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# BAYERO UNIVERSITY, KANO

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### Shenyang University of Chemical Technology Seeks Collaboration with BUK

Shenyang University of Chemical Technology, China has unveiled plans to collaborate with Bayero University in the area of staff and student exchange, capacity building and research linkage.

The delegation of the Chinese University, led by admission officials, Yang Bo and Chen Chuanyu, paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2016 and reiterated Shenyang University's readiness to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with BUK.

According to the leader of the delegation, Yang Bo, the international exchange program of the University led to collaborations with universities in Korea, Belgium, Japan, Bulgaria, Russia, Australia and a host of foreign universities, hence the need to partner with Bayero University, being one of the best in Nigeria.

Yang Bo explained that Shenyang University was founded in 1952 and currently offers 57 undergraduate programs, 13 first-level disciplines and 53 second-level postgraduate programs, with 14,000 full-time students and more than 900 teachers, including 400 Professors and Associate Professors.

The institution, according to him, has developed into a multi-disciplinary university covering diverse fields, such as Engineering, Science,

Management, Economics, Humanities, Law, Education, Medicine and the Arts.

He said students from over 20 countries and regions study for degrees, Chinese language, short term trainings and exchange programs, saying that there were international student associations in charge of carrying out a variety of extra-curricular activities and gain rights and interests for students.

### EID-EL-FITR HOLIDAY

The Federal Government has declared Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 as public holidays in commemoration of the Eid-el-Fitr celebration. However, staff on shift duty, emergency or essential services in various units will report for duty as usual.

Work resumes on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, according to a circular signed by Mustapha Gide for Secretary, Publication and Documentation on behalf of the Registrar.

The Vice-Chancellor and Management wish all members of the University community a successful Sallah celebration and Allah's blessing.

In his response, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, while welcoming the visitors to Nigeria and Kano State, in particular, said Bayero University had been enjoying a cordial relationship with Chinese universities, saying that the BUK was on the verge of signing a memorandum of understanding with Beijing Foreign University and that representatives of the university would soon visit China to finalize the MoU on research, staff and student exchange.

The Vice Chancellor added that Bayero University would establish a Chinese Centre, which would offer degree in Chinese Language and short term program in Chinese, since the language is gradually becoming a global one. the Council wanted to help in the upgrade and commercialisation of it to attract the world market and help to achieve the mission of the present administration towards creating employment opportunities.

Prof Bello observed that the university would look at the possibility of signing a bench work agreement with Shenyang University, where researchers should visit the Chinese University to spend 6-12 months doing research work, accessing laboratory resources and equipment. He added that a student exchange program might be difficult due to financial concern but the university would explore more collaborative opportunities in staff exchange and other research areas. Mr. Kudu Mamman, an Alumnus of Bayero University, Class 1974 Economics, said “We want to physically observe the machine so as to measure its efficiency, its production capacity etc to be able to involve additional stakeholders for its commercialization. Our main challenge borders on quality; we are likely to collaborate more with the University on other technological inventions.”

### **NEPC Partners BUK on G/Nut Milling Machine**

Nigerian Export Promotion Council (NEPC) has lauded the performance of Bayero University during the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of the Nigerian Universities Research and Development Fair, held at the Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka, Anambra State from 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 for the display of one of the most attractive research products of “Integrated Groundnut Oil Milling Machine,” targeted at small scale oil processors.

The Kano Regional Coordinator of NEPC, Mr. Abdullahi Kudu Mamman, who led a three-man team to inspect and further study the machine, told the Head of the Department of Agricultural Engineering, Dr. M. S. Abubakar, that he was directed from the national headquarters to come for the inspection.

He said that during his visit to the Department of Agricultural Engineering on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 the NEPC Regional office in Awka, which supervised the March 2016 fair, had in its reports recommended the machine and, as such,

Head of Agricultural Engineering Department, Dr. M. S. Abubakar, expressed delight, saying “we are very much happy with the development. We are happy because people see the value to what we are doing.” He promised to provide the needed cooperation in making the collaboration a success, adding that the machine was a product of MSc research conducted by Ibrahim Lawal.

The former Head of Agric Engineering Department, Professor M. A. Ali, said the idea on the research started since 2007 when some undergraduate students conducted a survey on traditional processing of groundnut in Dawanau and Funtua purposely to develop technology capable of easing the processes and for five years, every year the Department assigned a student to add to the existing research until when it got to the present level.

The Deputy Director, Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership, Professor I. A. Rufa’i, expressed the willingness of the University to go into partnership with stakeholders, so as to conduct researches and other activities of importance to the society.

## **German Research Institute to Partner BUK**

A German Research Institute, Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association in partnership with Deutsch Africa Limited is to jointly collaborate with Bayero University on extensive research in the area of ecology and the environment.

The leader of the team, Dr. Ignatius Akeh, who disclosed this while on a courtesy visit to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 explained that the collaboration was informed by Bayero University's desire to proffer solutions to numerous environmental related problems through research.

According to him, the Research Institute which is based in Germany has been in collaboration with some young promising Universities in Nigeria and they decided to expand the network to include BUK because of her special and unique status as one of the leading citadels of learning in this part of the world.

Dr. Akeh, explained further that in addition to engaging in research, the collaboration would also include the transfer of technology, skills acquisition and counter-part funding of some programmes for mutual benefit.

He commended the Management of Bayero University for its foresight and willingness to collaborate with their consortium, saying the University and his organization had so many things in common which would go a long way in contributing to the growth and development of the country.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, expressed

appreciation for the visit, even as he said the University is most honoured for the collaboration, saying that Bayero University, had since been focusing attention to science and technology, and currently, the University had about 30,000 students population with about 52% in science programmes.

The Vice Chancellor said, already the University had Centre for Bio-Technology Research, Centre for Dryland Agriculture as well as Faculty of Earth and Environmental Studies which were all related to the areas of collaboration.

In addition, Professor Yahuza said, the University had established a Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership with a view to coordinating all the University's research activities within and outside the country.

## **COREN Appoints Engr. Yunusa Gabasawa ERM Inspector for Kano Inspectorate**

The Council for Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) has appointed Engineer Yunusa H.Gabasawa of the Department of Civil Engineering as Engineering Regulation Monitoring ERM Inspector for Kano Inspectorate.

In a letter of appointment signed by the Registrar of the Council, Engineer W. Kamila Maliki, FNSE, mni said "In line with all-inclusive participation policy of the Engineering Regulation Monitoring agreed between COREN, NSE, NATE, NAEC and other relevant stakeholders, I write to convey the Council's approval of your appointment as ERM Inspector for Kano Inspectorate as nominated by your professional association. This is in

recognition of your remarkable contribution to the growth of the Engineering profession over the years.”

Engineer Gabasawa had since been congratulated by the University for the appointment.

### **Dr. Sulaiman Yar’adua is New HOD Mass Communication**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the appointment of Dr. Sulaiman Mainasara Yar’adua as the new Head of Mass Communication Department for an initial period of two years commencing from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016.

While congratulating him, the Vice Chancellor charged the new HOD to discharge his duties with diligence and hard work, and exercise general superintendence over the academic and administrative leadership to the department.

Dr. Yar’adua has succeeded Dr. Balarabe Maikaba who completed two tenure in office.

### **Prof. Mukhtari A. Yusuf Appointed Member, Editorial Board, BUK Press**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Professor Mukhtari Abdulkadir Yusuf of the Department of Linguistics and Foreign Language as member, Editorial Board of the BUK Press with immediate effect.

According to a letter of appointment signed by the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed, the appointment is for a period of two years in the first instance.

### **Prof. Bashir Maifada Yakasai Appointed Member Editorial Board BJIS**

Professor Bashir Maifada Yakasai has been appointed Member of the Bayero Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies.

A letter of appointment signed by the Vice Chancellor, dated 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 said the appointment was for an initial period of two years with immediate effect.

### **Staff Model School Holds Career Day**

The Staff Model Primary School has held a career day as part of efforts of the school management to prepare the pupils for future academic career.

In his remark, the acting Principal, Malam Sule Ademoh, MNACT said the career day was organized to stimulate interest and guide the pupils into different professions that they may like to pursue in their future academic career.

The pupils were guided by resource persons on different professions. Kabiru Baba talked on the Police; Mal. Sunusi Mandawari (Medicine); Mal. Abdulrazak Adamu Suleiman (Law); Mal. Nasir Muhammad Suleiman (Teaching); Mal. Shu’aibu Baba Ahmed Yaro (Journalism); Mr. Cyprian Alhassan Enemaku (Army) and Mrs. B. K. Ezugwu (Counseling).

The Chairperson of the Guidance and Counselling, Mrs. B.K Ezugwu, gave a summary of all the lectures and Hajiya Habiba Salihu gave the vote of thanks.

The Career Day took place on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.

## DISTORTED IDIOMATIC EXPRESSIONS (1)

With Sheriff Ahmed

As we noted in one of our lessons a few weeks ago, we shall be discussing English idioms and sayings that are being distorted or misrepresented in our everyday written and spoken English. This ‘corruption’ is common to all classes of people (including scholars, media practitioners and other professionals) in this country. In this lesson – and subsequent ones – we shall discuss a few idioms that are being bastardized because many people do not know their origin and so they use them wrongly.

Before we proceed, it’s necessary to define an idiom and a saying. Every language has its sayings. No question about it. The native speakers of the English language also have their idioms and sayings. As users of the English language, therefore, we should learn to use idioms as precisely as possible.

What is an idiom, one may ask? It is a fixed expression with non-literal meaning; that is a fixed distinctive expression whose meaning cannot be deduced from the combined meanings of its individual words. In other words, an idiom is the way of using a language that comes naturally to its native speakers.

An English saying, on the other hand, is a proverbial expression; that is a frequently offered piece of advice or information, or a frequently heard reflection on the way things are.

Having said that, let us discuss some of these idioms and point out the defects we always read in the papers, magazines and even in books, especially those written by non-native speakers of the English language, or hear people use them at conferences, seminars, on the radio and television, in the classrooms and marketplaces.

- What is good for the goose is good for the gander  
This English (old-fashioned) saying is being distorted in this country. You hardly hear people say the right thing. Well, the correct saying is *what’s sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander*. Simply substitute ‘sauce’ for ‘good’.

- “Don’t mind them,” he said. “They’re birds of the same feather.”

The expression ‘birds of the same feather’ is English saying, but distorted here. The precise idiom is *birds of a feather (flock together)*. The expression in brackets may be deleted. The saying means people of similar character, tastes, interests, or opinions (tend to associate with one another).

- More grease to your elbow

This is one of the most bastardized idioms in this country. As I noted sometime ago, the correct idiom is *more power to your elbow*. It is an informal old-fashioned idiom (British English) used to express support or encouragement for somebody to do something. The compound noun *elbow grease*, meaning hard physical effort or work, especially using the hands and arms, may have influenced the use of ‘more grease to your elbow’ in Nigeria.

In American English, for example, when you *bend your elbow* it means you drink alcohol often. Obviously the actual words (bend, your, elbow) do not give you any hint about the meaning of the idiom.

- “Jonathan pointed out that crude oil reserve account was to be used **for rainy days**...”

The precise idiom is *save/keep something for a rainy day*, meaning to save something, especially money, for a time when you will really need it. What you should note here is that when an idiom is in a plural form, don’t change it to a singular form, and vice versa. You must not reconstruct idioms. Use them exactly as they are. For example, *pay your respects*; don’t say ‘pay your respect’.

**This column will rest next week. Wishing you  
happy *Sallah* celebrations in advance!**

## Senior Staff 2016 Promotion Exercise

This is to notify Faculties, Directorates, Centres, Departments and Units that the following Time-Table for the 2016 Promotion Exercise is approved for their compliance.

| <i>S/N</i> | <i>DATE</i>   | <i>ACTIVITY</i>   |
|------------|---|---|
| 1.         | <i>Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2016</i>                                   | Latest Date for Departmental and Faculty A&PCs Meetings.            |
| 2.         | <i>Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2016</i>                                  | Latest Date for Departments to make Submissions to the Secretariat. |
| 3.         | <i>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2016</i> | Secretariat to Collate all Submissions and Draw Timetable.          |
| 4.         | <i>Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2016</i>       | Central A&PC to Meet and Consider the cases.                        |

Heads of Department should please note the following:

- a) That staff to be recommended for promotions must have served for at least three years in their positions by 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 and their appointments duly confirmed.
- b) That cases of administrative staff in various Faculties/Departments should be routed through the Registry Departmental Appointments and Promotions and General Purposes Committee.
- c) That cases of Bursary Staff/Stores Officers in various Faculties/Departments should be routed through the Bursary Department.
- d) That cases of Librarians and Library Officers in various Faculties/Departments should be routed through the University Librarian.
- e) Cases of Academic Staff must pass through the Departmental and Faculty A&PC and Minutes of meeting of the Faculty Appointments and Promotions Committee should be attached to the recommendations.
- f) Academic Staff on approved Study Fellowship could be promoted up to the rank of Lecturer I or equivalent, provided that he/she would not be promoted twice in one study fellowship period.
- g) All submissions should be strictly based on the extant guidelines for the appropriate cadres.
- h) Faculties, Departments/Units are to forward twelve (12) copies of their submissions to the Director, Establishment Matters not later than Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

Please find attached herewith a sample of the assessment forms for Non-Teaching Staff Cadres for guidance.

## Reported Case of Stolen Vehicle

A car, Toyota RAV 4, black in colour, belonging to Badayi M. Kurawa of the Audit Unit, Bayero University, has been stolen at about 1:00am on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. The car with Registration Number: KMC 782 AL and Chassis Number: JTEHH20V526029041 was stolen outside his house on the fateful day. If found, please contact the owner, Badayi, through the phone Number: 08023083132 or to the Audit Unit, Bayero University, Kano.

## STAFF MODEL SECONDARY SCHOOL: Sales of Admission Forms

This is to remind and inform all parents and University community as well as interested individuals that the school management has commenced the sales of **ADMISSION FORMS** for **2016/2017 JS One** and **Transfer students**, since May, 2016 to July, 2016.

1. J.S. 1 Entrance form at ₦2,000
2. J.S.S 2 to S.S.2 transfer form at ₦3,000
3. VENUE: School premises

According to a statement signed by the Principal, M. Tijjani M. Adamu payment could be made through **BANK TELLER** at any **UBA BANK**.

**ACCOUNT NO: 1001602305**

## SEMINARS

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

### Department of Business Administration & Entrepreneurship: Departmental Seminar

**Presenter 1:** Auwalu Muhammad Isa

**Title:** *The Impact of Entrepreneurship Education on Students' Entrepreneurial Intention in Northern Nigeria.*

**Reviewer:** Dr. Murtala Aminu Ibrahim

**Presenter 2:** Dr. Abdu Ja'afaru Bambale

**Title:** *Is Service Quality Going to Integrate Human Resource Management Practices (HRMPs) and Customer Satisfaction in Hotel Industry?*

**Reviewer:** Dr. Ahmad Audu Maiyaki

**Chairman:** Dr. Isa Mudi Malumfashi

**Date:** Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016

**Time:** 11am

**Venue:** Departmental Conference Room

### Department of Education: Seminar

**Presenter 1:** Dr. Ahmad Iliyasu

**Title (1):** *Impact of Cognitive Behavior Therapy on Traumatized and Crisis Ridden clients towards Resolving Women and Gender Based Violence in Kano State.*

**Title (2):** *Effect of Cognitive Behaviour Therapy on Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder of Victims of Bomb Attacks Undergoing Counselling at Murtala Muhammad Foundation, Kano State-Nigeria for Enhancing Psychological Health and Well-Being of Nigerian Youths.*

**Presenter 2:** Dr. Kabir Bello Dungurawa

**Title:** *Girl-child Education for Economic Development: Implication for Counseling.*

**Presenter 3:** Dr. Gali Sa'idu

**Title:** *Gender based Violence Practices among Female Domestic Servants as Perceived by Undergraduate students of Faculty of Education, BUK: Implication for Counseling Practice.*

**Presenter 4:** Garba Bala Nata'ala

**Title:** *Counseling and Special Education Needs of Girl-child.*

**Presenter 5:** Dr. Isa Ado Abubakar

**Title:** *Perceived Barriers and Post-University Education Career Plans among Undergraduate Education Students in Bayero University, Kano.*

**Presenter 6:** Sadiya Mu'azu Sani

**Title:** *Addressing the Challenges of Women Education in Nigeria for National Development.*

**Presenter 7:** Dr. Kyauta Ibrahim

**Title:** *Chemical Dependency among Persons with Hearing Impairment in Kano State: Implication for Counseling.*

**Presenter 8:** Hassan Garba Wangara

**Title:** *Counseling Parents and Teachers of Children with Hearing Impairment in Kano State, Nigeria.*

**Presenter 9:** Ahmad Muhammad Kwaru

**Title:** *Awareness and Use of Reproductive Information among Female Undergraduate Students to prevent Gender Based Violence in Nigeria.*

**Presenter 10:** Prof. Gaji, F.D.

**Title:** *Rehabilitation and Counseling Needs of Internally Displaced Women in Nigeria.*

**Presenter 11:** Dr. Auwal Musa

**Title:** *Women with Special Needs in Higher Education Implication for Counseling.*

**Date:** Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2016

**Time:** 10:00am prompt

**Venue:** Faculty of Education, Board Room, Faculty Administration.

**School for Continuing Education:  
Seminar**

**Presenter:** Dr. Muhammad Ibn Abdullahi

**Topic:** Identification and Management of Mentally Retarded Person (MRP) as a Basis for Family Security: Implications for Counselling

**Chairman:** Dr. Abdul Iguda

**Date:** 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2016

**Time:** 10:00 am

**Venue:** SCE Conference Room

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