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Prof. Rasheed's Achievements, My Greatest Challenge –VC

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has described the successes recorded by the immediate past Vice-Chancellor Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed as his administration's greatest challenge.

Professor Yahuza Bello disclosed this on Monday, 7th September, 2015 when he received the leaders of Giginyu Forum from Nassarawa Local Government of Kano State on a courtesy call in his office.

He said considering how Professor Rasheed transformed the University both in terms of academics and physical infrastructure, 'I do not need anybody to tell me that I have a great challenge to attempt to measure up and at the same time maintain the tempo,' he remarked.

Professor Yahuza assured members of the Bayero University community of his commitment to carry the University to the next level. On the Giginyu Forum, the Vice Chancellor thanked them for the visit and assured them that he would not disappoint them.

In his speech, leader of the delegation, Alhaji Abdu Baso, said they were in the Vice Chancellor's office to congratulate him on his recent appointment as the 10th Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano and to wish him Allah's guidance and protection.

He thanked Bayero University Governing Council, Senate, its Management and members of Bayero University Community for the overwhelming confidence they had on the new

Vice-Chancellor which culminated to his victory.

Alhaji Baso prayed to Allah to guide him throughout his tenure.

BUK Cooperative Society: Rams Loan not Feasible for Now

This is to call the attention of the University Community that the BUK Cooperative Society Interim Management Committee inaugurated by the Vice Chancellor on Wednesday, 2nd September, 2015 has no mandate to purchase and distribute rams to staff members. Members of the Committee were directed to devise means of using the 40 million Naira take-off grant to cater for the welfare of staff members, citing instance with the purchase and distribution of essential commodities that have fixed market prices as loans.

To this effect, the Interim Management Committee wishes to inform the University Community that forms for the purchase of essential commodities and beef sale (watanda) are going to be made available to the secretariats of the various Unions in the University (ASUU, SSANU, NAAT & NASU) and Departmental Units from Monday, 14th September, 2015. Those interested are advised to subscribe early as limited slots of 500 units are available for the essential commodities; likewise the beef sale (watanda) has 500 slots as well. Applications will be treated on first-come first-served basis.

Signed: Chairman, BCSL Interim Management Committee, Dr. Ibrahim M. Barde.

Isyaku Rabi'u to Build Centre for Economic Research

A renowned Islamic scholar and leader of Tijjaniyya sect in Africa, Khalifa Sheikh Isyaku Rabi'u, has promised to finance the construction of Centre for Economic, Social and Population Research. The project will cost 180 million Naira.

This was disclosed by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, on Tuesday, 8th September, 2015 when he received members of Sheikh Isyaku Rabi'u family, who paid him thank you visit for hosting an international conference in honour of the Islamic scholar.

Professor Yahuza Bello commended Sheikh Isyaku Rabi'u for his tremendous support to the University and appealed to the other well to do individuals and corporate organizations to emulate the good gesture.

He said the burden of maintaining educational institutions especially the tertiary is too much for government alone to cater, hence the need for collaboration and partnership among the Universities, individuals and corporate bodies.

Earlier in his address, the leader of the delegation, Alhaji Nura Isyaku Rabi'u, said they were in the University to express appreciation on behalf of the family for the honor done to Khalifa Isyaku Rabi'u by the Bayero University.

In particular, he said, the recent International conference on Qur'an in honour of their father organized by the University is the highest act of recognition and therefore they remained grateful and indebted.

Alhaji Nura promised that the relationship between the University and the family would continue to wax stronger.

BAYERO UNIVERSITY BECOMES GENDER FRIENDLY - VC

Bayero University has rapidly become gender friendly University through advancing the course of female academics and non academics on employment and promotion to higher ranking positions, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has disclosed.

Professor Yahuza Bello while receiving Association of Female Congregation Members (ASFCOM), Bayero University Chapter, during a courtesy call at Council Chamber on 8th September, 2015 said, the University in the last one month had promoted ten female academic staff to Professors and Associate Professors.

The Vice Chancellor said that unlike their male counterparts, most women can't proceed abroad for one to three year postgraduate programme due to family related problems, hence the introduction of the special scholarship to advance their potentials.

Professor Yahuza said the 200 million Naira NEEDS Assessment allocations to Bayero University had afforded it to sponsor 37 female academic staff to study in the Nigerian Universities; many of them are about completing their PhDs.

He said, Bayero University has initiated providing full allowances including tuition fee to female academic staff members pursuing their postgraduate programmes in the University. This particular initiative, he said, has been appreciated by the NEEDS Assessment Team that visited Bayero University recently, promising to sale the idea to other Universities.

Professor Yahuza said "we are on course to providing gender level playing ground on employment, promotion, and whatever the University is pursuing to promote academic excellence. We would soon appoint a female Director at Centre for Gender Study; we would

also give more scholarship to female staff to ease the problem of nursing mothers.”

He said the University will provide ‘Baby Nursing Centre’ at a place that is more central in the New Site, where the nursing mothers will keep their babies during working hours. The University will provide facilities at the centre and hand over to either private organization or the association to manage, he added.

The Vice Chancellor promised to provide office accommodation to the association just as he donated the sum of 250,000 Naira for the repairs of their vehicle. He thanked members of the association for the great role they played during the parley, where he was overwhelmingly voted by members of the University Community, saying even before the parley, the members had canvassed support for his Vice Chancellorship candidature.

The spokesperson, Dr. Ghaji Fatima Dantata, said members of the University Community have made an excellent choice of the Vice Chancellor, based on expertise, experience and talent, saying the appointment attested to the dedication, selfless service and hard work exhibited by the new Vice Chancellor.

She said the association would assist him to succeed as Vice Chancellor, appealing also for the repairs of the association’s grounded vehicle and provision of office accommodation that would serve as its secretariat.

Former Minister of Education, Professor Ruqayya Ahmad Rufa’i said the association appreciated the new Vice Chancellor for his laudable role in moving the University forward just as Hajiya Halima Hayat also thanked and appealed to him to give further support to female staff and students.

Prof. Abdalla Uba Adamu’s Lecture Tour in Germany

Professor Abdallah Uba Adamu of the Department of Mass Communication has recently returned from a lecture tour of Germany. He was in Berlin and Hamburg from 4th to 18th August, 2015.

In Berlin, he gave two lectures as part of this year’s Wassermusik Festival hosted by the Haus der Kulturen der Welt/House of World Cultures, a centre for the exchange of ideas and performing arts between Germany and the rest of the world.

The first was Youth and Culture in Northern Nigeria, which was delivered on Thursday, 6th August, 2015. The second lecture was *The Influence of Hindi Film Music on Muslim Hausa Popular and Religious Music*, which was delivered in the same venue as the first on Saturday, 8th August, 2015. Both the two lectures focus on the vibrancy and dynamism of consumer media in northern Nigeria and its transnational dimensions.

This was particularly appropriate to the Wassermusik Festival since the 2015 edition was themed to celebrate the famous Hindi film, *Mother India* (dir. Mehboob Khan, 1957) and its impact on the entertainment structures of non-Indians. Prof. Adamu’s paper drew attention to the influence of transnational flows as reflected in, for instance, a song from the film, ‘Dukh bhare din bite re **bhaiya**’ and how it was onomatopoeically appropriated by a Ushaqu India, as Mukhtar Abin **Biya**. Professor Adamu has mapped out over 130 songs of the Ushaqu India, Kano and their corresponding onomatopoeic Hindi film equivalents in a project that looks at how Hindi film songs provide templates for Hausa religious songs. It is noteworthy that all the Ushaqu songs were in the praise of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW).

Prof. Adamu then traveled to the University of Hamburg, where he provided academic assistance to doctorate research of a student studying at the University of Leipzig. He also delivered a paper at the Center for the Study of Manuscript Cultures, University of Hamburg, on Thursday, 13th August, 2015.

The title of the paper was *'The City at the Edge of forever-Archiving and Digitizing Arabic Sources on the History of Kano, Nigeria*. This lecture attracted the attention of manuscript archives expert, Dr. Dmitry Bondarev, whose research interests cover African linguistics (structure of Saharan languages with a focus on Kanuri/Kanembu) and history of writing in Arabic based scripts (Ajami) in Africa. In 2003, he started analyzing old Kanembu-an archaic (and virtually unknown) variety of Kanuri. During his fieldwork trips to north-east Nigeria and south-east Niger in 2005-2010, he worked on Kanuri and Kanembu dialects including an offspring of Old Kanembu (Tarjumo) used by Islamic scholars for Qur'anic Studies. Dr. Bondarev who speaks Hausa, has been working for years in the area of Kanuri Qur'anic manuscript preservation at the School of African and Oriental Studies, University of London.

He has now transferred to Hamburg University. After the lecture there were discussions about the possibility of linkage and partnership with Bayero University concerning the use of digital consumer technologies such as smart phones in the digitization of manuscripts owned by local Arabic and Arabicist scholars especially in the Kano basin.

Prof. Adamu has since resumed his duties at the Department of Mass Communication.

However, he has also been invited to give a series of five lectures at Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick,

United States, from 14th October to 2nd November, 2015.

Security Directorate Gets VC's Commendation on Training

The Security Directorate has been commended by the Vice Chancellor for training and re-training of its staff for effective and efficient service delivery, in line with the management's policy of ensuring excellence.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who commended the Directorate at its in-house training for security officers, said the Directorate had complied with the University's 2014 Retreat declaration, which requested the Directorates and Units to organize an in-house training for their staff.

While declaring the workshop open on Monday 7th September, 2015, the Vice Chancellor said the training was of paramount importance considering the security challenges facing the country, adding that security personnel needed to be up to date through acquisition of new methods of combating crimes and techniques of gathering information for securing the lives and property.

The Vice Chancellor tasked the Security Directorate to be pro-active as the management would continue to support its activities of protecting lives and property.

Earlier, in his opening remarks, the Director of Security, Colonel A.A Mohammed (rtd) said it was the 2nd in-house training where by 102 officers would be trained, saying that at the 1st training, 120 officers were trained by the directorate.

He said they would be trained on day to day activities, report writing, access control, rescue operation, search technique, interrogation, among others.

The Director, Public Affairs, Ahmed Shehu and Deputy Registrar in charge of Human Resource, Hajiya Halima Hayat were also at the ceremony.

Media Trust, BUK to Explore More Collaborations

The Media Trust Company, owner of Daily Trust Newspapers and Bayero University, Kano are to explore more collaborations that will benefit the two organizations.

In a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello by the management of Media Trust, led by Alhaji Aliyu Akosheli, Associate Director, Business and Strategies, the two organizations agreed to partner and explore more collaborative opportunities and will solidify the existing relationship between them.

Alhaji Akosheli told the Vice Chancellor that the Newspaper Company has been enjoying fruitful relationship with the university since 1998, stating that the company has for years been giving automatic employment to best graduating students from the Department of Mass Communication.

He said being an institution that has tremendously transformed in all facets; Bayero University should explore its potentials through publications in the newspaper company, appealing to the University to also patronize its printing press for publications.

“The Newspaper Company will give all the editorial support to the university”, he added.

Speaking, the Vice Chancellor, Professor M.Y. Bello expressed appreciation to the Media Trust for maintaining good working relationship with the University, assuring that the University in addition to sustaining it would also create new grounds.

The Vice Chancellor noted that the University is in the process of introducing internship training,

where students of Mass Communication would be sent to different media industries to gain practical knowledge, saying that the department would be intimated to adjust its curriculum.

Other members in the Media Trust entourage were the General Manager, Commercial Printing Press, Alhaji Abdullahi Hassan, General Manager, Kano Office, Alhaji Abdullahi Ladan, Regional Editor, Kano Office, Yusha’u A. Ibrahim, Head, Advert Department, Kano, Abbas Tijjani Madabo and the Photographer, Sani Mai Katanga.

Prof. Mukhtar A. Yusuf Reappointed Head of Linguistics Department

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the reappointment of Prof. Mukhtar A. Yusuf as Head of Department of Linguistics for another two years from 9th April, 2015.

A letter signed by the Vice Chancellor dated 7th September, 2015 called on the HOD to “give sound academic and administrative leadership to the Department.”

ASUU Condemns Super Powers

The Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) has condemned in strongest term the systematic policy by the European Union and other world powers to re-colonise Africa.

In particular, the Union expressed utter dismay at the unilateral annexation, occupation and exploitation of the natural resources to the benefit of France, Spain, European Union and other clearly identified world powers at the detriment of the fundamental right of the Saharawi people to self determination and independence.

To this end, the Union has called on all African Universities, academic centres, civil societies, the media and other pressure groups to rise in unison for the liberation of the continent from this ugly trend.

These were the highlights of the resolutions reached at the end of an international conference on the Liberation of Western Sahara organized by the Union, which took place in Abuja recently.

The Union specifically condemned the construction of the 2700 Moroccan military wall in the occupied Saharawi territory which was supported by some Western powers for their selfish interest thereby demanding for its immediate removal.

A communiqué issued at the end of the conference, signed by the chairman organizing committee, Dr. O. Fashina however, said considering the labour union's slogan of "an injury to one is an injury to all," it became imperative for African countries to apply this theory to the latter as it affects the forceful annexation, occupation and exploitation of the territorial sovereignty of the Saharawi Republic. The Union also called on the United Nations to organize a referendum without further delay for self determination of the people of Western Sahara as provided by the various charters of the UN and other continental bodies such as AU.

"The participants at the conference having deliberated on a series of issues related to the decolonization of Western Sahara including, inter alia, the right of the Saharawi people to self determination, called on the United Nations to hold, without further delay the referendum for self determination of the people of Western Sahara in accordance with the relevant UN and AU resolutions," it opined.

The Union reaffirmed its unflinching loyalty and solidarity to the struggle for the liberation of the

people of the Western Sahara. "We resolved to work decidedly for the issuance of legal warning to those identified nations profiting from the plundering of Saharawi resources."

ASUU also called for the establishment of a Nigeria-SADR bi-national commission with a view to reinforcing cooperation between the two countries.

Mass Comm. Class 90 Re-Unites, Holds Inaugural Meeting

The 1990 Mass Communication graduands met for the first time in 25 years after graduation with the promise to look at possible ways to assist the University.

According to a member of class 90 and Lecturer in the Department of Mass Communication, Dr. Hadiza Ibrahim, the members would meet yearly to discuss issues that affect the development of the University.

The members took time to go round the University to see where possible to render their support.

They also discussed ways of carrying out community services in the future.

SPORTS: BUK Tackles S. Bahago Academy on Friday 11

In its continuous preparations for the upcoming BUK/KWASU Sports Exchange Programme and WAUG Championship, Bayero University Students Football Team is to trade tackles with S. Bahago Academy, on Friday, 11th September, 2015 at the Old Campus field.

According to the BUK Football Head Coach, Ibrahim Isyaku Ibrahim, the team is in high spirit to test its might against the visiting team from the town.

Also speaking, the Assistant Coach, Nura Lawan said the players were cooperating with

the technical crew in terms of turnout during their training and moral conduct.

IIIT: Group Discussion

This is to inform members of the university community that the International Institute of Islamic Thought (IIIT) has invited the following candidate for this month's Group Discussion, according to the National Coordinator, Professor Salisu Shehu, as follows:

Presenter: Umar Jibril Gwandu

Topic: The Use of Feed forward in Communication Planning: A Preliminary Exploration from the Qur'an.

Date: Sunday, 13th September, 2015

Time: 10:00 am

Venue: F204, Faculty of Law, Bayero University, Kano.

Professorial Inaugural Lecture

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Yahuza Bello invites members of the University Community to the **17th Professorial Inaugural Lecture**

Topic: *Public Health Concern for Chronic Non-Communicable Diseases Surpasses Anxiety over Most Infections.*

Lecturer: Professor Muhammad Kabir, Professor of Community Medicine and Epidemiology.

Date: Wednesday, 16th September, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m. prompt

Venue: Musa Abdullahi Auditorium, Bayero University, New Campus.

SEMINARS

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

Department of Business Administration & Entrepreneurship:

The following took place as follows:

Internal Defense:

Candidate: Sulaiman Kassim Ibrahim

Title: *Effect of Emotional Intelligence of Job Satisfaction among Academics of Universities in Kano State.*

Supervisor: Dr. A.J. Bambale

Examiner: Dr. B.A. Jakada

Date: 8th September, 2015

Proposal Defense:

Candidate: Aliyu Rabi'u

Title: *Perceive Influence of Islamic Mode of Financing Enhancing Financial Inclusion of Muslims in Nigeria.*

Title: *A compound class of log-logistic and Poisson distributions with application to right censored data*

Supervisor: Dr. A. A. Maiyaki

Reviewer: Prof. G. B. Bello

Date: 8th September, 2015

Seminar Paper Presentation:

Presenter: Musa Abdullahi Bayero

Title: *Accelerating Wealth Creation thought Technology Transfer from University to Industry: A Conceptual paper*

Reviewer: Prof. M. S. Sagagi

Chairman: Dr. A. J. Bambale, Head of Department

Date: 9th September, 2015

Department of Education: Seminar Presentation to hold as follows

Presenter: Dr. Isa Ado Abubakar

Title: *Predictors of Parental Educational Involvement in Kano, Nigeria*

Chairman: Professor Talatu Musa Garba

Discussant: Dr. Ahmed Iliyasu

Date: 17th September, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Venue: Education Department

Department of Mathematical Sciences: Departmental Seminar Series

Presenter 1: Dr. Bashir Ali NDA

Title: *on the $3x + 1$ problem*

Presenter 2: Mal. Auwal Hamisu Usman
Title: A Compound Class of Log-Logistic and Poisson Distributions with application to right censored data

Poisson distribution: model, properties and application

Presenter 3: Mal. Mustapha Muhammad
Title: A mixed Burr XII zero truncated

Chairperson: Dr. Suraj Mahmud Umar

Date: Thursday, 17th September, 2015

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Venue: Departmental Computer Lab

BAYERO UNIVERSITY, KANO

SCHOOL OF POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

(OFFICE OF THE DEAN)

ONLINE SALE OF POSTGRADUATE APPLICATION FORMS

This is to inform the general public that online sale of the Bayero University, Kano, Postgraduate Application Forms for the 2015/2016 Academic Session commenced on Monday, 7th September, 2015.

All interested Applicants should visit the Bayero University website: www.buk.edu.ng for details about available programmes and the procedure of applying online. Please note the following information:

1. The cost of each application is Ten Thousand Naira (₦10, 000.00) only, plus administrative charges of Five Hundred Naira (₦500.00) only, giving a total of ₦10, 500.00.
2. The duration of the sale and submission of Application Forms is from *Monday, 7th September* to Friday 16th October, 2015.
3. An Applicant should ensure that he/she has the entry requirements for the programme applied for, plus five 'O' Level Credits including English Language and Mathematics as appropriate.
4. Applicants for Ph.D/M.Phil and Academic Masters' programmes should ensure that transcripts of their academic records are sent to the Secretary, School of Postgraduate Studies, Bayero University, Kano. Note that Applicants for Ph.D programmes are to provide short research proposal of not more than 350 words in the space provided on the online application form. The proposal should include title, statement of the problem and objectives.

The Application Procedure

STEP 1 Visit www.buk.edu.ng and under the PROSPECTIVE STUDENT TAB click Applications at the home page. Login using FULL NAME OF THE APPLICANT and select "Applying for a Postgraduate Programme". A

username and password will be generated for you. Please take careful note of them, as you need them for subsequent steps of the application process.

- STEP 2 Personalized Payment Invoice will be generated immediately for you. Print it and go to any branch of the Banks listed on the invoice nationwide to make a non-refundable payment of ₦10, 500.00 (Ten Thousand Five Hundred Naira Only).
- STEP 3 Return to www.buk.edu.ng and login with your username and password to fill in the Application Forms;
Programme Selection Form,
Personal Data Form,
Qualifications Form.
- STEP 4 Transcript Request Form shall also be filled by candidates for Ph.D, M.Phil and Academic Masters' Programmes in addition to the forms listed in Step 3 above.
- STEP 5 Review your forms to ensure accuracy of all information provided. Click 'SUBMIT' to complete the application process.
- STEP 6 An Acknowledgement Slip will be generated for you immediately. Print the Slip and keep it safe. The slip will be needed during the collection of admission letter and during registration.

If you have any enquiry or are encountering any difficulty, write and email to application.pg@buk.edu.ng clearly stating the difficulties or enquiries

Payment at the bank opened on Monday, 7th September, 2015 and closes on Friday, 16th October, 2015. The website for completing the Application Forms will close by 11:59pm on Sunday, 18th October, 2015.

SIGNED

M. T. JIKAMSHI

SECRETARY,

SCHOOL OF POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

BAYERO UNIVERSITY, KANO, NIGERIA

(Office of the Registrar)

Directorate of Examinations, Admissions & Records

**DIRECT ENTRY SCREENING EXERCISE FOR
2015/2016 ACADEMIC SESSION**

14th September – 9th October, 2015

This is to inform all candidates who applied for Direct Entry admission into Bayero University, Kano, that there will be an **ON-LINE** screening exercise from Monday, 14th September to Friday, 9th October, 2015.

Please note that only Candidates who applied through **JAMB** for **Direct Entry** Admission and chose Bayero University as their **First Choice** are eligible for the screening.

PROCEDURE FOR THE ON-LINE SCREENING

Step 1: Visit www.buk.edu.ng and click Direct Entry Online Screening at the home page. Login using your **DE Number, Phone Number** and **email address**.

Step 2: Personalised payment invoice will be sent immediately into your email inbox. Print it and go to any branch of the under -listed banks, nationwide to make a non-refundable payment of ₦2, 500, 00 (Two Thousand Five Hundred Naira Only) being the cost of screening as well as Bank and Administrative charges.

- i. UBA
- ii. SKYE Bank
- iii. Guarantee Trust Bank
- iv. First Bank
- v. Fidelity Bank

Step 3: Return to www.buk.edu.ng and login to complete the screening. Note that applicants cannot complete the screening until their payment is processed and verified. Fill in the **Personal Data** (including a clear and recent passport photograph) and **Results Verification** forms and click 'submit'. NOTE that the photograph uploaded will be the only Valid ID for all admitted candidates throughout their stay in the University.

Step 4: An auto-generated **Online Screening Acknowledgment Slip** will be sent immediately into your email inbox. Print the Slip and keep it safe. The slip will be needed during the collection of admission letter and during registration.

If you have any inquiry or encountering any difficulty, write to screening.de@buk.edu.ng

NB:

- ✓ Payment at all Banks will be closed on Friday, 9th October, 2015
- ✓ The Portal for the ONLINE SCREENING will be closed by mid night on Sunday, 11th October, 2015

Any candidate who fails to do the ON-LINE SCREENING will not be considered

Signed

Fatima Binta Mohammed
Director DEAR
For: Registrar