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Centre for Teaching and Learning Underway in BUK ... Says VC

Plans are under way for the establishment of a Centre for Teaching and Learning in Bayero University, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, has announced.

He said the project is part of the deliberate effort aimed at improving skills in teachers as well as boosting teaching profession in the country.

Speaking on Thursday, 8th October, 2020 when he received officials of the Nigeria Association for Educational Administration and Planning, Bayero University Chapter, who paid him a courtesy visit, the Vice Chancellor noted that most of the problems in the declining standards of education emanate from poor teaching methods.

Professor Sagir noted that, many young academics who find themselves in academia lack the basic teaching skill and method which regrettably have a negative effect in our educational system.

"Acquiring a first class degree or higher degree as the case may be is not the only requirement for teaching. There is the need for acquisition of teaching skills and that is what the proposed centre would achieve so as to bridge the gaps," said the Vice Chancellor.

According to him, his administration attaches greater premium to improving the quality of teachers who will in turn improve on the standards so as to produce well trained and better graduands for a better society. He pointed out that quality education is the bedrock of societal growth and development and that a university is the best place to nurture good and quality people in all fields of human endeayour.

Professor Sagir commended the Association for its laudable efforts at boosting education, saying that the sector needs collective effort in order to have a decent society.

He equally expressed delight at the enormous contributions by the wife of the Executive Governor of Kano State, Her Excellency, Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, in the education sector in general and the development of Bayero University in particular.

Earlier, the Chairperson of the Nigeria Association for Educational Administration and Planning, Bayero University, Kano Chapter, Professor Bello A. Bello said they were in the office to pay homage as well as to express their loyalty on what they termed as well deserved appointment of Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas as the 11th Vice Chancellor of the university.

He noted that the overwhelming community acceptability of Professor Sagir which metamorphosed into his appointment is a clear manifestation of his good heart and commitment to making Bayero University great.

Professor Bello described the new Vice Chancellor as a man of integrity, a manager with innovative mindset, an honest, hard working, disciplined and open minded administrator who is ready to serve the university and entire education sector with the zeal and positivity.

Highlight of the visit was a special prayer session for a successful and hitch free tenure which will bring more development and prosperity to the university and the education sector as a whole.

Mrs Ganduje Eulogises BUK VC

...Promises to Support the University

By Lamara Garba



VC, prof. Sagir A. Abbas (left) presenting a souvenir to the wife of Governor of Kano State, Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Umar Ganduje

The wife of the Executive Governor of Kano State, Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, has described the new Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas as a man of honour and integrity.

Making her remarks as the Grand Patron of the Nigeria Association for Educational Administration and Planning, BUK Chapter when they paid him a courtesy visit at the Senate Chamber on Thursday, 8th October, 2020, said the University was lucky to have the caliber of Professor Sagir Abbas as the new helmsman, whom she said has the zeal, commitment and special interest in the development of the institution.

Dr. Hafsat Ganduje, who was full of praises said, for any society to prosper and grow, education sector must be given special attention and care. She also charged wealthy individuals and public spirited persons to wade in to the project of supporting education sector as the burden is too much for government alone to shoulder.

The First lady, who said no amount of money is too much for the education sector, vowed to support the university where possible in order to be able to achieve its goals so that it can be ranked amongst the best not only in this country but in global arena as well.

"I must say that, you are a man of vision and innovation. We shall continue to render our little support to enable you to realize your mission and vision of making Bayero University a centre of excellence. We shall also continue to offer our prayers for a successful tenure," said Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Ganduje.

She congratulated the Vice Chancellor for the well deserved appointment and said his good intention for the university would certainly see the light of the day.

Earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, said he was highly elated to see the First Lady among the entourage for the visit, saying, this underscored her commitment to the development of education.

"I was deeply honoured and humbled by your presence here. Certainly, this has further confirmed your special interest in the development of Bayero University in particular and the education sector in general," he declared.

Professor Sagir who commended the excellent leadership qualities of Dr. Hafsat Abdullahi Ganduje especially in her drive to girl child education, reaffirmed that any society that negates education sector to the background is doomed.

During the visit, the association presented a letter of congratulations as well as a plaque to the Vice Chancellor.

Fidelity Bank Poised to Strengthen Its Relationship with BUK

By Sabitu M. Jinjiri -

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas has commended Fidelity Bank's decision to sustain its operations in the university's campus, considering how other banks are closing and leaving the campus due to the negative impact of corona virus pandemic.

Prof. Abbas who spoke when a delegation of the bank paid him a courtesy call on Wednesday, 30th September, 2020, said the management welcomed the idea of improving the relationship. The bank team was led by its bank's Regional Manager, Mr. Moshood O. Oyewole.

He advised the bank to maintain its usual services on the campus, which are beneficial to both staff and students. He assured the financial institution of any possible support that it may need to provide more efficient and better services.

Earlier, the bank's Regional Manager, Mr. Oyewole, informed the Vice Chancellor that they were in the office to congratulate him on his appointment as the 11th VC of Bayero University, Kano.

Mr. Oyewole also expressed appreciation of the support and assistance the university had been giving them even before the transition to this current tenure.

The Manager said fidelity bank was ready to keep on joining hands with the University for the good of the University Community. He also offered that the bank would continue with its corporate social responsibility activities to help make life better for the University Community.

VC Charges CIDR, Others on Policy Framework



VC, Prof. Sagir Abbas (4th right) in a group photograph with the officials of CIDR and management staff

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas has advised Research Centres in the University on the need to develop an operational policy so as to attract funding and grants from foreign donor organizations.

Professor Abbas, gave the advice when he received a delegation from the University's Centre for Infectious Diseases Research (CIDR), on a congratulatory visit to him on Monday, 5th October, 2020.

The team, which was led by the centre's Director, Prof. Isa Abubakar Sadiq, was received at the VC's Committee Room.

The Vice Chancellor also called on the centre to patronize the National Research Fund of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) and reminded them that they stand a better chance of benefiting from the national fund.

Responding to the Centers demand of getting more hands

from various departments and faculties to assist them in their research activities, he informed them that they could go ahead to scout for lecturers to assist them with their plans.

Professor Abbas assured that the University Management was willing to help the Centre approach potential donor agencies within and outside Nigeria towards achieving its mandate.

Earlier, the Director of the Centre, Prof. Sadiq said his team was in the office to congratulate him on his appointment as the 11th Vice Chancellor of the University. He thanked Allah (SWT) for the smooth transition and prayed for a successful tenure.

The Director also informed the VC that his centre was bedeviled with problems such as inadequate research fellows and insufficient equipment, among others.

ASTAB to Establish Laboratory in GRS and Remote Sensing

By Lamara Garba



Staff of ASTAB in a group photograph with management staff of BUK

The North West Zonal office of the Advanced Space Technology Applications Laboratory (ASTAB), situated in Bayero University is to establish essential laboratory that would help the agency in monitoring satellite data as well as conduct research in water, natural disasters and agriculture among others, the Zonal Coordinator of the agency, Dr. Ibrahim Yakubu Tudun Wada, has disclosed.

Speaking on Monday, 5th October, 2020 when he led the staff of the agency to pay a congratulatory visit on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, the Coordinator revealed that already equipment for the laboratory have been provided only ready for installation.

He said, they were in the VC's office to congratulate him on what they termed as well deserved appointment and to wish him well for a hitch free tenure and full of activities that would move the university to greater height.

"We wish to put on record that we, at Advanced Space Technology Applications Laboratory are very much delighted with your emergence as the new Vice Chancellor of this great university. We wish you well and pray to have a successful tenure, to have a happy ending, so that your tenure will be one of the remarkable administrations in terms of developing the university," he prayed.

Dr. Ibrahim Tudun Wada while appreciating the cordiality between the University and his agency, said that over the years the agency had been enjoying good relationship with management.

Already, he said they have been collaborating with

University's Centre for Dryland Agriculture and the Department of Geography in the aspect of teaching remote sensing and other related areas.

Dr. Ibrahim requested for the allocation of some offices to be able to install its equipment on remote sensing and satellite data monitoring so as to convert it into essential laboratory. He said it would greatly help the University in the teaching of remote sensing and geographic information system.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas expressed his delight for the visit and appreciated the prayers. He commended the contributions and support rendered by the agency, pointing out that the services rendered by the organization cannot be over emphasized.

Professor Abbas disclosed that the agency is very much relevant in the development and growth of the country particularly in this era of digital technology and information and communication technology.

According to him remote sensing is one special field of study which the university will like to explore in order to have more professionals in the field especially in this part of the country in view of its significance to sustainable growth and development.

He assured of all necessary support and assistance in order to make their operations successful. Regarding the office allocation for the installation of essential laboratory, he asked them to identify any suitable building within the university premises for allocation.

Putting BUK's Interest Remains its Great Weapon - VC

By Sabitu M. Jinjiri

Putting University interest over and above any considerations by successive administrations of the Bayero University is the secret behind its unprecedented growth and development, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas, has said.

Speaking during a courtesy visit paid on him by the members of staff from the Faculty of Dentistry on Tuesday, 29th September, 2020, he revealed that some prominent Nigerians wish that BUK's system is carried on to other universities.

The VC, Prof. Abbas, explained that the management of the university is concerned on how to improve facilities at the faculty as well as address other challenges within the available resources.

Earlier, the Dean of the Faculty, Dr. Akinwale Efukoya expressed that his delegation was in the VC's office to congratulate him on his appointment as the 11th Vice Chancellor of Bayero University and that his faculty was delighted to associate itself with grand transition.

"You have our full support and backing and every one of us is prepared to work with you, sir," the Dean added.

Other dignitaries who graced the event were the University's Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed; the University's Librarian, Dr. Musa Auyo and the University's Bursar, Dr. Muhammad Bello Sulaiman.



Dean and staff of the Faculty of Dentistry in a group phonograph with VC and other Principal officers

Israel-Nigeria i-FAIR 2020/21: "Transforming Ideas into Inventions"

This is to inform members of the university community that the Embassy of the State of Israel in Nigeria in collaboration with the office of the Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in partnership with Skill-G Nigeria Ltd., Gregory University Uturu (Abia State), and DeNovo-Israel Ltd., is organizing the Innovation Fellowship for Aspiring Inventors and Researchers (i-FAIR) program and to invite interested persons in the following fields/areas

a. Agriculture and Food Security

- **b.** Renewable Energy/Environmental Management
- c. Food Technology
- d. Medical Devices/Simulation
- e. Social Responsibility

For additional information about the i-FAIR please visit www.ifair-israelnigeria.com and for submission of an application please visit: www.ifair-israelnigeria.com/form-app/form.php

MSD Hotlines

The Maintenance Services Department (MSD) is hereby notifying members of the University Community of the existence of an EMERGENCY CALL NUMBERS in an event of failure or breakdown of any of the Utility services under the Maintenance Services Department.

Members should kindly call these numbers in the event of any emergency for the provision of Utility services: 08058990796 (Deputy Director Utilities); 08036508720 (New Campus) and 08036471690 (Old Campus). These numbers operate 24/7 and members should not hesitate to draw the attention of the MSD whenever they notice a spillage of water, a breakdown of electricity or any other work related to the department please.

Signed,

Director, MSD

Do You Know?

- That BUK consumes a lot of Energy Daily?
- That Power Supply by PHCN is Poor?
- That The University Relies on its Generators for Power Supply at Staff Quarters, Administrative, Academic and Students Areas?
- That The University Spends a lot of money on Diesel and Generators' Maintenance?
- That Some Staff members Leave Offices Without Switching-off Electrical Appliances?
- That 1 Extra Hour of Air-conditioning in a Room Uses Enough Energy to Power ATV for a Year?
- ✓ To Reduce Cost and for Safety, Help the University by Putting-off all Electrical Appliances when not in use!

Wedding To Faliha

Jibrin Sammani Usman of the Department of Physiotherapy wishes to invite members of the University community and the general public to his wedding fatiha, scheduled to take place as follows:



Date: Sunday, 1st November, 2020

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Tahir Hungu Juma'at Mosque, near Maitama Sule Academy, Opposite AKTH Exit gate, New Hospital Road, Gyadi-Gyadi,

Kano

Sales of Houses at Sheikh Nasiru Kabara (Amana) And Sheikh Ja'afar Mahmud (Bandirawo) Housing Estates, Kano

Members of the University community are hereby informed that the Kano State Government has appointed BHK Habitat Limited, as its sole agent/vendor for the sales of houses at the aforementioned estates.

The Houses comprises of 2 bedroom semi detach and 3 bedroom detach have reached certain level of completion ranging from 50%, 75% and 100%. The prices start from N4million-N13million for the 2 bedrooms and N5million-N15million for the 3 bedroom depending on

the size and level of completion.

Members of staff should also note that the BHK Habitat Ltd had entered into agreement with the Federal Mortgage Bank of Nigeria (FBMN), to provide Mortgage Finance for interested contributors to the National Housing Fund (NHF).

For further inquiries contact 09097023990, 080339666487, 08029169138, 08033480811 and www.bhknigeria.com



