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Keep off drugs, NDLEA boss tells Nigerians

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Mr. Ajayi delivering his lecture last Thursday

The Director General of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA), Mr. Femi Ajayi, has warned Nigerians against narcotic drugs because of their destructive consequences just as he disclosed that Nigerians are among the people who are guilty of drug offences in the world. He revealed that in the year 2007 alone, a total of 6,308 Nigerians were arrested for 'drug system' related offences by his Agency.

Mr. Ajayi made this revelation last Thursday (April 28, 2011) at the University of Ilorin where he delivered the 7th Mosobalaje Oyawoye Endowed Faculty of Science Lecture entitled "Narcotic Drugs as Chemical Weapons of Mass Destruction".

The Director General noted that drugs have a lot of influence around the world disclosing that in the United States, alcohol, which he said is a socially acceptable drug, is responsible for 73% of felonies. He also noted that the same drug is perceived to be responsible for 67% of child beating cases, 41% of rape cases, 80% of wife battering incidents, 72% of stabbings and 83% of homicide. *(Contd. on page 2)*

Without youth, there is no future – Ambassador

The Gambian High Commissioner to Nigeria, Mrs. Angella B. Colley, has said that for the youth of today to be effective and efficient leaders of tomorrow, the today's leaders need to regard the youth as partners in progress stressing that without the youth of today, tomorrow is in peril.

The High Commissioner/ Ambassador expounded this thinking at the University of Ilorin while presenting a paper entitled "Youths and Nation Building" during the second International Students Day held last Friday (April 29, 2011).

Mrs. Colley defined the concept of Nation Building as "the constructive process of engaging all citizens in building a social unity, economic prosperity and political stability." She added that as such all segments of the society are involved and no contribution is insignificant in the process. "Therefore, the old, the young men, women, the skilled and the unskilled are all to be recognized in this process of Nation Building," she noted. *(Contd. on page 4)*



A group photograph of the principal officers of Unilorin with Amb. Colley, guests and some international staff and students

Why ethnic cleaning, mass murders are prevalent

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Similarly, Mr. Ajayi revealed that in Scotland, cannabis has been found responsible for 71% of crimes. In order to tackle the menace of drug abuse, countries around the world have signed several international agreements. Among the agreements was the International Opium Convention, which was signed at The Hague on January 23, 1912.

But the United Nations, said the Guest Lecturer, attempted to replace all previously existing international agreements with the 1961 Convention on Narcotic Drugs: "The single convention of 1961 was aimed at the control of cultivation, production, manufacture, export, distribution, trade in, use and possession of Narcotic substances with a focus on those that are plant based, especially opium/heroin, coca/cocaine and cannabis. Other substances listed in the fourth schedule of the convention numbering over a hundred were placed under various levels of control".

According to the Director General who was at a time the Resident Coordination Specialist of the United Nations System, Nigerian governments ever since the colonial days have enacted various laws to control illicit drugs and prevent the result of abuse of the drugs. The laws include:

(i) Dangerous drugs ordinance of 1935 (ii) The Indian Hemp Decree of 1966 (iii) Amphetamines and other Drugs Decree of 1968 (iv) The Food and Drugs Act of 1974 (iv) Special Miscellaneous (Offences Decree) Decree No 2 of 1984 and (vi) NDLEA Decree 48, 1989.

Mr. Ajayi traced the oldest account of the evil of drugs to the Bible where in Genesis chapter 30 verse 14 to 15, a barren woman named Rachel chose to trade an opportunity to conceive a child with mandrakes which is a drug that has soporific effect on users. Espousing the effect of drugs on humanity, the NDLEA helmsman noted that drugs impair judgment of users and make them un-inhibited and care-free, resulting in making addicts mere puppets, controlled by puppeteers who take over their lives.

The former Senior Special Assistant on Development Cooperation to the President held illicit drugs partly responsible for the menace of ethnic cleansing and mass murder carried out by mercenaries who are induced with drugs. He recalled the Guyana Tragedy of 1978 in which one Reverend Jim Jones persuaded members of his church to commit mass suicide after drugging them with cyanide and sedatives for a jet flight to heaven resulting in the death of 914 people including 276 children.

In his speech at the lecture, the Chairman of the occasion, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic, Prof. Kolade L. Ayorinde, said that the University remembers the huge sum of money which the endower commits into the lecture with gratitude and wished the endower many more years of service to the community. He also appreciated the Faculty of Science and congratulated the faculty on inviting the Chief Drug Law Enforcer of Nigeria to present a lecture which would help in solving a major problem given that many youth are not useful to themselves on account of hard drugs.

In her own remarks, the Dean of the Faculty of Science, Prof. Sylvia O. Malomo, who was represented at the event by Prof. Oloyede T. Opoola, submitted that the topic is of relevant to the academic community as it is to the society.

In his speech, the administrator of the endowment, Prince AbdulGaniy Oyawoye, expressed his joy and that of the endower, Prof. Jamiu Mosobalaje Oyawoye, who is the first Professor of Geology in Africa, for the calibre of guest lecturer invited and the quality of the lecture delivered. He presented a cheque of ₦2.5 million with a promise of a balance of additional ₦ 2.5 million for the Faculty of Science before the end of the year. He also disclosed that the sum of ₦200,000.00 was released for the lecture.

The occasion was attended by the Registrar of the University of Ilorin, Mrs. Olufolake O. Oyeyemi, the Commander of Nigeria Security Defence Corps, Mr. Ako and the Commander of the NDLEA in Kwara State, Mrs. Omotunde Koleoso, who charged parents to be alive to their responsibilities towards their children. Also present was the representative of the Head of Nigerian Prison Services in Kwara State, and Chief A. Tolani from Offa. The high points of the occasion included the presentation of gifts to the Guest Lecturer and the endower.

VC's Cup: Business boys trounce trainee teachers ...as Education coasts home 11 gold medals in athletics

The University of Ilorin stadium was a beehive of activities last week as the 2011 sporting activities reached their crescendo with the final match of the Vice-Chancellor's Cup and the grand Inter-Faculty Athletics Championship (IFAC) last Thursday (April 28, 2011).

The competition, which earlier began in the month witnessed Titanic football encounters among the ten participating Faculties among which the last four team standing slugged it out. Both the Faculties of Basic Medical Sciences and Clinical Sciences earlier tackled each other in what seemed like a medical tango earlier to determine the superior side to claim the football third place trophy. A long duel ensued with no winner until the penalty kicks gave the basic medical boys an upper hand, defeating their Clinical counterparts with 4 goals to 2.



Prof. Olayemi presenting the trophy to the winning Business and Social Sciences team

It was shortly afterwards that the final match was played between the indomitable teams of the Faculty of Business and Social Sciences and the Faculty of Education. There was no dull moment during the fierce football battle as the two sides traded tackles fairly and unfairly until the Business boys scored their lone goal. All efforts by the trainee Teachers to equalise proved abortive with missed opportunities and pathetic blunders on both sides. By the time the final whistle was blown, it was evident that Prof. A. F. Adedayo's boys for the second time would be lifting the VC's cup again, being the defending champions.

Meanwhile, during the interval of the football match, the finals of the 4x 400 metres relay race were breathtaking, marking the end of the 2011 IFAC which earlier started on April 19th, 2011. At the end of it all, the Faculty of Education emerged the overall winner of the championship winning 11 gold, 8 silver and five bronze medals. The Faculty of Engineering and Technology came second with 3 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medals while the third position was clinched by the Faculty of Business and Social Sciences which won 2 gold, 2 silver and 1 bronze medals. This year, 11 events were competed for, namely: 100m; 400m; 1,000 m; 6,000m; 4x100m; 4x200m; Discus; Javelin; Shot Put; Long Jump and High Jump.

While presenting the trophies to the winners of the VC's Cup, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, who was represented by the Chairman of the Local Organising Committee, West Africa University Games (WAUG) and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Albert Olayemi, congratulated the Faculty of Business and Social Sciences as well as the second and third place winners, Faculties of Education and Basic Medical Sciences respectively on their victories. He described the competition as keen just as he urged the winners to keep winning as they remain fit in preparation for the WAUG, the 13th edition of which he said the University is hosting to win.

Also, the Chairman of the Unilorin Sports Council, Prof. Jacob F. Olorunfemi, who presented prizes to the Inter-Faculty Athletics Championships winners asked the athletes not to relent on their oars but to keep fit and keep on practising saying that winners don't quit.

While speaking at the end of the competition, which was attended by the Deans of the competing Faculties and the Director-General of WAUG Secretariat, University of Ilorin and President of WAUG, Prof. Lasun Emiola, the Director of Sports, Prof. Abimbola A. Adesoye, described the 2011 sporting events as unique. He also appreciated the University Administration for their support for sports while he expressed optimism that the University would perform well in the WAUG competition holding later in the year.

Fast Facts File

Did you know?

- In the ancient Greece, Rome and the medieval world, it was considered disgraceful for a woman to go on the stage. In the time of William Shakespeare women's roles were generally played by men or boys.

VC tasks staff on internationalisation

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According to the top Gambian diplomat, human resources is the greatest resource that any nation can be blessed with and no other resource can match human resources. She said that the society and various governments have equal responsibilities of providing youths with an enabling environment and increasing their capacity because a bright morrow for the youths depends on how well they are prepared emotionally, culturally, academically, morally, spiritually, skilfully and vocationally.

In the opinion of the experienced teacher and High Commissioner, after independence, successive generations of African leaders failed to chart the right path of progress for their youth and nations. This, she said, has made it imperative for African intellectuals and prominent individuals in the society to deliberate on how to create such environment that will enable youth to perceive their goals clearly so that their energy will be properly channelled towards noble purposes.

Mrs. Colley also challenged the youth to make sure they contribute the little that they can to the development of their nation and noted that it is not until they send a satellite to space that they can make meaningful contributions to their countries.

She noted that students can contribute to the development of their countries by doing their assignments properly rather than “cutting” a publication on the internet and “pasting” it as their work. She also observed that being generally honest is a positive contribution to nation building which students should adopt.



Ambassador Colley delivering her lecture

In his remarks at the occasion, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, expressed happiness to be present at the occasion having missed the first edition which was held last year. He noted that everyone has the potential of acquiring an international identity which s/he can acquire once s/he moves out to another country.

Prof. Oloyede noted that all human beings regardless of their location have a responsibility to break barriers and interact just as they have a common responsibility towards their common habitat. The immediate past President of the Association of African Universities (AAU) charged the international staff and students to operate beyond their classrooms by interacting with their hosts. He also challenged the international students to present 20 Nigerian friends each, whom they will host and entertain as a way of introducing their friends to their (foreign students’) countries, during the next edition of the event.

The representative of the Director General of Michael Imodu Institute of Labour Studies who attend the programme, Mrs. Omolara Folorunsho, noted the University of Ilorin Centre for International Education (CIE) is a centre which promotes international peace, harmony and cooperation. She charged all to always hold their values high just as she stressed the need for the international students to discharge their responsibility to their University by representing it well.

The acting Director of the Centre for International Education, Dr. Abdulrafii O. Omotosho, appreciated the University for its support. He extended his gratitude to the guest lecturer and the guest lecturer at the first edition of the programme, Justice Ahmed Belgore, noting that the International Day is part of the ways of supporting international students to make them feel at home, learn and socialise.

The President of the International Students Association, Mr. Jallow Ibrahim made a speech presentation entitled “Is This the Way Conflict Should be Resolved”, and the international students presented a play let with the same title. Mr. Jallow condemned military interventions and other forms of violence and tasked the world to embrace peace. The high point of the occasion included the presentation of the University gift by the Registrar of the University, Mrs. Olufolake Oyeyemi, to the guest lecturer.

LIVE AND LET LIVE

Text of the Address Delivered by the Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, at the Public Lecture Delivered by the Governor of Osun State, Mr. Rauf Adesoji Aregbesola, Organised by the Human Rights Chamber, University of Ilorin, at the University Auditorium on Wednesday, March 16, 2011

It is a great honour and privilege for us at the University of Ilorin to welcome and receive the amiable Governor of Osun State, His Excellency, *Ogbeni* Rauf Aregbesola, to our campus. We note with interest that though Governors have delivered lectures in this University in the recent past, they did so on the invitation of key organs of the University. It is the first time that a Governor will be delivering a lecture at the behest of the students and this clearly demonstrates the commitment of Governor Aregbesola to education and youth development. Once again, you are heartily welcome.

I also want to commend the organizers of this programme, the Human Rights Chamber of the Faculty of Law, University of Ilorin, for their thoughtfulness in inviting the personality of the Governor to enrich our academic community with the wealth of his experience at this auspicious time. I consider the topic of the lecture, "One Man One Vote without the Implementation of Uwais Report: Myth or Reality?" as thought-provoking, though I should know that to some other people, it may even be deemed provocative. As I always say, our students are not only leaders of tomorrow but are also leaders of today through their noble activities, one of which is our convergence here this morning.

Permit me to begin by appreciating our distinguished Guest Speaker, Mr. Rauf Aregbesola, on his sterling qualities. The one that I want to highlight on this occasion is his humility. It is a known fact that a typical Nigerian politician is a lover of titles, both deserved and undeserved. A lot of money is often committed to acquiring bogus high sounding titles and questionable honorary degrees just to inflate the egos of the personae involved. That our Governor, among other things, a professional Engineer, adopts the simple time-honoured title of *Mr.* or *Ogbeni*, speaks a great volume of the quality of his mind. The message there for us, particularly the students, is that it is not what you call yourself that matters, it is what you are.

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, when the Universal Declaration of Human Rights was prepared by the Commission on Human Rights of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations after the World War 2, the main objective, to my mind, was to make people *live and let live* or emphasize the basic freedoms that human beings must have in normal and desired circumstances. The Commission was chaired by Eleanor Roosevelt, social activist and widow of the United States President Franklin D. Roosevelt while the French jurist and Nobel laureate, René Cassin, was its principal author. This important declaration was adopted on December 10, 1948 and this informed the proclamation of December 10 as the Human Rights Day by the United Nations General Assembly two years after. In 1963, the General Assembly approved a part of the supplementary section on economic, social, and cultural rights that prohibited discrimination on grounds of race, colour, or creed.

Part of the rights that Nigerians must have is the right to free and fair elections. The Electoral Reform Committee, chaired by former Chief Justice Mohammed Uwais, after its assignment, came with such recommendations that people note the Uwais Report for. The report recommends that an Election Management Body should conduct elections long before the expiration of the incumbent and that election petition tribunals should be given four months to dispense all cases arising from elections. It also recommends that the Appeals Court should be given two months to also dispense election petitions, meaning that six months after elections, all cases should have been settled.

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen, as Nigeria prepares for elections next month, it is expedient that we all imbibe the spirit of *live and let live*. We should contest, if we like, and let others contest for positions. We should vote and let others vote. We should allow the Golden Rule, which is that we should do to others what you will like others to do to us, to rule our lives. If we all desire peace in our lives, we should work towards letting others live in peace. May Allah grant us peaceful and successful elections and make our leaders our true friends, not our enemies.

Thank you and God bless.

Unilorin, CPUT conference holds next month

The joint international conference of the University of Ilorin and Cape Peninsular University of Technology, Cape Town, South Africa, holds between June 27 and 30, 2011 at the University of Ilorin.

The conference, themed “Technology, Innovation and Sustainable Development” has three sub-themes. These are “Environment: Environment and Energy”, “Health: Health and Development” and “Technology: Innovative Technology and Sustainable Development”.

Abstracts, which are expected not to be more than 25 words, are to be submitted in Latex, PDF or MS formats, on or before May 8, 2011 to unilorincput2011@unilorin.edu.ng. Full papers are expected to be submitted by June 5, 2011.

The conference keynote speakers are Prof. Anthony P. Staak, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Cape Peninsular University of Technology, Cape Town, South Africa, and Dr. Henk Miedema, Scientific Project Manager, Westus, Leeuwarden, The Netherlands.

Registration fees for students and non-students are US\$ 100/ N5,000.00 and US\$ 200/N15,000.00 respectively.

Entrepreneurship books available in the market

The problem of students who may complain of lack of books for their entrepreneurship course is over as the authorities of the University of Ilorin, through the National Universities Commission, have been notified of useful and important books on entrepreneurship that will be of immense benefit to the students and practising/ prospective entrepreneurs.

All students are therefore enjoined to obtain copies of the book in the market. The book titles are as follows:

Entrepreneurship Development and Investment Opportunities in Nigeria by M. I. Okoye (Hard cover N15,000.00/copy and soft cover N10,000.00/copy)

Small Business Enterprise: How to Start and Succeed by M. I. Okoye (N1,500.00/copy)

The Entrepreneur: Get off your Ass and Start Something by Austin D. Osuhor

New Dimensions in Entrepreneurship by Onwukwe Alaezi (N1,000.00/copy)

Entrepreneurship: A Practical Approach by F. C. Okafor et. al.

The Entrepreneurial Revolution: A Solution for Poverty Eradication by Peter Osalor (N1,500.00/copy)

How to Prepare a Business Plan: A Step-by-Step Guide (Volume Three) by Peter Osalor

Jolayemi's daughter gets married

The families of Prof. and Dr. (Mrs.) E. T. Jolayemi and Deacon and Mrs A. B. Akintolu have announced the “Solemnization of Holy Matrimony” between their children, Abimbola Olubunmi and Olushola Oludamilare.

The programme begins with Praise Service this Friday (May 6, 2011) at Trinity School Field, Flower Garden Area, GRA, Ilorin at 4.00. p.m. while the wedding takes place on Saturday, May 11, 2011, at the Chapel of Redemption (UMCA), Agba-Dam Housing Estate Road, Gaa Akanbi, Ilorin, at 10:00a.m.

Reception of guests holds immediately after the event at Roemichs Hall, Offa Garage Road, Ilorin.

World scholars storm Unilorin for conference

With the arrival of the first batch of 74 participants from Ghana and many others across Nigeria in Ilorin, yesterday, the much-awaited 2nd joint international conference of the University of Ilorin and the University of Cape Coast has started. The conference, themed “Climate Change and Sustainable Development” holds between May 1 and 5, 2011 at the University Auditorium.

The opening ceremony holds today at the Auditorium under the Chairmanship of the mercurial Prof. Akin Mabogunje, who became a Professor about 50 years ago, after which the Vice-Chancellors of the organising Universities, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede and Prof. Naana Jane Opoku Agyemang, will deliver their welcome addresses.

After the opening of the conference, goodwill messages will be delivered by the dignitaries after which the theme of the conference will be addressed by the former Deputy Director-General, Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, Ghana, Prof. Alfred Oteng-Yeboah of the Department of Botany, University of Ghana, Legon, Ghana.



Better by far: Unilorin gate

After the opening ceremony, the first plenary session will hold under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Albert B. Olayemi, with Dr. Sola T. Babatunde of the Department of English rapporteuring. During the session, Prof. Emmanuel A. Obeng, former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Coast will make a presentation on “Climate Change, Culture, Arts and Curriculum Response”. This will be followed immediately by the presentation of Prof. Anthony M. Imevbore, former Director, Institute of Ecology, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, on “Climate Change and Ecosystem Modification”. After the two papers, the participants will have discussions and have a group lunch at the Dam Site of the University.

The second plenary session will begin after lunch under the Chairmanship of Prof. D. D. Kuupole, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, University of Cape-Coast, Cape Coast, Ghana while Dr. (Mrs) V. A. Alabi also of the Department of English will be the rapporteur. Two papers will equally be presented at this session. While the former Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Prof. J. O. Ayoade, will examine “Climate Change and the Environment”, the former Dean of the School of Agriculture, University of Cape Coast, Cape Coast, Prof. Paa Kobina Turkson, will present “Climate Change, Health Management and Agricultural Development”. The two presentations will be followed by discussions after which a cocktail in honour of the participants will be held also at the Dam Site.

Tomorrow, technical sessions will hold simultaneously at four locations on campus. According to the schedule, Group One, “Culture, Humanities and Curriculum Response”, sessions hold at the Main Auditorium while Group Two, “Environmental, Engineering and Infrastructural Development” will hold its sessions at the Auditorium Basement. The venues of Groups Three and Four, whose sessions are themed “Health Management and Agricultural Development” and “Social Transition, Legal and Business Development” are the Faculty of Arts Board Room and Faculty of Business and Social Sciences Board Room respectively.

Technical sessions continue on Wednesday till the evening when the participants will be at the performing Arts theatre of the University for the Conference Play, “The Wailing Grave” by. The fifth session continues on Thursday morning after which the closing ceremony with the presentation of the communiqué comes. This will be followed by an excursion and a conference dinner later in the evening at the Vice-Chancellor’s Lodge.

Happy Birthday To You!

S/N.	Name	Department/Unit	Date of Birth
1	Oparinde , Rachel F.	Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences	1st May
2	Samuel, Kolawole S.	Security	1st May
3	Sulaiman, Medinat	Security	1st May
4	Adesina, Amos T.	Library	2 nd May
5	Dosunmu, James G.	Engineering Workshop	2 nd May
6	Okolo, Raphael S.	Works Electrical/Telecoms	3rd May
7	Osasona, Oluwabunmi A.	Clinical Sciences	3rd May
8	Yusuff, Akanke T.	Physical Planning	3rd May
9	Adegbite, Adesina G.	Performing Arts	4th May
10	Adelodun, Saidu	Security	4th May
11	Fakoya, Kayode	Central Administration	4th May
12	Komolafe, Julius W.	Library	4th May
13	Oyeleke, Shakirat A.	Computer Centre	4th May
14	Sunday, Adeye	Security	4 th May
15	Sanni, Afolabi G.	Works	4th May
16	Sunday, Adeyele	Security	4th May
17	Yousuf, Mahmoud B.	Animal Production	4th May
18	Adeoti, Jimmy A.	Business Administration	5 th May
19	Agunbiade, Comfort M.	Performing Arts	5th May
20	Aluko, Ahmed B.	Library	5th May
21	Atanda, Oba	Security	5th May
22	Bolaji, Ibrahim	Security	5th May
23	Daramola, Toyin I.	Work/Civil	5 th May
24	Lawal, Alimat O.	Accounting and Finance	5th May
25	Makanjuola, James	Security	5th May
26	Obafemi, Christella M.	University School	5th May
27	Shehu, Raheem A.	Human Kinetics and Health Education	5th May
28	Ajibade, Saka S.	Bursary	6 th May
29	Ibraheem, Lateef O.	Arabic	6th May
30	Abiodun, Alfred A.	Statistics	7 th May
31	Arosanyin, Godwin T.	Economics	7th May
32	Muhammed, Taofeeq A.	Security	7th May
33	Ogunsanya, Femi A.	Bursary	7th May

Are you a staff member? Do you want Unilorin Bulletin to wish you a happy birthday? Send your details as shown above (Surname, first name and initial, Department and date of birth) to us a week preceding the expected date of publication. All requests are subject to space availability and are treated on a first-come first-served basis. You are entitled to a hard copy of the edition in which your name is published.

LAUGH LINES

A businessman on his deathbed called his friend and said, "Bill, I want you to promise me that when I die you will have my remains cremated."

"And what," his friend asked, "do you want me to do with your ashes?"

The businessman said, "Just put them in an envelope and mail them to the Internal Revenue Service and write on the envelope, "Now you have everything."

Unilorin in the News

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- The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, has emphasised the roles of the University in promoting research while advocating networking with others in an address tagged 'Think out of the Box' delivered at a one-day workshop on the internationalisation of the campus recently. ('VC stresses varsity role in promoting scholarship', *Nigerian Compass*, same date, p.21)
- A lecturer at the University of Ilorin, Dr. Pius O. Abioje, has voiced his opinion on Nigerian politics saying that if General Buhari does not campaign in 2015, others will do it for him if there is no change. ('Buhari weeping, Nigerians laughing', *The Nation*, Thursday, April 28, 2011, p.20)
- The Students Union of the University of Ilorin has adopted an electronic voting system to ensure credible elections. ('Students Union adopts e-voting', "UNILORIN File", *The Nation*, same date, p.26).
- The second semester examinations of the University of Ilorin will begin on May 2, 2011. ('Exams begin next week', "UNILORIN File", same as above.)
- The Seventh Mosobolaji Oyawoye-endowed Faculty of Science Lecture would be delivered by Mr. Femi Ajayi of the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency. ('Faculty holds lecture', *The Nation*, same as above)
- The University of Ilorin has hosted a five-day international workshop on Academic Writing and Publishing. ('Theatre experts meet', *The Nation*, same as above.)
- The National Association of Science Students (NASS), University of Ilorin Chapter, has held a personality lecture and launched its magazine. ('Students fete don', *The Nation*, same date, p.33)
- The University of Ilorin has hosted an orientation programme for its students who would be embarking on Students' Industrial Work Experience (SIWES). ('UNILORIN holds SIWES orientation', *The Nation*, same date, p.34)
- A 400 level student of Economics, University of Ilorin, Rilwan Olajide, has recounted a personal experience in a newspaper article. ('Day I dug deep for comfort', *The Nation*, same date, p.35)
- As part of the measures to achieve free and fair elections, the Students Union of the University of Ilorin has adopted an electronic voting system for its 2011 elections. ('UNILORIN Student Union adopts electronic voting system', *Nigerian Tribune*, "From the University of Ilorin", Thursday, April 28, 2011, p.34)
- The second semester examination of the University of Ilorin holds between May 2 and 14, 2011. ('Second semester exams begin next week', *Nigerian Tribune*, same as above.)
- A lecture, 'Narcotics as Chemical Weapons of Mass Destruction', would be hosted by the Faculty of Science, University of Ilorin. ('Faculty holds lecture', *Nigerian Tribune*, same as above).
- The Mass Communication students of the University of Ilorin would present their maiden edition of *Lens* magazine on Saturday, April 30, 2011. ('Unilorin Mass Comm presents *The Lens*', *National Pilot*, Thursday April 28 – Sunday May 1, 2011, p.9)
- The Students of the University of Ilorin would be electing a new set of officers on Thursday. ('Unilorin students go to poll today', *National Pilot*, same date, p.18).
- Dr. Jeleel Ojuade of the Department of the Performing Arts, University of Ilorin, has advocated more research on indigenous academic writing and publishing during a recent international workshop at the University of Ilorin. ('Don urges more research on indigenous work by African varsities', *The Guardian*, April 28, 2011, p.51)
- The University of Ilorin is inviting the general public to the second joint international conference with the University of Cape Coast, the opening ceremony of which comes up on Monday, May 2, 2011 under the chairmanship of Prof. Akin Mabogunje. ('Radio Kwara, Ilorin, Thursday, April 28, 2011 @ 8:15p.m; also Friday, April 29, 2011 @ 3:15p.m.; Saturday, April 30, 2011 @ 3:15p.m and Sunday, May 1, 2011 @ 8:15p.m.
- The University of Ilorin has advertised its invitation for the pre-qualification of contractors and tendering for sports equipment for the year 2010 ETF intervention in the hosting of WAUG 2011. ('University of Ilorin', *The Guardian*, Friday, April 29, 2011, p.61)
- The Vice-Chancellors of the Universities of Ilorin and Cape Coast have invited the general public to their second joint international conference holding at the University of Ilorin between May 1 and 5. ('Announcement,' *KWTV*, Ilorin, Friday, May 29, 2011, @ 7:55p.m.; NTA Ilorin @ 8:55pm; Saturday, May 30, 2011 @ 8:55 p.m., NTA Ilorin, Sunday May 1, 2011@8:45p.m)

Unilorin in the News

- Dr. James Omotayo Titiloye of Aston University, United Kingdom, has said that Nigeria cannot afford to be left behind in the global quest for alternative energy while delivering the second Chemical Engineering Department lecture at the University of Ilorin recently. ('One-hour solar can power earth for a year', *National Pilot*, Monday 25-Wednesday, 27 April, 2011, p.3)
- The Students Union of the University of Ilorin has adopted the electronic voting system in the conduct of its 2011 elections according to a statement released by the Independent Student Electoral Commission (ISEC) of the University. ('Unilorin SUG adopts electronic voting system', *National Pilot*, same date, p.7)
- The address delivered by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, at the recent opening of the Workshop on the Prevention of Electoral Violence in 2011 in Kwara State has been published in a newspaper. ('No Smoke without Fire', *National Pilot*, same date, p.24)
- The former Deputy Director of Information, University of Ilorin and Special Assistant (Media) to the President's wife, Dame Patience Jonathan, has described the recent elections in the country as an indication that there is hope for the country. ('Polls: improvement on nation's democracy system – Aliagan', *National Pilot*, same date, p.26)
- The National Coordinator/Executive Secretary of the Nigeria Inter-religious Council, who is also the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, has urged the youth in Nigeria to stop all acts of violence and seek redress of perceived wrongs in the courts of law while addressing a press conference recently in Ilorin. ('Stop the carnage, NIREC tells youth', *Nigerian Tribune*, Wednesday, April 27, 2011, p.48).
- The agent of confusion and lies in the University of Ilorin has continued to sponsor a particular letter in a newspaper to disparage the image of the University. ('Lawlessness and brutality in University of Ilorin (sic)', *This Day*, Wednesday, April 27, 2011, p.19)
- The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has said that entrepreneurship is important today because gone were the days when jobs were available to graduates and the thinking now is that youths and graduates should "think big by starting small." ('VC charges graduates on entrepreneurship', *This Day*, same date, p.55).
- The Science and Technology Education Post-Basic (STEP-B) researchers of the University of Ilorin, Prof. T.S. Ibiyemi of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Prof. J. A. Obaleye of the Department of Chemistry have noted that they would soon complete their multi-million naira research projects. (STEP-B research projects ready soon', *Nigerian Compass*, Wednesday, April 27, 2011, p.15)
- The University of Ilorin authorities will be sponsoring the participation of at least 65 of their academic staff at the second joint international conference with the University of Cape Coast, Ghana starting on May 1, 2011. ('UNILORIN to sponsor 65 staff to joint conference', *Nigerian Compass*, same date, p.17).
- The University of Ilorin will be holding a joint conference with Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa, between June 27 and 30, 2011 on the theme of "Technology, Innovation and Sustainable Development". ('UNILORIN, Cape Peninsula varsity to hold conference', *Nigerian Compass*, same date as above, p.20)

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Quotes of the Week

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overall and looks like work. – Thomas Alva Edison

Happiness does not come from doing easy work but from the afterglow of satisfaction that comes after the achievement of a difficult task that demanded our best.

– Theodore Isaac Rubin

Self trust is the first secret of success.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson