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BUK Ranks Second Nationwide in INEC Campus Debate, Wins N2.5 Million Prize

By Suleiman Salihu and Hamza Usman



R-L VC, Prof Haruna Musa, fsi, winners of the competition: Hauwa Umaima Ibrahim and Hauwa Bashir Sani, Dean, Prof. Mukhtar Ridwan Bunza and Deputy Dean/Coach, Dr. Saidu Sani

Bayero University, Kano (BUK) has emerged second overall in the national Grand Finale of the Independent National Electoral Commission (INEC) Campus Debate, winning a cash prize of N2.5 million in recognition of its outstanding performance among participating tertiary institutions across the country.

The competition, which was held at the University of Abuja (now Yakubu Gowon University), brought together four universities for the grand finale, with BUK finishing behind the University of Jos (UNIJOS).

The remarkable achievement was celebrated on Friday, November 13, 2026, when the University's debate team paid a visit to the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, FSI, to present the medals, trophies and N2.5 million prize cheque won at the competition.

Receiving the delegation in his office, Professor Musa congratulated the students for bringing honour to the University, describing their performance as a commendable demonstration of intellectual ability, confidence and commitment.

The Vice-Chancellor disclosed that although he was on a trip to Saudi Arabia during the competition, he closely followed the team's progress because of the importance he attached to the event. He encouraged the students not to be discouraged by finishing second, noting that their performance demonstrated their capacity to compete favourably at the national level.

He urged them to sustain their interest in intellectual engagements, public affairs and current national issues, while commending the Debate Coach, Dr. Sani Saidu, for his dedication and commitment to preparing the team for the competition.

Professor Musa assured the students that the University Management would continue to provide support and

encouragement to students participating in academic, intellectual and other worthwhile competitions.

Earlier, the Dean of Student Affairs, Professor Ridwan Mukhtar Bunza, explained that the INEC Campus Debate, which ran from September 23 to November 3, 2026, was organised to promote electoral awareness, encourage voter education and sensitise Nigerian youths to the importance of participating in the democratic process.

He disclosed that BUK was selected by INEC to represent the North-West geopolitical zone and was subsequently mandated to organise an internal campus debate to select two finalists who would represent the University at the national competition.

Professor Bunza said the grand finale featured four universities: Bayero University, Kano; University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN); University of Ibadan (UI); and University of Jos (UNIJOS), with BUK securing the second position overall.

He described the achievement as a significant recognition of the University's commitment to intellectual development, democratic values and the active participation of students in issues of national importance.

The Dean further explained that the visit was to formally present the two students who represented the University, alongside the medals, trophies and other awards received at the competition.

In his remarks, the Deputy Dean of Student Affairs and Debate Coach, Dr. Sani Saidu, expressed appreciation to the Vice-Chancellor for his encouragement and support, noting that the University's commitment to promoting excellence contributed significantly to the team's success.

The University was represented by Hauwa Umaimah Ibrahim, a 400-level student of the Faculty of Law, and Hauwa Bashir Sani, a 200-level MBBS student of the Faculty of Clinical Sciences.

The delegation was led by the Dean of Student Affairs, Professor Ridwan Mukhtar Bunza, and accompanied by the Deputy Dean, Dr. Sani Saidu, and other members of the Deanery.

The highlight of the visit was the presentation of the N2.5 million prize cheque to the Vice-Chancellor

Turkish Foundation to Provide Financial Assistance to 250 BUK Students, 150 Females to Benefit

By Suleiman Salihu

The Turkish Iyilik Gunu Human Development and Charitable Foundation has announced plans to provide financial assistance to 250 students of Bayero University, Kano (BUK), with 150 female students expected to benefit from the proposed intervention.

The Chairman of the Foundation, Mr. Iskender Sezgin,



VC, Prof. Haruna Musa, fsi presenting a sourvenir to Turkish Lylik Gunu Foundation druing the visit

disclosed this on Friday, November 13, 2026, when he led a delegation of the organisation on a visit to the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, FSI, at the University.
Mr. Sezgin explained that the proposed intervention was part of the Foundation's commitment to supporting education and improving the welfare of less privileged students. He expressed the organisation's readiness to work with the University Management in identifying deserving beneficiaries and establishing appropriate arrangements for implementing the programme.

He also invited the University to suggest additional areas where the Foundation could intervene to support students' education and welfare.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, welcomed the initiative and reaffirmed the University's readiness to partner with charitable organisations and development foundations committed to improving access to education and supporting vulnerable students.

Professor Musa particularly commended the Foundation for prioritising female education, noting that female students were often among the most vulnerable members of society and deserved greater attention and support.
He observed that empowering women through education had far-reaching benefits beyond individual beneficiaries, as it contributed significantly to the development of families, communities and society at large.

The Vice-Chancellor also expressed appreciation for the Foundation's previous interventions at the University, including the distribution of 300 sheep to junior staff during the Eid-ul-Kabir festivities, construction of boreholes and other humanitarian projects.

He further praised the organisation's wider charitable activities across Kano State, particularly its daily feeding programme for thousands of Almajiris, describing such interventions as important contributions to addressing the needs of vulnerable members of society, especially during Ramadan.
Earlier, the General Manager of the Foundation, Malam Isa Musa Amana, said the organisation had maintained a

cordial relationship with the University through various humanitarian interventions.

He recalled that the Foundation had previously supported less privileged members of the University community through the distribution of sheep and rams during Eid-ul-Kabir, as well as the provision of Ramadan meals to 500 students.

He added that its other activities included the construction of boreholes, renovation of mosques, distribution of copies of the Holy Qur'an, cataract treatment and the daily feeding of approximately 12,000 Almajiris across the state.

Professor Musa assured the delegation of the University's cooperation in making the necessary arrangements to ensure the successful implementation of the proposed students' financial assistance programme.

NUC Team Assesses BUK's B.Sc. Applied Biology Programme for Accreditation

By Suleiman Salihu

A National Universities Commission (NUC) accreditation team has commenced an assessment of the B.Sc. Applied Biology programme in the Faculty of Life Sciences, Bayero University, Kano (BUK), as part of the Commission's 2026 accreditation exercise aimed at evaluating academic standards and ensuring quality in Nigerian universities.

Receiving the delegation in his Boardroom on Friday, November 13, 2026, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, fsi, assured the team of the University's full cooperation and provision of all necessary support to enable it to carry out its assignment successfully.



BUK Management in a group photograph with NUC Accreditation Team during the visit

Professor Musa described accreditation as a critical component of university development, noting that the exercise plays a significant role in maintaining academic standards, strengthening quality assurance and promoting continuous improvement in the Nigerian university system.

He observed that the positive impact of NUC accreditation activities was evident in the growing performance and visibility of Nigerian universities, including their improving positions in global university rankings, such as the Times Higher Education (THE) rankings.

The Vice-Chancellor expressed confidence that the assessment would provide an objective evaluation of the programme, identifying its areas of strength and aspects requiring improvement. He assured the delegation that the University Management would carefully consider and implement the recommendations arising from the exercise to further strengthen the programme.

Earlier, the team leader, Professor Naomi John Dadi-Mamed, from Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida University, Lapai, said the delegation was at BUK on the assignment of the NUC to assess the B.Sc. Applied Biology programme in accordance with the Commission's prescribed accreditation standards.

She explained that the team's responsibility was to examine, observe and verify the programme against the NUC accreditation template, with a view to establishing its level of compliance with the required academic and institutional standards.

Professor Dadi-Mamed added that the team would subsequently submit its findings and recommendations to the NUC for further consideration. She solicited the cooperation and support of the University's staff to ensure a successful and objective assessment.

The team leader was accompanied by Professor M. B. Mshela of the Federal University of Agriculture, Mubi, Adamawa State; Dr. Abdulsalam Abdullateef, Deputy Director, Office of the Executive Secretary, NUC, Abuja, representing the Commission; the Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, Professor Usman Aliyu Dutsinma; the Head of Department of Biological Sciences, Dr. Halima Musa Rabi'u; Professor Ibrahim Lawal Abdullahi; Professor Tijjani Sabiu; Dr. Zainab Muhammad Sani; and other members of the Faculty.

Experts Advocate Innovative Biomedical Research to Advance Human Health

By Hauwa Mustapha Ahmad and Halima Muhammad Aminu

Experts in basic medical sciences have advocated innovative biomedical research, stronger scientific collaborations and increased investment in research as critical pathways to advancing human health and addressing emerging healthcare challenges, particularly in Africa.

They made the call at the maiden International Conference on Frontiers in Basic Medical Sciences hosted by Bayero University, Kano (BUK), through its Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, from November 17 to 19, 2026, under the theme, "Basic Medical Sciences and Emerging Trends in Medical Education and Research."

Speaking at the opening ceremony, the Chairman of the occasion, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Northwest University, Kano, described the conference as a significant milestone in the development of the Faculty, where he served as pioneer Dean.



Dignitaries and some conference participants in a group photograph

He emphasised that basic medical sciences constitute the foundation of healthcare advancement, as discoveries in Anatomy, Biochemistry and Physiology underpin medical breakthroughs, diagnostic procedures and evidence-based health policies. He urged researchers to pursue innovative studies addressing the health challenges of Nigerian and African communities while strengthening interdisciplinary and international collaborations.

Professor Abubakar also called for greater investment in scientific research, laboratories and emerging researchers, stressing the importance of scientific integrity, mentorship and collaboration in advancing biomedical knowledge. He encouraged young scientists to challenge established ideas, ask critical questions and develop research solutions that respond to society's needs.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, fsi, represented by the Provost, College of Natural and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Professor Nasir Tukur Dabo, described biomedical sciences as the bedrock of medical advancement. He expressed confidence that the conference would stimulate meaningful research collaborations, enhance the University's research visibility and strengthen its global standing. He reaffirmed Management's commitment to supporting impactful research through publication incentives and research partnerships, while highlighting the University's facilities, including the Centre for Biotechnology Research, Centre for Dryland Agriculture and Central Laboratory.

Earlier, the Dean of the Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, Professor Adamu Jibrin Alhassan, explained that the conference was conceived to provide a platform for knowledge exchange and strengthen research collaboration among the Faculty's three departments and researchers within and outside the University. He described the maiden edition as an important milestone in the Faculty's development and expressed hope that the conference presentations would be published in a special edition of the Bayero Journal of Biomedical Sciences.

Presenting a paper on bioinformatics and its relevance to precision medicine, Professor Nasiru Abdullahi highlighted the shortage of bioinformatics expertise and the underrepresentation of African genetic data in global genomic databases. He explained that the limited representation of African genomes poses challenges to developing medical interventions that adequately reflect the continent's genetic diversity, calling for stronger research capacity, specialised training and regional collaboration to advance precision and personalised medicine.

Similarly, Dr Musa Ibrahim Kurawa examined the application of biofeedback and neurofeedback in healthcare, explaining how physiological signals such as heart rate, blood pressure, muscle tension and brain activity could be used to help individuals understand and regulate their bodily responses. He identified their potential applications in managing stress, anxiety, hypertension, migraines and stroke rehabilitation, among other health conditions.

Another presenter, Dr Rabiu Inuwa Fagge, explored the transition from basic scientific discoveries to practical healthcare solutions, emphasising the importance of interdisciplinary research. Using cancer research as an example, he discussed how certain interventions involving cyclic AMP and Epac proteins could strengthen endothelial junctions and restrict cancer cell migration by

up to 92 per cent under experimental conditions. He stressed the need for stronger institutional partnerships and mentorship to translate laboratory discoveries into improved patient care.

The conference also featured goodwill messages from Dr Hamza G. Adam, Head of Department of Anatomy, Northwest University, Kano, and Professor Mansura, representing the Director of BUK's Centre for Biotechnology Research. They commended the Faculty for organising the maiden edition and described academic conferences as important platforms for knowledge exchange, professional networking and scientific advancement.

In his vote of thanks, the Chairman of the Local Organising Committee, Professor M. K. Atiku, appreciated the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Hafiz Abubakar, sponsors, invited speakers and other stakeholders for their financial, moral and institutional support towards the successful hosting of the conference. The gathering is expected to strengthen research partnerships, encourage scientific innovation and expand the contributions of basic medical sciences to healthcare development.

Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini Appointed Vice Chancellor of FUT Babura

By Lamara Garba

The Governing Council of the Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State, has approved the appointment of Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini as the new Vice Chancellor of the institution for a single term of five years.

The appointment was approved at the Council's meeting held on Wednesday, 18th November 2026, and takes effect from January 27, 2027.

Professor Hussaini, who is the immediate past Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Bayero University, Kano, will become the second substantive Vice Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Babura.

The appointment letter signed by the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Professor Ignatius Akhakhia Onimawo followed a selection process in which Professor Hussaini emerged as the preferred candidate among six other professors who were considered for the position.

The Chairman of the Council described his emergence as a reflection of merit, hard work and commitment to the vision behind the establishment of the university.

Born in 1965 in Hadejia, Jigawa State, Professor Hussaini began his education at Gandun Albasa Primary School, Kano, (1971-1978); Government Secondary School, Rano, Kano (1978-1980) and then Science Secondary School, Dawakin Kudu, Kano State (1980-1983), where he completed his secondary education in 1983.

He proceeded to Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, where he obtained a Bachelor's degree in Agriculture in 1988, a Master's degree in Agronomy in 1994 and a PhD in Agronomy in 2000.

Professor Hussaini began his academic career at Ahmadu Bello University in 1990 before joining Bayero University, Kano, where he rose through the ranks to become a Professor of Agronomy in 2010. He served a two-terms tenure as Head of the Department of Agronomy (2007 - 2011) and in 2012 became the pioneer Director of the Centre for Dryland Agriculture, Bayero University, Kano.

He also served as Provost of Binyaminu Usman College of Agriculture, Hadejia, Jigawa State, and also served as Rector of the same institution when it was transformed to a Polytechnic (2012 - 2016). He was appointed a visiting Dean at Umaru Musa Yar'adua University, Katsina where



Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini (left) being presented with the letter of appointment by the Pro- Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Professor Ignatius Akhakhia Onimawo (right)



The newly appointed Vice Chancellor of Federal University of Technology, Babura, Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini along with the Chairman of the Council, Professor Ignatius Akhakhia Onimawo and other Council members

he established the Faculty of Agriculture from 2018-2024 later became Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Bayero University, Kano from 2022-2024 andbwas reappointed as Dean in January 2024-2026 for another two-year tenure.

He is currently a Member of the Board of WOFAN a non-governmental organization

As an academic and researcher, Professor Hussaini has supervised numerous undergraduate, master's and doctoral students and has published extensively in scholarly journals and presented papers at conferences, workshops and seminars.

He is a Fellow of the Crop Science Society of Nigeria and the Society of Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Management and has received other recognitions, including a Merit Award from the Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveyors, Kano State Chapter.

Professor Hussaini's appointment brings to the leadership of the relatively young university an academic with considerable experience in teaching, research, administration and institutional development. He is expected to deploy his experience to further strengthen the university's mandate of providing science and technology education and developing practical skills needed for national development.

Reacting to the appointment, the Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, Professor Haruna Musa, congratulated Professor Hussaini, describing his appointment as well deserved.

Professor Musa described the incoming Vice Chancellor as a hardworking and patriotic academic whose tenure as Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture brought numerous initiatives and innovations that contributed to the development of the university.

The Vice Chancellor expressed confidence in Professor Hussaini's capacity to bring his wealth of experience to bear on his new responsibility and prayed to Allah to continue to guide, protect and grant him wisdom for a successful tenure.

Professor Hussaini is married and blessed with children.

VC, Prof. Haruna Musa Sets to Strengthen Campus Security

By Suleiman Salihu

In its move to strengthen security situation in the University Community, the Management of Bayero University through its Security Advisory Committee has began visitation to the neighbouring communities' district heads.

The visit aimed at engaging the district heads towards educating the herdsmen the dangers of grazing and stress-passing the University surroundings.



Wakili Hakimin Tofa, Alhaji Kabiru Mukaddas in a group photograph with Members of the BUK Security Advisory Committee during the visit.

Speaking during the visit on Thursday, 13th November, 2026 at the District Head's office in Tofa Local Government, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Management Services, Prof. Aliyu Mu'azu, mni, expressed that the visit was to engage the District Heads in informing the dangers of herdsmen negative activities that affected the campus security.

He stressed that herdsmen at langel in Topfa encroaches the university campus day and night with their cattle and sheeps defecating the surroundings and destroying flowering plants across departments, hostels and staff quarters. He added that the herdsmen went beyond to destroy some grains planted by staff and those hybrid seeds reserved to distribute to the neighbouring communities; including soya-beans, and maize to expand their farming.

He noted that the University in July 2026 had called on the leaders of the herdsmen and notified them the dangers of their activities but the situation persisted leading to confrontations which continue put threat to lives and property of the University community.

Prof. Muazu highlighted to the emirate that some of achievements of the University as a leading University in the North-west, third best in Nigeria and first in international outlook, with 19 faculties, 18 centres, with over 45, 000 students and about 4,700 staff, and holding its 50 anniversary in April next year.

He added that the University had a cordial relationship with the ward and districts heads within the University community and beyond, conducting yearly meeting, awarding scholarship to their children and employment opportunities, among other things. He noted that this would be a testament for the neighbouring community to be proud of and not to destroy it.

In his remarks the Director of Security, Rtd. ACP Sagir Abubakar, stressed that that the situation of this herdsmen went beyond grazing and stress passing, they appeared fully armed and forcing treat ti security situation. He called on the emirate to take measures as the Langel herdsmen were under their domain with a view to everlasting solution.

Responding the District Head of Tofa, Alhaji Bashir Abubakar Tofa -Dan Adalan Tofa, represented by Alhaji Kabiru Mukaddas, Wakili Hakimi, appreciated the visit and assured that the emirate would not relent in organizing a town hall meeting with all stakeholders and herdsmen in the affected area.

He commended the University management for its resilience and resolute in handling the menace by meeting up with the emirate to handle the situation amicably.

The entourage of the Chairman a who were also the Security Advisory Committee members , included; Prof. Ahamd Murtala, Dr. Kabiru H. Isa, Barrister Munir Tijjani, Engineer Muhammad Hassan, Malam Nazir Bello, and DPO representative, Abdulrais Halliru.

VC Congratulates BUK Athletes on Wining 7 Medals at KASHIGA Staff Games

By Suleiman Salihu

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Haruna Musa, fsi, has reiterated the commitment and readiness of his administration towards supporting sporting activities in the University.

The Vice-Chancellor stated this while receiving a delegation on Thursday, 19th September, 2026, from Sports Directorate who visited and present to him seven (7) medals won at the last concluded Kano State Higher Institution Games Association (KASHIGA) held from 18 to 29 of August, 2026.

Prof. Musa commended the Sports Directorate, Consultative Committee and the sprotsmen for this great milestone recorded. He assured the delegation that the University was committed in ensuring the well-being the sportsmen and sporting activities to the fullest.

He further assured the commitment of the University in engaging stakeholders towards ensuring that the construction of the University stadium to an international standard.

The Vice-Chancellor, assured the a token appreciation by the University of N100,000 each to the four medalists, N70,000 to the silver medalist, N50,000 to the bronze medalists, N500,000 to remaining athletes and N200,000 to the officials.

In his overview on the tournament , the Director of Sports, Prof. Rabi'u Muhammad, expressed that BUK participated in five (5) different sports event, including; football, tug of war, table tennis, badminton and athletics.

He noted that BUK won seven (7) medals including; four (4) gold medals, one (1) silver, and two (2) bronze medals. He highlighted that BUK occupied first position of the 18 KASHIGA tournament held from 18 to 28 of August, 2026. He congratulated the VC, University management and the entire University community on this great achievement.

Presenting the athletes to VC, the Chairman Sports Consultative Committee, Prof. Abdullahi Adamu Darki, stated that Salisu Rabiu, Idris Ahmad Salihu, Ibrahim Idris and Dr. Idris Ahmad won gold medal.
On Tug of war event, Shehu Adamu Abdiullahi and Jamo Sani, won gold medal in badminton. Dr. Idris Ahmad and Salahudeen Mushafi'u won gold medal (double) in table tennis.

However, Salahudeen Mushafi'u won gold medal (single) in table tennis and silver medal in badminton while Lawan Abdullahi and Idris Ahmad won bronze medal in table tennis and fati won beonze medal in badminton. He thanked DVC Management Serveces Professor Aliyu Mu'azu, mni, for his coordination and unwavering commitments as the past Chairman of the staff games.

He noted that this bigger tournament had been cushion due to the tedious hard work of the seven coaching crew which he said were with the athletes throughout the tournament. He thanked the University management and assured to do more in the future.

Earlier, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Management Services, and also the past Chairman of the Staff Games, introduced the delegation to the Vice-Chancellor in his Committee Room.

In respond from one of the athletes, Aliyu Hydar Abubakar, thanked the University management for the unwavering support given, he assured that they would put in more effort to achieve more success for the progress of the University.

Highlight of the event was presentation of medals to the athletes and dedication of gold medal to the VC, and silver medal to the Registrar, by Shehu Adamu Abdullahi.



University Management in group photograph with Sport Management team and Athletes during the visit

WOFAN Founder Congratulates Prof. Hussaini on Appointment as FUT Babura VC

By Lamara Garba



WOFAN Founder and Global Advocate, Hajiya Dr. Salamatu Garba, fcss

The Founder and Global Advocate of Women Farmers Advancement Network (WOFAN), Hajiya Dr Salamatu Garba, has congratulated Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini on his appointment as the Vice Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State.

Hajiya Dr Salamatu Garba described the appointment as a well deserved recognition of Professor Hussaini's distinguished academic career, leadership experience, commitment to education and contributions to agricultural development and research.

She said the appointment could not have come at a better time, considering the important role of the Federal University of Technology, Babura in advancing science, technology, innovation and human capital development, particularly in a region with enormous potential for agricultural transformation and sustainable development.

According to her, Professor Hussaini brings to his new assignment a wealth of experience acquired over several decades in teaching, research, academic administration and community development.

She noted that his service at Bayero University, Kano, particularly as Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, demonstrated his capacity to provide purposeful leadership, introduce innovative ideas and create opportunities for academic and institutional growth.

Hajiya Dr Salamatu Garba said Professor Hussaini's background in agriculture and his long-standing commitment to research and human capacity development would be valuable assets as he assumes leadership of the Federal University of Technology, Babura.

She expressed confidence that the new Vice Chancellor would build on the foundation already laid at the institution and provide the kind of visionary, inclusive and innovative leadership required to move the university to greater heights.

“Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini is a scholar, administrator and development-oriented leader whose career reflects hard work, discipline, intellectual commitment and service to humanity. His appointment is therefore not only a recognition of his past achievements but also a call to greater responsibility."

“I am particularly delighted because his background and experience in agriculture, research and academic administration place him in a strong position to contribute meaningfully to the development of a university whose mandate is centred on technology, innovation and practical solutions to the challenges of our society."

“I have no doubt that he will bring his wealth of experience, wisdom and commitment to bear on the development of the Federal University of Technology, Babura and the wider educational landscape of Nigeria.”

The WOFAN Founder and Global Advocate further commended the Governing Council of the Federal University of Technology, Babura for finding Professor Hussaini worthy of the confidence reposed in him.

She urged the new Vice Chancellor to remain focused on academic excellence, research, innovation, staff and student welfare and meaningful engagement with communities around the university.

Hajiya Dr Salamatu Garba also expressed optimism that Professor Hussaini's tenure would strengthen the relationship between the university and its host communities while creating new opportunities for young people, particularly in science, technology, agriculture and entrepreneurship.

She prayed to Almighty Allah to grant Professor Hussaini wisdom, good health, strength and divine guidance as he begins his five year single tenure as Vice Chancellor.

“May Almighty Allah guide your steps, grant you the wisdom to lead, the courage to make the right decisions and the strength to fulfill the enormous responsibility that has been entrusted to you."

“May your tenure be marked by peace, innovation, academic excellence and tangible development. May the Federal University of Technology, Babura grow under your leadership and become an institution that continues to produce knowledge, skills and solutions for the advancement of Nigeria."

“Once again, I warmly congratulate you, Professor Muhammad Auwal Hussaini, on this well-deserved appointment. I wish you a successful, impactful and rewarding tenure as Vice Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Babura.”

Bayero University Holds 2026/2027 Hausa Week Celebration



Dr. Maryam Mansur Yola, Director Centre for Research and Translation in Nigerian Languages and Folklore presenting a souvenir to Ambassador Muhammad Kashim Warware, while Dr. Salihunnur looks on

The Hausa Students' Association of Bayero University, Kano (BUK), under the Department of Nigerian Languages, organised its 2026/2027 Hausa Week Celebration on November 17, 2026, bringing together scholars, students, dignitaries and international guests.

The event was organised under the leadership of the Head of Department, Dr. Jibril Shu'aibu Adamu, and the Association's Coordinator, Dr. Kamilu Dahiru Gwammaja, with support from Malam Hamza Gambo. The Association's President, Abba Dauda Ahmad, and Secretary, Nazifi Isah Gariya, also played key roles in organising the programme.

One of the highlights was a paper presentation by Dr. Nura Adam Salih (Salihannur), titled "Trees around Us as Sources of Healing." He discussed the medicinal importance of local plants, including *Kuka* and *Darbejiya.* Professor Maryam Mansur Yola reviewed the paper and highlighted the importance of natural resources in promoting human well-being.

Similarly, Malam Abubakar Bello from the Department of Information Technology presented a paper titled "Some Challenges Facing the Hausa Language in the Emerging Era of Artificial Intelligence (AI)." He explored the growing application of AI in African languages, particularly Hausa. Professor Ibrahim Garba Satatima served as the discussant.

The event attracted distinguished academics, including Professor Isa Mukhtar and Professor Rabi'u Sa'ad, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Islamic Studies, alongside other dignitaries, including the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) of Panshekara and Mustapha Salisu.

International participants included Hamza from China, who is pursuing a master's degree in literature with a focus on romance, Eissa Ahmad Ousman from Libya, a PhD student in Hausa, and Garba from Germany.

Students from Addey Basic School, Rimin Gata; Musa Iliyasu College; Rimin Gata Girls' Secondary School; and Wapa Secondary School also attended the celebration.

As part of the programme, awards of recognition were presented to distinguished personalities, including Muhammad Kasim Warure, Dr. Nura Adam Salih, Dr. Bukatar Usman, and Ado Ahmad Gidan Dabino, in appreciation of their contributions.

The celebration also featured cultural entertainment by TK Adamu Ɗorayi and Maryam A Baba, adding excitement to the occasion.

The event reaffirmed Bayero University, Kano's commitment to promoting the Hausa language, literature and culture while encouraging the integration of indigenous knowledge with modern technological innovations.

BUK Anatomical Students Unveil Magazine, Hold Seminar on Anatomy and Careers

The Anatomical Students' Society of Nigeria, Bayero University, Kano Chapter (ASSON-BUK), has launched ANATOMICA 2.0, the second edition of its official magazine, at a seminar held on Saturday, 14th November, 2026, at the Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello Twin Theatre, Bayero University, Kano.

The seminar, themed "Anatomy Reimagined: Tradition, Technology and Tomorrow's Careers," was organised in collaboration with the Career Services Centre, BUK. The magazine was created to showcase the scholarship and creativity of students, to document the Society's story, and to give members a platform to learn, to publish and to grow.

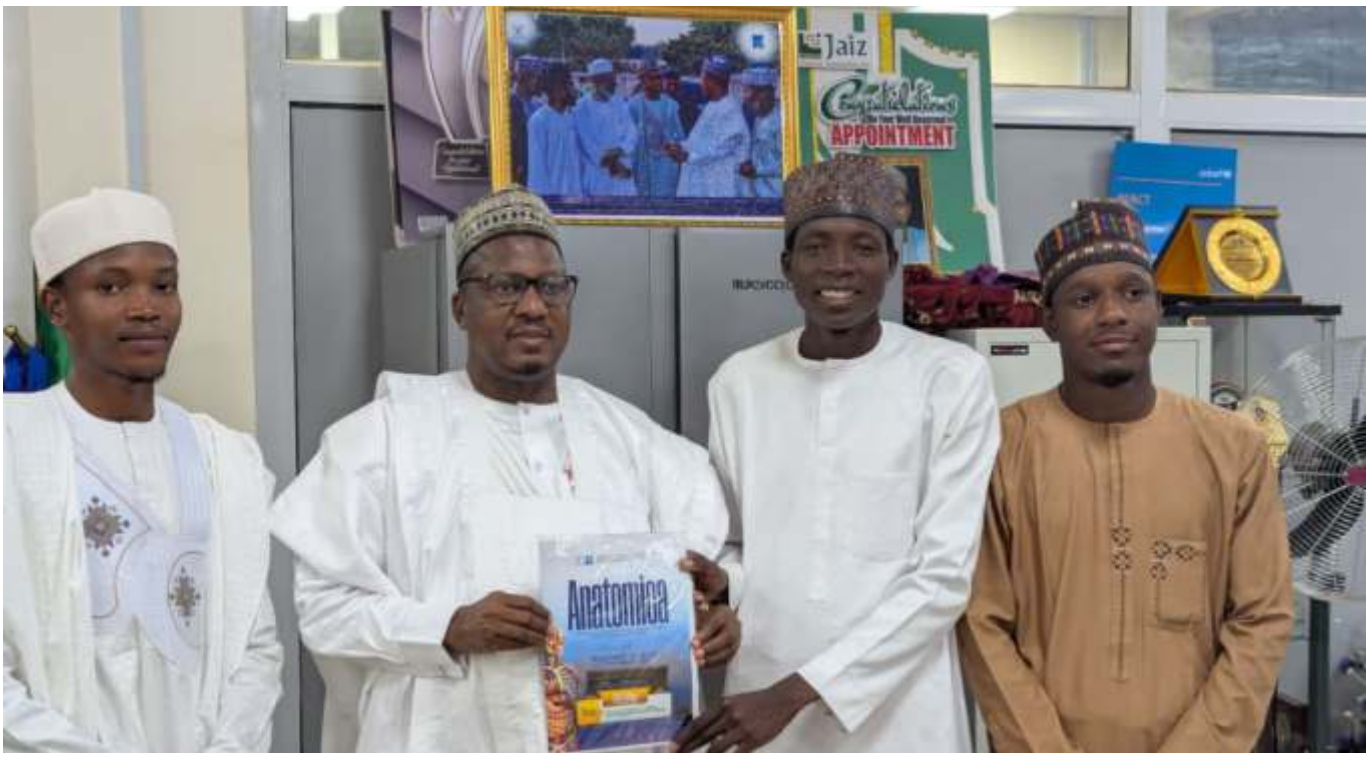
On Tuesday, 17th November, 2026, the President of ASSON-BUK, Comr. Abubakar Salisu Kazaure, presented a copy of ANATOMICA 2.0 to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Haruna Musa, FSI, during a thank-you visit to his office. The visit was led by the outgoing Students' Union Government President, Comr. Abdulmudallib Kalli Sheriff.

Speaking at the launch, Comr. Kazaure said it was his pleasure to host the seminar. He added that he was more than excited to see the initiative come to fruition, with the programme a resounding success.

He thanked the Head of the Department of Anatomy, Dr. Abdullahi Gudaji, for his guidance and support, and the Dean of the Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, Prof. A. J. Alhassan, who was ably represented by the Deputy Dean, Dr. Shihabuddeen Muhammad. He also appreciated the Director of the Career Services Centre, Prof. Ahmed Iliyasu, for his partnership.

The speakers at the seminar included Dr. Abdulrashid Sunusi, Mal. Ahmed Aminu, Bilal Yakubu Ballah, former Treasurer of the Society, and Al-Amin Abdullahi Aliyu, Immediate Past President, whom the President thanked for sharing their time and wisdom.

Comr. Kazaure also thanked the Society's Patrons, the University Registrar, Dr. Haruna Aliyu, and Prof. M. G. Taura, as well as the Staff Adviser, Dr. Maharaz Musa, the Presidential Forum, the Editorial Team and the Executive Council. He further appreciated the Students' Union leaders who graced the occasion.



ASSON-BUK President, Comr. Abubakar Salisu Kazaure, presenting Anatomica 2.0 to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Haruna Musa, fsi, flanked by Outgoing SUG President, Comr. Abdulmudallib Kalli Sheriff, and Comr. Usama Isah (Radpreneur).

Department of Adult Education and Community Services Trains 67 Students in Vocational Skills

By Usman Hamza

The Department of Adult Education and Community Services, Bayero University, Kano (BUK), has trained 67 students in vocational skills acquisition while integrating community service into the learning process as part of efforts to promote entrepreneurship, self-reliance and practical learning.

The training was conducted through BUK-ACE 205: Vocational Skills Acquisition, a second-semester course designed to equip students with practical, hands-on skills that enhance creativity, entrepreneurship, employability and self-reliance beyond university education.

Speaking at the end of the practical session on Thursday, 12 November 2026, at the Fashion Design and Garment Resource Centre of the department, the course instructor, Dr. Auwalu Halilu, said the initiative reflects the department's commitment to producing graduates with relevant practical competencies alongside academic knowledge.



Course Lecturer, Dr. Awalu (middle) with facilitators and participants

He explained that the students received training in three vocational areas, Catering, Cosmetology and Tailoring. According to him, the catering component covered food preparation, food processing and related entrepreneurial skills, while the cosmetology training focused on beauty care, personal grooming and other income-generating skills. The tailoring aspect provided participants with practical knowledge in garment production, sewing techniques and clothing design.

Dr. Halilu further explained that, as part of the department's commitment to connecting classroom learning with community development, tailoring was selected as the community service component of the course. Through the initiative, students produced 38 sets of school uniforms for pupils in public primary schools within Bayero University's catchment communities.

He noted that the programme aligns with the Core Curriculum and Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS), which emphasise practical competencies, entrepreneurial development and the acquisition of relevant skills alongside academic knowledge.

"University education should go beyond the acquisition of certificates. Students must be encouraged and guided to develop a passion for learning at least one employable skill before graduation. This will enable them to become self-reliant, productive and capable of contributing meaningfully to society," he said..

Dr. Halilu also stressed that integrating community service into vocational training gives students the opportunity to apply classroom knowledge to real-life situations while developing a stronger sense of social responsibility, compassion and commitment to community development.

Also speaking, one of the training facilitators, Auwalu Sani Yakubu, described the programme as timely and impactful, noting that it had equipped students with practical, income-generating skills beyond classroom theory.

"Our goal was not just to teach, but to empower. We want these students to leave here with something they can use to support themselves, their families, and their communities," he said."

One of the beneficiaries, Buhari Umar, said the training had opened his eyes to new business opportunities, adding that he can now produce and sell what he learnt.

Another student, Jabi Precious, described the tailoring programme as highly educative, saying it had given her confidence and valuable hands-on experience she had never had before.

Hamdalah Abbas thanked the department for the initiative, noting that the skills acquired would help her become self-reliant while enabling her to support other youths in her community.

She added that the catering session gave her the opportunity to develop practical cooking skills, learn about food preparation and hygiene, and appreciate the importance of creativity and teamwork in the kitchen.

A major highlight of the event was the colourful exhibition by the students, who proudly showcased the 38 beautifully sewn school uniforms they produced for pupils in public primary schools within Bayero University's catchment communities.



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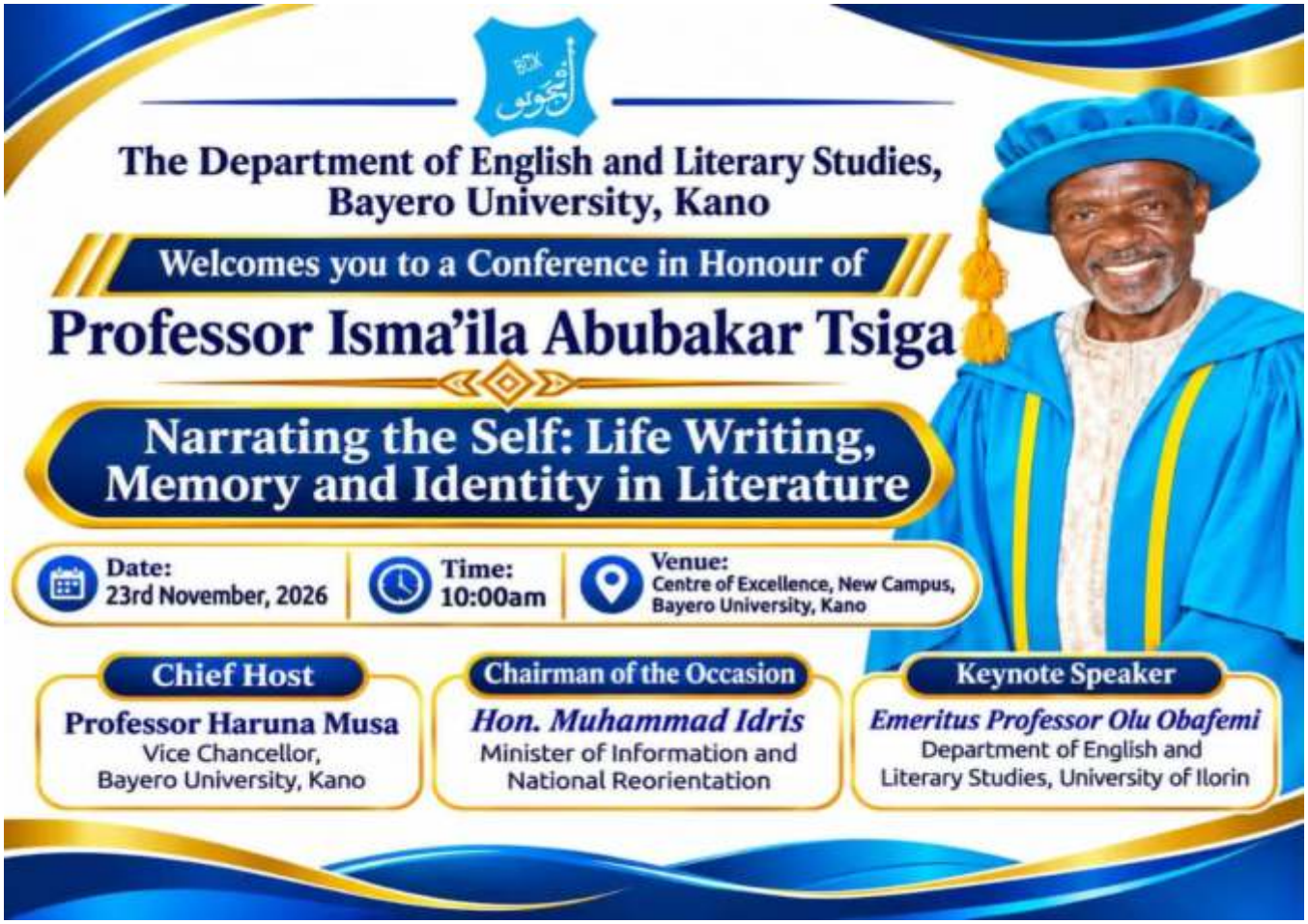
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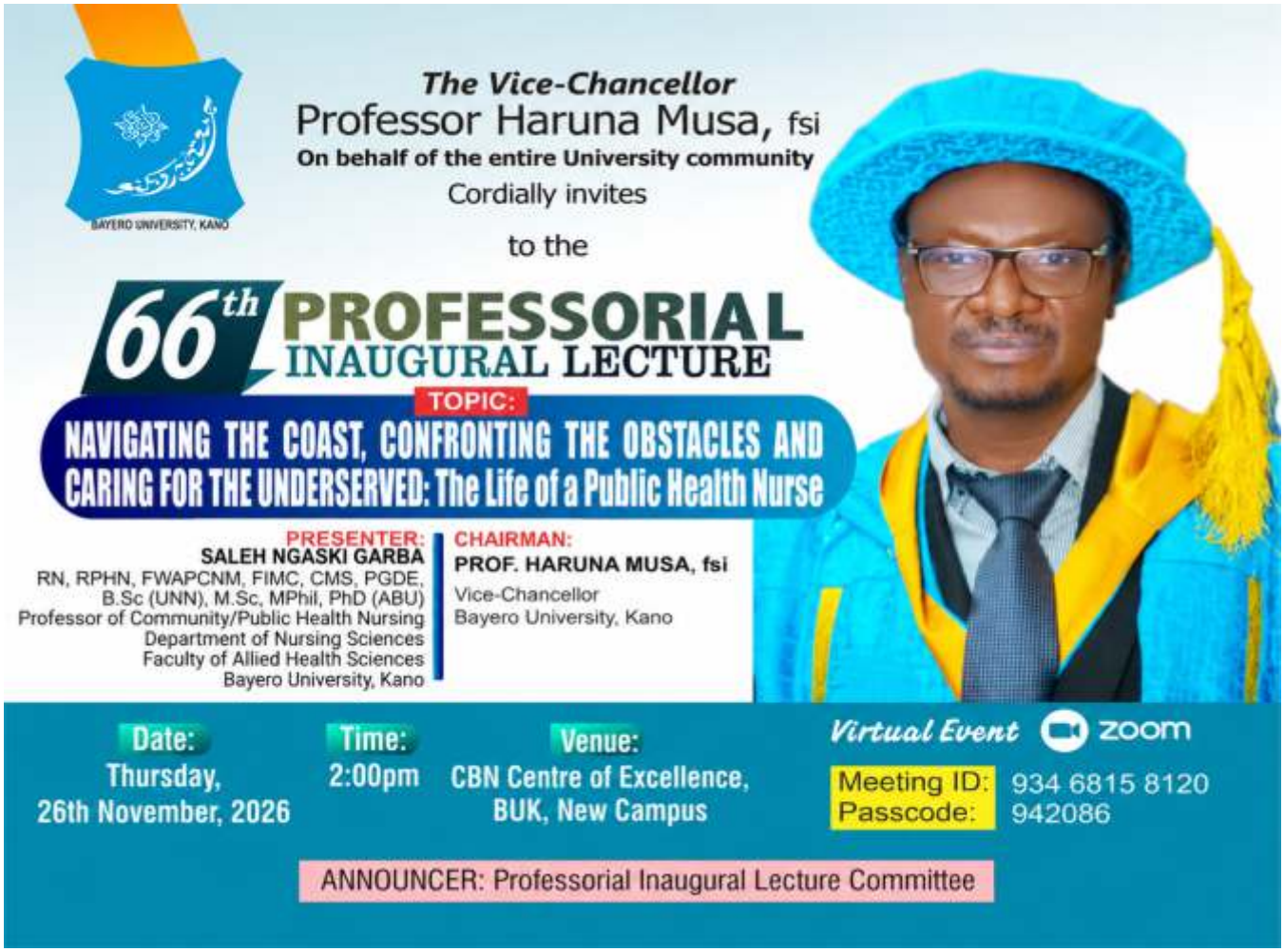
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