

Government Urged to Subsidize Treatment On Organ Transplant By Our Reporter

with the Transplant Association of Nigeria (TAN) rose from a two days International Conference on Organ Transplantation with a solemn appeal to Government on the urgent need to subsidize the cost of organ transplantation to Nigerian citizens.

It noted that the cost of undertaking an organ transplant is extremely prohibitive to all the patients, and in view of the high rise in the ailment particularly among poor Nigerians, Government must wade in to salvage the situation.

This was part of the resolutions contained in a communiqué issued at the end of the international conference on organ transplantation jointly organized by the Bayero University's College of Health Sciences and Transplantation Association of Nigeria, which took place between August 27th to 30th August, 2017 at Bristol Palace Hotel, Kano and signed by the Chairman LOC Prof Aliyu Abdu and Dr. E. L Bamgboye president of TAN

"There is a need for subsidized care for patients

he College of Health Sciences in collaboration requiring organ, stem cell and tissue transplantation in Nigeria. In particular immunosuppressive treatment should be significantly subsidized or provided free for Nigerians. The National Health Insurance Scheme could be brought in to assist enrollees with end organ damage".

> Participants observed that "practically, the cost of transplantation is very high and is paid out of pocket in virtually all centers in Nigeria and therefore unaffordable by majority of prospective recipients."

> In addition the conference identified donor shortage, poorly developed infrastructure and lack of explicit legal frame work particularly for deceased donation as the major challenges of kidney transplantation.

> Alternatively, it suggested that the National Health Insurance Scheme should be expanded to cover treatment of ailments such as organ transplantation. The Communique also suggested that the detailed legal and ethical guidelines for deceased organ donation and transplantation should be vigorously pursued as it will increase availability of organs.



Emir of Kano, Muhammad Sanusi II (centre) with Chairman LOC, Prof. Aliyu Abdu in a group photograph with some of the international delegates during a courtesy visit in his palace



ASUU National President, Prof. Biodun Ogunyemi (left), addressing the Media on the ongoing strike, while former National President of the union, Dr. Nasir Isah Fagge looks on

4 WEEKS STRIKE: ASUU, FG Still Negotiating By Our Reporter

Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) and the Federal implementation of Earned Academic Allowance. Government. It would be recalled that ASUU Other issues are release of fund for revitalization of declared a total and indefinite strike action on public universities as spelt out in the 2013 Monday 14th August, 2017 which was effective Memorandum of Understanding, guidelines for across the nation. Since then FG functionaries retirement benefits of professors in line with 2009 including Vice President Prof. Yemi Osinbanjo, FG/ASUU agreement, Treasury Single Account Minister of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu and (TSA) and withdrawal of support for universities Minister of Labour and Employment, Sen. Chris Ngige had at different occasions given updates on the efforts to bring the negotiations to fruition.

President of ASUU Prof. Biodun Ogunyemi had earlier told the media that, the issues that led to the strike awaiting resolution were: "registration of Nigerian Universities Pension Management

tudents of Nigerian public universities Company (NUPEMCO), fractionalization of remain at home for the fourth week, as salaries in federal universities and gross Inegotiations continue between Academic underfunding of state universities, and arrears and staff primary schools."

> Chairman of the Senate Committee on Tertiary Education and TETFUND, Senator Jibrin Barau had told the media that the Senate would also engage relevant stakeholders to help end the indefinite strike.

SSANU, NAAT, NASU Embark On Strike By Our Reporter

ctivities at Bayero University were virtually brought to a standstill following the commencement of an indefinite strike action by all the three non-teaching staff unions comprising of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), the Non Academic Staff Union (NASU) and the National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT) respectively.

Our correspondent, who went round the University, observed that apart from security personnel and few auxiliary medical staff, every other places and offices have remained under lock and key while staff have deserted offices.

A visit to the academic area further showed that all lecture halls, theatres and conference halls were all locked up, only few casual staff and or contract staff were seen in clusters even as their supervisors, mainly permanent staff have not been coming to work.

Before the commencement of the strike on Monday, 11th September, 2017 the Joint Action Committee (JAC) of the Unions had called an emergency Congress meeting at Musa Abdullahi Auditorium to announced the resolution for the strike as well as address some issues as to why the action becomes imperative. This came some weeks after the JAC held an earlier Congress to ballot members which voted to strike if the national Executives

of the Unions decided it would serve the interests of the members.

Speaking to our correspondent, the Chairman of SSANU Comrade Haruna Aliyu Yakasai disclosed that "the strike is total, complete and indefinite", saying that the unions had set up a monitoring committee that would be going round to enforce compliance.

Speaking further, Comrade Alivu pointed out that, Government has not been redeeming its pledges as a result; the Unions felt that the best way to press home their demands is through

the strike action. "The bone of contention was the nonimplementation of the 2009 agreement."

The workers had accused the Federal Government of reneging on the implementation of the 2014 agreement entered with the three unions (SSANU, NASU and NAAT).

"The agreement was entered between the Senior Staff It could be recalled that, SSANU had in January this Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), Non year, embarked on a one week warning strike as part of Academic Staff Union (NASU) and National the process of pressing their demands.

Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT) and Federal Government of Nigeria," he said.

He said that another reason for the strike was the refusal of the Federal Government to obey the industrial court ruling obtained in favour of and by the Unions on staff schools.

He added that "another reason for the strike was that, sometime in 2014 or thereabout, the Federal Government asked University staff to close staff schools and remove staff schools from the pay roll of the Universities, which was contrary to the agreement in 2009.

"The Universities went to National Industrial Court and the ruling was in favour of the Universities. The Court directed Federal Government to rescind her decision on that; that has not been done and it is contemptuous, we are not going to allow the University to operate until they obey that court order," he emphasized.

On whether the strike was in sympathy with ASUU the chairman emphatically declared, "Our strike is not in sympathy with the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU). ASUU is on their own and we are on our own.

"Our strike commences fully here in Bayero University and every other University in Nigeria and it is



indefinite," he stressed.

The Chairman while commending the staff of the University expressed satisfaction that the strike was fully complied with by the members of staff. And he vowed to lockup any officer found sabotaging the action.

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ASUU Strike: Varsities Now Ghost Campuses

There are strong indications that the ongoing strike action embarked upon by members of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) which had entered its fifth week, may continue, as the Union is still consulting its members on the fresh offers by the Federal Government.

Already, activities at public Universities across the country have been completely put on hold and the situation was compounded with the commencement of another strike this week by sister Unions comprising of Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT) and Non Academic Staff Union (NASU) thereby prolonging the students stay at home.

In Bayero University, members of the union have fully complied with the strike action, thereby forcing the cancellation of some scheduled academic activities such as the inaugural professorial Lectures, induction of graduating students in various professional courses and or shifting conferences to hold outside the University campuses.

Speaking to our correspondent at the Union

here are strong indications that the ongoing resolution for onward transmission to the National strike action embarked upon by members of headquarters for final decision.

"We tabled to our members the offers proposed by the Federal Government negotiating team and took the views of our members. We articulated these views to formed our resolution which I am taking it to NEC meeting," said the ASUU Chairman.

He also expressed delight and satisfaction at the commitment and cooperation exhibited by the members for fully complying with the strike action. He also saluted the steadfastness of the members in the struggle.

Dr. Barde, said in order to ensure total compliance with the strike, the Executive had set up three monitoring teams to be going round all the campuses. While team 'A' was mandated to monitor New Campus, Team 'B' is in charge of Old Campus and College of Health Sciences and Team 'C' would be handling School of Continuing Education.

As for the congress meeting, he explained that NEC would take a position on the ongoing strike after reviewing submissions from other branches at its next meeting scheduled to take place on Thursday 14th



September, 2017 by 7:00 pm in Abuja. The strike had paralysed academic activities in state and federal universities all around the country.

It would be recalled that after a marathon negotiation meeting which lasted for almost 15 hours the FG last week offered to pay N23bn and N1.5bn monthly, pending the

secretariat in the Old Campus, after a marathon Congress meeting on Wednesday, 13th September, 2017, the branch Chairman of ASUU, Dr. Ibrahim Magaji Barde, said they called the meeting in order to intimate members the fresh offers from the government for their views and input.

According to him, the union always consults its members before taking a decision, hence the hosting of a local congress on Wednesday to adopt a

outcome of the forensic audit being carried out by the Ministry of Finance.

The government had also yielded to other demands by the ASUU leadership led by its President, Prof. Biodun Ogunyemi, Vice-President, Emmanuel Osodeke and a former union president, Dr. Nasir Fagge, Prof. Abdullahi Sule-Kano and Dr. Dipo Fashina among others.

Consider Internship for Communication Students - VC Urged Curriculum Review Workshop Participants

he Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has called on the participants at a Communication Curriculum review workshop to consider internship for the Communication students in the review to enable them benefit from Industrial Training Fund (ITF) financial support.

The Vice Chancellor made the call on Friday 8th September, 2017 at a two day workshop on Communication Curriculum review organized by Faculty of Communication, held at Green Desert Palm Hotel, Kano.

He said it would be significant if the workshop look at the issue of internship for the communication students and duration for the programme. "This is important because if it is part of the curriculum, the ITF normally supports students that are on minimum duration provided it is built in the curriculum."

Professor Bello added that there was need to review the communication curriculum as there were many developments that had taken place in the sector and therefore the need to be proactive.

He said: "Is there need to unbundle Mass Communication into different programmes or should we continue with one degree in Mass Communication with specializations. Whatever the decision, certainly there is need for reviewing the curriculum and no other group can do that more than this particular group that has intellectuals, practitioners, regulatory bodies

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adding that the workshop was something the NUC should take note of and try to see if something similar could be replicated in other courses.

The Vice Chancellor said he had participated in many curriculum development and curriculum review, "but I don't think there is any programme in the Nigerian University system that had the wide input from across the country, across universities and practitioners like the communication curriculum review."

He therefore congratulated the Faculty of Communication for organizing the workshop and wished the participants fruitful deliberations.

Executive Secretary of the NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, who declared the workshop open, commended the initiative that brought about the meeting saying that it was something to be emulated and the Commission would recommend it to several other sectors within the Nigerian university system.

Represented by the Director Curriculum of the Commission, Barrister S.S. Adejoh, Prof. Rasheed said although the Commission had not been able to review the minimum academic standard as regularly as possible, assured that review of university curricula would be much more regular as time goes on.

He wished the participants successful discussions and assured them that the outcome of the meeting would not be put to good use.

> Earlier, Director Academic Planning of BUK, Professor Bala Sidi welcomed the participants to the workshop and assured them that the University was ready to help them in any way possible to make the meeting a successful exercise.

> Dean Faculty of Communication, Professor Umaru Pate, who thanked the participants, professional bodies and agencies for attending the workshop, said the workshop was part of the activities

VC, Prof. M. Y. Bello in a group photograph with members of management and workshop participants

and many other stakeholders. If we are able to do this, it would make our programmes very strong and bridge supported by the MacArthur Foundation grant won by the gap between the National Universities Commission (NUC) and professional bodies".

Professor Bello said the NUC had been trying to work training as very expensive and thanked the University out ways of minimizing or involving professional Management for the supports it has been given to the bodies in accreditation and curriculum development Faculty

the Faculty.

Professor Pate described Mass Communication





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REGISTRATION FOR APTITUDE TEST 2017/2018 UTME ADMISSIONS

A. NOTE: JAMB 'O' LEVEL REQUIREMENT:

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has indicated that it would not clear any shortlisted candidate who does not have 'O Level results. All candidates are therefore, advised to visit any JAMB Office or accredited CBT center nearest to them to upload their O level results (WAEC, NECO etc.).

Even candidates who do not satisfy the University screening conditions listed below are advised to provide the'O' Level details for consideration by other institutions. (Note that supplying false information will result in disqualification). You are allowed to supply a maximum of two different O' Level examination results.

B. BAYERO UNIVERSITY, KANO SCREENING:

Sequel to the clarification made by the Honourable Minister of Education on lifting the ban on the conduct of PUTME, the Bayero University Senate has approved that all candidates who applied for admission into the University, in the 2017 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) conducted by Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB), should be screened through aptitude test.

ELIGIBILITY: UTME Candidates must have chosen Bayero University as First Choice and scored not less than the indicated minimum score for various Faculties/Programmes as stated below:

1	FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE	180 and above
2	FACULTY OF ARTS AND ISLAMIC STUDIES - B. A. Islamic Studies - All other programmes in the Faculty -	190 and above 180 and above
3	FACULTY OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES	200 and above
4	FACULTY OF BASIC MEDICAL SCIENCES	180 and above
5	FACULTY OF CLINICAL SCIENCES	200 and above
6	FACULTY OF COMPUTER SCIENCE & IT	180 and above
7	FACULTY OF COMMUNICATION	180 and above
8	FACULTY OF DENTISTRY	200 and above
9	FACULTY OF EARTH &ENV. SCIENCES	180 and above
10	FACULTY OF EDUCATION	180 and above
11	FACULTY OF ENGINEERING	180 and above

12 FACULTY OF LAW		200 and above
13 FACULTY OF LIFE SCIENCES		180 and above
14 FACULTY OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES		180 and above
15 FACULTY OF SOCIAL AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES- B.Sc. Sociology - B.Sc. Banking and Finance - B.Sc. Entrepreneurship <i>All other programmes in the Faculty</i>	-	180 and above 180 and above 180 and above 190 and above
16 FACULTY OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCES		200 and above

***NB:** Candidates should, however, note that admission into MBBS will be only from among those who scored 230 and above in JAMB; admission into Dental Surgery will be from among those who have scored 220 and above, admission into all courses in the Faculties of Allied Health Sciences and Basic Medical Sciences will be from among those who have scored 200 and above and admission into Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences will be from among those who scored 220 and above.

However, all others in the above categories who are qualified to write the aptitude test may be considered for admission into other relevant programmes.

- Step 1: Login At the homepage of the Bayero University website www.buk.edu.ng click

 2017 UTME REGISTRATION FOR THE SCREENING EXERCISE

 Step 2: Photo Upload Login using your UTME Number and UTME Aggregate (total score), then
- **Step 2: Photo Upload-** 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: Profile Update -Fill-in the Applicants' Particulars Form.

- Step 4: Generation of PPF-Print your personalised payment invoice to make the payment of
 $\mathbb{N}2,500.00$ ($\mathbb{N},2000$ being cost of screening and $\mathbb{N}500$ being Bank
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the e-payment *Remita* platform.
- Step 5: Submit RRR Used After successfully generated BUKPPF and using the Remita epayment platform a Remita Retrieval Reference (RRR) number is generated for you. The RRR uniquely ties your payment to your application account, after obtaining your RRR, login to your application account and submit the RRR used for payment. Note that submitting the RRR in the application portal is not tied to your actual payment.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Payment for the registration will startfrom 5th to 22nd September 2017. Portal for registration and printing of acknowledgment slip will be closed by midnight of Sunday, 24th September, 2017.

DATE OF APTITUDE TEST: Thursday 28th and Friday 29th September 2017

Note that the schedule (Venue and Time) of the BUK Aptitude Test will be communicated to you using the phone number and/or e-mail address (used in JAMB registration) you supplied in your profile update.

 \triangleright A comprehensive list of those who have made the requirement will be published in the University website - please check www.buk.edu.ng

ANY CANDIDATE WHO FAILS TO REGISTER FOR THE SCREENING EXERCISE WITHIN THE STIPULATED DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Signed FATIMA BINTA MOHAMMED REGISTRAR

PENSION UNIT: Documentary Requirement for Processing the Retirement Savings Account (RSA) and Client Familiarity Index ("CFI") FORM: Stanbic IBTC Pension Managers

This is to inform clients/staff (RSA holders of Stanbic (iv) IBTC Pension Managers) that the Pension Fund Administrators, (PFA) will capture the biometric information of staff who registered with PFA as follows: **Date:** Monday 18 - Friday 22, September, 2017 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. daily

Venue: Human Resource Department Division Committee Room, New Campus

Staff are required to bring the following:

- Proof of Address (any one of the following) **(A)**
- (i) Utility bill within the past three months
- (ii) Valid Driver's License (not expired)
- Recent Tenancy Agreements (iii)

- Voters Card
- Normal I.D. Card (v)

(vi) Active Bank Statement (within the past 3 months) containing current address

(B) Personal Identification Document ((either of the following)

- Bio Data Page of Current Internal Passport (i)
- Valid official/company Identification Card (ii)
- (iii) Valid Driver's License
- (iv) National Identity Card

Sample of the CFI form available in the Pension Unit for clients/staff to make photocopy.



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