



Bayero
University
Kano

OFFICIAL Bulletin

Vol. XXXVIII No. 52 Friday, 13th December, 2019

WEEKLY

ISSN 0189-9260



National Research Agenda Underway

... Says NUC, As Experts Harp on Lack of Value in Some Researches

By Sabitu M. Jinjiri

The National Universities Commission (NUC) is working out modalities to develop a new National Research Agenda to accelerate Nigeria's growth, the Executive Secretary of NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, has disclosed.

Speaking as a special guest of honour at the opening ceremony of an international training workshop on research ethics at Bayero University's Dangote Business School on Monday, 9th December, 2019, he said the new policy aimed at repositioning research and development in Nigerian universities.

The NUC boss, who was represented by Director, Research, Innovation and CIT, Malam Muhammad Auwal Farouk further explained that the rationale was to tailor research in Nigerian universities towards the needs and problems of the nation.

"The NUC is on its way to develop a National Research Agenda aimed at repositioning research and development in Nigerian universities", said Professor Rasheed.

According to him, by the time the new policy takes effect, it will give a direction for researchers which will go a long way towards the growth and development of

our country.

The NUC Executive Secretary charged Bayero University and FUIW to join the Commission in moving research forward for the benefit of "Nigeria and the world in general".

Presenting a lead paper, Professor Musa Muhammad Borodo lamented that despite the unanimously accepted need for value and usefulness in research, however, some researches nowadays lack value and integrity.

The training workshop was jointly organized by Bayero University, Kano and Higher Education and Research Ethics Centre (HEREC) of the Federation of Universities of the Islamic World. It was themed "*Ethics and Integrity in Scientific Research*".

Deliberating on the qualities of good research, Prof. Borodo argued that since knowledge, which was the ultimate goal of any research, was good and noble, its pursuit through research, must be with truthfulness and diligence. The facilitating professor added that research should also be for human good and for societal development. Again, according to the facilitator, the outcomes of researches should not be

harmful.

In his welcome address at the opening ceremony, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello, declared that the University Management was glad to have one of the first FUIW workshops hosted by the University. He also hoped that the outcome of the international workshop would be of immense benefit to the University's Research Committee.

He said as part of effort to key into global standard in conducting research, the University had inaugurated four different committees on research ethics which are as follows: Animal Care and Use Research Ethics, Health Research Ethics, Science Technology and

Environment Review and Social Humanity and Law Committees to be headed by Dr Abdussamad M. Abdussamad, Professor Aliyu Abdu, Professor M.D. Mukhtar and Professor Usman Shuaib respectively.

Among the dignitaries that graced the opening ceremony were the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed (represented by Mallam Muhammad Auwal Farouk), Prof. Izzeldin Ahmed Mousa, the Dean, HEREC, Naif Arab University of Security Studies, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; Dr. Malwe A. Alshahrani, the Deputy Dean, HEREC and Prof. Gamal A. El-Dahshan, the Dean, Faculty of Education, Manoufia University, Egypt, among many others.

Emir of Kano Commissions BUK's Ultra-Modern Mosque

By Sabitu M. Jinjiri

The Emir of Kano, Malam Muhammadu Sanusi II on Friday, 6th December, 2019 commissioned on ultra-modern central mosque of Bayero University New Campus. The Emir who delivered sermon and led the congregational prayer urged Muslims to fear Allah more and relate well with their relatives among other pieces of good advice given by the royal *Imam*.

The royal father prayed for all those who contributed in cash or in kind towards the completion and realization of the mosque.

Among those who had spent to get the mosque built were the famous late businessman, Alhaji Isiaka Rabi'u; his son, Abdus-Samad Isiaka Rabi'u; Alhaji Aminu Dantata; Alhaji Saleh Nabegu; A.A. Rano; Kano State Government and a host of other Muslim stakeholders.

In his thanksgiving message, after the first Friday prayer carried out in the newly launched mosque, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello, was grateful to the royal *Imam*, Muhammad Sanusi II, for having urged affluent Muslims in the state to donate towards the realization of the mosque.

Prof. Bello, who had accompanied the royal father to the commissioning site, disclosed that the University had not spent a dime in building the mosque. Rather, Muslim staff of the University and other stakeholders from outside the institution were solely responsible for constructing the prayer house. At last, Prof. Bello prayed to Allah to abundantly reward the contributors.

Highlight of the commissioning came in form of an announcement to do with the Vice Chancellor, Prof.



Sarkin Kano, Malam Muhammadu Sanusi II delivering sermon at BUK Central Mosque

Bello, giving out his daughter's hand in marriage the following Friday i.e. on 13th December, 2019. The marital knot, it was announced at the event, would be tied in the newly commissioned mosque.

Florida State University Trains 5 Centres in BUK on Grant Access and Management

By Adamu Garba

Florida State University, Tallahassee (FSU), USA in collaboration with Nigeria Centre for Reading Research and Development (NCRRD), Bayero University, Kano has organized a 2-day workshop on Grant Access and Management.

The workshop was meant to train fellows from various Centres of the University on how to access and win research grants from external sources.

The units that participated in the workshop were the Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA), Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages, Translation and Folklore as well as the Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership (DRIP). Others were Centre for Renewable Energy Research, Faculty of Education and Bursary Department.

The Director, NCRRD, Professor Ismaila Tsiga, disclosed this during a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, on Friday, 6th December, 2019.

Professor Tsiga said NCRRD was established in 2017 as a collaborative project between Bayero University, Kano and Florida State University (FSU), Tallahassee with the support of USAID to promote the teaching of reading in the country and conduct researches in related matters.

In her remarks, Dr. Stephanie Simmons Zuilkowski, from Florida State University, who described the partnership between BUK and FSU as successful, stated that the



Representatives of FSU in a group photograph with the BUK management

workshop was organized to ensure sustainability of the programme with the expiration of the MoU in year 2020.

Dr. Zuilkowski added that FSU wanted to assist the University to find easy ways of getting grants from international sources.

She lauded the University for its Interesting Projects and for the hospitality showed her and her entourage.

BUK Signs MoU to Commence the Teaching of Chinese Language

By Nura Garba



Representative of the Chinese Ambassador, Mr. Lizuda (left) presenting the signed MoU to DVC (Academics), Prof. Adamu Idris Tanko (right)

Bayero University, Kano has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Chinese Embassy to commence teaching Chinese language.

Mr. Li Xuda, a Cultural Affairs Officer in the Chinese Embassy, who signed the MoU on behalf of the Chinese Ambassador to Nigeria on Friday, 6th December, 2019, said Bayero University had established a reputation that

many institutions would be happy to partner with.

The Ambassador noted that language was at the centre stage of bridging the gap between countries, noting that the relationship between Nigeria and China would significantly be improved.

He said it was a memorable day to sign the memorandum of understanding with Bayero University, Kano, an institution that produced quality graduates, adding that it would pave the way for more avenues for collaboration between Nigeria and China.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, said Bayero University had already partnered with some Chinese universities in terms of academic linkage, staff and students exchange. He said the signed MoU would boost BUK's relationship with Chinese people.

The Vice Chancellor noted that the University would also mount a proficiency course in Chinese to provide access for traders and other people in the country, especially those who frequently travel to China for business or study purposes.

First Ever Gathering of BUK Engineering Alumni

By Safiya Garba (Student on Industrial Attachment)

Alumni of Bayero University, Faculty of Engineering had on 7th December, 2019 held a first ever gathering with a theme: **Reconnecting the University and Engineering for Mutual Gain.**

The Chairman of the occasion, Professor Engineer B.A Gonoh, said the gathering was a veritable avenue for friends and colleagues to reunite with a purpose of giving back to their alma mater. He said the Faculty had produced highly reputable engineers and professionals in this country.

In his remark, the Chairman of the Local Organizing Committee, Engineer Sulaiman Musa said the reunion was a dream come true. He commended the immediate Dean of the Faculty and the Commissioner of Higher Education in Niger State, Dr. Baba Ali for his gigantic role towards ensuring that the ceremony became a success.

The COREN President, Engineer A.A Rabi'u, who was represented by Professor OAU Uche advocated the need for the alumni to gather annually to discuss what would benefit them and their faculty. He donated two hundred thousand Naira as his contribution.

The Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Professor Salisu Dan Azumi gave a historical background of the faculty, which began from the humble beginnings in 1978/79 session to become one of the best faculties of engineering in Nigeria.

Presenting a speech on *Engineers Participating in Projects for Quality Assurance* Hon. Commissioner of Works and Infrastructure in Kano State, Engr. Mu'azu Magaji cautioned engineers to desist from conniving with the money bag politicians to execute projects that are substandard. He called on them to make sure that mechanisms of quality assurance are strictly followed.

Earlier in his remarks, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Professor Salisu Dan Azumi expressed happiness over the gathering and noted that alumni relations play key role in the sustenance of university system. He revealed the functions of alumni relations office in BUK and explained that the main function of the BUK's Development Office) is to network among the alumni.

The event also saw the inauguration of caretaker committee:

Inter-Federal Civil Servants 5-aside Competition Eye Opener for BUK

-Says Director of Sports

By Nura Garba

The Inter-Federal Civil Servants 5-aside competition has served as an eye opener for Bayero University and will go a long way in entrenching mass participation among staff. The competition also provided an opportunity for interaction, friendship and mutual understanding among staff of the federal civil service.

This was disclosed by the Director of Sports, Malam Usman Salihu, at the end of the quarter final between Bayero University and National Industrial Court of Nigeria (NICN).

The Director commended the University management for its continuous support and assistance towards improving the standard of sporting activities in the University.

Despite the fact that BUK was defeated 12-6 by NICN, the coach of the team, Mustapha Sheikh, was optimistic that BUK would use the opportunity of participating in this competition to strategize and amend the challenges in order to face the next competition well prepared.

The BUK Team played well but was subdued by the

fitness and preparedness of the opponents. It was later found out that mercenaries were used against the actual staff of the court.



Despite that, the players expressed commendation to the Sports Directorate for providing the necessary logistics that would cater for their participation.

Collaboration will Boost the Image of BUK – Prof. Dato

By Fausat A. Opayomi

A Professor of Veterinary Medicine from the Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), Professor Dato Mohd. Azmi Mohammed has said the only way Bayero University could actualize its potential is through collaboration which would culminate into attracting national and international grants to conduct cutting edge researches in tandem with international best practices.

The erudite scholar made the remarks during a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello on Tuesday, 10th December, 2019.

He also said publishing in high impact journals; funding and commercialization of impactful research would go a long way to boost the image of the University.

Professor Dato Mohammed was in the University to serve as a guest speaker at the 1st International Conference on One Health organized by the Department of Medical Laboratory Science. He expressed appreciation to the Management of the University for the warm reception accorded him and other international participants, saying that he was optimistic that the University had all it takes to reach its full potentials.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Professor Adamu Idris

Tanko, observed that Universiti Putra, Malaysia and BUK share a common interest in the area of academic pursuits as well as in teaching and research. Both Institutions, he added were established in the early 70's.

He disclosed that BUK had sponsored staff for both National and International conferences and also sponsored Departments to host conferences so that



Representatives of Universiti Putra Malaysia in a group photograph with BUK Management

more people would benefit from the knowledge shared.

He also said BUK aspired to be global rallying point in terms of research and learning and was willing to learn from Professor Dato's wealth of experience so as to inspire the upcoming academics.

Do You Know?

- That the University provides DUSTBINS All Over the Community?
 - That our Use of DUSTBINS is Extremely Low?
 - That Low Use of the DUSTBINS Litters the Environment?
 - That the Failure to Use DUSTBINS is uncivil?
 - That the Failure to Use DUSTBINS Makes the Work of Sanitation Workers difficult?
 - That the Failure to Use DUSTBINS is Financially Costly to the University?
 - That by Using the DUSTBINS you are Helping the Environment and the University?
- ✓ Help the University by Keeping the Staff Quarters, Administrative, Academic and Student areas very **CLEAN**
- ✓ **Dispose of All Litter in Dustbins**

LOST AND FOUND

A Prayer Carpet was found at the Convocation Arena during the Registration for the Integrated Payroll Personnel

Information System (IPPIS). The owner should contact the Information and Publication Division for collection.

School of Continuing Education

Proposed Academic Calendar For 2018/2019 Academic Session

S/N	DATE	ACTIVITY
1	1 st October – 8 th December, 2019	Sales of Admission Forms for 2018/2019 Academic Session
2	1 st - 8 th of November, 2019	Admission Exercise
3	7 th December, 2019	Release of First Admission
4	14 th December, 2019 - 31 st December, 2019	Screening Exercise
5	20 th December, 2019 - 14 th January, 2020	Registration for 2018/2019 Academic Session
6	10 th January, 2020 – 4 th April, 2020	First Semester Lectures (13 weeks)
7	28 th – 29 th February, 2020	First Semester Mid-term Break
8	27 th March – 4 th April, 2020	GSP Lectures (two weeks)
9	6 th – 25 th April, 2020	First Semester Examinations (three weeks)
10	26 th April – 14 th May, 2020	First Semester Break (two weeks)
11	14 th – 26 th May, 2020	Marking of First Semester Examinations (two weeks)
12	28 th April – 3 rd May, 2020	Departmental Board Meetings
13	21 st May, 2020	SCE First Semester Academic Board Meeting
14	5 th June, 2020	Release of First Semester Results
15	15 th May – 8 th August, 2020	Second Semester Lectures (thirteen weeks)
16	26 th – 27 th June, 2020	Second Semester Mid-term Break
17	31 st July – 8 th August, 2020	GSP Lectures (two weeks)
18	10 th – 31 st August, 2020	Second Semester Examinations (three weeks)
19	1 st – 14 th September, 2020	Marking of Second Semester Examinations (two weeks)
20	1 st – 14 th September, 2020	Processing of Second Semester Results
21	15 th – 22 nd September, 2020	Departmental Board Meetings
22	24 th September, 2020	School of Continuing Education Academic Board Meeting
23	9 th October, 2020	Release of Second Semester Results
24	1 st October, 2020	Commencement of sales of Admission forms for 2019/2020 Academic Session

NOTE:

- a) The last two weeks (2 weeks) of each Semester will be for General University Courses (GSP & EEP Lectures)
- b) Both Semesters comprise of thirteen (13) weeks each of academic lectures and three (3) weeks for conduct of examinations.



Mai Girma
Shugaban Jami'ar Bayero, Kano
Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello

Da
Limamin Masallacin Jumu'ah na Ansarissunnah, Fagge
Sheikh Aminu Ibrahim Daurawa,

Na farin cikin gayyatarka

Muhimmin Taron Karawa Juna Sani akan
“Labarun Karya da na Batanci a Kafafen Yada Labarai da Sada Zumunta na Zamani”

Wanda za'ayi kamar haka:

Rana: 18-12-2019 = 21 Rabiuth-Thani, 1441AH

Lokaci: 9:00 na safe

Wuri: Mahmud Tukur Theatre,
Tsohuwar Jami'ar Bayero, Kano

UBAN TARO:

Muhammad Sanusi II
Sarkin Kano

BABBAN BAKO:

Alhaji Mai Mala Buni
Gwamnan Jihar Yobe

RSVP:

08025453206, 07031165355
08033482039, 08136835599

SEMINARS

International Institute of Islamic

Banking and Finance: *M.Sc. IBF Internal and Proposal Defense*

Candidate I: Musa Shuaibu (SPS/15/MIF/00002)

Topic: Prospects and Challenges of Agricultural Takaful in Kebbi State:

A Survey of Some Selected Local Government.

Supervisor: Prof. Garba Bala Bello

Reviewer: Dr. Aliyu D. Muhammad

Candidate I: Isma'il Ahmad (SPS/17/MIF/00024)

Topic: Reviving *Zakat* Institution for Poverty Alleviation in Bauchi State: A Case of Misau Emirate.

Supervisor: Dr. Aliyu Dahiru Muhammad

Reviewer: Dr. Warshu T. Rabi

Candidate III: Bashir Isah (SPS/17/MIF/00004)

Topic: Application of Salam in Financing Dry Season Farming at Dadin Kowa Dam, Gombe State-Nigeria.

Supervisor: Prof. Kabir Isa Dandago

Reviewer: Prof. Aminu Kado Kurfi

Candidate IV: Muhammad Abdullahi Lamido (SPS/14/MIF/00007)

Topic: An Assessment of Compliance of Ja'iz Bank Plc To Islamic Business Ethics.

Supervisor: Prof. Shehu Usman Rano Aliyu

Internal Examiner: Dr. Aliyu Dahiru Muhammad

Chairman: Prof. Binta Tijjani Jibril

Date: 2nd January, 2020

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Venue: IIIBF Conference Room

Department of Geography: *PhD Seminar*

1ST PRESENTER: Rufai Usman Ahmed

TOPIC: Impact of Land Use/Land Cover Change on Tree Composition in Northern Nigeria

CHAIRMAN: Prof. Ibrahim Baba Yakubu

2ND PRESENTER: Adenike Adunni Ajayi

TOPIC: Supply Component of Cultural and Ecotourism Attractions and the Strategies to of Harnessing Tourist Attractions in Kwara State

CHAIRPERSON: Dr. Nuratu Mohammed

3RD PRESENTER: Hassan Adamu

TOPIC: Impacts of Climate Variability on the Yield of Staple Grain Crops in the Northern Guinea and Sudan Savanna Agroecologies of Kano State

CHAIRMAN: Dr. L.F. Buba

DATE: Thursday 19th December, 2019

Time: 10.00 am prompt

Venue: CB 17, Geography Department

NOTE: Attendance to seminars is compulsory to all MSc I, MSc II, PhD I and PhD II students



Professor Abdulrazaq Garba Habib (former Provost, CHS-BUK), of the Department of Medicine wishes to invite members of the University Community and the General Public to the Wedding Fatiha of his Daughter **Dr**

Maryam Abdulrazaq Habib and Muhammad K. Umar, scheduled as follows:

Date: Saturday, 14th December, 2019

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Zubairiyya Hall, Galadanci, Kano

Notice of 54th Congregation Meeting

This is to invite members of the University Community to the 54th Congregation meeting, scheduled to hold on Saturday, 21st December, 2019 at Convocation Arena, New Campus at 8:00 am.

Congregation is a gathering of degree holders cutting across all categories of staff working in the University. Therefore, only eligible members are entitled to attend, please.

Members should endeavour to attend, as important issues are going to be discussed at the meeting.

AGENDA OF THE MEETING

1. Opening Prayer
2. National Anthem/BUK Anthem
3. Welcome Address by the Chairman of the Standing Committee on Congregation
4. Adoption of the agenda
5. Composition of Resolutions Drafting Committee

6. Opening remarks by the Chairman of the Congregation/Vice Chancellor
7. Reading/adoption of minutes of 53rd Congregation Meeting
8. Matters Arising
9. Report by the Vice Chancellor and Chairman of the Congregation
10. Comments from members of the Congregation
11. Election to replace members representing the Congregation in the UMC
12. Any Other Business
13. Reading of the Resolutions
14. Closing Prayer
15. BUK Anthem/National Anthem

Lamara Garba

Secretary, Standing Committee on Congregation,

For: Registrar



Published & Printed by the Registrar's Office (Directorate of Public Affairs), PMB 3011, Bayero University, Kano. Telephone 081860107570, Email: bukbulletin@buk.edu.ng; bukbulletin@gmail.com

DESIGN: Murtala Ibrahim PRODUCTION EDITOR: Fausat A. Opayomi

MANAGING EDITOR: Ahmad Shehu EDITOR: Lamara Garba

Current & past BUK bulletins are online@ www.buk.edu.ng/bulletin_list