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VC Congratulates New Ambassadors ...Charges them to Make Nigeria, BUK Proud By Lamara Garba &

The Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, has congratulated the newly appointed Ambassadors to Brazil, Professor Ahmad Muhammad Makarfi; Tanzania, Professor Hamisu Umar Alkamawa and Romania, Dr Safiya Ahmad Nuhu, describing their appointments as "well-earned rewards for hard work, consistency, dedication to duty and track record of outstanding performance" in their respective endeavours.

While congratulating the trio in his office on Tuesday, 1st June, 2021, when they paid him a farewell visit, Professor Abbas noted with pride that by their appointments, Bayero University had further earned a special recognition ahead of others.

"The entire University community was extremely delighted to learn of your appointments, which didn't come as a surprise. It was worthwhile. Therefore, on behalf of the Management, Senate, staff and students of this University, please accept our hearty congratulations on this laudable recognition", he said.

According to him, "as we celebrate your appointments, please remember that the journey has just begun", adding, "we congratulate you on the preferment and wish you tremendous success. But above all, remember to make this country and Bayero University proud wherever you find yourselves," he added.

He also commended President Muhammadu Buhari for appointing three ambassadors from Bayero University,

Kano, which was not a mean thing of pride and joy for all of us.

Professor Abbas stated further that "there is no doubt that the trio will be good ambassadors of BUK and the country at large", urging the appointees to explore any opportunity that will benefit Nigeria and Bayero University. "On our part, we shall do our best to give you all the necessary support for you to succeed," Prof. Abbas enthused.

"We have no doubt in your ability and even to do more to promote the image of the country," he stressed. He posited that "whatever you do positive or negative will have an impact on Nigeria and BUK. "Therefore, kindly be our good 'ambassadors' by representing and protecting the interest of our motherland as well as our university," he continued.

In their separate responses, the new appointees thanked the Vice Chancellor and the University community for their support and encouragement. They vowed to represent BUK well in their new assignments and appealed to the Management to contact them whenever they see an opportunity in their respective country of assignment.

Also present were the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Professor Muhammad Sani Gumel, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research & Development), Professor Abdullahi Sule-Kano, Ag. Registrar, Malam Jamil Ahmad Salim, University Librarian, Dr. Musa A. Auyo, and the Ag. Director, VC's Office, Malam Sherriff Ahmed.

Presidential Visitation Panel Impressed with CDA's 89 PhDs Enrollment By Nura Garba

The Presidential Visitation Panel deployed to Bayero Mohammed Jibrin, told the panel that the centre, which University has been overwhelmed by the Centre of was established in 2012, had recorded massive Dryland Agriculture's massive transformation and achievements in recent times and believed that the Centre deserved commendation as an exemplified true Africa centre of excellence.

The Visitation Panel was particularly impressed with the rising profile of CDA in Africa with the enrollment of 87 PhDs and over 300 MScs and with students from 13 African countries in just five years.

The Chairman of the Visitation Panel, Professor Femi Otunbajo, spoke on behalf of other members of the panel when they interacted with the management and staff of CDA on Friday, 23rd May, 2021.

According to the Chairman, "we have been hearing and reading about this Africa centre of excellence and it becomes paramount for this panel to come and see the massive projects put in place."

Prof Otunbajo took time to shower encomiums on the enrollment of 89 PhD candidates from West and Central Africa, saying that the objective of establishing CDA among other things to address the manpower development in Africa had been well achieved.

The panel also commended the CDA for sustaining the centre in spite of the challenges of accessing fund and expressed a high level of satisfaction with the centre's real commitment to transform the dryland into rich agricultural resources.

Earlier in his remarks, the Director CDA, Professor Jibrin Laboratory.

transformations in the area of research, teaching and collaboration as it had collaborated with many institutions and industries around the world

According to him, the centre competed and won a World Bank grant to become an African Centre of Excellence and recently it was among the few selected among the Africa Centres of Excellence for Development Impact.

He said through the CDA programme, Bayero University was selected by PASET as one of seven African universities to host PASET doctoral scholars and RSIF research and innovation activities in PhD Natural Resource Management and Climate Change. He added that 144 universities applied, but BUK was among the only 7 selected to host the PASET programme.

Prof. Jibrin further explained that the CDA had greatly assisted over 20,000 farmers in terms of improving their yields and reducing the cost of their production. The centre also promoted various varieties of crops such as groundnut and cowpea, and farmers had significantly adopted them.

"The CDA has developed a fertilizer recommended tool which as of last year was extended to more than 20,000 farmers," said the Director CDA, Prof Jibrin.

The members of the panel were taken round the CDA facilities, including the multi-purpose laboratories, Training and Research Farm and Tissue Culture



"BUK One of the Most Peaceful Universities in Nigeria," Says Governor Ganduje

By Muhammad Salisu Rabiú

commended the peace and tranquility existing in Bayero programme at BUK and saw a number of former Vice University, Kano and described the atmosphere as being Chancellors in attendance which one could hardly find one of the most peaceful tertiary institutions in the in many of other Universities. "This could be as a result country.

He made the commendation when he received the The Governor added that in BUK "there exists a very Bayero University Presidential Visitation Panel during a rancor free and good process of succession, unlike in courtesy visit at his office on Saturday, 29th May, 2021 other places where peace eludes past and existing



His Excellency, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje

and noted that such Panels were very important aspects in revamping the university system.

"Without any fear of contradiction Bayero University, Kano is one of the most peaceful universities in the country. There is no doubt about this," he declared.

Governor Abdullahi Umar Ganduje of Kano State has The Governor further said that he used to attend a of the existing peace and tranquility in BUK," he said.

administrations."

"In BUK, both the former and existing leadership are in constant touch and respect one another with appreciative relationship," he said.

Earlier, the Chairman of the Presidential Visitation Panel, Professor Femi Otubanjo, said they were at Government House as part of the interaction with various stakeholders to find out the relationship between the University and host communities.

He noted that they were assigned to visit Bayero University with a view to finding out how the institution was being governed, the challenges they were facing, how it has been managed and how best

it could serve the purpose for which it was established, among other things.

He expressed delight at the cordial relationship between the host Kano State government and the Management of Bayero University, which is worthy of emulation.

iculum to Prioritize Technical Education **Calls for Review of Curr** By Muhammad Salisu Rabiú

The Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje has suggested for a review of university curriculum with a sure that the existing cordial relationship between Bayero view to giving priority to technical education, explaining that, "the number of unemployed graduates is alarming which calls for a serious rethink."

"Our emphasis should be shifted to technical education so as to address the lingering unemployment among the teeming graduates," said the Governor.

The Govenor spoke in his office on Saturday, 29th May, 2021 while receiving members of the BUK Presidential Visitation Panel, saying that, "education is not only about gaining employment, but rather to increase the level of one's power of reasoning."

Dr. Ganduje argued that the inclusion of technical education in our curriculum development, especially at tertiary institutions, would go a long way in inculcating the attitude of self-reliance amongst teeming youth.

Dr. Ganduje said that most developed nations gave priority attention to technical and entrepreneurial studies, making their youth self-reliant rather than looking for white colour jobs.

The Governor equally promised to intervene and make



The Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje (right) and Chairman, Presidential Visitation Panel, Prof. Femi Otubanjo

University and host communities become stronger and cordial. In particular, he said "with regards the issue of allocating land to those villagers around the University, the State government would definitely look into that with a view to finding amicable solution. "Even for the sake of improving security around the university, something concrete and effective will be done," the Governor assured.

In his speech, the Chairman of the Panel, Prof Otubanjo Olufemi, disclosed that "your Excellency, we are seeking for your support to kindly intervene as some villagers

surrounding the university are encroaching the university's land. We urge you to relocate them to other places on new Ring Road or any other area you deem fit, Sir. Also in the area of the issuance of Certificate of Occupancy," . he appealled.

Faculty of Education Honours VC, Mrs. Ganduje, More



By Adamu Garba





Dean, Faculty of Education presenting a plaque to VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas (left)

Her Excellency, Dr. Hafsat Umar Ganduje

VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas presenting a plaque to Prof. Ruqaýyat Ahmad Rufa'i

Faculty of Education, Bayero University has conferred an messenger for their meritorious services to the faculty at award of honour to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir different levels. Adamu Abbas, the wife of Governor of Kano State, Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Umar Ganduje and 28 others.

At a colourful ceremony which took place at the former Senate Chamber on Thursday, 27th May, 2021, the Dean of the Faculty, Dr. Ali Idris, said the award was in recognition of their tremendous contributions to the development of the faculty and the University at large.

The prestigious awards were conferred on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, the former Minister of Education, Professor Rugayyatu Ahmed Rufa'i and the wife of the Governor of the State, Her Excellency, the First Lady of Kano State, Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Umar Ganduje as well as former acting Vice Chancellor of BUK, Professor Danjuma A. Maiwada, among others.

Another category of awardees were the former Deputy Vice Chancellors from the Faculty, including Professor Garba Dahuwa Azare and Professor Abdurrashid Garba, former Deans, Prof. Ahmed Eshak, Prof. Muhammad Yahaya Bichi, Prof. A.T. Adedoja, Prof. Mansur U. Malumfashi, Dr. Musa A. Auyo, Prof. Mansur Sale Kiyawa, Prof. Ali Tijjani Abdullahi and Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Yakasai. They were also recognized in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the development of the education and humanity in general.

The ceremony also recognized retired staff of the faculty, Prof. Tijjani Isma'il, Prof. M.I. Ajibero, Prof. Abdulganiyu O. Fagbemi, Prof. Aliyu Dauda, Prof. Stephen O. Olubadewo, Prof. Muhammadu Abdullahi, Prof. Kabiru Isyaku and Dr. Muhammad Dauda Yakasai. Others were Malam Muhammad Sani Bala Hassan, Mal. Auwalu Baba Hausawa and Mal. Abubakar Mai Jama'a, a retired

The Dean, Faculty of Education, Dr. Ali Idris, described the celebrants as their mentors and role models who served the University at their productive ages, adding that the Faculty of Education was proud of them.

Dr. Idris also recognized the contributions of some eminent members of staff in persons of Dr. Yahaya Isa Bunkure, the Provost of Sa'adatu Rimi College of Education, Dr. Yazid Ibrahim Lawal, H.O.D. of Physical and Health Education, Dr. Bello Shehu, Executive Secretary (ES), KSSMB and Prof. Abba Haladu.

In his remarks, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abbas described the ceremony as a special one, being the first of its kind organized by the faculty in recognition of services rendered by its members. He pledged that the University would begin to recognize and honour long serving members of staff.

Professor Malumfashi who spoke on behalf of the recipients, said they were humbled and overwhelmed by the gesture bestowed on them. He prayed for the souls of departed colleagues and called on the Dean of the Faculty to keep it up.

On her part, Her Excellency, the Wife of Kano State Governor, Dr. Hafsat Ganduje, said the awards were inspiring and motivating for one to be more committed and redouble efforts, noting that the teaching profession was about service to the Almighty Allah and to humanity.

Highlights of the occasion were presentations of souvenirs to the celebrants and a reversed presentation of souvenir to the Vice Chancellor by Prof. Malumfashi.

BUK signs MoU with Digital Bridge Institute

By Adamu Garba

Bayero University has signed a Memorandum of Officials present at the meeting include Deputy Vice Understanding (MoU) with Digital Bridge Institute Chancellor (Academics), Professor Muhammad Sani (DBI) in the area of computer science and information Gumel, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research & technology.

The MoU was made public when officials of the Digital Bridge Institute, Abuja led by Mr. Paulinus Okey Ugwoke paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas in his office on Tuesday, 1st June, 2021.

The Vice-Chancellor expressed his pleasure about the MoU, stressing that it would be beneficial to the University's students, especially those in departments of Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Cyber Security and Information Technology.

He stated that the main purpose of the MoU was to create a bridge between the industry and academia and ensure that students are equipped with relevant IT skills to contribute to the industry upon their graduation.

development of the required skills in the aforementioned Computer Science and Information Technology departments, as well as the provision of mentorship for students.



Development), Professor Abdullahi Sule-Kano, Director, Academic Planning, Professor Haruna Musa, Ag. Registrar, Malam Jamil Ahmad Salim, University According to him, the MoU would further facilitate the Librarian, Dr. Musa A. Auyo and the Ag. Director VC's Office, Malam Sherriff Ahmed. Also present were the Dean, Faculty of Computer Science, Dr. Ibrahim Yusuf and HOD Computer Science Department, Dr. Habiba Adamu Kakudi.

Dept. of Sci. and Tech. Edu Conducts 2nd National Conference By Sabitu M. Jinjiri

The Department of Science and Technology Education support to the faculty and the department. conducted a three (3) day national Conference on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics



(STEAM) Education. The opening ceremony of the event took place at the Convocation Arena on Monday, 31st May, 2021.

Speaking at the occasion, the Dean, Faculty of Education, Dr. Ali Idris expressed his appreciation of the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas for his

Delivering the key note paper, Professor Mamman Audu Wasagu, highlighted that one of the problems bedeviling

> STEAM education implementation in the country was the mismatch between what policy makers want to be applied and what is actually obtained in the teaching/learning environment.

> Professor Wasagu, however proffered that most of world education problems needed an interdisciplinary approach to solve, which STEAM should provide.

> Presenting his paper, the lead paper presenter, Professor Mamman Musa of Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, stated that 'we need both political and administrative wills to achieve what we want to achieve' when it comes to STEAM

education.

Professor Musa called for emphasis on student-centered teaching because in teacher-centered teaching, it is only the teacher that benefits from the process.

Delivering a goodwill message at the occasion, Kano State First Lady and wife of the Governor, Dr. Hafsat

Abdullahi Ganduje, thanked Allah for making the congratulated Bayero University for having a Science conference a reality and stressed that Kano State attaches much significance to science education.

Considering the immense benefit of science and technology in countries like Nigeria, Dr. Hafsat Ganduje

and Technology Education Department.

The 3-Day Second National Conference was titled Issues in STEAM Education in the 21st Century.

Faculty of Social Sciences Trains Level Coordinators on Usage of BUKRes By Sabitu M. Jiniiri -

The Faculty of Social Sciences has organized a one-day level coordination, by improving the capacities of level training on the usage of BUKRes software for its level coordinators on usage of BUKRest software introduced by coordinators and exams officers. The training was motivated by the need to improve the capacity of coordinators on the usage of the software and communicate to the CIT some of the identified observations. The training was facilitated by Engineer Umar Balarabe of DEAR/CIT on Tuesday, 1st June, 2021 at the Faculty Board Room.

In his welcome address, the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof. Ahmad M. Tsauni, welcomed participants to the training and urged them to utilize the opportunity. According to him, it was a resolution of the Faculty Board to organize the training in an attempt to ease the work of

the University.

The Faculty of Social Sciences was one of the Faculties that used BUKRes software for levels 100 and 200 in the concluded First Semester Examinations (2019/2020).

During the training, questions on grey areas were addressed by the Facilitator. Similarly, inputs/observations on how to improve the software were provided by the participants and users of the software. The Facilitator on behalf of the CIT gladly accepted the observations with a view to transmitting same to the appropriate authorities for necessary updates.

VC Gets Second Dose of Astrazaneca

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Principal Abbas on Monday, 31st May, 2021 received Officers and his second dose of astrazaneca injection at Management Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital.

It could be recalled that sometimes in March 2021, the Vice Chancellor along with other

the injection.

staff took the first dose of



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 Bashir Ali	Department of Mathematical	Dean, Faculty of Physical Sciences	26 th May,
		Sciences		2021
2	Professor Mansur Kiyawa	Department of Education	Re-appointment as Deputy Director (Research), Nigeria	1 st June, 2021
			Centre for Reading, Research and Development (NCCRD)	
3	Dr. Amina Adamu	Department of English and	Appointment as Deputy Director (Administration and	1 st June, 2021
		Literary Studies	Partnership), Nigeria Centre for Reading, Research and	
			Development (NCCRD)	
4	Dr. Aishat Umar	Department of English and	Appointment as Deputy Director (Development and	
		Literary Studies	Training), Nigeria Centre for Reading, Research and	
			Development (NCCRD)	

Imam of Ka'aba Mosque Leads Juma'a Prayer at BUK New Campus

By Lamara Garba



The Imam of the Ka'aba Mosque of Makkah, Professor Hassan Abdul Hamid Bukhariy, has admonished Muslims on the need to promote unity and brotherhood as a way of addressing the lingering socio-economic and other vices facing the society.

Delivering a sermon when he led the Juma'at prayer at the Bayero University New Campus Mosque on Friday, 28th May, 2021 he explained the importance of unity in the society which he described as one of the fundamental pillars for societal growth and development.

"Without unity, there will be no peace and peace paves the way for societal growth and development," he charged, saying that we can only prosper and address the problems facing our society if we love for our brothers what we love for ourselves," he said.

Professor Bukhariy, who is also the Dean, Institute of The Workshop ended on Tuesday, 1st June, 2021.

Teaching Arabic to non Arabs of the Centre for Arabic Language Studies at Ummul Qura University Makkah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabiyya was in Bayero University for a 4-day training workshop on Arabic Language and Shari'ah, jointly organized by Bayero University and Ummul Qura University.

He noted that envy, greediness and hatred are the major obstacles that retard development among nations and society. He lamented that the people of nowadays pay less attention to humanitarian services,

because people are now self centred.

The Grand Mosque Imam who led 7 other eminent scholars from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, explained that if all people will love one another, the world would have been at peace and tranquility. Quoting from the Holy Qur'an and the sayings of the Holy Prophet (SAW) the grand Mufti said Islam is the religion of peace, harmony and love. "If we can all adhere to the teachings of Islam, the world would have been a better place to live.

While appreciating the Management of Bayero University for providing a befitting Islamic Centre, he promised to provide support and assistance for the mutual benefit of the two institutions. The sermon which was presented in Arabic was later translated into Hausa by Professor Muhammad Rabi'u Sa'ad.

AKTH Resident Doctors Congratulate VC, Professor Abbas By Fausat O. Opayomi

BUK Management will continue to support College of Universities. Health Sciences to provide teaching, research and laboratory facilities.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas said this while receiving the executive members of Association of Resident Doctors, Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital (AKTH), on Wednesday, 26th May, 2021, in his Office.

The Chairman of the association, Dr. Mujahid Muhammad Hassan, who led the delegates on a courtesy call on the Vice chancellor, said the members were on a visit to congratulate him on his well-deserved appointment, which he described as a round peg in a round hole.

Dr. Mujahid said, AKTH which is BUK's Teaching Hospital is ranked one of the best in Nigeria and does not bear BUK as its nomenclature but has trained great minds within and outside the country with 480 resident doctors in AKTH.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, in his response, thanked the association for its visit. He said it is only BUK/AKTH that enjoys high breed relationship, not bearing BUK's name as a Teaching Hospital, unlike other

He said many Medical Doctors that graduated from BUK who work abroad get their employer to write back to BUK for confirmation, because the name of the hospital does not bear BUK. Although, he said changing name of the Teaching Hospital would not be easy but that the University Management will do everything within its powers to normalize the situation.



SEMINAR

Department of Nigerian Languages 2019/2020 POSTGRADUATE PROPOSAL/SEMINAR PRESENTATION

SERIES.....0028 M.A. Seminar: 1st **Presenter:** Umar Musa Abubakar (SPS/16/MHA/00010) Topic: Nazarin Tubalin Tallata Aikin 'Yan Takara a Waƙoƙin Makaɗi Ibrahim Ibrahim Supervisor: Dr Halima A. Dangambo M.A. Proposal 2nd Presenter: Aisha Aminu Yakasai (SPS/18/MHA/00004) Topic: Al'adun Matan Hausawa a cikin wasu Rubutattun Wasannin Kwaikwayo na Hausa Supervisor: Dr Aminu Lawal Auta 3rd **Presenter:** Hansa'u Hussaini (SPS/18/MHA/00009) Topic: Nazarin Cutar Damuwa ta Mata Hausawa a Zamantakewar Aure Supervisor: Prof. Aliyu Mu'azu 4th **Presenter:** Sabi'u Adamu (SPS/18/MHA/00011) Topic: Nazarin wasu Camfe-Camfen Hausawa a kan Dabbobi da Tsuntsaye Supervisor: Prof. Aliyu Mu'azu 5th **Presenter:** Aisha Abdurrahman Alfanda (SPS/18/MHA/00022) Topic: Garar Amarya a Bahaushiyar Al'ada Jiya da Yau: Nazari a Kan wasu Yankunan Masarautar Gaya Supervisor: Dr Ahmad Magaji **6th Presenter:** Hafsat Sabo Musa (SPS/18/MHA/00029) Topic: Nazarin Littafin Bakin Bunu Bata Baibaya na Daya da na Biyu na Bilkisu Yusuf Ali Supervisor: Dr Murtala Garba Yakasai Chairman: Dr Ahmad Magaji Time: 10:00 am

Date: Tuesday 08/06/2021 **Venue:** Emeritus Professor Abdulkadir Dangambo Departmental Boardroom

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PROPOSAL/SEMINAR PRESENTATION SERIES......0029

PhD Seminar II

1st **Presenter:** Yusuf Salisu Sani (SPS/18/PHA/00009) **Topic:** Nazarin Ka'idar Jeranta Sifatau a Gurbin Cike na Yakin Suna a Hausa

Supervisor: Professor Yakubu Magaji Azare **M.A. Proposal**

2nd Presenter: Adamu Zakari (SPS/18/MHA/00015) **Topic:** Nazarin Tsirar Kalmomi Dangin Suna a Hausar Gwandara da ke Karamar Hukumar Kokona ta Jihar Nasarawa

Supervisor: Professor Yakubu Magaji Azare 3rd Presenter: Safiya Bala (SPS/18/MHA/00022) Topic: Tasirin Ingilishi a Harshen Hausa wajen Kera Sunayen Laƙabi daga Sunan Yanka Tsakanin Matasa Supervisor: Professor Usman Usaini Fagge 4th Presenter: Sanusi Gambo Bello (SPS/18/MHA/00023)

Topic: Nazarin Kumbura da Harɗantawar Kalmomi a Hausar Wukari **Supervisor:** Professor Usman Usaini Fagge

5th **Presenter:** Hauwa Hayatu Shehu

(SPS/18/MHA/00031) **Topic:** Nazarin Aruli da Amsa-Amon Kari a wasu Waƙoƙin Aƙilu Aliyu Bisa Ra'in Raba-Gardama **Supervisor:** Dr. Ibrahim Garba Satatima **Chairman:** Prof. Yakubu Magaji Azare **Time:** 10:00 am **Date:** Wednesday 09/06/2021

Venue: Emeritus Professor Abdulkadir Dangambo Departmental Boardroom



CDA: 2nd Industry Lecture Series

The Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA), Bayero University, Kano invites members of the University community to its 2nd Industry Lecture Series **Topic:** Bio-entrepreneurship in Agriculture for sustainable income and food security. **Time:** Jun 8, 2021 at 02:00 PM West

Central Africa

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