



Islamic Civilisation Instrumental to Socio-economic Advancement of Europe, America, Others ...Says Dr. Bashir Umar

By Lamara Garba



Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar

The current socio-economic, political and technological advancement witnessed in the developed nations of Europe and America were the direct manifestation of the positive impact of the concept and values of the Islamic Civilization of ancient times, a renowned Islamic scholar and university don, Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar, has said.

Delivering a paper, titled “**Islamic Civilisation: Concepts, Sources and Manifestations**” at the 4th Public Lecture organized by the Centre for Islamic Civilisation and Inter faith Dialogue (CICID), on Wednesday, 7th April, 2021 at the Convocation Arena, he noted that the world would be a better place to live if Muslim nations and other societies would reinvigorate and imbibe those values of Islamic civilization.

According to him, Islamic Civilization has given societies and communities a sense of cultural identity and a sense of belonging to members of the respective societies, which influenced their modernization, socialization and economic as well as technological transformation over the years.

“It is interesting to note that Islamic Civilisation transmitted classic knowledge from the east to the west thereby institutionalizing the culture of knowledge in the global arena,” he posited, pointing out that all the ancient philosophers derived their inspiration from

Islamic scholars since time immemorial,” he asserted. Dr. Bashir Umar, who was the pioneer Director of the Centre for Islamic Civilisation and Interfaith Dialogue (CICID), particularly argued that the development of Europe, America, Chinese, Japanese Russia and other superpowers in the field of Agriculture, Science, Technology, economy and other aspects of human development, was only possible through their contact with Islamic Civilisation. and Muslim scholars.

He concluded that the world would prosper and be transformed beyond imagination if Muslim nations would return to their lost values of Islamic Civilisation of yester years.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, in his opening remarks commended the Centre for organizing the lecture series, which he said was a better way of promoting scholarship. He assured of his readiness to support such intellectual gathering, which was one sure way of developing education sector.

Professor Abbas, who expressed delight at the activeness of the Centre, which he said was up to the expectation, as it was excellently serving the purpose for which it was established, noted that the Centre had been making the university proud.

In his welcome remarks, the Director of the Centre, Professor Salisu Shehu, said the lecture was in line of the philosophy and vision of promoting intellectualism and scholarship. He said the proceedings of the lecture would be published in a book form.

He expressed gratitude to the management of the university for the support and encouragement it had been rendering, which made it possible to sustain the lecture series.

Highlights of the event were a presentation of a book to the Centre by a onetime Vice Chancellor of the University, Professor Ibrahim Hamid Umar, on Islamic Civilisation.



Communication Scholars, Experts Meets in BUK to Review PG Programmes in Media Studies

By Nura Garba

Communication scholars, media experts and professional journalists, as well as veteran broadcasters converged in the University between Tuesday, 26th and Thursday, 27th April, 2021 and brainstormed on the review of the curriculum for PG programmes.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, in his address, said he was delighted that Bayero University coordinated the historic process that is set to change the landscape of media and communication education in Nigeria.

He explained that arrangements had reached advanced stages for the establishment of departments of Journalism, Broadcasting, Development Communication, Public Relations, Advertising, Strategic Communication and Film and Multi-Media Studies in the Faculty of Communication.

The Chairman of the occasion, Dr. Tony Iredia, said the unbundling of mass communication would break the components of media and communication and provide grounds for experts in different fields. He said it would also entrench specialization by students.

The Executive Secretary of NUC Prof. Abubakar Rasheed represented by the Director, Academic Planning of the National Universities Commission (NUC), Dr. Noel Saliu, appreciated the leadership role being taken by BUK and commended the Chairman, MacArthur Implementation Committee of the project, Professor Umaru Pate, for a job well-done.

In his remarks, Professor Lai Oso, stated that the idea of unbundling started as a multi-stakeholder initiative but was embraced by the NUC. He said the graduates of Nigerian universities would fit into 21st century

marketing and academic needs. He commended the NUC for its openness to new ideas and innovations.

The Chairman, MacArthur Implementation Committee and Convener of the meeting, Professor Umaru Pate, said the idea “is to review the curriculum of PG programmes in media and communication,” so that the implementation stage would be completed before the end of this year.”

According to him, all Nigerian Universities had been urged to establish faculty of communication and relevant departments. He explained that MacArthur had extended its grant for the review of the PG curriculum, having done it earlier for the undergraduate programmes.

Prof. Pate who is also the VC, Federal University Kashere further stated that the Faculty had signed a memorandum of understanding with BBC, London on capacity building and the installation of broadcast equipment, saying that part of the grant was to train staff to attend international conferences.

During the interactive sessions, stakeholders were grouped according to curriculum for PG programmes on Journalism, Strategic Communication, Public Relations, Advertising, Film and Multi-Media, Information and Media Studies and Development Communication.

Professor Pate told the participants that the groups were given two-weeks each to come up with written proposals based on NUC guidelines. He added that the proposal would be subjected to further scrutiny by other renowned experts of international repute before submits to the NUC.

Presidential Visitation Panel Arrives BUK

By Adamu Garba

The Presidential Visitation Panel to Bayero University has started its assignment under the Chairmanship of Professor Femi Otubanjo.

In the exercise of the powers of the President, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces as the Visitor to Federal universities, President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, appointed a 7-member Visitation Panel to Bayero University, Kano to undertake a comprehensive review of the activities of the university for the periods 2011-2015 and 2016-2020.

On Monday, 26th April, 2021, the Panel paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas in which the Chairman, Professor Otubanjo stated that they came to conduct a review of 10-year activity and provide a feedback to the government.

He said the exercise was a mutually beneficial assignment in which the government needs to know the strength and weaknesses of its universities, while the universities will also bring to the fore their weaknesses, strength and areas that need improvement.

Welcoming members of the Panel, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Abbas assured it of University's full support and cooperation to ensure that they conduct the exercise successfully.

Documents chronicling activities of the University were later presented by the Vice Chancellor to the Panel, to serve as working papers and reference materials for the two-month assignment.

Other members of the panel are: Professor Mohammed Isa Kida, Dr. Ezinne Nwadinobi, mni, Arc. Mansur Kurfi, Barr. Isaac Ada Idota, Mrs. Essien Out Usendiah and Mr.

John Mairafi Amadu.

Recall that the Visitation Panels to universities were inaugurated by Minister of Education, Malam Adamu



Members of Presidential Panel during the visit

Adamu on Tuesday, 13th April, 2021 to among other things inquire into the level of implementation of the white paper on the last visitation report, look into leadership quality of each university in terms of the roles of Governing Council, the vice chancellors and other principal officers, as well as look into the financial management of each institution including statutory allocations and internally generated revenue over the recommended period to determine whether it was in compliance with appropriate regulations.

Other areas to look into include staff adequacy and staff development, law establishing the university, general security operatives and process and structures of discipline of students in line with due process of the rule of law.

BUK Condoles Kano, Bichi Emirs Over Mother's Death

By Adamu Garba

The Management of Bayero University, led by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, on Tuesday, 27th April, 2021 paid a condolence visit to the Emir of Kano, Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero and Emir of Bichi,



VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas and Management at the Emir's Palace during the condolence visit

Alhaji Nasiru Ado Bayero over the death of their mother, Hajiya Maryam Ado Bayero "*Mai Babban Daki*", who

passed away on Saturday 24th April, 2021 in Egypt after a brief illness.

The condolence visit had in attendance the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Management Services), Professor Mahmud Sani Umar, the Ag. Registrar, Malam Jamilu Ahmad Salim, Bursar, Dr. Sulaiman M. Bello, University Librarian, Dr. Musa A. Auyo and Ag. Director, VC's Office, Malam Ahmed Sheriff.

Speaking on behalf of the University, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas described the death of the departed Princess as painful and irreparable to the Emirs and their families, the Bichi and Kano Emirates and the entire people of State at large, adding that *Mai Babban Daki* would be missed.

Professor Abbas while consoling the family prayed to Allah to grant the twin Emirs and the people of Kano State the fortitude to bear the irreparable loss, adding that the entire University community felt deeply saddened over the death, but encouraged the family to take solace in God.

Pharmaceutical Council Begins Foreign Graduate Orientation in BUK

By Adamu Garba

The Pharmaceutical Council of Nigeria (PCN) has begun Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Orientation Programme (FPGOP) in Bayero University, Kano.

This was disclosed when members of the council paid a



Members of Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria in a group photograph with VC and Management

exercise was to interview foreign trained pharmacists preparatory to given them the license to practice. The exercise will last for six weeks.

He added that BUK would be hosting all the Deans of Pharmaceutical Sciences from universities in the North, who would interview 85 pharmacists to be sure that they qualified from approved schools before they could participate in the orientation programme.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Abbas, while responding to the visitors, was delighted for having a mechanism to evaluate pharmacists globally.

He encouraged the officials to maintain the exercise and assured them of the University's support and encouragement.

The Foreign Pharmacy Graduate Orientation Programme is designed exclusively for Nigerians whose undergraduate degree was conferred by a recognized school of pharmacy abroad. The programme operates under the auspices of the PCN in partial fulfillment of the requirements for registration as a pharmacist in Nigeria.

courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas in his office on Monday, 26th April, 2021.

The Registrar of PCN, Dr. Elejah Mohammed, who was represented by Dr. Anthony Idoko, disclosed that the

We are Committed to Provide Robust Security - VC

By Adamu Garba

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas has reiterated his commitment to ensuring adequate security in the University.

He made this while receiving members of the Security Policy Drafting Committee, who submitted a draft report to him on Monday, 26th April, 2021.

The Vice Chancellor further stated that his administration was taking security issues with utmost importance that which was why he constituted the Committee so as to address security challenges facing the University.

He charged how some staff wards and students were sometimes involve in acts inimical the security which he said all hands must be on deck in order to curtail security challenges.

While presenting the report earlier, the Chairman of the Committee, Professor Ismaila M. Zango, said it had identified and reviewed five key areas which he said included: ensuring that all security issues facing the University were addressed and mitigated; ensuring full compliance with the University's Rules and Regulations and the country at large and ensuring that University buildings were fully protected. Others according him are managing own

security personnel and other security agents providing security services to the University and developing a total assets protection programme to cover accident prevention, work safety, fire prevention and damage

control.

According to Professor Zango, the Committee had also identified some strategies that would allow the Security Division to achieve these objectives.



VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas (left) receiving the draft policy document from Prof. Ismaila Zango

Islamic Forum of Nigeria Holds 5th Ramadhan Lecture

By Sabitu M. Jinjiri

A leader is like a market. Whatever is in the market is what will be bought by the shoppers at the market. This was the observation made by Mallam Nour Sani Hanga of Hudaibiyya Foundation during a paper he delivered at the 5th Annual Ramadhan Lecture organized by Islamic Forum of Nigeria in conjunction with several stakeholders such as Rahama Radio, Express Radio, Sunna TV, Sa'adatu Rimi College of Education, AKCILS and the University's IIIBF, among many others.

The Annual Ramadan Lecture was held at on Sunday, 25th April, 2021. Mallam Hanga called on the Muslim Ummah, especially those who stay at home and refuse to vote to change their attitude. He described the habit as catastrophic, which will not help to change the order of things.

Talking on the way out of the present predicament of having bad leaders, Mal. Hanga stressed the need for people to actively participate in election process to take the issue of leadership to be a serious one and do all they could to ensure good leaders get elected and be placed in positions of authority.

The 2nd paper presenter, Prof Ahmad Murtala of Bayero University, Kano, lamented that the present day leaders in the country were keen on amassing wealth for themselves and neglectful of methods to do with improving the lives of the led.

Proffering a solution to the treachery of some of the current leaders, Prof Murtala urged the righteous and the capable of the Muslim Ummah to enter politics and stop seeing it as a dirty game; because they can rectify the anomalies.

Passing a comment after the two papers, a renowned scholar, Sheikh Ibrahim Khalil stressed that people's power should be stronger than the people in power. He also urged the Muslim Ummah to know the persons they vote into power to avoid giving power to unsuitable candidates.

The yearly Ramadan Lecture with the topic: **Shugabanci na Gari Garkuwar Al'umma** (Good Governance: A Shield for the Muslim Community) was attended by a good number of dignitaries and hundreds of participants.

Among the dignitaries that graced the occasion was the Forum's Chairman, Rt. Brigadier General, Ahmad Muhammad Daku; the Emir of Kano, Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero represented by Dan Amar Kano; representatives of Kano and Benue State Governors; the Forum's Chairman of the Occasion, Alhaji Bashir Othman Tofa; Professor Hafiz Abubakar represented and Senator Ibrahim Shekarau represented, among many other distinguished personalities.

Highlights of the occasion were in form of presenting every attendant with an *iftaar* package as well as distributing three hundred (50kg) bags of rice to the needy.



Prof. Ahmad Murtala, 1st Speaker



Al Nour Sani Hanga, Chairman Hudaibiyya Foundation 2nd Speaker

APPOINTMENTS

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

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE
1	Professor Tijjani Hassan Darma	Department of Physics	Provost, College of Natural and Pharmaceutical Sciences	3 rd April, 2021
2	Dr. Jibril Dan'Azumi Jibril	Department of Estate Management	Director, Consultancy Services Unit	3 rd May, 2021
3	Dr. Hadiza Jummai Ibrahim	Department of Mass Communication	Deputy Dean (Professionals) School of Postgraduate Studies	3 rd May, 2021
4	Dr. Saleh Inusa Karkarna	Department of Animal Science	HoD, Animal Science	28 th April, 2021



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BUK Qualifies for HIFL 2021

By Nura Garba

Bayero University Football Team has qualified for the Higher Institutions Football League (HIFL) tournament through qualifiers which took place from 19th to 24th April, 2021 in BUK.

BUK Football Team popularly called BUK Stallions was grouped in Zone A alongside Kano University of Science and Technology (KUST) Wudil, Kogi State University, Ayingba, Abubabaker Tafawa Balewa University, Bauch and University of Maiduguri.

A total of 46 games were played across five zones in Nigeria to determine the universities that would join the super four; University of Agriculture, Makurdi, University of Calabar, Obafemi Awolowo University and University of Ilorin. They were selected based on their performance in the 2019 edition.

Two top schools from each zone qualified for the round of 16, which will be played in June this year and two wildcards were selected based on their performance in the qualifiers to be among the 16 universities.

BUK Stallions opened its HIFL campaign with a barren draw against KUST Pyramids before beating Kogi State University by a solitary goal courtesy of Mustapha Mustapha. In the third match, BUK Stallions lost 0-2 from a hard fought University of Maiduguri before getting better of ATBU by 2-1.

Despite winning two matches and drawing one, BUK finished the group with seven points same with University of Maiduguri but the latter has superior goal difference. BUK was selected as the best loser from the north while Lagos State University was selected from the South.

Kogi State University, KSU Stars topped BUK zone with nine points after defeating ATBU 3-0, KUST 2-1 and Unimaid 2-1.

The BUK Bulletin asked KSU Coach, S.A Adeyemi on what was the secret behind his success, he said



Kogi State University players celebrating victory over University of Maiduguri

determination, commitment and resilience gave his team an edge over all other teams. He said he was determined to win the ultimate HIFL prize at the end of the day.

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This is to invite members of the Congregation to an emergency meeting of the Congregation scheduled to hold as follows:

Date: Tuesday, 4th May, 2021

Time: 10:00am

Venue: Convocation Arena

Agenda:

1. Interaction with Presidential Visitation Panel

Covid-19 protocols shall be observed, please.

Lamara Garba

Secretary,

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