



BUK's Veterinary Clinical Courses Get Vet Council Accreditation

By Nura Garba



BUK Management in a group photograph with the Executive of Veterinary Council of Nigeria

The Veterinary Council of Nigeria (VCN) on Tuesday, 29th July, 2025, visited Bayero University, Kano (BUK) to accredit the clinical courses of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, marking another significant step in the faculty's academic development.

The accreditation team, led by Professor Caleb Ayuba Kudi, paid a courtesy call on the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas.

Professor Kudi expressed appreciation for the warm reception accorded the team and explained that the Council had earlier conducted resource verification and pre-clinical accreditation. The current exercise, he noted, was focused on clinical courses, which are crucial in preparing veterinary medicine graduates for professional practice. *"Veterinary medicine is as*

rigorous and critical as human medicine. This stage ensures our graduates are fully equipped to serve in the field," he emphasized.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Haruna Musa assured the team of the University's full support in ensuring a smooth accreditation process. He encouraged the Council to tour the University's facilities and witness the remarkable transformation in physical infrastructure and academic resources.

The team was accompanied by the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Professor A.M. Abdussamad, and is working closely with the Director of Academic Planning, Professor Yusuf Garba, to facilitate the accreditation process.

CDA Launches Model Vegetable Learning Site to Advance Sustainable Horticulture

By Nura Garba

The Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA), Bayero University Kano, has launched a state-of-the-art Vegetable Production Learning Site aimed at transforming sustainable horticulture and strengthening the vegetable value chain in Nigeria.

The launch, held on Thursday, 24th July, 2025, at the CDA Training and Research Farm, marks a strategic milestone in agricultural innovation and partnership.

Supported by HortiNigeria and developed in collaboration with the International Fertilizer Development Center (IFDC), East-West Seed Knowledge Transfer (EWS-KT), and other key stakeholders, the site showcases affordable, eco-efficient vegetable production practices, enhances access to quality agro-inputs, and promotes research-driven innovation through real-time data collection.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas described the initiative as a game-changer and praised the synergy between CDA and its partners, expressing hope that the facility would serve as a learning hub for farmers, youth, and women to upscale food production and improve livelihoods. Professor Abbas who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Development), Professor Amina Mustapha.

In his address, the CDA Director, Professor Sanusi Gaya Mohammed, said the learning site was designed not just as a demonstration farm but as a platform for innovation and sustainability. “Our objective is to create a model site that integrates best horticultural practices using methods adaptable to our local context. We are equally committed to driving data-based innovation for smarter crop production,” he stated.

He added that the facility symbolized new opportunities and a firm commitment to agricultural education, sustainability and innovation. “This is about building a

future where agriculture thrives through knowledge and collaboration.”

“Today, we mark the establishment of a model learning site at the CDA Training and Research Farm. This site is more than just an agricultural space; it is a dynamic hub for knowledge exchange and innovation. Our goal is to create a vegetable production demonstration site that showcases best practices in horticulture, particularly through eco-friendly methods and technologies that are adaptable to our local context,” he remarked.

He said the learning site would enhance not only our practical capabilities but also our intellectual engagement with sustainable agricultural practices. “By prioritizing real-time data collection and action research, we aim to drive database innovation that will inform production and crop management, strategies for the future,” he added.

The Program Director of HortiNigeria, Mr. Mohammed Salasi Idris, noted that the initiative was funded by the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and implemented by IFDC, EWS-KT, KIT, and Wageningen University & Research (WUR). He announced that the facility handed over to CDA was fully equipped with demonstration plots ready for harvest, two screen houses for protected tomato cultivation, seedling production shade houses, germination chambers, charcoal and mud-based Zero Energy Cool Chambers (ZECC) for post-harvest preservation, a gazebo for training and knowledge exchange, a home garden demonstration unit, and crop production manuals in both soft and hard copies.

Goodwill messages were presented by Mohammed Rili, General Manager of the Kaduna Agricultural Development Agency; Ruth Adzard, Country Manager of EWS-KT and Yusuf Dramani, IFDC Country Director.



DVC, R&D, Prof. Amina Mustapha cutting the ribbon and assisted by Director CDA, Prof. S.G. Mohammed, Program Director of HortiNigeria, Mr. Mohammed Salasi Idris, Mohammed Rili, General Manager of the Kaduna Agricultural Development Agency; Ruth Adzard, Country Manager of EWS-KT and Yusuf Dramani, IFDC Country Director and Other dignitaries

ACEPHAP Joins Stakeholders at RMNCAH and NTWG Second Quarter Meeting

By Bala G. Abdullahi

The African Centre of Excellence for Population Health and Policy (ACEPHAP), participated in the second quarterly meeting of the Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent Health plus Nutrition (RMNCAH) and the Malaria Technical Working Group (NTWG).

maternal and child health, adolescent well-being, nutrition, and malaria prevention. Discussions also highlighted challenges affecting service delivery, including limited resources, coordination gaps, and the need for evidence-based strategies to reach vulnerable populations more effectively.



Cross-Section of participants at the Second Quarterly Meeting of Stakeholders in the Healthcare Sectors

The meeting, which brought together key stakeholders from across the health sector, took place on Friday 25th July, 2025. It served as a platform to assess progress, share updates, and strengthen collaboration among partners working to improve health outcomes in Nigeria.

During the meeting, participants reviewed ongoing projects and interventions targeting critical areas such as

ACEPHAP presented two new projects that kick-started in the second quarter of 2025. The first project was “Making Cesarean Section Safe,” which is an initiative to improve cesarean section practices in Kano across healthcare facilities. A total of 10 facilities with the highest birth rates across Kano were selected for the first baseline assessment.

In his remarks, the Kano State Commissioner for Health, Dr. Abubakar Labaran Yusuf, promised to extend government support for the two ACEPHAP projects which were presented at the meeting by Ms. Maryam Zarewa and Mr. Muhammad. He encouraged other Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) to emulate such initiatives for the better health of mothers and children in the state.

The second quarter meeting concluded with renewed pledges from all stakeholders to sustain momentum and enhance collaboration, particularly in achieving national targets related to RMNCAH and malaria control. ACEPHAP's active participation further strengthened its role as a key player in shaping the future of population health in West and Central Africa.

CGS Partners with Kano Botanical Garden to Mark World Nature Conservation Day

By Fausat A. Opayomi

Promoting sustainability by connecting people with nature is essential for a healthier environment. This was the key message delivered by **Professor Fatima Batul Mukhtar**, Vice-Chancellor of Azman University and President of the **Kano Botanical Garden (KBG)**, during an interactive session to commemorate this year's **World Nature Conservation Day**.

The event, themed “**Connecting with Nature**,” was organized by the **Centre for Gender Studies (CGS)** in collaboration with Kano Botanical Garden and held on **Monday, 28th July 2025**, at the Garden's premises in Kwanar Dawaki, Kano. It attracted Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) ambassadors from Bayero University Kano (BUK) and other tertiary institutions, aiming to inspire and empower students to champion sustainability and environmental conservation.

In her address, Professor Fatima Mukhtar emphasized the urgent need to preserve natural resources and praised the ESD ambassadors for their innovative projects on



ESD Ambassadors in a group photograph with other stakeholders at the World Nature Conservation Day

environmental sustainability. She highlighted bamboo as a regenerative alternative to firewood, noting that it burns more slowly and could reduce dependence on unsustainable fuel sources.

Speaking on the value of the garden, **Dr. Aliyu Ahmad**, Director of Kano Botanical Garden, explained that the

facility houses several indigenous and endangered plant species. Through the “**Ungwanin Kano Project**,” KBG collects these species, nurtures them, and reintroduces them into local communities to encourage tree planting and environmental awareness. He noted that the garden also hosts medicinal plants, ornamental species, and a variety of trees and shrubs.

Contributing to the discussion, **Sharfuddin Illah** from BUK's Department of Environmental Management called for stronger regulations on tree felling and urged the government to enforce **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)** reports to mitigate harmful practices such as indiscriminate pesticide use and poor waste management.

TETFund Monitoring Team Visits BUK ... Assesses NRF Grant Projects

By Suleiman Salihu

A team from the **Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund)** visited **Bayero University, Kano** on **Monday, 28th July 2025**, as part of its **Monitoring and Evaluation exercise** for the **National Research Fund (NRF) 2021 grant cycle**.

During the visit, the team assessed two NRF-funded projects and held extensive discussions with the respective **Principal Investigators (PIs)**, who gave detailed presentations on their progress, challenges encountered, and the strategies adopted to ensure successful completion of their research.

The team was led by **Professor Etannibi Alemika** from the **University of Jos**, who informed the **Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas**, during a courtesy visit, that they had reviewed the progress of two key projects:

- “**Sexual and Gender-Based Violence against Women and Children in North Western and North Eastern Regions, Nigeria**”
 - “**Words that Kill: Interrogating Discourses of Otherness, Hate Speech, and Recurrent Conflicts in Northern Nigeria**”
- These projects are part of **Batch Eight (2021)** of the NRF grant cycle.

Professor Alemika also noted that the team had interacted with PIs from earlier NRF grant cycles whose projects were still ongoing and who were yet to access the third tranche of their funding. “They spoke extensively about their challenges and outlined their strategies for successful closure,” he said.

He expressed concern over the **delayed release of NRF funds** by TETFund, attributing the delay to the recent **change in leadership** within the organization.

Despite the challenges, Professor Alemika was highly impressed with the leadership structure and hospitality at Bayero University, expressing deep appreciation to the University Management for the warm reception extended to his team throughout their visit.

In his response, **Vice-Chancellor Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas** welcomed the TETFund team on behalf of

Umami Adamu, from the **Kano State Watershed Erosion and Climate Change Development Agency (WECCDA)**, shared that the agency has collaborated with KBG on projects to protect and propagate medicinal trees threatened by climate change.

The event also featured a guided tour of the botanical garden, where students explored the diversity of plant species and gained first-hand knowledge about the importance of conservation.

World Nature Conservation Day at KBG served not only as an awareness campaign but also as a call to action, reinforcing the role of education and partnerships in building a more sustainable future.

the University Management and expressed hope that the team found the level of project implementation both **satisfactory and encouraging**.

Speaking on the issue of delayed fund release by TETFund, Professor Abbas disclosed that the University had, in the meantime, supported its researchers with internal funds to ensure timely completion of their work and to prevent unnecessary delays.



He urged the visiting team to include the challenge of delayed disbursement in their report to TETFund and to convey the University's recommendation for **prompt release of future grants**. “Delays in fund disbursement may continue to affect key areas of the research budget, especially due to fluctuating costs of equipment and materials—considering the Nigerian economic context,” he cautioned.

Earlier, the **Director of the Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership (DRIP), Professor Abdullahi Suleiman Arabi**, had introduced the TETFund team to the Vice-Chancellor. He explained that the team assessed the NRF projects based on **research objectives, work plans, key performance indicators, and approved budgets**, among other benchmarks.

The TETFund team leader, Professor Alemika, was accompanied by **Gbate Mohammed, Usman Y. Dutse, and Hajiya Amina Kabir**, who represented TETFund.

18th BUK Interfaculty Games Kick-Off 9th August

... A Parting Gift to Outgoing VC

By Nura Garba

Excitement is set to return to Bayero University Kano's sporting arena as preparations reach top gear for the **18th Interfaculty Games**, which promise to be bigger, better, and more competitive. The games will showcase thrilling displays of talent and sportsmanship as male and female athletes from across the University battle for glory while representing their respective faculties.

On **Thursday, 31st July 2025**, the Director of Sports, **Professor Rabiuh Mohammed**, convened a meeting involving faculty representatives, coaches, staff of the Directorate of Sports, and members of the Sports Consultative Committee to finalize plans for the event. He revealed that this year's edition of the games would serve as a **parting gift to the outgoing Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas**, in recognition of his unwavering support for sports development in the University.

Professor Rabiuh announced that the Vice-Chancellor had approved the budget for the games and encouraged all stakeholders to contribute their quota to ensure a successful tournament. He added that the competition would also serve as a platform for scouting top-performing athletes who will represent BUK at the forthcoming **Nigerian Universities Games Association (NUGA)** event scheduled to hold later this year at the University of Jos.

The sports to be contested include: **Soccer, Basketball, Handball, Volleyball, Table Tennis, Tennis, Squash, Badminton, Judo, Taekwondo, Athletics, Hockey, and Scrabble.**

Another meeting has been scheduled for **6th August 2025, at 9:00 AM** to finalize fixtures and address other preparations for the games.

APPOINTMENTS

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, has approved the appointments of the underlisted staff into various positions.

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE
1	Professor Habihu Rabiuh	Department of Computer Engineering	Appointed as the Head, Department of Computer Engineering	28 th July, 2025
2	Professor Lukman Femi Owolabi	Department of Medicine	Appointed as the Head, Department of Medicine	28 th July, 2025
3	Dr Muhammad Bello Lawal	Department of Telecommunication Engineering	Appointed as the Head, Department of Telecommunication Engineering	28 th July, 2025
4	Dr Bala Boyi Bukata	Department of Electrical Engineering	Appointed as the Head, Department of Electrical Engineering	28 th July, 2025
5	Professor Abdussamad Muhammad Abdussamad	Department of Veterinary Physiology and Biochemistry	Re-appointed as the Head, Department of Veterinary Physiology and Biochemistry	28 th July, 2025
6	Dr Abubakar Idris Zagga	Department of Forestry and Wildlife Management	Re-appointed as the Head, Department of Forestry and Wildlife Management	3 rd July, 2025
7	Dr Barbie Ejukonemu	Department of Optometry	Re-appointed as the Head, Department of Optometry	3 rd July, 2025
8	Dr Remigius Ide Onoja	Department of Veterinary Pathology	Appointed as the Acting Head, Department of Veterinary Pathology	28 th July, 2025 – 30 th April, 2026

Seminars

Department Environmental Management:

PhD SEMINAR Series

First Presenter: Abubakar Attahiru

Topic: Nature-Based Solutions for Livelihood Diversification and Food Security Among Internally Displaced Persons (IDPS) in Sokoto Metropolis, Nigeria

(Ph.D, Proposal, Seminar II):

Chairperson: Dr. Mustapha Zakariya Karkarna mni & Dr. Maryam Liman

Second Presenter: Abdulrazak Ahmed

Topic: Analysis of Bio-Gas Generation Potentials of Household Organic Kitchen Waste in Urban Zaria, Nigeria

(Ph.D, Proposal, Seminar II)

Chairperson: Dr. S.M Zubairu & Dr. U.K Mohammed

Third Presenter: Jibril Haruna Umar

Topic: Enhancing Farmer Resilience to Soil Degradation Through Innovative Soil Management Practices in Smallholder Farms Around Zaria Urban and Peri-Urban Area

(Ph.D.Proposal, Seminar II)

Chairperson: Dr. Mustapha Zakariya Karkarna mni & Dr. Yusuf Idris Garba

Date: Wednesday 6th August, 2025.

Time: 10.00am prompt Venue: Departmental seminar room

Note: Attendance to seminars is compulsory to all MSc I MSc II PhD I and II

Department of Political Science: *PhD/ M.Sc.*

External/Proposal Defence

Candidate: Muhammad Lawan (SPS/20/PPS/00005)

Research Title: Farmer-Herder Conflict and Peacebuilding: Assessing the Effectiveness of CBOs Mechanism in Guri LGA, Jigawa State, 2006-2023

Internal Examiner: Prof. Abdulmalik Auwal

Candidate 2: Abdulkadir Salaudeen (SPS/19/PPS/00002)

Research Title: An Assessment of Women Affirmative Action Policy in Nigeria: A Case Study of Kaduna State (2015-2023)

Internal Examiner: Dr. Khadija Sanusi Gumbi

Candidate 3: Ahmed Tijjani (SPS/20/MPS/00006)

Research Title: Nigeria's Foreign Policy Response to the Paris Agreement on Climate Change

Internal Examiner: Dr. Sani Safiyanu

Candidate 4: Aishatu Mahmoud Sani

(SPS/16/MPS/00008)

Research Title: Assessing the Challenges of Democratic Consolidation in Nigeria's Forth Republic: A Critical Analysis of the Buhari Administration's Strategies and Outcomes (2015)

Internal Examiner: Prof. Abdullahi Y. Zainawa

Candidate5: Mohammed Jami'u Olaitan

(SPS/20/MPS/00003)

Research Title: Vote-Buying and the Credibility of the 2022 Osun State Gubernatorial Election in Nigeria

Internal Examiner: Prof. Habu Mohammed

Candidate 6: Abdulrashid Abdullahi

(SPS/17/MPS/000034)

Research Title: The Impact of the Treasury Single Account Policy on Public Accountability and Transparency in Government Agencies: A Case Study of Nigeria Custom Service and Immigration Service

Internal Examiner: Dr. Surajo Mohammed Yahaya

Candidate 7: Musa Yakubu Mustapha

(SPS/19/MPS/00008)

Research Title: Analysis of the Economic Effect of Armed Banditry in Katsina State (A Case Study of Kankara Local Government Area Area 2015-2022)

Internal Examiner: Prof. Abdulmalik Auwal

Candidate 8: Mansur Nasir (SPS/20/MPS/00004)

Research Title: Post-field

Internal Examiner: Prof. Mahmoud M. Lawan

Candidate 9: Mohammed Kachalla

(SPS/20/MPS/00002)

Research Title: Post-field

Internal Examiner: Prof. Abdullahi Y. Zainawa

Candidate10: Yakubu Yoila (SPS/20/PPS/00007)

Research Title: Third Seminar

Internal Examiner: Prof. Attahiru M. Jega

Candidate 11: Ibrahim Baba Abubakar

(SPS/21/MPS/00008)

Research Title: Nigeria's Regional Policy: An Assessment of President Muhammadu Buhari ECOWAS Policy

Internal Examiner: Prof. Kamilu Sani

Candidate 12: Abubakar Aliyu Bello

(SPS/21/MPS/00009)

Internal Examiner: Border Management and the Proliferation of Jihadist Groups in West Africa

Internal Examiner: Dr. Sani Safiyanu

Candidate 13: Dauda Musa (SPS/21/MPS/00010)

Research Title: Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Mechanism of Enforcement of International Humanitarian Law in the Conflict between Israel and Palestine

Internal Examiner: Dr. Rabiu Adamu Waziri

Candidate 14: Aliyu Lukman Olalekan

(SPS/21/PPS/00005)

Research Title: Political Parties Leadership Crisis Management in Nigeria: A Comparative Analysis of the People's Democratic Party (PDP) and All Progressive Congress (APC).

Internal Examiner: Dr. Sa'idu Abdullahi

Date: 6th-7th August, 2025

Time: 10:00 am

Venue: Haruna Muhammad Salihi Board Room

Chairman of the Panel: Professor Abdulmalik Auwal-HOD Political Science

Cc: Postgraduate Students Notice Board, Departmental Secretary, Publications & Documentation Division.



The Vice-Chancellor,
Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas, FMAN, FSN
*Cordially invites the University Community
to the*

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Scheduled as follows:

Date:

**Monday
4th August 2025**

Time:

10:00am

Venue:

Conference Hall, Centre for Economic,
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BUK New Campus



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Workshop Dates: 7th August 2025

Registration closing date: 5th August, 2025

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Professor Attahiru Muhammadu Jega, wishes to invite members of the University community and the general public to the Wedding Fatiha of his son, **Bashir Attahiru Jega** and his Fiancée **Hafsah Mustapha Adamu**,

scheduled as follows:

DATE: Saturday 2nd August, 2025

TIME: 11:00am prompt

VENUE: BUK Mosque, Old Campus, Kano

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Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, FMAN, FSAN
On behalf of the Entire University community

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TOPIC:
DIVERSIFYING THE NIGERIAN ECONOMY: ANALYSES OF EXTENSION ADVISORY SERVICES AS CRITICAL COMPONENT OF SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

PRESENTER:
PROF. MAHMOUD IBRAHIM DANEJI
Dept. of Agricultural Economics and Extension
Faculty of Agriculture

CHAIRMAN:
PROF. SAGIR ADAMU ABBAS, FMAN, FSAN
Vice-Chancellor
Bayero University, Kano



Date: Thursday, 7th August, 2025
Time: 2:00pm
Venue: Convocation Arena, BUK New Campus

Virtual Event  **zoom**
Meeting ID: 7491020613
Passcode: fjcWd4

ANNOUNCER: Professorial Inaugural Lecture Committee.



The Vice-Chancellor, Bayero University, Kano
Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas, FMAN, FSAN



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BY
PROF. HASSANA SANI DARMA

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Former Minister of Education

CHAIRMAN OF THE OCCASION
Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar, OON
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