



Nigeria Needs to Reform Its Education Curriculum ...Kano State Deputy Governor

By Lamara Garba

For Nigeria to witness accelerated growth and development, it must review its educational curriculum to be in conformity with the global best practices, especially in science and technology, the Deputy Governor of Kano State and Commissioner of Education, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, has advocated.

Speaking exclusively to the members of the BUK Media Team during an interview in his office on Monday, 28th May, 2018, Professor Abubakar suggested that the country stood to benefit more if the teaching modules in our tertiary institutions could be reviewed to include 50-50 between teaching and industrial attachment.

According to him, our world nowadays was living on a premium of skills. As such, we, as a nation, must equally adopt this policy for us to prosper and develop. A four-year degree program should be divided into two for students. While two years would be in school learning the theoretical aspects of the program, the other half should be at industrial attachments to gain practical knowledge and experience.

“I am of the opinion that we need to reform our educational curriculum to adopt the policy of sharing the training period equally between classroom teaching and industrial attachment for our students of tertiary institutions. By so doing, we shall achieve maximum result in both theoretical and practical aspect in all the areas of learning,” he opined.

According to him, while already some courses, such as Medicine in particular, had for a very long time adopted such a policy of mixing teaching and practical experience in hospitals, so also our technologists, scientists, administrators and all aspects of our education should have equal periods of attending lectures as well as participating in practical work in

industries and organizations.

Meanwhile, the Deputy Governor had revealed that the foreign scholarship policy adopted by the previous administrations had yielded positive dividends, as a great number of the beneficiaries were among the pioneer teaching staff of the Yusuf Maitama Sule University and other new tertiary institutions established across the country.

He said that the policy, which had positively impacted on the lives of the people of the State, was maintained by the present administration even as it secured a number of partnerships and collaborations with many countries.



Deputy Governor of Kano State,
Professor Hafiz Abubakar

Already, the Government of France had entered into partnership with the Kano State Government on the provision of fellowship for Postgraduate studies in top French Universities.

Also, the Government of Cyprus had given 15 P.hD fellowships to Kano state every year for which they gave priority to teaching staff from tertiary institutions, including Bayero University. Currently, over 50 staff from various institutions in the state have been undergoing their postgraduate programmes in those countries under the program.

NDLEA Refutes Consumption of 3 Million Bottles of Codeine in Kano

By Nura Garba

The Commander of National Drugs Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) in Kano, Hamza Umar, has refuted the story being circulated that three million bottles of codeine are consumed daily in Kano. He said the command was yet to see who conducted the research, the methodology used and how he arrived at the figure.

Mr. Umar was speaking on Saturday, 2nd June, 2018 at annual Ramadan lecture organized by Islamic Forum of Nigeria held at Bayero University, Kano.

"I challenge any person who has any evidence of the consumption of three million bottles of codeine in Kano to make it public. I made this challenge at NTA programme, but up to now, nobody dares to justify the claim," Mr. Umar argued. He attributed the widespread of drug abuse to people's non-challant attitude towards the menace.

"Some quarters in Kano city have made a tremendous

The Deputy Governor explained that Kano State government is constructing the women wing at Kiru Reformatory Institute for drug addicts to accommodate female addicts.

The Acting Governor commended the Emir of Kano, Malam Muhammad Sanusi II, for initiating social reform programme in Kano, which, he said, would go a long way in addressing social vices including drug abuse.

In a paper titled *The Dangers of Drug Abuse and Ways of Combating it*, a lecturer in the Faculty of Communication, Bayero University, Kano, Malam Bala Muhammad, cited a statistic which identified Benin Republic as the second largest importer of Tramadol in the world beside United States of America.

He observed that Benin Republic became a smuggling hub in West Africa, where most of the imported drugs find their way into Nigeria.

Malam Muhammad, therefore, advocated a stiff penalty to drug suppliers and marketers, as is done in Malaysia, Singapore and China, and called for the review of the existing laws on drug abuse to capture contemporary challenges.

Also speaking, a Presidential candidate in the annulled June 12 election, Alhaji Bashir Othman Tofa, lamented poor remuneration and lack of necessary tools as factors affecting the fight against drugs in Kano. Mr. Tofa appealed to federal and state governments to allocate enough resources in fighting the menace.

In his address, the Chairman of Islamic Forum of Nigeria, Ahmad Daku, said the topic of the lecture was selected based on the prevalence of substance abuse especially among youth and women.

Mr. Daku, a retired General in the Nigerian Army, who served as a military governor in Kano and Sokoto states, said the forum had found that almost each family was being affected by the menace.

The Executive Secretary of the Forum, Professor Salisu Shehu, said a stakeholders' meeting would be convened after *Eid-el Fitr* festival to develop an action plan in the crusade against drug abuse.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Sagir Abbas urged the security agencies in the state to take necessary measures to address this challenge of drug abuse.



Dignitaries in a group photograph after the lecture

effort through community based organizations in checkmating drugs supply and consumption in their domain," Mr. Umar said.

In his address, the Acting Governor of Kano State, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, said Kano State government is planning to establish an agency on fighting drugs.

Prof Abubakar said the government had approved organizing a retreat for the staff of the state's Ministry of Justice along with members of State House of Assembly to develop a draft law that will facilitate the establishment of the agency. He, therefore, appealed to Islamic Forum of Nigeria and other associations fighting drug abuse in Kano to submit their memorandum to Kano State Ministry of Justice.

World Environment Day Celebrated in BUK

By Rabi'u M. Sagir

A 2017 study found that 83% of tap water samples taken around the world contain plastic pollutants and that there are more than 5 trillion plastic pieces afloat at the sea. By 2050, there could be more plastic rubbish than fish in the oceans by weight, as well as 400,000 marine mammals perish annually due to plastic pollution in the oceans, said Professor Aliyu Baba Nabegu.

Professor Nabegu in his keynote address titled: **Beating**



Cross section of dignitaries and audience at the occasion

Plastic Pollution in Nigeria: the Relevance of Awareness delivered during the celebration of World Environment Day on May, 5th 2018, at Theatre F, Faculty of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Bayero University, Kano, said the World Environment Day was set aside by the United Nations for encouraging global awareness and action for the protection of environment world-wide.

“Plastic has become a ubiquitous product omnipresent in all societies. Plastic has made our day to day chores much easier. We use it to carry out our purchases, store things and preserve perishable foods. For many years, we only perceive the benefits of plastics and are unaware of its damaging consequences on human health, natural ecosystems and the climate,” he said.

Prof. Nabegu explained that, pollution of the environment with plastics is a global environmental problem with plastic debris contaminating habitats. Hence, there is the need for awareness on how to manage our environment effectively.

One of the misunderstood issues in environmental management is environmental knowledge, which is fundamental to awareness. “Without some form of knowledge of the environment, there will be no awareness,” Professor Nabegu said.

Earlier, Hajiya Umma Aliyu, Coca-Cola quality assurance manager, had called on government to support the recycling companies with modern facilities, so as to play vital role in reducing plastic pollution in the country. She said that Coca-Cola Bottling Company was doing its best in recycling and reducing its plastic materials in order to reduce the pollution, which plastics are causing across the world. It will continue to support any modern way of packaging their products, if invented.

Effective Policy Key to Educational Success

By Fausat Opayomi & Rabi'u M. Sagir

The Centre for Gender Studies, Bayero University in collaboration with Education Data, Research and Evaluation in Nigeria (EDOREN) has conducted a comprehensive research that may help Kano State Government in strengthening its educational policy and practice.

Speaking on Monday 4th May, 2018, the Director of the Centre, Professor Aisha Abdul Ismail, re-instated that co-production, communication and effective management were keys to success in research achievement. According to Professor Ismail, educational managers should comply with policies on transparency and equity in their recruitments, working conditions and the career progression of teachers. She



Prof. Abdullahi Sule-Kano speaking at the occasion

urged the government to facilitate close collaboration among all the stakeholders with interest in teachers' welfare in order to improve the situation.

Earlier, Dr. Maikano Madaki said teachers should be given equitable opportunities for professional development, promotion and career progression. Job descriptions and career paths should be provided to every teacher.

Dr. Madaki thanked the government for the support given to them due to good management and

restructuring policy on teacher education, which may help government in the distribution of teacher recruitment and deployment, improving teacher remuneration and payment, support and training as well as good expectation.

The Chairman of the occasion, Professor Abdullahi Sule-Kano, re-emphasized that maintaining and sustaining the environment conducive for learning rest on us and that we have to be ready for the challenges and do all that was possible to overcome the problem.

PRESS RELEASE

1st International Conference on Ideas of Dr. Hassan Al-Turabi and the Challenges of Contemporary Muslim Society

An International Conference to honour the late Sudanese Scholar and contemporary thinker, Dr. Hassan Turabi, organized by AAFAAQ Educational Foundation Kaduna in collaboration with The Centre for Gender Studies (CGS) and Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue (CICID), Bayero University, Kano is scheduled to hold between Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th June, 2018, at Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, New Site, BUK.

The theme of the conference is: **Thoughts and Ideas of Dr. Hassan Turabi & the Challenges of Contemporary Muslim Society**. The Keynote Speaker is His Highness, Sarkin Kano, Muhammad Sanusi II, **CON**. The Guest Speakers are: Shaykh Sherif Saleh and Shaykh Ibrahim El-Sanusi.

The Chairman of the Occasion is Prof. S.A.S.

Galadanci, the Murshid of the National Mosque, Abuja & former VC UDUS. The Special Guest of Honour His Excellency, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, **OFR**, Governor of Kano State, while his Deputy, Prof. Hafiz Abubakar, **MFR** is the Special Guest.

The Guests of Honour are: His Excellency, Ibrahim Wakkala, Deputy Governor of Zamfara State and Sarkin Zamfara Anka, His Highness Alhaji Attahiru Muhammad Ahmad. The Host is Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello, Vice Chancellor of Bayero University.

The late Dr. Turabi (1932 – 2016) was a leading scholar who lived on the frontiers of Islamic scholarship, political and social engineering. He was a polymath who touched the lives of many beyond his country, Sudan. The Sudanese educational institutions under his inspiration and guidance have admitted and trained thousands of Nigerian scholars, to cite just one instance.

Bayero University Press Wins the Award of the Most Compliant Publisher in Legal Deposit Submission

Bayero University Press has been adjudged by the National Library of Nigeria to be the Winner of the Most Compliant Publisher in Legal Deposit Submission. Presentation of the award to the University Press will take place at the National Library's Readership Promotion Campaign (RPC) under the theme: *Sustaining Life Long Reading for Positive Change*

slated for Wednesday, 20th June, 2018 at Kano State Library Board, Murtala Muhammad Library, Kano by 10:00pm.

The University Press wishes to express its gratitude to the Vice Chancellor for his supports and to the entire members of University Community for their cooperation, which has made this recognition a success.

Non-Academic Staff Union (NASU) Sale of Plots of Land

This is to inform all NASU members and other colleagues that NASU BUK Branch has secured plots of land through a Kano State Letter of Grant, for the provision of Islamiyya School and Mosque as approved by the Kano State Bureau for Land Management. The plots are to be sold on loan basis to interested members and other members of the sister unions in the University. The lands are located at Janguza Opposite New Prison, Tofa Local Government Area, Kano State.

1. Size of the Plot 50X50 @ the rate of N850,000.00 per plot
2. Duration of the Payment are 24 months

Any interested staff can obtain the form as usual through calling the following numbers: (1) Chairman: 08030449500 (2) Secretary: 08038859897 (3) Treasurer: 07030353625

Directorate of Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR)

This is to draw the attention of members of the University community to a calendar for the completion of the activities of the 2017/2018 academic session for the undergraduate programmes.

Activities for the Completion of 2017/2018 Session (Undergraduate Programmes)

S/N	DATE	ACTIVITY
1	Monday, 28 th May to Sunday, 10 th June, 2018	First Semester Break (2 weeks)
2	Monday, 25 th June to Sunday, 1 st July, 2018	Add and Drop
3	Monday, 11 th June to Saturday, 8 th September, 2018	Second Semester Lectures (13 weeks)
4	Monday, 23 rd to Sunday, 29 th July, 2018	Mid-Semester Break (1 week)
5	Monday, 10 th to Saturday, 29 th September, 2018	Second Semester Examinations (3 weeks)
6	Monday, 1 st October, 2018	End-of-Semester

NB: Students are to note that the Add and Drop exercise is for 2nd Semester courses only. Guidelines on the Add and Drop procedure will be communicated after the 1st Semester Break.

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HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Health Tips on Cholera!!!

Cholera is a water-borne, acute gastrointestinal infection caused by the *Vibrio cholerae* bacterium.

- ✓ **Signs and symptoms:** Cholera causes profuse, watery diarrhoea and vomiting. Most people suffer only a mild infection, but serious cases can lead to severe dehydration and, without rapid treatment, death.
- ✓ **Transmission:** A person becomes infected by ingesting the bacteria in contaminated water or food or direct contact with contaminated surfaces.

Cholera outbreaks occur when there is a breakdown of sanitary conditions and food hygiene procedures in a community. This can occur when:

- ✓ There are overflowing drainages, which then contaminate sources of drinking water and are eventually consumed by individuals in a community
- ✓ Poor food hygiene practices are employed during the stages of food handling, preparation and storage

Preventive Measures include:

- ✓ Improved environmental hygiene practices- proper handling and disposal of waste, clearing drainages.
- ✓ Protection of sources of drinking water-water chlorination
- ✓ Improved food hygiene practices-ensuring all foods are properly cooked and well preserved, washing fruits and vegetables before consumption and properly washing hands before meals
- ✓ Increased hand hygiene practices-particularly before and after handling or preparing food and after using sanitary facilities; after cleaning your child's bottom; after taking care of someone affected with diarrhea; before feeding your children.
- ✓ Use only water that has been boiled and water that has been chemically disinfected or bottled water.

NB: If you develop severe, watery diarrhea and vomiting, seek medical help immediately. If left untreated, cholera can be fatal in a matter of hours.

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- 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?
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