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ANNOUNCEMENT: Reminder on Dress Code

The Bayero University Dress Code Committee has noted with dismay the manner in which some students dress indecently in contravention of the University Dress Code.

The Committee calls on all students to dress responsibly, be responsible and abide by the University Dress Code.

Signed Chairman, University Dress Code Committee

BUK Gets 10 Million Dollar Grant to improve Patients with Sickle Cell

ayero University, Kano has won a grant of \$10 million for the improvement and care for many complications related to sickle cell. patients with sickle cell anemia, Professor Aisha Kuliya Gwarzo, the Provost College of Health Sciences, disclosed this when she led a visiting Professor, Michael De BAUN from Vanderbilt University Medical Centre, a global health institute in a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor on Tuesday, 29th August, 2023.

Professor Gwarzo said the grant would assist tremendously in the research and improvement of sickle cell disease in view of the fact that Nigeria has the largest number of sickle cell disease in the world with 50%, stating that out of 150,000 children born with the disease, 50,000 are from Nigeria with Kano State having the highest number.

The Provost introduced the team of sickle cell research to the Vice Chancellor headed by Professor Debaun, a Professor of Pediatrics, whom she said had mentored several members of the College in research and grant writing, which led to their publications in peer reviewed journals and other international publications, saying that some of the researches have been cited internationally earning BUK global visibility.

Prof Gwarzo explained that the \$10 million grant was made possible through the University's association with Professor Debaun. She added that another significant milestone recorded is the stroke prevention method, noting that Kano has now been recognized globally as a reference point for various research publications.

The Provost noted that other significant researches done are the cardiovascular research in sickle cell disease by Services; new born screening for early screening, programmes.

diagnosis and prevention of complication, epilepsy and

In his remarks, Professor Michael Debaun expressed his excitement and described Bayero University as the best place for collaboration. He said being in Kano like he was living in the United States of America because of the cordial relationship and the reception he was given by the staff of the College of Health Sciences and Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital.

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Sani



Muhammad Gumel welcomed Prof Debaun and expressed gratitude to him for choosing BUK and AKTH for this significant project. "We are proud to be associated with a strong intellectual of international refute," he said.

The Vice Chancellor added that the University has now focused its attention towards becoming a research-based Professor Mahmoud Umar Sani, the DVC Management institution with the establishment of many postgraduate

BUK Collaborates with Greifswald University Germany on Blood Transfusion Research

By Nura Garba

Bayero University has partnered with Greifswald University of Germany on blood transfusion research.

Already, BUK's College of Health Sciences had signed a collaboration with the German university in the area of blood transfusion which has since produced fruitful result.

Head of Institute of Transfusion Medicine, Greifswald University, Professor Andrews Graunchier visited the Vice



Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas lastweek to strengthen the collaboration between the two universities.

He said Greifswald University was established since 1456 more-than 500 years ago. It was one of the oldest and most traditional universities in the world and that one of the focus areas in that university was community medicine, which is also one of the key programmes in BUK.

According to him, they were interested in what Bayero University is doing in terms of research, noting that the two institutions would team up to build sustainable blood transfusion services at Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital.

Earlier, the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Professor Aisha Kuliya Gwarzo informed the Vice Chancellor that the College and the Greifswald University of Germany had signed a memorandum of understanding on blood transfusion and the MoU has been put further to touch the area of research that involves the residents, students and going deeper into scientific questions and projects.

She explained that the research project is not an interventional trial, but observational study to create the foundations to build up on this in the next few years.

In his response, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas expressed delight over this gigantic collaboration which would put BUK as the leading institution in Nigeria in terms of blood transfusion research and project.

The Vice Chancellor noted that though BUK was only about 50 years old, the University is among the best institutions in Nigeria offering medical programmes and in the recent ranking by the Times Higher Education of the United Kingdom, it was the 4th best in Nigeria.

He expressed the hope that the MoU signed would open more collaborative opportunities and engagement between the two institutions. He commended the Provost, Prof Aisha Kuliya for making the University proud.

Faculty of Clinical Sciences Holds Maiden Continuous Medical Education Program (CME)

Continuous Medical Education programme CME seminar prevalence of coronary artery disease (CAD) in subat the faculty lecture theater, Aminu Kano Teaching Saharan Africa (SSA) over the last few decades; and the Hospital.

The CME program had lecture presentations from the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Management Services, Prof Mahmoud Umar Sani and Professor Zubairu Ilyasu on Wednesday, 23rd August, 2023.

Professor Mahmoud Umar Sani, who spoke on 'Preventive Cardiology: bridging the gap between the general practitioner and the specialist', defined preventive cardiology as a proactive, patient-centered approach in which the clinician, or team of clinicians and nonclinicians, assess cardiovascular risk and implement a comprehensive strategy of risk mitigation to prevent cardiovascular diseases and its clinical consequences.

He also highlighted the magnitude of cardiovascular

The Faculty of Clinical Sciences held its maiden disease and statistics, showing the steady rise in the



DVC Management Services, Prof. Mahmoud Umar Sani delivering his address

need for increased public and health personnel awareness on the prevention and control of these diseases.

Prof. Sani explained that the mission of preventive strategy is to promote the prevention of CVD, advocate for the preservation of cardiovascular health (CVH), and disseminate high-quality, evidence-based information through the education of healthcare professionals and their patients".

Professor Zubairu Iliyasu, the Pro-Chancellor of Aliko Dangote University of Science and Technology, Wudil, who is also the Chairman of the National Health Research Ethics Committee spoke on 'National Health Research Ethics Committee in Nigeria: What Medical Doctors and Healthcare Researchers Need to Know'.

During the his presentation, he advocated the need for all healthcare researchers to contact the local institutional research ethics committee for guidance before they commence the data collection process. He also outlined the key mandates, roles and functions of the National Health Research Ethics Committee and the fact that the National

Health Research Ethics Committee (NHREC) is the apex body responsible for the provision of and ensuring adherence to guidelines that govern ethical research practice in order to ensure the protection of human research participants in Nigeria.

His presentation provided clear guidance on how researchers will apply for approval from the local institution and the NHREC, based on the peculiarities of their research projects.

Dignitaries at the event included the Chief Medical Director of Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, Prof Abdurrahman Abba Sheshe, the President of the Nigerian Dental Association, Dr Tope Adeyemi, the Dean of the Faculty of Clinical Sciences, Dr Idris Muhammad Yahya and the Chairman of the Nigerian Medical Association, Kano State branch, Dr. Abdullahi Kabir Suleiman. The activity was widely attended (physically and online) by professors, many healthcare professionals, researchers and students.

BUK Signs MoU with Kano Zoological Agency

By Lamara Garba

Bayero University and Kano State Zoological and Wildlife Management Agency have signed a memorandum of understanding on staff training, animal vaccination, forestry conservation and preservation mechanism.

Speaking at the signing ceremony which took place at the Botanical Garden of the Agency on Monday, 28th August, 2023 the Vice Chancellor, Professor SagirAdamu Abbas said the University was committed to render all necessary support to the Zoological and Wildlife Management Agency with a view to improving its services.

He noted that the importance of Zoological garden in environmental eco system could not be over emphasized, hence the desire by the management of the university to partner with the Agency in the conservation and preservation of the animals and the forestry.

With this development, the Vice Chancellor explained that it would allow academic staff and students to have a firsthand knowledge on practical aspect in their respective areas of specialization in addition to supporting the vaccination of animals which will improve in reproduction of the animals as well as preservation of the different species of trees in the forestry unit of the Agency.

Earlier in his presentation, the Managing Director of the Kano State Zoological and Wildlife Management Agency, Honourable Sadiq Kura Muhammad gave a historical background of the Agency which he said was established in 1971 by the first Military Administrator, Police Commissioner Audu Bako.

He said so far Kano Zoological Agency was the largest in the whole of West African sub-region with a variety of animal species, saying plan are under way to restock the garden with more animals as well as to preserve some indigenious species of trees which are heading for extinction.

Honourable Kura, was delighted with the collaboration between the University and the Agency, especially in the aspect of vaccination, animal research and educational services. He commended the foresight and visionary leadership of the Vice Chancellor and his management team.



MD of the Kano State Zoological Agency, Alh. Sadiq K. Muhammad (1st right) explaining a point to the VC, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas, while DVC, Academics watches

According to him, in addition to increasing the number of breeds it would also help the agency to improve on its revenue generation as it will attract more visitors and patronage.

'Certainly, this arrangement will open more ways for us as an agency in terms of increasing revenue through the number of visitors as well as introduce other concepts that would make the Zoo a centre of attraction,' he noted.

BUK, Access Bank to Solidify Relationship

... Bank Introduces New Product

The regional manager of Access Bank Kano, Mr. Chigozie Ugwu paid a visit to the Vice Chancellor on Tuesday, 29th August 2023 at the Senate Building.

The regional manager was accompanied by the Branch



Manager, Relationship Manager of BUK Access Bank branch. He said the purpose of the visit was to congratulate the Vice Chancellor on his three years anniversary in office. "It is an honor to celebrate with you sir", he said.

Mr. Chigozie commended the Vice Chancellor and his immediate predecessors for a job well done, leading to the tremendous transformation of the University, its place in the recent global ranking and general outlook of the

The Regional Manager equally introduced a new product of the bank (The American Express Card, which is the "first of its kind in Nigeria". He said the card will fit the BUK community especially the academics who are traveling abroad for their post graduate programs.

He briefly explained that the cards were in two categories, the Gold and Platinum, explaining some benefits that come with the card, which include an instant 20 per cent discount on airline booking, hotel bookings and some lifestyle engagements, discounts on taxis and

restaurants. Though the card is funded with an instant 3000 dollars he said it will be hard but has a lot of saving benefits for the user. The card also comes with some charges annually.

The Regional Manager said the most eligible are those who go on frequent trips outside the country or stay for long periods. He also gave the banks' commitment to offer assistance through its corporate social responsibility to the university community whenever the need arises and said there is room to deliver a more broad lecture on the product when and if necessary.

Responding, the Vice-chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas expressed deep gratitude for the visit even though he regrettably said that the Vice Chancellor was away on duty with most of the principal officers as he would have been honored to receive them personally.

The Vice Chancellor who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Prof. Sani Muhammad Gumel. He said the relationship between the university and the bank has come a long way from old Intercontinental bank to the present Access Bank. He said BUK is grateful to be identified and offered the service of such an important product which will be introduced appropriately to the selected audience as BUK encourages research pursuits in all parts of the world likewise for conferences.

The Vice Chancellor commended Access Bank for its timely payment to the university on the agreed tenant fee as it's the only bank on campus not owing.

NUC Resource Verification Team Visits BUK

A Resource Verification Team from National Universities Commission (NUC) on Monday, 28th August, 2023 visited Bayero University for accreditation exercise.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas received the team with delight, saying BUK is home to them and always ready for the exercise.

The VC further said BUK has 18 faculties, more than 90 departments and over 150 programs and still growing. The university is ready and willing to gain from their area of expertise and it will be of great honor so as to become a better place of learning.

He urged the NUC staff and team of resource persons during their visits to departments and assessments to feel free to point where needs improvement for swift action to be taken and amendments made.



Earlier, Professor Josiah C. Onovo from the Nassarawa state University, who spoke on behalf of the team said they were all grateful to be at Bayero University on behalf of NUC to assess thirteen programs from nine departments, six faculties and Dangote Business School, both in undergraduate and postgraduate programmes. He said this is a very integral part of the university activity as it is laying the foundation towards graduating students with quality education.

The team leader said their job was to critically assess the personnel, facilities, physical and electronic to ensure all is in place for a hitch free program and quality assurance. He said their mission to help produce competent students who will contribute in their states and the nation at large and they warm reception.

Earlier, the Director Academic planning Dr. Garba introduced the team to the Vice Chancellor.

NUC Second Batch of Resource Verification Team Arrives BUK

By Ibrahim Ado Saleh



Members of the NUC Resource Verification Team in a group photograph with BUK Management

The Management of Bayero University Kano, on Thursday, 31st August 2023 received the NUC 2nd batch of accreditation team with resources persons at the Senate Chamber. It was a second courtesy call by the NUC team to the University this week which was under the leadership of Abdulkadir Mukhtar.

In his remarks, the team lead, Prof. Abdulkadir Mukhtar assured the University that the key intention of the accreditation is to ensure check and balance, quality and standards of the academic sphere.

He also promised the University that this verification was not a witch hunting or fault finding exercise rather to make sure things are going the way they should. He assured that they would give their maximum best to report adequately what they have seen.

The team was made up of 4 panels of 12 resource persons that would inspect 13 programs across the university. They promised to do everything diligently with full commitment.

In his response, the Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the DVC Management Services, Prof Mahmoud Umar Sani, assured the NUC team that the University is ready and enthusiastic about giving them the utmost support to carry out their assignment.

He added that Bayero University is always prepared to take note of advices, suggestions and criticism in order to improve on their mandate.

The NUC team was introduced by the Director Academic Planning Unit, Dr Yusuf Garba who took the team across their designated area of visit.

Ex-Presidents of NAECODS Pay Scholarship to Indigent Student

By Nura Garba

Former Presidents of National Association of Adult Education and Community Development Services (NAECODS) under the aegis Ex-Presidents Network presented an indigent scholarship to Bello Abdullahi on 30th August, 2023 at the Department of Adult Education and Community Services, Faculty of Education, Bayero University, Kano, under the leadership of Comrade Adamu Isah Na ubangiji.

The staff advisor, Dr. Auwalu Halilu led other officials to present a receipt of registration fee to Bello Abdullahi.

The beneficiary, who hails from Zamfara State, is an internally displaced person, who decided to quit the program on financial ground.

He was the best level 200 student of the department with the CGPA of 4.50.

The payment was made directly to university account, after generation of payment remitta of one hundred thousand naira (100,000:00) raised, as contribution.

While making his comments, the staff advisor of the

forum, Dr. Auwalu Halilu advised the beneficiary to redouble his effort at ensuring success throughout the period of his study in the university.

In his speech, the beneficiary, Bello Abdullahi thanked the officials and members of the forum and promised to utilize judiciously the opportunity granted to him.



Bello Abdullahi (2nd left) receiving the scholarship award from members of NEN

University Library Participated in NUC Resource Verification



The University Library, under the able leadership of Dr. Kabiru Dahiru Abbas, has successfully participated in NUC Resource Verification exercises. The first batch of four (4) panels contained thirteen (13) member resource persons visited University Library on Monday 28th August, 2023 for the verification of both physical and electronic resources available in the University Library on the following programmes:- 1. BSc. Biotechnology 2. PhD. Sports Management 3. Masters in Sports Management 4. Masters in Recreation leisure and tourism Management 5. Professional Masters in software PGD, Computer Applications 7. engineering 6. Professional Masters in Cyber Security 8. Masters in Health Logistics and Supply Chain Management 9. PGD, Biodiversity Conservation and Eco Systems Management 10. DBA Doctor of Business Administration 11. MILS, Masters in International Legal Studies 12. PGD and

M.Sc., Food Science and Technology. While the second batch of five (5) panels 13 member resources persons visited the University Library on Thursday 31st August, 2023 and verified resources on the following programmes respectively:- 1. B.Eng. Water Resources and Environmental Engineering 2. M.Eng. Farm Structure and Environmental Engineering 3. PGD. Geology 4. M.Sc./PhD Apply Geology 5. M.Sc/PhD Hydrogeology and Environmental Geology Petroleum Geosciences 7. PGD Limnology and Marine Biology 8. PGD. Parasitology and Entomology 9. MSc/PhD Dental Surgery 10. MSc. Dental Public Health 11. PhD. Public Health 12. PhD. Human Reproduction. All the panels visited the University Library expressed their satisfaction with the resources in the library more especially e-recourses, sitting arrangement and accessibilities.

SEMINARS

Department of Geography

Group A: Physical Geography

Presenter 1: Murtala A. Hassan (SPS/20/MGE/00056) **Topic:** Assessment of Water Scarcity and its Implications for Domestic Utilization among the Low-Income earners in Kano Metropolis

Supervisor: Dr. Tasiu Rilwanu Yalwa **Presenter 2:** Abdullahi Mudi Umar

(SPS/20/MGE/00069)

Topic: Assessment of canopy layer urban Heat Island and its mitigation strategies in Bauchi Metropolis **Supervisor:** Dr. Mansur Abdul Mohammed

Presenter 3: Abdullahi Mudi Umar

(SPS/20/MGE/00069)

Topic: Assessment of canopy layer urban Heat Island and its mitigation strategies in Bauchi Metropolis **Supervisor:** Dr. Mansur Abdul Mohammed

Presenter 4: Mohammed Kaldapha Umar

(SPS/20/MGE/00053)

Topic: Assessment of Temperature and Rainfall trend and their effect on agricultural activities in Adamawa State.

Supervisors: Dr. Muhammad Nuradeen Danjuma/Dr.

Mohammed Ahmed

Presenter 5: Garba Jimmy Jammy

(SPS/20/MGE/00049)

Topic: Comparative Assessment of Well Water Quality in Lower Parts of Jos South Local Government area,

Plateau State

Supervisor: Dr. Tasiu Rilwanu Yalwa

Chairman persons: Prof. Maharazu A. Yusuf/Prof. Adnan

Abdulhamid

Staff Members: TRY, MAM MND, Moh, KS, MTH, AAh, MYH MMA, AAb, AM

Group A: Human/Population and development Geography

Venue: Geography Department Conference room

Presenter 6: Khalid Bakari Ishaq (SPS/20/MGE/00055)

Topic: Transport Network and Agricultural Development in Tudun Wada Local Government Area, Kano State

Supervisor: Dr. Maikudi Danasabe Lawan **Presenter 7:** Sani Ismail (SPS/20/MGE/00044)

Topic: Assessment of Cultural Integration among Fulani and Indigenous Community in Bagwai Local

Government Area, Kano State

Supervisor: Prof. Ibrahim Badamasi Lambu/Dr. Mairo

Presenter 8: Hajja Bintu Jaji (SPS/20/MGE/00043) **Topic:** Assessing the Level of Urbanization and

Objectives Indicators of Quality of Life in Gashua town, Yobe state

Supervisors: Dr. Mahmud Abba/Dr. , Murtala Uba Muhammed

Presenter 9: Jamilatu Mohammed

(SPS/20/MGE/00058)

Topic: Prospects and constraints of Non Governmental Organizations (NGO) in poverty alleviation and

community development in Gombe state

Supervisors: Prof. Nuratu Mohammed/ Dr. Ishaq Aliyu

Abdulkarem

Presenter 10: Nurudeen Bolaji Mutiu

(SPS/20/MGE/00045)

Topic: Cultural Perception on the Causes of Flooding in

Nguru, Yobe State.

Supervisors: Prof. Ibrahim Badamasi Lambu/Dr.

Sulaiman Yunus

Date: Monday 4th September, 2023

Time: 9: 00 am Prompt **Venue:** NRM Class

Department of Biochemistry: Departmental

PG Seminar NoticePhD Completion Seminar

(1) Name of Presenter: Zinat Suleiman Mohammed

(SPS/15/PBC/00011)

Topic: Food Composition Data, Glycaemic Index and Load of some Common Traditional Diets, Drinks and

Snacks around Northwest Nigeria. Degree in View: Ph.D. Biochemistry Supervisor: Prof. A. J. Alhassan Internal: Prof. M. K. Atiku M.Sc. Completion Seminar:

(2) Name of Presenter: Nabila Ibrahim Muhammad

(SPS/18/MBC/00133)

Topic: Investigation of Single Nucleotide Polymorphism

Mutations in the Antimalarial Resistance Gene Dihydropteroate Synthase in Malaria Parasite

Plasmodium falciparum Isolates. **Degree in View:** M.Sc. Biotechnology **Supervisor:** Dr. S. S. Ibrahim **Internal:** Dr. A. A. Imam

(3) Name of Presenter: Isah Garba Bala

(SPS/18/MBC/00119)

Topic: Isolation and Identification of Fungal Species for the Production of Single Cell Protein in using Banana

and Pineapple Peels.

Degree in View: M.Sc Biotechnology **Supervisor:** Dr. Nasiru Abdullahi **Internal:** Prof. A. J. Alhassan **(4) Name of Presenter:** Musa Sani

(SPS/18/MBC/00036)

Topic: Evaluation of Antivenom Activity of Moringa oliefera and Guiera senegalensis Plant against Eclis

occelatus venom in Albino.

Degree in View: M.Sc. Biochemistry (Medical)

Supervisor: Dr. Binta G. Kurfi Internal: Dr. Salihu Ibrahim Chairman: Prof. A. J. Alhassan Time: 10:00 am Prompt

DATE: Tuesday 5th September 2023

VENUE: PG Seminar Room

Invitation to the Disposal of Unseviceable Items

The Board of Survey wishes to inform members of the University community that a disposal exercise of unserviceable items will be conducted across the campuses of the University. This exercise is scheduled to take place from 4th to 7th September, 2023 between the hours of **9:00 AM** and **5:00 PM** in the following manner:

Location	Date	Time
Newsite, Old Admin and Old Power House	4 th – 5 th September, 2023	9:00am - 5:00pm
Oldsite, Estate Department	6 th September, 2023	9:00am - 5:00pm
BUK, College of Health Sciences, (AKTH Campus)	7 th September, 2023	9:00am - 5:00pm

The disposal will be carried out by way of sale to University staff at set prices through an Independent Agent. All interested university staff are invited to participate in this disposal exercise. Items to be disposed include wooden and metallic junks, unserviceable electronic equipment, damaged furniture, 3 grounded vehicles and various scrap items.

We kindly request your cooperation and participation in this exercise, as it aligns with our commitment to maintaining an organized and resource-efficient university environment.

Signed
Secretary, Board of Survey, Bayero University, Kano
For: Chairman, Board of Survey



Muhammad Salisu Rabi'u of the Protocol office wishes to invite members of the University Community and the general public to the Wedding Fatiha of his Daughter **Hannatu Salisu Rabi'u (Amira)** and her fiancee, **Sunusi Sani Muhammad** scheduled to take place as follows:



DATE: Saturday, 9th September, 2023

TIME: 12:00noon

VENUE: Central Mosque, Danbatta Local Government,

Kano State