



Bayero University Kano to Commence Paralegal Studies Programme

By Hamza Usman

Bayero University, Kano (BUK) is set to commence a Paralegal Studies programme aimed at expanding access to justice and creating alternative professional pathways within Nigeria's legal system.

The programme, which will be domiciled in the Department of Sociology under the Faculty of Social Sciences and run in collaboration with the Faculty of Law, is designed to equip participants with practical legal knowledge to support legal processes and promote access to justice, particularly at the community level.

The initiative followed discussions between the university and the Prisoners Rehabilitation and Welfare Action (PRAWA) during an advocacy visit to the institution on Thursday, February 19, 2026.

The PRAWA delegation was led by its President, Dr Uju Agomoh, who also chairs the Nigerian Bar Association Section on Public Interest and Development Law. She was

accompanied by the organisation's Manager of Research and Documentation, Muhammed Dahiru Usman, and Programme Manager, Barrister Jennifer Madu.

Other members of the delegation included Professor Usman Shuaibu, President of the Network of Paralegal Training Institutions; Professor Maikano Madaki, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, BUK; Dr Aminu Musa, Head of the Department of Sociology; and Professor Nuhu Musa, Head of the Department of Public and Commercial Law.

Receiving the delegation, the Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, Professor Haruna Musa, described the proposed programme as timely, noting that the limited admission quota for the Bachelor of Laws programme in Nigerian universities has restricted opportunities for many aspiring legal professionals.

He explained that a structured paralegal programme would help widen access to legal education while strengthening



The Vice Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa fsi (right), receiving documents from the President PRAWA, Dr. Uju Agomoh (left)

grassroots legal services and reducing delays in the justice system.

Professor Musa reaffirmed the university's readiness to collaborate with PRAWA and the Council of Legal Education to facilitate the takeoff of the programme once a Memorandum of Understanding is finalised and approved. He added that the proposed Bachelor of Paralegal Studies and Postgraduate Diploma in Paralegal Studies are multidisciplinary in design and consistent with international best practices.

Earlier, The President of the Network of Paralegal Training Institutions; Professor Usman Shuaibu explained that the initiative was the outcome of nearly five years of curriculum development aimed at bridging the justice gap, particularly in underserved rural communities where access to legal representation remains limited.

“Just as we have paramedics in the health sector, there is a need for trained paralegals within the justice system,” he said, noting that the curriculum was developed through contributions from scholars in sociology, political science, economics, linguistics and law.

Briefing the Vice Chancellor on the concept of Para Legal, studies, the leader of the team, Dr Uju Agomoh stressed that widening service gaps in the justice sector require innovative professional solutions, describing paralegals as essential support personnel in community justice initiatives, law firms and institutional legal frameworks.

She disclosed that the programme was developed in collaboration with the Legal Aid Council of Nigeria and assured that PRAWA would provide the necessary technical and institutional support to ensure its successful implementation.

Vice Chancellor, University Community Mourn Dandago as Thousands Attend Funeral

By Lamara Garba



Thousands of sympathisers at the funeral prayer for the late Prof. Kabiru Isa Dandago on Thursday at his residence at Rijiyar Zaki Kano

The Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University Kano, Professor Haruna Musa, fsi, has led the university community in mourning the death of renowned Professor of Accounting, Kabiru Isa Dandago, who passed away on Wednesday, 4th March, 2026, at the age of 63.

The news of his death sent shockwaves across the campus, with staff, students, alumni and associates describing it as a painful loss to the institution and the wider academic community.

In an emotional tribute, Professor Musa described the late Dandago as a complete gentleman, an honest and committed academic whose contributions significantly shaped the growth and reputation of Bayero University Kano. He said the university has lost a rare gem whose intellect, humility and sense of duty stood him out among his peers.

The Vice-Chancellor noted that Professor Dandago was more than a scholar; he was a mentor and a steady hand in university administration. According to him, the late professor strengthened teaching and research within the Faculty of Management Sciences and helped nurture a generation of academics who now serve within and outside the institution. He added that his calm disposition, integrity and willingness to support colleagues would remain part of his enduring memory on campus.

“His passing leaves a vacuum that will be difficult to fill,” the Vice-Chancellor said, praying that Almighty Allah forgives his shortcomings and grants him Aljannatul Firdaus.

Thousands of mourners on Thursday, 5th March, 2026 thronged the funeral prayer in Kano, reflecting the high

regard in which he was held. The gathering drew academics, students, political leaders, professional colleagues and community members, many of whom described him as a bridge between scholarship and public service. The large turnout was a testament to the impact he made both within the university and in public life.

Born on April 5, 1963, in Dandago Quarters of Gwale Local Government Area, Professor Dandago joined Bayero University in September 1990 and rose to become Professor of Accounting in 2007. Over three decades, he served as Head of the Department of Accounting and later as Dean of the Faculty of Social and Management Sciences. He was also awarded the FIRS-endowed Professorial Chair on Taxation in 2012 and served as Visiting Professor at Universiti Utara Malaysia.

A prolific scholar, he authored over 30 books and published more than 85 academic articles, supervising numerous postgraduate students, including Ph.D. candidates. Beyond academia, he served as Federal Commissioner at the Tax Appeal Tribunal and previously

as Commissioner for Finance in Kano State.

Meanwhile, the Kano State Governor, Abba Kabir Yusuf, also expressed deep sorrow over the professor's death. In a condolence message issued by his spokesperson, Sunusi Bature Dawakin Tofa, the Governor described Professor Dandago as a dedicated public servant and accomplished scholar whose contributions to education and governance left lasting footprints in Kano State.

Governor Yusuf said the late academic served the state with integrity and commitment, earning respect for his professionalism and humility. He extended heartfelt condolences to the family of the deceased, the academic community, and the people of Kano State, praying that Almighty Allah grants him Aljannatul Firdaus and gives his loved ones the strength to bear the loss.

Professor Dandago is survived by his wife, Barrister Binta Kabir Isa, children, and a university community that continues to mourn a scholar, administrator and public servant whose legacy will endure.

Professor Kabiru Isa Dandago Calls for Security, Economic and Media Reforms to Address Northern Nigeria's Challenges

By Lamara Garba

An economist, Professor Kabiru Isa Dandago, has called for urgent reforms in security, economic development and media institutions as a pathway to addressing the persistent challenges confronting Northern Nigeria.

Professor Dandago made the call while delivering a paper at the 10th Ramadan Lecture organised by the Islamic

Forum of Nigeria on Saturday, February 28, 2026, in Kano. The lecture brought together scholars and public affairs commentators who reflected on the social and economic conditions of the region and proposed ways of reversing the trend.

difficult without improved security, a vibrant economy and strong media institutions capable of shaping public awareness and civic responsibility. According to him, any society aspiring for growth and prosperity must place security at the centre of its development agenda. He explained that security creates the enabling atmosphere for economic activities to flourish and for communities to live in peace.

He also noted that citizens must develop stronger economic consciousness while governments at all levels should provide an enabling environment that encourages productivity, investment and entrepreneurship.

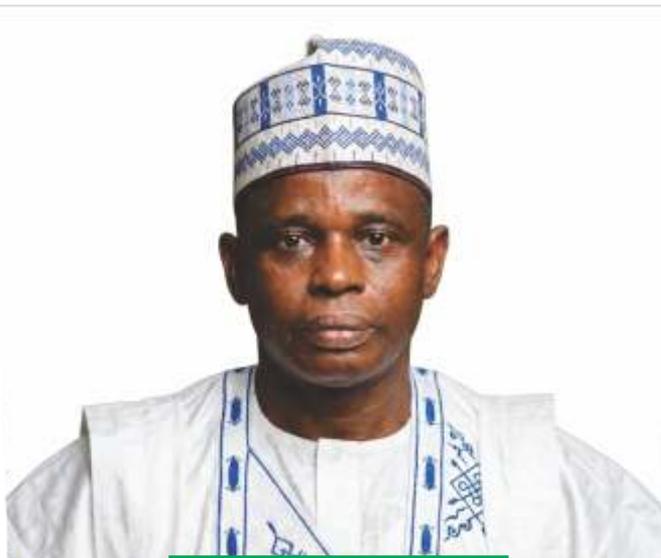
Professor Dandago further emphasised the importance of a vibrant and responsible media sector in promoting development. He explained that strong media institutions play a critical role in educating the public, raising awareness and mobilising communities toward constructive social and economic engagement.

The economist identified several factors that have slowed the pace of development in the region. These include weak media institutions, underdeveloped infrastructure, poor leadership and corruption, which he described as major obstacles to economic growth and prosperity.

He therefore called for deliberate and appropriate measures to address these challenges in order to build a peaceful and economically vibrant society.

Other speakers at the lecture also highlighted the need for far reaching reforms across key sectors of the region's social and political life.

In his remarks, Professor Salisu Shehu, the Executive Secretary of Nigerian Educational Research and



Prof. Kabiru Isa Dandago

Forum of Nigeria on Saturday, February 28, 2026, in Kano. The lecture brought together scholars and public affairs commentators who reflected on the social and economic conditions of the region and proposed ways of reversing the trend.

In his presentation, Professor Dandago stressed that meaningful development in the North would remain

Development Council called for the declaration of a state of emergency in the education sector to confront the numerous challenges affecting learning outcomes in Northern Nigeria.

He observed that the region faces a serious shortage of educational institutions relative to its rapidly growing population, a situation that has contributed to overcrowding in schools and limited access to quality education.

Professor Shehu also expressed concern over the increasing cases of examination malpractice, which he said threaten the credibility of the education system and undermine the future of young people.

According to him, meaningful progress in the region requires structural changes that will strengthen educational institutions and improve the quality of learning.

He stressed the importance of community engagement in addressing the educational crisis, noting that parents, traditional leaders and civil society groups must work together with government authorities to promote discipline and accountability within the school system.

Also speaking at the event, Malam Ibrahim Ado Kurawa linked many of the region's security challenges to failures in governance.

Ado Kurawa argued that insurgency, kidnapping, banditry and other forms of social vices often thrive in environments where governance structures are weak and public institutions fail to meet the needs of citizens.

He therefore urged civil society organisations to intensify their advocacy efforts and hold public officials accountable in order to promote responsible leadership and better governance.

According to him, sustained public pressure on leaders is essential to ensure transparency, accountability and effective service delivery.

The speakers agreed that addressing the region's challenges requires a comprehensive approach that combines improved security, educational reform, economic development and stronger civic engagement.

They maintained that with the right policies, responsible leadership and active participation from citizens, Northern Nigeria possesses the human and material resources necessary to overcome its current

ACEPHAP, RCOG and SOGON Train Healthcare Workers on Essential Gynecological Skills

By Bala G. Abdullahi

African Centre of Excellence for Population Health and Policy (ACEPHAP), in collaboration with the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (RCOG) and the Society of Gynecology and Obstetrics of Nigeria (SOGON), successfully trained 30 frontline healthcare workers on Essential Gynecological Skills (EGS) under the Gynecological Health Matters Programme (GHMP) – Nigeria.

The four-day intensive training which took place on Tuesday 3rd March, 2026 at Bon Hotel, Enugu, brought together nurses, midwives and doctors committed to improving the quality of gynecological care in their communities.

The hands-on training was facilitated by highly experienced Nigerian and UK obstetricians and gynecologists, who provided practical demonstrations, case-based learning and mentorship sessions.

Participants were equipped with critical competencies in essential gynecological procedures, early diagnosis, patient safety and compassionate care. The initiative was aimed at strengthening clinical confidence and enhance service delivery at primary and secondary healthcare levels.

According to the programme coordinators, the training was part of a broader effort to expand access to safe, high-quality gynecological services for women and girls across Enugu State and beyond. By building the capacity of

frontline health workers, the program sought to address preventable complications, reduce delays in care and promote better reproductive health outcomes in underserved communities.

According to ACEPHAP Director, Professor Hadiza Shehu Galadanci, the Enugu training milestone had added



Participants in a group photograph after the essential gynecological skills training

on the program's earlier successes, where 180 healthcare workers were trained across Abuja and Kano State. She stated that the continued collaboration between ACEPHAP, RCOG and SOGON reflected a shared commitment to improving women's health through sustainable skills development, mentorship and health system strengthening across Nigeria.

Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution Pays Advocacy Visit to BUK, Seeks Academic Collaboration

By Hamza Usman

A delegation from the Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (IPCR) on Wednesday, 18 February 2026, paid an advocacy visit to Bayero University Kano.

Leading the delegation, the Director of Finance and Accounts of the Institute, Mr. Sunday Daji, said the visit was aimed at formally introducing and presenting the 13th edition of the Institute's flagship publication, *Contemporary World Nigeria*. He noted that BUK was identified as a strategic institution for advancing the objectives of the publication.

Providing an overview of the magazine, the Editorial Team Coordinator, Dr. Olaleko Babatunde, explained that *Contemporary World Nigeria* is a quarterly academic journal published in partnership with *Contemporary World China*. He described it as an intellectual platform designed to amplify Nigerian and African perspectives by providing space for scholars, diplomats, researchers, students and media practitioners to engage global audiences. According to him, the initiative also seeks to bridge existing research gaps between Nigeria and China.

Dr Babatunde disclosed that the Institute was undertaking advocacy visits to key stakeholders across selected states and institutions in Nigeria. He added that the magazine covers a wide range of thematic areas, including artificial intelligence, food security, diplomacy, peace and security, and international affairs. He therefore proposed an

academic partnership with BUK, particularly in the area of joint publications in the magazine and other scholarly journals.

Responding, Vice-Chancellor Professor Haruna Musa expressed appreciation to the delegation, describing the visit as an honour. He reaffirmed the University's willingness to collaborate with the Institute in joint research, publications, conferences and other academic engagements, stressing that such partnerships align with the University's core mandate of teaching, research and community service. He added that the objectives of IPCR strongly resonate with those of the University.

Professor Musa also thanked the Institute for donating copies of the 13th edition of *Contemporary World Nigeria* to the University. He commended IPCR for its consistency in sustaining the publication, noting that irregularity has remained a major challenge for many academic journals in Nigerian universities. He assured the delegation of BUK's readiness to patronize the magazine and contribute to future editions in order to strengthen the existing synergy between the University and the Institute.

The Vice-Chancellor further praised the Institute for making the magazine available in both print and online formats, observing that the dual-access approach enhances visibility and allows wider readership beyond physical boundaries.



VC, Prof Haruna Musa fsi (2nd right), receiving copies of the Magazine, *Contemporary World Nigeria* from the institute's Director of Finance and Accounts, Mr Sunday Daji, alongside other members of the team

BUK Hoops Kings Crowned in Zaria, VC Haruna Musa Rewards Champions

By Hamza Usman

The triumphant basketball team of Bayero University Kano on Monday, 2nd March, 2026 presented their championship trophy to the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, fsi, following their impressive victory at the Northwest 3×3 Basketball Championship hosted by Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

The tournament, held from February 4 to 6, 2026, in Zaria, saw BUK emerged champions after an unbeaten run, reaffirming their dominance in the regional competition.

Receiving the players at his office Professor Musa congratulated the team for what he described as a remarkable achievement that has brought pride and honour to the university.

“I would like to congratulate you and urge you not only to sustain this tempo but to improve on it,” the Vice-Chancellor said. He commended the athletes for winning the third edition of the championship and recalled that BUK had also clinched the first edition of the tournament at ABU.

Professor Musa assured the team of the university's continued commitment to the development of sports, pledging sustained institutional backing to elevate sporting activities at BUK. He further promised to support the athletes individually in advancing their sporting careers, encouraging them to see sports not merely as recreation but as a serious and rewarding venture.

The Vice-Chancellor also appreciated the Chairman of the University Sports Consultative Committee, Professor Musa Garba Yakasai, the Director of Sports, Professor Rabi'u Mohammed, and the team's coach, Sunusi Shuaibu (Badway), for their dedication and guidance which culminated in the victory.

Earlier, Professor Musa Garba Yakasai expressed delight over what he termed a landslide success, noting that the team's discipline and determination stood out throughout the competition. He also thanked the Vice-Chancellor for his consistent support before, during and after the tournament.

Director of Sports, Professor Rabi'u Mohammed, revealed that six universities from North West region participated in the championship. He highlighted BUK's flawless campaign, stating that the team remained unbeaten in all six matches.

According to him, BUK recorded a 10–0 victory over Northwest University, Kano; 33–20 against the Air Force Institute of Technology; 11–9 against the Federal

University of Education, Kano; and 10–0 against the Federal University of Transportation, Daura. In the final match, BUK edged out hosts Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, with a thrilling 20–18 win to lift the trophy.

He noted that while ABU won the second edition of the tournament, BUK had now secured two titles out of three editions, further cementing its status as a basketball



Director of sports Professor Rabi'u Mohammed presenting the trophy to VC [6th right] with management staff and chairman of Sports Consultative Committee, Professor Musa Garba



Captain of the BUK Basketball Team, Joshua Apochi Adejoh along with team mates with the VC, Prof. Haruna Musa, fsi at the presentation of the trophy

powerhouse in the region.

Speaking on behalf of the team, captain Joshua Apochi Adejoh thanked the Vice-Chancellor and university management for providing an enabling environment for student-athletes to thrive. He also appreciated the Sports Directorate and coaching crew for their guidance and encouragement throughout the competition, pledging that the team would continue to give its best for the institution.

The highlight of the reception was the formal presentation of the trophy to Professor Musa, who in turn presented cash gifts to the players in recognition of their outstanding performance.



Bayero
University
Kano

SPECIAL Bulletin

Vol. XLIV No. 21 - Tuesday, 3rd March, 2026

| SPECIAL | ISSN 0189-9260

DOMESTIC ANIMAL REARING AND CONTROL WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES

The University Management wishes to remind all residents of the Staff Quarters, both on the Old and New Campuses; Zoo Road Staff Quarters and School of Continuing Education, that the rearing of animals within the University premises is strictly prohibited as clearly stated in the Revised Guidelines for Staff Housing Allocation and Maintenance, Sections C.17–C.25 respectively.

Residents who keep the permitted minimum number of domestic animals are strongly advised to ensure that such animals are properly confined and do not stray into the campus environment. Allowing animals to roam freely within the University community constitutes a violation of established regulations and poses environmental, health, and safety concerns.

The Security Division will immediately commence the arrest and impoundment of stray animals found roaming within the University campuses. Owners of such animals will be identified and held accountable in line with existing regulations.

Members found contravening this directive will face appropriate sanctions as provided in the Staff Quarters Residency Guidelines. The University Management will not hesitate to enforce these measures to maintain order, hygiene, and the integrity of the campus environment.

All residents are therefore urged to comply fully with this directive in the collective interest of the University community.

Signed:

Lamara Garba, mnipr
Director, Public Affairs
For: Registrar



Bayero
University
Kano

SPECIAL Bulletin

Vol. XLIV No. 18 - Friday, 27th February, 2026

SPECIAL

ISSN 0189-9260

COMMENCEMENT OF ONLINE SCREENING EXERCISE FOR THE 2025/2026 ACADEMIC SESSION

This is to inform all newly admitted undergraduate students of Bayero University, Kano that the Online Screening Exercise for the 2025/2026 Academic Session will commence on Monday, 2nd March 2026.

All candidates are required to strictly adhere to the following procedures to ensure a successful screening process:

Step 1: Clear with JAMB by accepting your admission on the JAMB CAPS portal and printing your JAMB Admission Letter.

Step 2: Log in to the Screening Portal via: <https://mybuk2.buk.edu.ng/myScreening>

Step 3: Download the following documents:

- BUK Admission Letter
- Undertaking Form
- University Health Services Registration Form

Step 4: Generate, download, and print your BUK Personalised Payment Form (BUKPPF).

An Acceptance Fee of Ten Thousand Naira (₦10,000.00) is indicated on the form and is payable through the Remita e-Payments and e-Collection platform.

Candidates are advised to carefully read and follow the payment procedure, as the University shall not be liable for any loss arising from incorrect data entry that may delay payment validation and processing.

Payment can be validated by clicking "Check Payment Status" on the payment page.

Note: All fees paid are non-refundable.

Step 5: Upload the following documents in JPG format (each file must not exceed 1MB):

- JAMB Result Slip
- JAMB Admission Letter
- O' Level Result
- A' Level Result (for Direct Entry candidates only)
- Any other relevant document(s)

Please note:

- Uploaded documents may be rejected if they are unclear or do not meet the required standard.
- Candidates are expected to re-upload clearer copies where necessary.
- There may be a delay while awaiting approval of uploaded documents.
- Uploading fake, forged, or non-genuine O' Level or A' Level results is strictly prohibited. Any candidate found to have submitted such documents, whether during or after the screening and documentation process, shall have his or her admission withdrawn in accordance with the University's General Examinations and Academic Regulations.

For inquiries or complaints, candidates are advised to use the message box icon on the right-hand side of the Screening Portal.

Step 6: Print the Acknowledgement Slip, which contains further instructions for registration and documentation.

All newly admitted students are advised to complete the screening process promptly and ensure full compliance with the above guidelines.

Signed:

Lamara Garba, mnipr
Director, Public Affairs



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: Hamza Usman

MANAGING EDITOR: Lamara Garba EDITOR: Sabitu M. Jinjiri

Current & past BUK bulletins are online@ www.buk.edu.ng/bulletin_list, Twitter: @buk_nigeria, facebook: www.facebook.com/buk_nigeria