paper presenter, Professor Ja'afaru Makau Kaura, and the Chief Imam of Kano, Emeritus Professor Muhammad Sani Zahradeen.



Professor Ja'afaru Makau Kaura of the Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto delivering his paper

## 34<sup>th</sup> Aminu Kano Symposium: By Nura Garba Concern Over Level of Corruption in NASS – Speakers

Speakers at the 34<sup>th</sup> Symposium of the Late Malam Aminu Kano Memorial Lecture have expressed concern over alleged level of corruption in the National Assembly, which needed a holistic approach to address it.

Dr. Haruna Yerima of the Department of Public Administration, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria and Dr. Junaidu Mohammed, a former member of House of Representatives, the lead speakers at the occasion alleged that corruption has eaten deep into the fabric of

under an atmosphere of desparation. According to him it is high time Nigerians chose their leaders through minimalist approach.

Barrister Festus Okoye, the Executive Director, Human Rights Monitor, Kaduna, who served as the discussant, said the Legislative arm is the least developed among the three arms of government, thereby calling on the members to see their assignment as a huge task capable of transforming the socio-economic fortunes of the country.

The Kaduna State Governor, Malam Nasiru El-Rufai, who served as the Guest of Honour described the late Malam Aminu Kano as an emblem of humility, moral consciousness who symbolized peace and love for the common people in his revolutionary approach. He added that as an African revolutionary leader, the late Malam Aminu Kano worked tirelessly for the emancipation of



From Right: ES NUC, Prof. A. A.Rasheed, Alh. Sule Lamido, former Jigawa State Gov., Prof. Hafiz Abubakar, Dep. Gov. Kano State; Prof. Jibril Aminu, Mal. Nasir El-Rufai, Kaduna State Gov. Alhaji Rabi'u Isyaku Rabi'u, AVM Mukhtar and VC, Prof Yahuza Bello at the Symposium

the National Assembly.

According to Dr. Haruna Yerima many members of the National Assembly do not know how to read bills and motions and were unfamiliar with the rules guiding the chambers.

Dr. Yerima, who expressed disappointment over the attitude of some members of the National Assembly for not attending sessions, noting that many of the members don't attend sittings or present motions.

In his part, Dr. Junaidu Mohammed said legislatures in Nigeria have deteriorated the political system by personalizing power, thereby holding the country to ransom."If the people that make laws are in a mess, definitely, Nigeria's democracy will be in shambles", he added.

According to the second Republic member of the NASS, if care was not taken the 2019 elections would take place

**talakawa** and this word he said became famous in the vocabulary of Nigerians.

Earlier, in his welcome remarks, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, said the Aminu Kano Centre for Democratic Research and Training (AKCDRT) Mambayya House was in the forefront of promoting Nigeria's political system through constructive discussions and debate as part of its contributions towards better democracy.

The Symposium, which was themed: the Role of Legislature in the Nigerian Democracy, witnessed the presence of Deputy Governor of Kano State, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, who represented the Governor, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje; former Jigawa State Governor, Alhaji Sule Lamido, AVM Mukhtar, Executive Secretary NUC, Professor Abubakar Rasheed and many dignitaries. Professor Jibril Aminu was the Chairman of the occasion.

## CDA Conducts Training on Using Technology in Teaching, Learning and Assessment By Nura Garba

The Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA) is conducting a training workshop on Using Modern Tools in Teaching, Learning and Student Assessment with a view to training participants to use technology tools to transit from traditional face to face lecture format and assessment to a smart classroom style.

The training was designed to empower the University academic staff, who wish to transit to a smart and tech-driven classroom system.

The facilitator of the programme, Betty Kajoh, from Texas, United States of America, taught extensively on Developing Content for e-Learning through practical

demonstrations and interactions. She said the objectives were to train the participants to learn how to synchronize presentations, create all kinds of e-content for online learning and create surveys, quizzes and discussions using online tools. She added that the system would allow for self-management skills and increase rigor and engagement.

On the first day of the training, Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017, Alabi Folu from Phinnx took the participants to the Phinnx Account Creation and Management. According to him, Phinnx.com is a product of e-learning platform for Nigerian academics which partners with the National Information Technology Development Agency.

He explained that it was a software that computerized teaching, learning and academic collaboration in all Nigerian higher educational institutions.

Earlier in his opening remarks, the Director Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA), Professor Jibrin M. Jibrin, said the idea of organizing the training was to improve the skills of teaching and learning using new technological tools. He said there were several online resources untapped and the University has been spending huge amount of money on electronic resources which were under-utilized.

Also speaking, the Director of Academic Planning,

Professor Bala Sidi Aliyu, said the idea was to draw the attention of academic staff to use stereotype of teaching. He said the resource persons were carefully chosen for their competence and what they were capable of doing.

The Director added that the trainees would in the future serve as trainers to other participants who would immensely benefit from the new method.

While declaring the workshop open, the Dean, Faculty



Betty Kajoh facilitating on developing e-content

of Agriculture, Professor A.U Yusuf, said the workshop was one of the series of workshops organized by the CDA to improve on capacity building. He explained that the Centre had continued to demonstrate its commitment as one of the strategic centres of excellence, just as it justified this through the recent NUC accreditation, where all its 25 programs got Full Accreditation status.

## Acting Chief Judge of Kano State Urges Students to be Honest & Hardworking

*By Rufa'i Mohammed*

Students of the Faculty of Law, Bayero University, Kano were urged to be honest and hardworking for them to succeed in the legal profession. This advise was given by the Acting Chief Judge of Kano State, Justice Nura Sagir Umar during a career talk to the law students on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 at Theatre 1, Faculty of Law.

Justice Umar, who was represented by Justice Nasir Saminu, a High Court Judge in Kano said that hard work and honesty were the two basic tools one needed to uphold in order to succeed in the legal profession and any other endeavour.

He told the students that for a judge to judiciously decide a case before him, he needed to shun ill-will, affection

and corruption, saying “you cannot be appointed as a high court Judge without spending at least 10 years after call to the bar and must have handled at least 10 contested cases”.

The Chief Judge informed the students that after the Call to the Bar, they had the liberty to choose the preferred line that is, either partake in private practice, join the judiciary, the ministry of justice or be legal officers in any government organization.

Professors Aminu Kabir and Juwairiyya Badamasiyyu and Dr. A.M. Bello in their separate remarks advised the students to be good ambassadors of the Faculty of Law and Bayero University, Kano wherever they found themselves.

## SGS 84 Intake Applauds the Management of BUK

*By Rabi'u M. Sagir*

The 1984 Intakes of the School of General Studies, Bayero University have commended the commitment and determination of the management of the University for transforming the institution's standard in terms of teaching, research and infrastructural development.



SGS "84 Intake in a group photograph

stated that the aim of the meeting was to afford the 1984 SGS Class members the opportunity to reunite and create a forum that would facilitate closer interaction among themselves.

Speaking earlier, the Dean School of Continuing Education and also the Chairman of the occasion, Professor Salisu Shehu, expressed happiness for the formation of the forum after about 32 years of graduation. In particular, he commended Barr Kabiru Kiru whom he described as a hero of the moment for creating a whatsapp group that reunited them together after departing for over 32 years. "We can't ignore the contribution given by Abdulhamid Ali Analyzer for sustaining and administering the group".

Two former lecturers Dr. Tukur Bello Ingawa and Dr. Auwalu Kawu attended the meeting. They advised the forum to be focused so as to achieve their desired aims and objectives.

Speaking at the re-union meeting of the Forum on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2017, Professor Sani Abubakar Mashi

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## Faculty of Education Conducts its Annual Orientation Programme

*By Rabi'u M. Sagir*

The Faculty of Education has conducted its annual student orientation programme aimed at integrating knowledge and guidelines that would help them in developing their abilities, attitudes and other form of behavior, which are of immense value throughout their stay in the University.

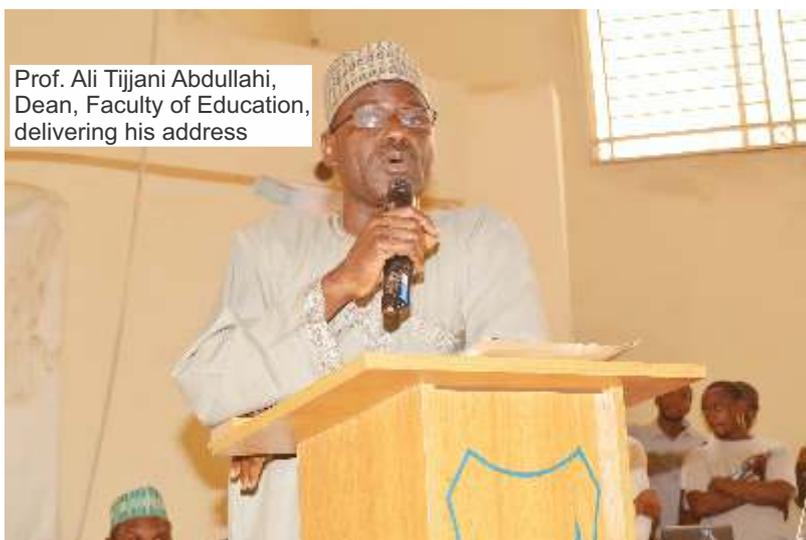
The Dean of the Faculty of Education, Professor Ali Tijjani Abdullahi, in his welcome address said that the

departments but has now grew up to six departments. Professor Abdullahi stated that about 74,000 candidates applied to Bayero in the last admission exercise out of which only 9,040 were given admission with 2012 of the total going into the Faculty of Education.

In his brief remarks, the Director of Sports, Professor Rabi'u Mohammed, urged students to participate in sporting activities in order to develop their bodies mentally and physically as well as utilize the facilities provided by the management of the University. He commended the performance of the Faculty of Education in the just concluded inter-faculty competition by winning 8 trophies.

He urged the Dean to commend the players that participated in the competition.

Also speaking, Professor Aliyu Dauda said that the importance of student-teacher relationship in the academic arena was vital, saying a University system was like a factory that produced intellectual individuals that may go out and serve the community in different capacities. So, "we the teachers should fear God and treat students like our own children", he added.



Prof. Ali Tijjani Abdullahi, Dean, Faculty of Education, delivering his address

Faculty of Education was established in 1975 with two

# NUGA 2017:

## BUK Contingent Arrives Makurdi – As Armed Robbers Attacked One of the Vehicles

By Bala G. Abdullahi in Makurdi

All is now set for the opening ceremony of the most prestigious University Sports carnival, the Nigerian Universities Games Association (NUGA), tagged: 'Makurdi 2017.' This year's edition is the 25th and is attracting about 3,500 athletes from 60 universities.

A 134 members of strong contingent from BUK arrived Makurdi on Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 to join 3384 other athletes to participate in the most populous university sports jamboree, to be hosted by the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi.

The contingent comprising 116 athletes, 10 technical officials and eight accompanying officials left Kano in a convoy of nine buses, after they were addressed by the duo of Director of Sports, Prof. Muhammad Rabi'u and the Chairman of Sports Consultative Committee, Prof. Ibrahim Khalil Abdulsalam.

In their separate addresses, they admonished the athletes to be good ambassadors of the university throughout their stay, saying that discipline, friendliness and dedication should be their guiding principle.

They said BUK had carved a niche for itself not only in sports, but also in academics, and therefore, urged them to do everything humanly possible to sustain the good

name of the university in their conduct and action. They also reminded the athletes that there was the need for BUK to improve on its 7<sup>th</sup> position in previous NUGA competition medal table. 'It behoves on you to reciprocate the gesture through better performance. I assure you better incentive awaits you if you excel,' they promised.

Responding, on behalf of the athletes, Mustapha Baba Abdulkadir, alias Mark 4, expressed appreciation to the management for the encouragement and assured that they would not disappoint the university.

BUK is participating in 11 games. They are chess, handball, basketball, volleyball, hockey, taekwando and judo. Others are; athletic, table tennis, badminton and tennis.

Meanwhile, one of the buses, conveying some of the BUK athletes to Makurdi was on Wednesday midnight attacked by a gang of robbers 15 km to Lafia. The bus was conveying female handball and male Basketball teams including the leader of the bus who is the Deputy Director of Sports, Malam Usman A. Salihu. They were disposed of all their GSM mobile phones and their allowances by the robbers, but were however unhurt.

## APPOINTMENTS

### **Mal. Ahmad Tijjani Salisu, Sports Directorate**

The Principal Officers at their 6th (2017) meeting held on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 approved the appointment of Malam Ahmad Tijjani Salisu of the Sports Directorate as the Deputy Director (Technical) in the Directorate of Sports for a period of two years effective Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

### **Usman Salihu, Sports Directorate**

The Principal Officers at their 6th (2017) meeting held on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 approved the

appointment of Malam Usman Salihu of the Sports Directorate as the Deputy Director (Administration) in the Directorate of Sports for a period of two years effective Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

### **Dr. Tijjani H. Darma, Department of Physics**

The Senate at its 349<sup>th</sup> meeting held on Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2017, approved the appointment of Dr. Tijjani H. Darma of the Department of Physics as the Deputy Dean (Academics), School of Postgraduate Studies for a period of two (2) years.

## Student Affairs Division: *BUK Ticketing*

**T**his is to inform all students that as from the Second Semester, students would no longer pay Cash to Board University Buses but rather would purchase Bus Tickets at the Student Affairs Division, Nana Hall and the respective Bus Stops at both the New and Old Campuses.

A letter was signed by Altine Maryam Ali, Secretary Student Affairs for Dean, Student Affairs to this effect.

## Professor Ibrahim Khaleel Abdulsalam, Department of History

The Principal Officers at their 6th (2017) meeting held on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 approved the appointment of Professor Ibrahim Khaleel Abdussalam of the Department of History as the Chairman of the Sports Consultative Committee for a period of two years effective Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

*Other members of the Committee are as follows:*

1. Prof Atiku Mohammed Kano	- Basic Medical Sciences	Member
2. Prof Mohammed Bello Shittu	- Adult Education Dept	Member
3. Dr. Abdullahi Darki	- Dept of PHE	Member
4. Dr. Muhammad Y. Waziri	- Dept of Mathematics	Member
5. Dr. K.H. Isa	- Dept of History	Member
6. Dr. Ishaq Alh Ismail	- Dept of Accounting	Member
7. Mrs. Hauwa Umar Usman	- Dept of PHE	Member
8. Mal. Kabiru Baba	- SCE	Member
9. Dr. Usman I. Abubakar	- Dept of Mass Comm	Member
10. Mal Mohammed Ahmed	- Dept of Geography	Member
11. Mal. Ado Maitama	- Bursary Department	Member
12. Prof Rabiuh Mohammed	- Sports Directorate	Secretary

### DRIP: Invitation To Apply For An ACU Titular Fellowship

The Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership wishes to announce the application for ACU Titular Fellowship. Professional and academic staff of ACU member institutions are invited to apply for the 2017 round of ACU Titular Fellowships. The fellowships provide funding of up to GBP 5000 to enable a member of staff from one ACU member university to travel to a member institution in another country, for a collaborative research or fact-finding visit of up to six months.

Before applying, interested individuals will need to identify and make contact with a potential collaborator

at the host institution and submit a plan for their visit.

Fellowships which are not tied to a specific subject area are tenable in any of the following fields: education, health and related social sciences, information technology, STEM subjects, sustainable development, and university development and management.

Full details of all fellowships and the link to the application form can be found on [www.acu.ac.uk/titular-fellowships](http://www.acu.ac.uk/titular-fellowships).

Applications close on **Friday 12 May at 23:59 BST**.

## University Health Services Information on Lassa Fever

- Lassa Fever is transmitted to humans by contact with food or household items contaminated with infected excreta or urine.
- Infected people spread the Lassa Virus through contaminated body fluids and waste products.

#### **Preventive Measures**

- Kill all Rats
- Store grains and foodstuffs in rodent proof containers
- Dispose all waste properly
- Maintain a clean environment
- Improve personal hygiene, wash hands frequently with soap
- Boost your immunity with good nutrition and moderate exercise

#### **Information on Bacterial Meningitis**

Bacterial Meningitis is caused by a bacteria, symptoms include: fever with or without sore throat, bleeding from any part of the body e.g. mouth, nose, anus, in urine, preventive measures, into the skin or injection site.

- Adequate ventilation, avoid overcrowding
- Droplets bearing the organism may persist in the nose and throat, avoid close contact with infected persons
- Proper disposal of nasopharyngeal secretions in toilet paper
- Strict observance of hand hygiene, wash hands frequently
- Sneeze into your elbow joint or sleeve, not in your hand
- Reduce hand contact with infected materials or persons

## Routine Sanitary Inspection

### Old Campus:

S/N	ADDRESS
1	Ogun Street No. 79
2	Ogun Street No. 71
3	Ogun Street No. 63
4	Ogun Street No. 64
5	Ogun Street No. 66
6	Ogun Street No. 65
7	Ogun Street No. 62
8	Ogun Street No. 61

### Old Campus:

S/N	ADDRESS
1	NC/671 Bunu Shariff Musa
2	NC/672 Bunu Shariff Musa
3	NC/673 Bunu Shariff Musa
4	NC/674 Bunu Shariff Musa
5	NC/675 Bunu Shariff Musa
6	NC/676 Bunu Shariff Musa
7	NC/677 Bunu Shariff Musa

## SEMINARS

### School of Continuing Education (SCE):

#### Departmental Seminar

**Presenter 1:** Laila Kabir Maikaba

**Topic:** The Effectiveness of Applying Phonics Introduction on Primary One Pupils' Performance in Reading in Bayero University Staff School.

**Discussant:** Professor Aliyu Kamal

**Chairman:** Professor Salisu Shehu

**Presenter 2:** Laure Jibril Garba

**Topic:** The Impact of the 'Spelling Bee' on Vocabulary Learning in an ESL Class: A Case Study of Green Olive International School, Nursery II

**Discussant:** Professor Aliyu Kamal

**Chairman:** Professor Salisu Shehu

**Presenter 3:** Abdulmumin Muhammad

**Topic:** Muhammad, the Prophet of Peace (SAW): A

Facsimile for the Nigerian Populace.

**Discussant:** Dr. Muhammad Ibn Abdullahi

**Chairman:** Professor Salisu Shehu

**Date:** Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

**Time:** 10:00am

**Venue:** SCE Conference Hall

### Department of Theatre & Performing Arts:

#### Creative Writing Forum

#### Announces its second meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017

**Time:** 4-6pm

**Venue:** Department of Theatre and Performing Arts, Faculty of Communication

**Your Host This Month:** Professor Yusuf Adamu

**For Enquires and Submissions of poems, stories and playlets contact:** Ismail Bala Department of English and Literary Studies, [ibala.eng@buk.edu.ng](mailto:ibala.eng@buk.edu.ng)

## LOST ITEMS

(1) A black wallet containing BUK Staff Identity card, NOUN ID card, National ID card, Voter's card, as well as ATM cards of Fidelity and GTBank belonging to Murtala Ibrahim of Information, Publications and Documentation Division. If found, please bring to the Information, Publication and Documentation Division or Security Division of BUK.

(2) Abba Tasiu Haruna, a student of the Department of Islamic and Shariah Studies, reported the loss of his original statement of result approved by the Senate of Bayero University, Kano in the year 2016/2017. Please if found, contact the owner on this no. (08027705577) or bring it to the Information, Publication and Documentation Division.

# Wedding Fatiha

## Wedding Fatiha of Adamu Isah Babura

Adamu Isah Babura of the Department of English and Literary Studies invites members of the University Community to his Wedding Fatiha with his bride, Bilkisu Abubakar (Baby), which is scheduled as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2017

**Time:** 2:30pm

**Venue:** Ya'u Dan Zabawa Juma'at Mosque, Tasha

Tsohuwa, Babura, Jigawa State

## Wedding Fatiha of Sufyan Dahuwa Azare

Sufyan Dahuwa Azare of the Directorate of Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR) invites members of the University community to his wedding fatiha as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

**Time:** 1:30 pm

# Non-Academic Staff Union (NASU) Re: Sale of Plots on Loan Basis

The above named Union is still giving out plots of land to its bona fide members and all colleagues in the University. This is to remind ALL NASU members and other colleagues that the NASU BUK Branch is still giving out plots of land on loan basis to interested members and other members of sister Unions in the University. The lands are located at Kwarin-Adiya before Janguza Bridge.

1. Size of the Plot is 25X30
2. Amount N230,000.00
3. Duration of the Payment 20 months

ALL interested members of staff should please contact us through:

**08024906611, 08038859897, 07030353625**

# Appreciation

Dr. Babangida Ladan of the Department of Adult Education and Community Services hereby wishes to express his appreciation to the members of the University that supported, prayed or attended the

reception organized by his family and friends as part of celebration on his PhD graduation, that took place on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 at Jikamshi, Katsina State.

# Do You Know?

- That the University provides DUSTBINS All Over the Community?
  - That our Use of DUSTBINS is Extremely Low?
  - That Low Use of the DUSTBINS Litters the Environment?
  - That the Failure to Use DUSTBINS is uncivil?
  - That the Failure to Use DUSTBINS Makes the Work of Sanitation Workers difficult?
  - That the Failure to Use DUSTBINS is Financially Costly to the University?
  - That by Using the DUSTBINS you are Helping the Environment and the University?
- ✓ Help the University by Keeping the Staff Quarters, Administrative, Academic and Student areas very **CLEAN**
- ✓ **Dispose of All Litter in Dustbins**

