Two BUK Senior Academics Join Buhari’s Team...

• Prof. Radda to Serve in Anti-graft Committee,
• Prof. U.G. Dambatta Now CEO, NCC

Two Bayero University senior academics, Professor Sadiq Isah Radda and Professor Umar Garba Dambatta were recently appointed by President Muhammadu Buhari to assist the administration in its determined efforts to bring the desired change in managing the affairs of the country.

Professor Radda was appointed to serve in a seven-man Presidential Advisory Committee against Corruption. A Professor of Criminology, Professor Radda is the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) at the Bayero University, Kano.

He began his teaching career in Bayero University, Kano in 1990 and through dint of hard work and perseverance was promoted to the rank of Professor of Criminology in 2011.

An erudite scholar, Professor Radda combined scholarship with labour activism and had since carved a niche for himself as the voice of the voiceless and the defender of the defenceless.

Professor Radda has held several academic and administrative leadership positions such as Head of Department of Sociology and Dean, Faculty of Social and Management Science and Postgraduate School, as well as chairmanship of several University committees before his elevation to the position of DVC.

Professor Umar Garba Dambatta on the other hand was appointed Vice-President and Chief Executive Officer of National Communications Commission (NCC). A former Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, and Director, Centre for Information Technology, his appointment is for a five-year term in the first instance.

A Professor of Electrical Engineering, U.G. Dambatta was the Commission’s Digital Bridge Institute (DBI) former Vice-President in charge of Kano Campus. He held the position from 2008 to 2013.

The new NCC Vice-President and CEO began his teaching career at the Bayero University, Kano in 1985. Through dint of scholarship and hard work, U.G. Dambatta became the Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering in 1997 and a year later, 1998 he was appointed the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering.

In the year 2000, he was appointed chairman of a 12-man Kano State Implementation Committee for the take-off of the State University - Kano University of Science and Technology, Wudil. One year later, in 2001 and owing to his committee’s successful steering of the Implementation Committee, the then State Governor, Alhaji Rabiu Musa Kwankwaso appointed him the University’s Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

U. G. Dambatta was promoted to the prestigious rank of Professor of Electrical Engineering in 2005 and in 2007 he was appointed Director of BUK’s Centre for Information Technology (CIT), a position he held until 2008 when NCC
appointed him its Digital Bridge Institute (DBI) Kano Campus Vice-President.

Professor U.G. Dambatta returned to Bayero University in 2013 after the expiration of his tenure as DBI Vice-President.

**Prof. Rasheed Receives Standing Ovation at Valedictory Senate Meeting**

The outgoing Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed received a rapturous standing ovation from the Senate members when he read his valedictory speech as Chairman at the Senate Chambers on Wednesday, 12th August, 2015.

The meeting, which was scheduled to hold at 10:00am witnessed a large turn-out of members, including three former Vice Chancellors, Professor Emirati Dandatti Abdulkadir, and Sani Zahraddeen as well as Professor Attahiru Jega. Also in attendance were former Minister of Education, Professor Ruqayyatu Ahmed Rufa’i, former JAMB Executive Secretary, Professor Bello Salim and ASUU National President, Dr. Nasir Isa Fagge.

Shortly after reading his valedictory address, the entire members stood up and gave him a standing ovation in appreciation and recognition of the enormous achievements recorded by the university within the five 5-year spell he served as Vice Chancellor. He said he had fulfilled all the eight pledges he made in 2010 when he took the mantle of leadership as 9th Vice Chancellor.

Professor Rasheed, who tagged his address as “Turning Possibilities into Realities”, said the university had strengthened and reactivated statutory and non statutory committees and given them a facelift.

He explained that an unparallel human development was recorded in the last few years in that the number of academic staff increased from 600 to 1467 and the number of technologists increased to 280, while the number of senior professional staff now stands at over 800.

Prof. Rasheed told the Senate that his pledge to restructure the Registry Department was a complete success as four new Directorates under the Registrar were established and are now fully functional. He said the development has made the Registry more efficient and effective.

The outgoing Vice Chancellor also explained to the Senate the breakthrough recorded in terms of security of lives and property, sustainable relationship with all the university unions, collaborations with international research institutes and organizations, as well as municipal services.

Prof. Rasheed commended the Senate members for their understanding and commitment to the BUK project. He said it was gratifying to note that the Senate had never rejected or turned down his memos in the last five years, a feat he described as “absolutely remarkable.”

While expressing appreciation to the members of the Senate for their support in recording the laudable achievements, Professor Rasheed enjoined them to extend the hands of fellowship to his successor, Professor Yahuza Bello, who is expected to assume on 18th August, 2015.

He prayed Allah to assist the new VC and guide him in all his future assignments.

Many members of the Senate extolled the virtues of the outgoing VC, Prof Rasheed and made inspirational remarks on him because of his transformation agenda that turned around the University within few years. They prayed Allah to uplift his career in his future assignments. They also expressed their happiness over his successor, whom they described as workaholic
and someone who is expected to step in his shoes and even surpass his achievements for the betterment of the university.

**BUK, Emirate Council Raise Social Reform Committee**

Bayero University Kano (BUK) in collaboration with the Kano Emirate Council has set up a committee that will look into some social problems facing the society with a view to finding workable solutions in line with the Divine injunctions.

The 25-man main committee which comprises of religious scholars, members of the academia, technocrats, and opinion leaders is headed by the grand Imam of Kano, Emeritus Professor Muhammad Sani Zahraddeen has three sub committees: Marriage/ Divorce, Zakkat/Economic Empowerment and Education.

Speaking during the inauguration of the committee at the University’s Senate Chamber, on Saturday, 8th August, 2015, the Emir of Kano, Muhammad Sanusi II charged the members to identify contemporary problems and to study and interpret the teaching of Islam in the context of the intellectual and scientific progress of modern society.

The Emir, who expressed regret at the high rate of divorce, drug abuse, illiteracy and poverty in the society, urged the committee to conduct deep research on these social vices and other problems facing the contemporary generation and come up with possible ways with a view to facilitating moral rebirth in the state.

He said the state in particular and Nigeria in general needed to have policies that would take care of girl-child education, economic empowerment and marital issues; payment of taxation/development levies as well as self dependent among others which he regrettably said were common phenomena that contributed to the backwardness of our society.

"The need for our scholars both in the academia and outside to look at these problems critically and come up with a solution for government to enact laws that will have direct impact on the lives of our people is long overdue," said the Emir. In particular, he said, the committee should as a matter of serious concern advise government on an age limit for marriage girls, issue of dowry as well as making divorce stringent in order to checkmate the reckless cases of divorce in the society.

Emir Muhammad Sanusi II stressed that Muslims are known to be supportive of one another, very hardworking and self reliant, so building on this, he said the committee should assist the government by suggesting additional means and ways of income generation not necessarily relying on federation allocation alone.

According to him, Muslims are not supposed to be backward, as history had shown that majority of the ancient philosophers and scholars were Muslims, citing references of scholars in Medicine, Mathematics, Law, Philosophy, who were all Muslim scholars such as Muhammad Ibn Alkwarith and Ibn Sina whose contributions in Mathematics and Medicine among others, laid the foundation of their profession till date.

The Emir explained that Muslims should strive hard to go along with modernity and civilization, explaining that by engaging in research, we should be able to be carried along saying, “Muslims should not be seen as a primitive group in the fast lane of modernization just as they should not also allow modernity to disengage them from their religion.”

He commended the management of Bayero University for this noble project, which he said would be of tremendous benefit to the Nigerian
state. Emir Muhammadu Sanusi II, said his doors will forever remain open to render any form of financial and moral support to any cause that would impact positively on the lives of the citizenry.

Speaking earlier, the Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, said the idea of setting up the committee on Kano Social Reforms was conceptualised sometimes last year at a round table discussion among the University teachers with Emir Sanusi in attendance.

He said the University, as a centre for research and innovation is committed to engaging in deep research on any issue affecting the society as well as proffering solutions, hence, the decision to develop this noble social reform committee project.

The Vice Chancellor further expressed gratitude and appreciation to the Emir for his immense support and assistance to the University.

The Pro-Chancellor, Mahmud Yayale Ahmad (Ajiyan Katagum) commended Emir Sanusi for supporting the University.

Also speaking, the Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, said the state government would welcome any idea and policy that would further improve the living standard of the populace just as he disclosed that plans are underway by the government to regulate the activities of preachers in the state.

Many Islamic scholars including the Secretary General of Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs, Professor Ishaq Oloyede, Malam Ibrahim Khalil, AbdulWahab Abdullahi, Dr. Bahir Aliyu Umar among others all spoke on the need for Muslims to strengthen their unity, change their attitudes, be self reliant and above all give special attention to acquiring knowledge and its application for the benefit of humanity.

Bayeoro University Mother to Nigerian Universities - Gov. Ganduje

The Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje has described Bayero University as mother to all Universities in the country, saying it was the only University with almost all its former Vice Chancellors still serving and contributing to its development.

Declaring open a three-day international conference on’ The Qur’an: Past, Present and the Future’ in honour of Khalifah Ishaq Rabi’u (Khadimul Qur’an) on Thursday, 13th August, 2015 at Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, he said the out-going Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed will also join the former Vice Chancellors next week to further provide additional impetus to the development of the University, since a new Vice Chancellor would take over from him.

He said Bayero University for decades had been keeping to its mission and vision, sustaining programmes and developments; explaining also that Khalifa Ishaq Rabi’u, honoured by the University, is himself an institution, going by his investment and legacies on service to Islam, establishing schools, mosques, endowments as well as institutionalising his children and grandchildren on quality education and businesses.

Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed described Khalifah Rabi’u as a leading benefactor, founder and supporter of Bayero University Centre for Qur’anic Studies; the Centre he described as the key solution to many problems bedevilling Africa.

Professor Rasheed said Bayero University Centre for Qur’anic Studies was the sole organizer of the conference, appealing to government especially that of northern states to
support the centre towards tackling socio-economic problems bedevilling the region especially the insurgency.

Presenting the lead paper, Dr. Ahmad Furaih of the UmmulQura University, Makkah, Saudi Arabia, congratulated Bayero University for its deep thinking to empower memorisers of the Holy Qur’an through establishing Centre for Qur’anic Studies. He advised parents and stakeholders to give preference to the study and memorisation of the Holy Qur’an.

Speaking, Khalifa Ishaq Rabi’u called for the unity of Muslims irrespective of different ideologies, saying that Muslims wherever they are should respect one another. He thanked Bayero University for the honour done to him.

**BUK Wins Oxonia University Network Best Conference Paper Award**

The Oxonia University Network has announced Bayero University as winner of one of the two prestigious awards at its inaugural Research Enterprise, Innovation and Entrepreneurship International Conference, organised by University of Oxford in collaboration with Bayero University, Kano from 3rd to 5th August, 2015.

Other academics who presented papers from Bayero University include Professor Bashir Tijjani, Dean, Faculty of Social and Management Sciences; Dr. Hajara Umar Sanda of Department of Mass Communication, the only female staff who made presentation from Bayero University; Dr. Nuruddeen Abba Abdullahi and Dr Bala A. Kofar-Mata.

The Conference attracted delegates from around the globe, in which papers and presentations were reviewed by the Oxonia Scientific Committee to establish the winners. Professor Heirani Moghaddam, Chair of the Oxford Academy for Education and Development, the parent organisation of the Oxonia Network, awarded £1000 Pounds cheque each for the Best Conference Paper 2015 and for the Young Innovator 2015 on the concluding day.

Similarly, Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed has pledged additional 1000 Pounds incentive to Professor Murtala Sagagi for winning the award on behalf of the University.
Other staff members from Bayero University at the conference were Professor Gaji Dantata, Professor Talatu Garba, Professor Sa’idu Babura, Dean SPS; and Professor A’isha Isma’il, Head of Department of Political Science. The list of papers presented at the conference is available on http://conference.oxonianetwork.org.uk

Dr. Bashir A. Umar Appointed Director, Centre for Islamic Civilization & Interface Dialogue

The Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR has approved the appointment of Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar of the Department of Islamic Studies and Shariah as Director, Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interface Dialogue.

The letter of appointment signed by the Registrar, Sani Ibrahim Amin, MNIM, stated that the appointment take effect from 1st August, 2015 and for a period of two years.

Revised Guidelines for Study Fellowship and Self-Sponsorship for Non-Teaching Staff

A) Fulltime And Part-Time Study Fellowship

The following guidelines shall be observed in considering the application for nomination of Non-Teaching staff for training programmes.

i. The candidate being nominated shall be a confirmed staff.

ii. There should be a budgetary provision and establishment position to accommodate the placement of the staff on completion of the training.

iii. The proposed training should be appropriate to the line of duty for which the staff member is employed.

iv. The department should certify that the release of the staff for the period of the training will not require replacement.

v. The staff must have discharged the bond he/she signed

vi. A staff who fails to successfully complete a sponsored programme due to reasons attributable to him shall not be sponsored again.

vii. A staff whose failure to qualify for a sponsored programme is attributable to him shall not be sponsored again.

viii. Not more than (2) staff members should be released for a degree/diploma programme in the same department in a period of 4 years for degree or a period of 2 years for Diploma programme.

ix. Staff who wishes to pursue Full Time and Part Time study fellowship must satisfy the under-mentioned criteria in each of the programmes:

a. Staff who wishes to pursue certificate programme would be allowed only after confirmation. Except in the case of those staff that require specialized knowledge.

b. Staff who wishes to pursue National Diploma programme would be allowed only after confirmation. Except in the case of those staff that require specialized knowledge.

c. Staff who wishes to pursue Higher National Diploma programme would be allowed only after confirmation. Except in the case of those staff that require specialized knowledge.

d. Staff who wishes to pursue first Degree programme would be allowed only after confirmation. Except in the case of those staff that require specialized knowledge.

e. Staff who wishes to pursue Masters/PhD programme would be allowed only after confirmation. Except in the case of those staff that require specialized knowledge.

Where the budgetary and staffing situation could not support mass sponsorship of staff, candidates would be considered only for
programmes/courses that the university could grant full sponsorship.

B) Self-Sponsorship:
i. A member of staff who failed to successfully complete a programme sponsored by the University may be allowed to undertake another programme on self-sponsorship after a period of 3 years, where such failure to qualify is attributable to the staff.

ii. A candidate applying for self-sponsorship need not to be confirmed.

iii. Self-sponsorship could be allowed even where the programme of study is outside the line of duty of the staff provided it is offered in a recognized Institution.

iv. Self-sponsorship could also be allowed to a staff who enjoyed an approved fellowship after the staff has fulfilled the conditions in the bond for the fellowship.

v. Staff on self-sponsorship shall sign an undertaking that the study will not affect the full discharge of their responsibility to the university.

vi. Staff could be allowed to undergo part-time programme on self sponsorship at the National Open University.

x. Not more than (2) staff members should be released for a degree programme in the same department in a period of 4 years or a period of 2 years for Diploma programme.

xi. For part-time fellows the H.O.D shall certify that the study shall not affect the discharging of their responsibility.

xii. Except for part-time fellows all staff granted study fellowship shall sign a bond to serve the University for a period equal to the one spent on the study.

xiii. Part-time study fellows shall sign an undertaking that the study will not affect the full discharge of their responsibility to the university.

xiv. All newly employed staff wishing to undergo a part-time program on self sponsorship would be allowed after they acclimatized themselves with the university system for at least one year.

xv. Self-Sponsorship does not require signing bond.

xvi. Staff that acquired additional qualification before joining the service of the University shall be accepted if the certificate is relevant to their official duties, so as to prevent sponsoring him/her for the same certificate.

xvii. Staff that were allowed to undertake course on self sponsorship should wait for a period they spent on the program, before applying for another programme.

C) Schedule of Book Allowances for Staff on Study Fellowship:

1. Sub-Degree Programmes ₦ 10,000
2. First Degree/HND ₦ 20,000
3. Master Degree Programmes ₦ 30,000
4. PhD. ₦ 50,000

Postponement of 2016-2020 Strategic Plan: Consultative Meeting

The stakeholders consultative’ meetings for the preparation of 2016/2020 Strategic Plan, slated to hold on 10th to 17th August, 2015 has been postponed. The postponement is as a result of examinations, Senate, CCD and UMC meetings. According to a statement dated 18th August, 2015, by Prof. Habu Mohammad, Deputy Director, Strategic Planning, Directorate of Academic Planning said “New time-table would be communicated later. The Directorate regrets any inconvenience this chance might have caused you,” the statement concluded.

Novelty Matches In-Honour of Prof. Rasheed, Incoming VC To Hold Next Semester

The novelty matches in honour of the outgoing Vice Chancellor, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, mni, MFR and the in-coming Vice Chancellor,
Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, will take place in the first week of next semester.

A statement signed by Ibrahim Yahuza on behalf of the Sports Director, Malam Tijjani Ahmed Salisu said, two matches have been organized as follows:

1. Champion of Staff Football NASU Vs Student Champions FAIS.
2. Professors Vs other staff (50 years and above).

It was earlier reported in the last edition that FAIS and NASU will play a novelty match on Thursday 6th August, 2015.

**DEPT. OF AGRIC ECONS & EXT:** Sale of Destoned Milled Rice (Shinkafar Tuwo)

The Department of Agricultural Economics and Extension, Faculty of Agriculture has limited quantity of de-stoned milled white rice (Shinkafar Tuwo) for sale. The price per 25kg bag is Three Thousand Eight Hundred Naira only (₦3,800). Limited quantity is available so the sale will be based on first come first served basis and on cash and carry basis.

For booking and purchases, contact U. I. Karaye on 08139745857 or Yohana Ali on 08032877508.

**SEMINARS**

The following invite the University Community to their faculties/departmental seminars, scheduled as follows:

**Faculty of Engineering:** Faculty Seminar

**Presenter:** Dr. Abdussamad

**Topic:** Self-learning Framework for Load Transfer Analysis of Axially Loaded Piles.

**Chairman:** Associate Professor, Dr. O. A. U. Uche.

**Date:** Tuesday, 25th August, 2015

**Time:** 11:00am

**Venue:** Faculty of Engineering, Conference Room

**Department of Adult Education & Community Services:**

**Seminar**

**Presenter:** Aishat Umar

**Topic:** Point of View Through Modality: A Stylistic Analysis of Abubakar Gimba’s Innocent Victims.

**Chairperson:** Dir. Y. H. Usman

**Date:** Monday, 17th August, 2015

**Time:** 10:00am

**Venue:** B14 Departmental Seminar Room

**Department of Human Physiology:** MSc External Defence

**Candidate 1:** Shihabuddeen Muhammad (SPS/11/MHP/00013)

**Topic:** Academic Stress Perceptions and Effects on Serum Cortisol and Hematological Parameters, among First year Medical Students of Bayero University, Kano.

**External Examiner:** Dr. Muhammad Aliyu

**Internal Examiner:** Dr. Salisu Ahmed Ibrahim

**Supervisor:** Prof. A. A. U. Dikko

**Candidate 2:** Disso Gambo Mahdi (SPS/12/MHP/00004)

**Topic:** Assessment of Cardiopulmonary Function and Some Physiologic Parameters: A Retrospective Cohort Study Among Individuals Exposed to Petroleum Products in Kano, North-Western Nigeria.

**External Examiner:** Dr. Muhammad Aliyu

**Internal Examiner:** Prof. M. M. El-khashab

**Supervisor:** Prof. M. A. Salim

**Date:** Tuesday, 25th August, 2015

**Venue:** New Physiology Postgraduate Seminar Room, Old Campus.
This is to invite all candidates who chose Bayero University, Kano as their First Choice University in the 2015 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) conducted by Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB) to a Screening Exercise.

**ELIGIBILITY:** UTME Candidates must have scored not less than the indicated minimum score for various Faculties/Programmes as stated below:

1. **FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE**  
   - UTME Score: 180 and above

2. **FACULTY OF ARTS AND ISLAMIC STUDIES**  
   - B. A. Arabic: 200 and above  
   - B.A Islamic Studies: 200 and above  
   - All other programmes in the Faculty: 180 and above

3. **FACULTY OF COMPUTER SCIENCE & IT**  
   - UTME Score: 180 and above

4. **FACULTY OF DENTISTRY**  
   - UTME Score: 200 and above

5. **FACULTY OF EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**  
   - UTME Score: 180 and above

6. **FACULTY OF EDUCATION**  
   - UTME Score: 180 and above

7. **FACULTY OF ENGINEERING**  
   - UTME Score: 180 and above

8. **FACULTY OF LAW**  
   - UTME Score: 200 and above

9. **FACULTY OF CLINICAL SCIENCES**  
   - UTME Score: 200 and above

10. **FACULTY OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES**  
    - UTME Score: 200 and above

11. **FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES**  
    - UTME Score: 180 and above

12. **FACULTY OF SCIENCES**  
    - UTME Score: 180 and above

13. **FACULTY OF SOCIAL AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES**  
    - UTME Score: 200 and above

**Note:** Under the Faculty of Clinical Sciences, only candidates who scored 220 and above will be considered for admission into MBBS programme. However, candidates who scored 200 and above can write the test for consideration into other programmes if they so wished.

**METHOD OF APPLICATION**

**Step 1:** At the homepage of the Bayero University website, [www.buk.edu.ng](http://www.buk.edu.ng) click 2015 POST-UTME REGISTRATION

**Step 2:** Login using your UTME Number and UTME Aggregate (total score), then upload your passport-sized photograph. Note that the photograph uploaded will be the only valid ID for all admitted candidates throughout their stay in Bayero University, Kano.

**Step 3:** Fill-in the Applicants’ Particulars Form.

**Step 4:** Print your personalised payment invoice to make the payment of ₦2,500.00 (₦2,000 being cost of screening and ₦500 being Bank and Administrative charges) at any branch of the following Banks Nationwide:

i. UBA

ii. SKYE Bank
iii. Guaranty Trust Bank  
iv. First Bank  
v. Fidelity Bank  
vi. Stanbic IBTC Bank  
vii. Access Bank  
viii. Sterling Bank  
ix. EcoBank

**Step 5:** After making the payment, return to the website, [www.buk.edu.ng](http://www.buk.edu.ng) and login again. Your payment will be validated after which you can print your personalised examination card. Preview and confirm your information before printing your Examination Card. Note that applicants cannot print their exam cards until their payment is processed and verified.

**Note:** No Applicant will be allowed to sit for the Post-UTME test without valid Examination Card.

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**APPLICATION DEADLINE**

Payment for the registration will start on Monday, 17th August, - Friday 28th August, 2015. Portal for registration and printing of examination card will be closed by midnight of Sunday, 30th August, 2015.

**THE SCREENING EXERCISE WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, 4th AND SATURDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER, 2015**

**NB:**

- Applicants are to come to the screening venue with the following:
  a. Exam Card
  b. Writing Materials (2B Pencil and Eraser)
  c. Four Figure Table (where applicable)

- A comprehensive list of those who have made the requirement has been published in the University website – please check [www.buk.edu.ng](http://www.buk.edu.ng)

- GSM Phones are not allowed during the Post UTME screening exercise

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**ANY CANDIDATE WHO FAILS TO REGISTER FOR THE SCREENING EXERCISE AND/OR FAILS TO APPEAR FOR THE SCREENING TEST ON THE STIPULATED DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

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FATIMA BINTA MOHAMMED  
Director, DEAR  
For: Registrar