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#### **Lamara Garba now Secretary, Information and Publication Division**

- By Nura Garba & Murtala Ibrahim

The Management of Bayero University has approved the appointment of Malam Lamara Garba as Secretary, Information and Publication in the Directorate of Public Affairs. He succeeds Malam Mustapha Gide, who is on study leave.

A statement signed by the Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Isyaku Mohammed, says the appointment is with immediate effect.

Lamara Garba holds B.A. Mass Communication, M.Sc Mass Communication and a Masters Degree in Development Studies. He joined the services of Bayero University in 2015. Previously, he worked in the New Nigerian Newspapers from 1995 to 2010 and later served as Chief Strategic Communication Officer

at the Fiscal Responsibility Commission (FRC) in the Presidency Abuja, before moving to the National Examinations Council (NECO) as Head of Information Division from 2012 to 2015..

He was a one time Chairman of the Kano State Corespondents Chapel of the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ).



# Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine Visits BUK on Financial Assurance Fund

By Nura Garba

taff of Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (LSTM) Ms Paula McCabe has visited Bayero University following the University's success for a competitive grant on Financial Assurance Fund (FAF) from the National Institute of Health Research

The ASRG is a 3-5-year project led by LSTM working in partnership with Bayero University, Kano and the Institute of Primate Research, Kenya to address the diverse causes of the continuing high mortality (32,000 death pa) and morbidity (20,000 disabilities pa) of

snakebite victims in Sub-Saharan Africa.

The project is part of the Global Health Research Programme funded by NIHR at the LSTM. The NSRIC is a member of the consortium-based at the College of Health Sciences, BUK - within AKTH got a grant of £456,569 for a period from 2017 to 2020. In addition, the NSRIC also is a recipient of a £686,000 grant from DFID for the SRPNTS research project.

In view of the foregoing, Ms Paula McCabe, a Finance Faculty Manager at LSTM, visited the University on Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 to conduct assessment of financial and grants management activities.

VC, Prof. M. Y. Bello presenting a survenour to Ms Paul McCabe

(NIHR), UK. It will be recalled that the University hosts an NIHR supported research project of snakebite envenoming conducted by BUK's Nigerian Snakebite Research and Intervention Centre (NSRIC), a member of the African Snakebite Research Group (ASRG).

"The exercise is meant to assert due diligence and put measures in place to manage risk and strengthen grants and financial capability of the University. It is aimed at ensuring standard and good practices," said McCabe, who was accompanied by Professor Abdulrazaq G. Habib, the co-Principal Investigator and Project Coordinator, BUK's N-SRIC Project, Program Manager for DFID Grant, Kabir S. Tahir, Aliyu Shehu, the Program's Finance Officer and Abdullahi I. Baiwa, Project Admin Assistant to pay a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello.

Ms Paula McCabe told the Vice Chancellor that the University would be assessed based on the Rwandan Model of good financial grant practice after which it would be rated gold, silver, bronze or platinum compliance, as it had been the practice of NIHR (UK).

Ms McCabe added that a team of consultants would come to BUK to train staff on good financial management practice for 3 weeks. She said that the project management staff would also be trained in Uganda next month on grants and project management to strengthen research grants management capabilities of the University.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Bello said the University always welcomed any assessment that ensured good practices and entrenched quality improvement mechanisms, saying that the University would give her all the necessary cooperation to conduct her work successfully.

The Vice Chancellor directed the Bursar to provide all that the team required to execute its work diligently.

Ms Paula McCabe's assignment commenced from Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 to 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

#### BUK Wins 3<sup>rd</sup> Position Back to Back in National Mathematical Competition

By Adamu Garba

Four Students from the Department of Mathematical Sciences have won the 3<sup>rd</sup> position in the just concluded 2019 National Mathematics Competition for University Students (NAMCUS), organized by the National Mathematical Centre (NMC) in Abuja.

The University won a gold medal, two silver medals and a bronze to seal a back to back 3<sup>rd</sup> position in the competition. The same position it won during last year's same competition.

The students who won the medals were Umar Abba (gold medal), Emmanuel Oluyoyi (silver) while Rasheedat Abdulmumini and Munirat O. Bello got (bronze) each.

While presenting the medals to the Vice Chancellor, the Head of Department of Mathematical Sciences, Dr. Abbas Ja'afaru Badakaya, expressed gratitude to the Management for supporting the participants. He said the University had never missed the competition since its start about a decade ago.

He said the competition, which had 20 universities contesting with four students representing each

university, making a total of 80 contestants, awarded 40 medals of 5 gold, 10 silver and 25 bronze to winners. He added that University of Lagos came first, followed by Obafemi Awolowo University in second position, while Bayero University Kano, and Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria came third and fourth respectively.

Dr. Badakaya also observed that preparing students early would go a long way in making them to improve on winning medals.

Speaking at the presentation of the awards, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, applauded the winners for their success in spite of challenges of short preparation for the competition.

He assured that the University would make adequate preparation for the next competition through organizing extra-mural lessons for the contestants and local mathematical competition. Professor Bello added that in the next competition, the University would be represented by 2 teams for Statistics and Mathematics.



The winners of the competition in a group photograph with the VC, Prof. M. Y. Bello and the HOD Mathematics, Dr. Abbas Ja'afaru Badakaya

#### DG, ICRISAT Visits BUK, Promises More Collaborative Opportunities

By Nura Garba

The Director-General of the International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT), Dr. Peter Carberry, has promised to explore more opportunities for collaboration with Bayero University.

ICRISAT is an international organization which conducts agricultural research for rural development with headquarters in Patancheru (Hyderabad, India) and several regional centres. It is one of the strongest partners of Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA) of Bayero University, Kano.

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DVC (Academics), Prof. A. I. Tanko (2nd left) presenting a copy of BUK Annual Report to DG ICRISAT (2nd right), while Director, CDA, Prof. Jibrin M. Jibrin (left) and ICRISAT Country Director, Dr. Hakeem Ajiegbe (right) look on

The ICRISAT DG, who paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019 praised the institute's fruitful partnership with Bayero University and vowed to explore other avenues to further strengthen the collaboration.

He said he was happy with the way the collaboration

with the CDA was yielding fruitful results, especially in the areas of agricultural research and capacity building of their personnel.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Bello, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, said ICRISAT was one of the best partners of the CDA, pointing out that the University had allocated a 15-hectare research field to ICRISAT as a gesture to appreciate the partnership. He called on the ICRISAT DG to explore additional collaborative opportunities

that would benefit both institutions.

While at the CDA, Dr. Carberry visited the Centre's farm and laboratories, interacted with the staff and inspected the ICRISAT's research field. He commended the University Management for their support to his organization.

Dr. Carberry assured the Centre of ICRISAT's willingness to support research and teaching activities around GIS and Remote Sensing, Agricultural and Environmental Systems modelling to help the Centre towards achieving its goal. Furthermore, the DG reiterated the commitment of ICRISAT to assist in training and capacity development of CDA staff and

students.

In his remarks, the Director, CDA, Professor Jibrin M. Jibrin, welcomed the ICRISAT DG and expressed optimism that the Centre was living up to expectation and would continue to strengthen the partnership between the two universities.

# NCC Trains BUK Staff on SPSS, IOPT By Adamu Garba

About 110 members of staff of Bayero University have received an intensive training on Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS) and the use of Internet and Microsoft Office Productivity Tools (IOPT) sponsored by the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC).

The NCC working through its training arm, the Digital Bridge Institute, has trained the participants in Advanced Digital Appreciation Programme widely known as ADAPTI. The NCC-funded ADAPTI programme is aimed at bridging the ICT skills gap of teaching and non-teaching staff in tertiary institutions in the country.



Some of the participants during the training session

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The staff training conducted by the Digital Bridge Institute, an international Centre for Information and Communications Technology Studies took place between 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 at the PTDF Hall, Old Campus.

The two trainings were attended by 70 teaching and 40 non-teaching staff. The objective of the programme was to enhance and equip the academic and non-teaching staff of the University with practical skills in the use of SPSS, Internet, Microsoft Word, Excel, and Power point applications software with a view to improving their productivity.

The Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed, represented by the Deputy Registrar, Staff Training, Malam Garba Abdullahi Barume, appreciated the NCC for counting the University worthy of such educative programme and commended the facilitators, Digital Bridge Institute for the time and effort they devoted to

the training. He also enjoined the trainees to use the knowledge acquired during the training to enhance their service delivery.

Some participants at the SPSS training, Dr. Basiru Musa and Sani Ali, from the Department of Political Science and Jamilu Rabi'u from the School of Continuing Education, all consented to the relevance of the programme to their teaching and researches. Also, participants for the IOPT training said the training would enhance their work, as observed by Sule Jibrin and Salahuddeen Haruna from the respective Directorate of Establishment Matters and Deanery of Student Affairs.

The DBI facilitators commended the University for the reception accorded them which they said was one of the best. They promised to convey the good record and comportment of the trainees to the NCC for more ICT training opportunities to enable more staff benefit.

### BUK's Solar Energy Project for Commissioning in June

#### ...Says Minister of Environment

By Lamara Garba

The 3 Megawatts Solar Energy Project in Bayero University, New Campus, undertaken by the Federal Ministry of Environment has reached advanced stage and will hopefully be commissioned in June this year, Minister of Environment, Surveyor Suleiman Hassan, has disclosed.

The Minister, who paid an unscheduled visit on Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 to inspect the level of progress, expressed satisfaction with the project. He commended the contractor for the excellent work so far.

In particular, Surveyor Suleiman Hassan said the project was part of the Federal Governments' initiative aimed at providing alternative power supply to educational institutions for improved learning and research.

Earlier, while explaining the level of progress, the Resident Engineer from the Rural Electrification Agency, Engineer Mudashir Dauda, disclosed that the program was part of the funding of the Green Band for the Environmental Friendly

project. He revealed that, when completed, it would provide a 24-hour uninterrupted power supply to the entire New Campus of the University.

Part of the components of the gigantic project, according to Engineer Dauda, included power supply

to the Campus' streets light, construction of a workshop and a training centre in addition to supplying power to staff residential quarters and academic environment.

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who appreciated the personal commitment of



Minister of Environment Surveyor Suleiman Hassan (2nd right) with Vice Chancellor, Prof. M. Y. Bello (1st left) at the project site

the Minister to the Project, said the enthusiasm shown by the Minister was quite commendable, which was an indication of his ministry's concern for the growth and development of the university in particular and education sector in general.

### **Agricultural Engineering Department Honors Malam Shu'aibu Abdu**

By Rabi'u M. Sagir

The Head of Department of Agricultural Engineering, Dr Muhammad Lawan Atanda, has described Malam Shuaibu Abdu as a champion, who deserved a national honor for the outstanding performance he had exhibited throughout his service with Bayero University, spanning over 35 years.

Dr Atanda was speaking on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2019 during an event organized to honor Malam Shuaibu, who had retired after his 35 years in service. The former urged the departments' staff to emulate the good conduct of the celebrant in order to earn respect and recognition for themselves.

Also speaking, Prof. M.S. Abubakar said that in situations whereby only staff who had obtained PhD or Professorship were celebrated and messengers, cleaners and other junior staff who diligently served the university were neglected the service would suffer.

In his remarks, Malam Abdullahi Adamu Muhammad (Kofa) said he had

never seen a determined person who approached his work with passion like Malam Shuaibu from whom he learnt a lot of things. The former called on the young to see him as a role model to them in order to achieve their goals.

Earlier, the Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed, who was represented by Malam Yusuf Shehu said "we should congratulate the celebrant for what he had done to the University." She thanked the Department for the kind gesture shown to Malam Shu'aibu whom she asked the younger ones to emulate the positive aspect of his attitude to work in order to



help the University.

The Registrar said the university was going to continue to support any staff who is willing to dedicate himself towards discharging his/her responsibilities well.

#### **APPOINTMENTS**

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointments of the underlisted staff. A letter of appointments signed by Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Isyaku Muhammad announced the new appointments as follows:

SN	NAME	DEPT	APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE
1	Dr. Mansur Isa Yelwa	Department of Islamic	Head of Department	May 1, 2019
		Law		
2	Professor Ismaila A. Tsiga	Department of English	Director, Nigerian Centre for Reading, Research and	May 1, 2019
		and Literary Studies	Development (NCRRD)	
3	Professor Mansur S. Kiyawa	Department of	Deputy Director (Research), Nigerian Centre for	May 1, 2019
		Education	Reading, Research and Development (NCRRD)	
4	Professor Talatu M. Garba	Department of	Deputy Director (Administration and Development),	May 1, 2019
		Education	Nigerian Centre for Reading, Research and	
			Development (NCRRD)	

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#### **Staff Model Secondary School**

This is to inform members of the University Community, parents and other interested individuals that the sale of form for the 2019/2020 session into JS 1 Admission and transfer has commenced with effect from May, 2019. All interested persons can purchase

the forms through the following:

- 1. UBA Bank Tellers to be collected from the School.
- 2. UBA/BUK Account Number: 1001602305
- 3. Amount JS 1 Forms at N3,000 per students, transfer forms at N5,000 per student.

Signed: Management

# **Invitation to Submit Abstracts and Participate in the 7<sup>th</sup> U6+ Consortium International Conference of African Universities**

This is to inform members of the University Community that the 7<sup>th</sup> Consortium Conference of Leading African Universities has been scheduled to take place from the 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2019, at the University of Calabar with the theme: *Harnessing Africa's Potentials in Science Technology and Humanities for Sustainable Development.* 

U6+ is a consortium comprising Universities from West, East and South Africa with the following as participating universities:

1. Cape Peninsula University of Technology, Cape Town, South Africa

- 2. The University of the Gambia, Gambia
- 3. University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana
- 4. University of Eldoret, Kenya
- 5. University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Nigeria
- 6. Kwara State University, Nigeria
- 7. University of Calabar, Calabar, Nigeria and
- 8. Michael and Cecilia Ibru University, Nigeria

Interested staff can submit abstracts for the conference. For more information, please visit the conference website <a href="https://v6conference.unical.edu.ng">https://v6conference.unical.edu.ng</a>

#### National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT)

NAAT Plots of Land, Allocation Letters Ready For Collection

This is to inform all NAAT members and other sister unions that those who subscribed for plots of land with NAAT to come to the Secretariat and collect their letters of allocation or call the phone numbers below for further information. Meanwhile, there are a few more plots for interested members of the University Community. It is situated at Tashan Kadiri, Janguza at

the cost of N720,000.00. Payment period is 24 months.

The size of each plot is 50X50.

Interested persons should call the following phone numbers for further information.

070012700010, 08024237590, 08115299899.

Signed: Balarabe Nuhu Dalhat, Branch Secretary

#### **Appreciation**

(1) The Director of Sports, Malam Usman Salihu wishes to express his sincere appreciation to the members of the University Community who condoled him over the death of his elder brother, Yahaya Usman, who died on 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

His special appreciation goes to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko (DVC Academics), Professor Haruna Wakili (DVC Administration), the Bursar, Dr. Suleiman Bello and the University Librarian, Dr. Musa Auyo.

His appreciation also goes to the Deans, Directors, Senior and Junior Staff, as well as members of ASUU, SSANU, NAAT and NASU.

May Allah reward all abundantly, Ameen.

#### **Loss Items**

Sadiq Bashiru Omeiza (SPS/18/MAE/00006) of the Chemical Engineering reported the loss of his bag. The bag contain the following items:

Admission letter (Original & photocopy) Postgraduate (2) Degree Certificate (Original & photocopy) (3) NECO Certificate (Original & photocopy) (4) Primary School Certificate (Original & photocopy) (5) NYSC Certificate (Original & photocopy) (6) Medical Report Certificate

(Original & photocopy) (7) Undergraduate transcript (Original &photocopy) (8) All Postgraduate Registration Print out, 4 copy in each print out (9) NBC ID Card (10) ATM Card (UBA, GTB and Key stone) (11) National ID, Voters Card and Copies of Passport photograph (12) GTB Token (13) Power bank (14) Wrist Watch (15) Bunch of Key (16) Birth Certificate (Original & photocopy) (18) Aid Offers.

If found, please return to the Information and Publication Division for onward submission to the owner.

#### **SEMINARS**

**Department Of Business Administration** 

And Entrepreneurship: M.Sc Management

proposal/internal defense

Presenter 1: Sunusi Muhammad Umar

(SPS/16/MMN/00030)

**Title:** The Effect of Intrinsic Motivation, Extrinsic Motivation, and Job Satisfaction on Organizational Citizenship Behavior Among Employees in Kano Metropolis.

**Supervisor:** Dr Ibrahim Garba **Reviewer:** Prof. Garba B. Bello

Presenter 2: Faruk Ibrahim Muhammad

(SPS/15/MMN/00022)

**Title:** The effect of electronic payment system on customer satisfaction and customer retention of selected deposit money Banks in Kano metropolis, Nigeria.

Supervisor: Prof. Garba B. Bello Reviewer: Dr. Najafi Auwalu

Presenter 3: Ahmad Adamu Ibrahim

(SPS/16/MMN/00038

**Title:** The mediating effect of leverage on the relationship between growth and performance of

customer goods firms in Nigeria. **Supervisor**: Dr. Shukura M. Bello **Reviewer**: Dr. Adams Adeiza **Presenter 4:** Fatima Usman Sabo

(SPS/15/MMN/00O11)

**Title:** The effect of debt financing on organizational

performance.

**Supervisor:** Prof. Aminu K. Kurfi **Reviewer:** Dr. Muhammad Yadudu **Presenter 5:** Ummi Rahma Shehu

(SPS/16/MMN/00025)

**Title:** Effect of electronic distribution channels on customer satisfaction of Deposit Money Banks in

Kano State, Nigeria.

**Supervisor:** Prof. Mukhtar Halliru **Reviewer:** Dr. Ahmad A. Maiyaki **Chairman:** Dr. Talatu M. Barwa

**Time**: 9:30am Prompt **Date**: Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Department of Biochemistry: M.Sc Completion seminar and Internal Examination

Presenter 1: Ibrahim Muazu Shano

(SPS/16/MBC/00055)

**Topic:** Purification of hyaluronidase from *Naja nigocolis* venom and production of polyclonal antibodies

Supervisor: Dr Binta Kurfi

Presenter 2: Aisha Shehu Sabo (SPS/15/MBC/00019)

**Topic:** Effect of seasonal variations on composition and microbial load of spring water from Bauchi and Jigawa States

Supervisor: Dr Muntari Bala

Presenter 3: Aliyu Idris Kankara

(SPS/16/MBC/00002)

**Topic:** Invivo and invitro neutralization effect of Annona senegalensis root extract against Naja nigrocolis venom

Supervisor: Dr Binta Kurfi PHD Progress Report

**Presenter 4:** Nura Lawal (SPS/15/PBC/00004)

**Topic:** Molecular and environmental studies on the role of Anopheles and Culex Mosquitoe vectors in the transmission of Filarial worm infections in Northern

**Supervisor:** Dr. A. A. Imam **CHAIRMAN**: Dr Binta Kurfi **Time:** 10:00 am Prompt

DATE: TUESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2019

**VENUE:** PG Class

Department of Banking and Finance:

**Departmental Seminar Presenter:** Dr. Nabil Bello

Topic: Capital Regulation Under Basel III and the

Challenges for Islamic Banks. **Reviewer:** Malam Adamu Umar

Chairman: Prof. Kabir Tahir Hamid, HOD Banking

and Finance

Date: Thursday, 23rd May, 2019

**Time:** 2:00 pm

Venue: Conference Room, Faculty of Management

Sciences

**Department of Geography:** *PhD Seminar* 1<sup>ST</sup> **PRESENTER:** Murtala Uba Mohammed

**TOPIC:** Noise Pollution in Kano Metropolis, Nigeria:

Peoples' Exposure, Knowledge and Perception

CHAIRMAN: Prof. J. Afolabi Falola 2<sup>ND</sup> PRESENTER: Nafiu Zakari

TOPIC: Knowledge and Management Practices of

Cerebrospinal Meningitis (CSM) in Kano State

**CHAIRMAN:** Prof. Yusuf M. Adamu **3**<sup>RD</sup> **PRESENTER:** Mustapha Sani

**TOPIC:** Availability, Affordability and Utilization of

Healthcare Services in Sokoto State, Nigeria **CHAIRMAN:** Prof. Yusuf M. Adamu **DATE:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2019

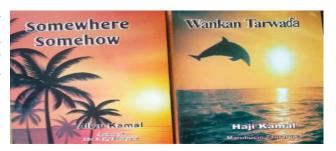
**Time:** 10.00 am prompt

Venue: CB 17, Geography Department

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

### **Prof. Aliyu Kamal's New Novels Out**

This is to inform the members of the University Community that two new Novels of Professor Aliyu Kamal are out. The novels are some where somehow and Wankan Tarwada. Interested persons can buy copy (ies) of the novels at the office of the Secretary, Department of English and Literary Studies, BUK, New Campus.



## The Muslim Forum: Ramadan Lecture

The Da'awah Committee of the Bayero University, Kano Muslim Forum invites members of the University Community to its 2019 Ramadan Lecture as follows:

#### (1) FIRST LECTURE

Dr. Bashir Shehu Galadanchi, Department of Software Engineering, Bayero University, Kano

**Topic:** Advantages and Utilization of Internet and Social Media to the Muslim Ummah (Riba da Amfanin yanar sadarwa ta Internet da kuma kafofin sada zumunta ga al'ummar musulmi).

#### (2) SECOND LECTURE:

Dr. Jibrin Gwandu, Department of Mass Communication, Bayero University, Kano

**Topic:** The Challenges and Disadvantages of Internet

and Social Media to the Muslim Umma (Kalubalen Yanar sadarwa ta (Internet) da kuma kafofin yada zumunta na zamani da kuma maganinsu awajen al'ummar musulmi).

#### **DISCUSSANTS:**

- 1. Professor Salisu Shehu, Director, SCE, BUK
- 2. Dr. Abdulkadir Ismail, SCE, BUK
- 3. Dr. Abdullahi Maikano Madaki, Dept of Sociology, BUK

#### **CHAIRMAN OF THE OCCASION:**

Professor M.M. Borodo, Department of Medicine, College of Health Sciences, Bayero University, Kano

**Date:** 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 **Time:** 10:00am

Venue: Central Mosque, Bayero University, Kano



