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Be job creators, VC tells students



The Deputy Governor, Chief Joel Ogundeji, the Chairman of the Visitation Panel, Prof. Salau and the VC, Prof. Oloyede recently at a courtesy visit

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The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has challenged the students of the University to think of how they can be job creators after their education rather than just be job seekers.

Prof. Oloyede gave this charge while speaking at the Lecture on Entrepreneurship organised by the University through the Faculty of Law and the Department of Mechanical Engineering last Tuesday (March 1, 2011) at the University Auditorium. *(Contd. on page 2)*

How to survive in the world of work - Experts

Two successful entrepreneurs, Engr. I.K. Inuwa and Mr. Niyi Yusuf, have shared salient points with the members of the University community on how to survive and succeed in the challenging life of the 21st century.



ENTREPRENEURS:L-R, The guest speakers, Mr. Yusuf and Engr. Inuwa last Tuesday

Both Engr. Inuwa, who is a former President of the Nigeria Society of Engineers (NSE) and Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) and Mr. Yusuf, the Managing Director of Accentures, shared their insights last Tuesday (March 1, 2011) with a large audience consisting largely of final year students of the University of Ilorin.

In his lecture, “The Dynamics of Engineering Entrepreneurship”, Engr. Inuwa said an entrepreneur is a person of very high aptitude who pioneers a change and possesses characteristics found only in a very small fraction of the population or simply “anyone who wants to work for himself.” He then discussed the why, the how, the when and the where of (engineering) entrepreneurship.

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Think big but start small, by Oloyede

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In an address captioned “Necessity is the Mother of Invention”, the immediate past President of the Association of African Universities (AAU) noted that “there was a time in Nigeria when jobs were waiting for graduates. Then, different employers waited on the days of graduation jostling to attract fresh graduates right on the university campuses. The graduate was the beautiful bride with many suitors and she would be the one to decide which among the several offers would benefit her most. Then, the philosophy was to get admitted, study and get a job. Unfortunately, that era is gone”.

Speaking further, Prof. Oloyede said that “the situation today is different and as such, a different orientation is desirable. There are no longer jobs as they used to be and graduate unemployment is a major challenge that Nigeria is facing. Indeed, as a former Minister of Education, Dr. Sam Egwu, stated last year, only 20% of the graduates are employable in the current situation. As *necessity is the mother of invention*, today’s reality compels the current philosophy that graduates should be job creators rather than job seekers. The University of Ilorin is one of the first universities in Nigeria to begin entrepreneurship studies as part of its academic curriculum and the lecture of today is an additional icing on the cake”.

He then called on the students to be thinking big by starting small and to develop entrepreneurship skills and their components. He said everyone has a talent that can be converted to success and the onus of the responsibility lies in everyone to have imagination which gives shape to knowledge and “provides wings for knowledge to fly because knowledge, as important as it is, is useless when it is not used or put into practice”.

While urging students to fire their imagination, Prof. Oloyede sounded a note of caution. “However, you should always remember, as Saleem Rana wrote, that ‘the imagination gone astray is worry; the imagination gone wild is neurosis; and the imagination gone berserk is psychosis.’ If I may shed a bit of light on that, you know there are people in Nigeria, at this point in 2011, who are worried, neurotic and psychotic on account of their political ambition or imagination. So, do not allow your imagination to go astray or wild or berserk”.

Earlier in his welcome address at the occasion, the acting Dean of Law, Dr. Wahab O. Egbewole, noted that the idea of engaging students on issues that will challenge them after their university education is not only laudable but also imperative now because “the global statistics on unemployment is really scary”.

“The University of Ilorin puts premium on the total development of students especially what becomes of them after graduation such that the Technical and Entrepreneurship Centre was set up to co-ordinate and provide all the logistic needs of the students to be useful to themselves and the society after their studentship,” he said.

The acting Head of Mechanical Engineering Department, Dr. Olumuyiwa A. Lasode, in his vote of thanks at the event appreciated everyone that contributed to making the programme a resounding success.

Unilorin constitutes portal management committee

As part of their efforts towards enhancing their online operations and keeping the University on top in international best practices, the authorities of the University of Ilorin have constituted an 11-member Portal Management Committee.

The Committee is charged with ensuring the proper management of the University Portal (vis-à-vis, students registration, add and drop processes, course code administration, production of transcripts, provision of student statistics, student tracking, and uploading of results) ensuring quality control and academic integrity of the input and output, ensuring compliance with regulations and laws; and any other matters relating to the portal and e-processing of results.

According to a statement signed by the Registrar, Mrs. Olufolake O. Oyeyemi, the membership of the Committee comprises Prof. C. O. Bewaji, (Chairman); Pro. A. S. Abdusalam, (Associate Chairman), Prof. E. T. Jolayemi, Mr. T. I. Aiyelabegan, Mrs. F. M. Olowoleni, Dr. A. A. Jimoh, Dr. M. A. Adedimeji, Mr. M. S. Sanni, Miss Yusuf; Miss S. E. O. Hudson and Mr. R. O. Alaka, who is the Secretary.

Plagiarism is the ultimate sin in academics - VC

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has identified plagiarism as the greatest threat to research among the unethical practices which some people in the academics indulge in.

Prof. Oloyede said this while delivering a paper entitled “Plagiarism: The Beast of Research”, during the Postgraduate Students Association, (POGSASS) week lectures held on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 and Thursday March 3, 2011, at the University of Ilorin auditorium.

Prof. Oloyede, who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, (Management Services) Prof. Albert Olayemi, identified fabrication of data, maltreatment of research subjects such as humans and animals, violation of intellectual property and plagiarism as some of the ethical concerns with regards to research in the academic community.

According to the Vice-Chancellor, “Of all these, the greatest threat to research of these unethical standards, and to development of scholarship is plagiarism”. Tracing plagiarism to its Latin origin, *plagiarius* (or kidnapper) Prof. Oloyede defined plagiarism as the “unauthorised use of the language or thoughts of another author and the representation of them as one’s own.”

In his presentation entitled “Article Writing: A Veritable Tool for Capacity Building in Postgraduate Studies”, Prof. Ahmed Yerima of the Kwara State University, Malete, posited that article writing during postgraduate



A group photograph of the DVC (MS) Prof. Olayemi and the resource persons with the postgraduate students

studies is a process which introduces and familiarises postgraduate students to the norms of the academic community and a medium of capacity building for the students. He noted that “with time, personal and specific techniques of different article writers emerge due to practice and constant honing of skills through writing”. Prof. Yerima also lamented the linguistic incompetence among many postgraduate students who remain deficient despite having been introduced to the English language since their primary school days.

In his own paper entitled “Publishing Articles: An appraisal of Exploitable Methods of Acquiring Knowledge”, Prof. Alfred Adegoke of the Department of Counsellor Education, University of Ilorin, noted that researchers need to brainstorm on areas where there are gaps to fill in their chosen fields and then research into such gaps and get pregnant with ideas and knowledge in order to publish the result of the research in journals. Prof. Adegoke described such publication as a prestigious achievement. “Ultimately, it is good to keep in mind that the road to being published isn’t a long one. All authors get rejections including Professors. The challenge is to persevere and to improve one’s paper over time,” he said.

Mrs. B.O. Adeshina of the University Library also made a presentation which educated postgraduate students on online library facilities which the University has paid for on behalf of the community.

Earlier in his welcome address, the President of the Postgraduate Students Association (POGSASS), Mr. Seyi Obiyemi, expressed the gratitude of his Association to the University Administration for its support and highlighted some of the achievements of his own administration.

The programme was attended by the Dean of Postgraduate School, Prof. I. O. Abimbola, the Dean of Student Affairs, Prof. S. H. Umoh and many postgraduate students.

Fast Facts File

Did you know?

- ✓ Three billion people in the world today struggle to survive on US\$2 per day.
- ✓ To satisfy the world’s sanitation and food requirements would cost only US\$13 billion - what the people of the United States and the European Union spend on perfume each year.
- ✓ The assets of the world's three richest men are more than the combined GNP of all the least developed countries on the planet.

Unilorin students tasked on entrepreneurship

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According to the 1973-Mechanical Engineering graduate of Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, “entrepreneurship is the engine that provides the answers to unemployment and economic recession”. He added that “successful entrepreneurship brings benefits to the owner, to others, the operating environment and the country at large.”

While identifying some factors that make entrepreneurship desirable, Engr. Inuwa, who is also the Chairman of the National Board for Technology Incubation, explained the seven steps that are crucial to creating a start-up for a successful entrepreneurship. These, he said, are entrepreneurship, opportunity, market, mentor, business plan, business structure and funding.

In his own presentation, captioned “Get Better or Get Beaten”, Mr. Yusuf reviewed the economic crisis in the world and the rising number of the unemployed due to the forces of change, globalisation, advances in technology, decline in the cost of transmitting information as well as recession and challenges in developing nations. He noted that today’s world is a “tough world” where you either “survive or quench.”

Based on the postulations of Charles Handy in his *The Age of Unreason*, the guest lecturer explained the new equation of the modern age, $\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 3$ which means that “half of people working would lose their jobs in the next 10 years of the advent of the 21st century. That those that would retain their jobs would be paid twice as much as their current salaries. Those that retain their jobs would be required to produce 3 times as much.”

Speaking further, the Obafemi Awolowo University graduate of Computer Science and Economics said the implications of the new equation are that there would be few jobs, higher pay, extremely long hours for the employed, “no time to enjoy the purse and those without jobs would have all the time at their disposal but no money to spend.” He said to address the situation, new ideas must be generated. “Plan, start and run successful businesses”, he stressed.

He challenged all to do a SWOT (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats) analysis of themselves and understand the environment, which includes its socio-cultural, technological, political/legal and economic dimensions. He also described the ABCs of standing out and being successful which are “A plus grades, Be relevant/Boost your CV, Create an interesting persona, Do your homework, Express uniqueness and Create a network.”

The lecturer also emphasised attitude as an imperative to success saying that “it is the knowledge age, you need to retool yourself; otherwise you will not be useful to yourself and the society.”

The two lecturers answered the students’ questions during the interactive session while the Vice-Chancellor, who earlier addressed the participants on “Necessity is the Mother of Invention” challenged the students to make a good use of the insights they had gained and start doing something positive to change their situation. He urged Law students especially to always visit the prison because they will get to know the mind of those who constitute their actual or potential clients. He also assured the students that the University is willing to support student entrepreneurs who have credible and feasible proposals.

Department organises lecture

The Department of Civil Engineering is organising its third Departmental Lecture this Wednesday (March 9, 2011) at the Engineering Lecture Theatre.

The lecture, “Road Accident Rates: The Consequences and Reduction Strategies” will be delivered by Commander Y.K. Salami, Corps and Sector Commander, Federal Road Safety Corps, Kwara State, Ilorin beginning from 10:00 a.m.

According to a statement signed by the acting Head of Civil Engineering Department, Dr. A. A. Jimoh, the Chief Host is the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq O. Oloyede, while the Chairman is the Dean of Engineering and Technology, Prof. J. A. Olorunmaiye.

BACK TO THE BASICS

Text of the Address Delivered by the Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, and President of the Association of African Universities, Professor Is-haq O. Oloyede, on the Occasion of the Inauguration of the Unilorin Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit (ACTU) on Monday December 13, 2010 at the Faculty of Arts Board Room.

It is my pleasure, as it has always been, to welcome you to the programme of today. Today's occasion is symbolic of the commitment of the University to the promotion of its motto, *probitas doctrina* or character and learning. It is my hope that we shall all be enlisted in the struggle against that social miasma, corruption, which constitutes a dent to the character, and detracts in no small way to the learning of anyone who engages in it.

Ladies and gentlemen, we all know that corruption is a cankerworm that has eaten deep into the fabric of our society. It is pathetic that when corruption, an evil tree that breeds poisonous fruits, is mentioned, our country, by extension all of us, is mentioned among the leading culprits. It is also worrisome that as the recently released Corruption Perception Index 2010 of the Transparency International reveals, corruption has increased exponentially over the last three years in many countries of the world and Nigeria is 134th in a list of 178 countries.

In Nigeria especially, the state of the economy and general infrastructure, which leaves less to be desired, is traceable to the debilitating effect of corruption in our nation. Between 1960 and 1999, as we were reminded last week when the Speaker of the House of Representatives was here to give us a lecture, over 400 billion US dollars was siphoned out of the country. It appears that the Nigerian leaders have read the novel of Margaret Mitchet, *Gone With The Wind*, and the only message they imbibe from it is that offered by the protagonist: "You make money when building a nation and when destroying it. But you make more money when destroying it."

While it is believed that corruption is largely responsible for the developmental challenges in the country, a reductionist approach that views it as an elitist phenomenon is faulty. It is not only those who are in government that are corrupt, the evil seeps through a large segment of the society. A taxi driver who offers a bribe in order to escape sanction for not having valid vehicle documents is corrupt; a parent that destroys his own children by arranging a "miracle centre" for them to write public examinations is corrupt; a teacher that demands or accepts gratification of any type to influence his decision is corrupt; a trader that deliberately sells an expired product is corrupt; an administrator that wants or demands money before he does what he is paid to do is corrupt.

Therefore, it is apparent that the root of corruption is indiscipline. Those who lack self-discipline, moral discipline, academic discipline and financial discipline, among others, are those who are corrupt. It is thus imperative that we go *back to the basics* of discipline, decency, honesty and integrity in order to salvage our sick society. If we do what should be done and shun what should not be done, we shall be on the right track.

In a lecture presented recently at the Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge, one of the best known African writers, Chinua Achebe, said "Nigeria has passed the alarming stage and entered the fatal, and will die if we continue to pretend she is slightly indisposed." If we do not tackle corruption at all levels, corruption will end up tackling us. It therefore behoves us to clean our corners and do our bits in stamping corruption and corrupt practices out of our society.

It is in this respect that the Anti-Corruption and Transparency Monitoring Unit (ACTU) is being inaugurated today in the University which already has zero tolerance for corruption. We all would agree that the efforts of anti-corruption agencies, among which the Independent Corrupt Practices and Related Offences Commission (ICPC) towers high, need to be complemented across all levels in order to prevent our society from death.

However, ACTU cannot do it alone. It will rely on the cooperation of all members of the university community in its task of fighting corruption and promoting an institutional re-awakening to the basics of transparency, discipline, acceptable behaviour, best practices and fiscal integrity. I believe that everyone should be a soldier in the war against corruption in the country because the consequence of corruption is an acid rain that wrecks havoc indiscriminately.

While congratulating the members of the ACTU on their appointment, I wish them success in their assignment and I urge us all to join hands with them so that from our own corner, we can change ourselves and ultimately the country for better.

Thank you for your attention.

Unilorin, South African varsity hold conference

The first joint conference of the University of Ilorin, Nigeria and Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa will be taking place at the University of Ilorin between June 27 and 30, 2011.

The theme of the conference is “Technology, Innovation and Sustainable Development”. The sub-themes include:

- (1) Technological innovation for rural development and social mobilization
- (2) Innovation for food security
- (3) Environmental pollution/protection and waste management
- (4) Emerging technologies for poverty alleviation
- (5) Renewable energy system
- (6) Water and sanitation
- (7) Scientific research and traditional medicine
- (8) Bio-technology and sustainable development
- (9) Urban planning/futures
- (10) Cardiovascular diseases: increase in developing societies
- (11) Climate change and technology

Participants are expected to submit their abstracts (Maximum of 250 words) on or before April 26, 2011, in Latex, PDF or MS words formats while full papers should be submitted by May 26, 2011. Registration fees student and non-student participants are \$100/ N100 and \$200/N15,000 respectively

Submissions should be made to unilorincput2011@unilorin.edu.ng, somalomo@unilorin.edu.ng and fatokio@cput.ac.za.

Unilorin students win NAPE-UAP award

Four students of the Department of Geology and Mineral Sciences, University of Ilorin, have won the grant-in-aid award of the Nigerian Association of Petroleum Explorationists’ (NAPE) University Assistance Programme (UAP) in support of their research projects.

The students, who include three postgraduate (M.Sc.) and one undergraduate students, are respectively Abubakar, Haruna Kehinde, Awe-Peter Hellen Oluwakemi, Adepoju Adeshina Suraj and Adeleye Mayowa Michael.

The grant which amounted to about N300,000.00 was awarded to the students at the NAPE-UAP leadership forum held recently in Lagos.

LAUGH LINES

There was this lecturer who had the mannerism of punctuating his lectures with “you gerit?” as a way of carrying his students along. While teaching his class one day, he made reference to HIV/AIDS and said, “HIV/AIDS is deadly, you gerit?” The students replied in unison, “Noooo!” He repeated, “I said HIV/AIDS is a deadly disease, you gerit?” The students exclaimed again, “Noooo!”. Infuriated, he told his students, “you must then be daft if you can’t get a simple thing like HIV/AIDS!”. A boy stood and said, “we know it is simple to get, we don’t gerit and we don’t want to gerit if you’ve gorit sir!”

Dons affirm confidence in their union leaders

Members of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), University of Ilorin Chapter, have unanimously passed a vote of confidence on the Omoiya-led Executive Council.

In a well-attended Congress where hundreds of the University academic staff participated last Thursday (March 2, 2011), the lecturers resolved that they would resist any attempt by anybody who desires to cause confusion in the rank and file of the body.

While speaking on the state of the Union, the Chairman of the Chapter, Dr. Sa'ad Omoiya, described as blatant lies some of the claims by Dr. Taiwo Oloruntoba-Oju in a release dated February 23, 2011 and circulated to lecturers. The Chairman then sought members' opinions on the matter.

Many lecturers who spoke at the Congress described the release as insulting, and the author as an impostor adding that the motive behind it was to cause confusion and disrupt the peace and academic standard set by the University over the past 10 years.

"How can somebody who came back about a year ago claim to be our leader? This is an insult and he should be called to order. Since the National body claimed it suspended our chapter, we have never complained to them. It was not too long ago that the ASUU National President wrote the Vice-Chancellor and copied us that the man is our Chairman. They are acting a script. A single individual does not constitute an Executive. To attempt to impose an individual on a community saturated with intellect is an aberration," a lecturer said.

Other speakers at the Congress said the two letters by the National President and the former Unilorin ASUU Chairman were not written in good faith. They said the name of the University of Ilorin resonates in the global University community and some people are now attempting to cause crisis and confusion in the academic community because of their narrow ambitions.

The Congress thereafter mandated the Executive Council to address a press conference to sensitise Nigerians and the world to the threats posed to the cherished peace and progress of the University by the two letters, and the current attempts being made by those that they have embraced and re-integrated into the University to foment trouble.

"Nobody is begrudging Oloruntoba-Oju for the millions he collected that he did not work for. But for him to now think he can be a one-man executive, a sole administrator, over us is ridiculous. It smacks of stupidity," another lecturer fumed.

Unilorin/UCC conference: final call for abstracts

The International Organising Committee of the 2nd joint international conference of the University of Ilorin, Nigeria and University of Cape Coast, Ghana, has made a final call on prospective participants to submit their abstracts latest by March 12, 2011.

As a reminder, the conference, themed "Climate Change and Sustainable Development" (CCSD 2011), has the following sub-themes:

- Climate Change, Culture and the Arts
- Climate Change and Environmental Development
- Climate, Engineering and Infrastructural Development
- Curriculum Response to Climate Change and Development
- Climate Change and Health Management
- Climate Change, Social Transition, Legal and Business Development
- Climate Change and Agriculture

Abstracts should be submitted to uccunilorin2011@unilorin.edu.ng; kyankson201@yahoo.com and yaquadri@unilorin.edu.ng. Full papers are to be submitted by April 15, 2011.

Centre organises workshop on electoral violence

The Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies, University of Ilorin, is organising a two-day workshop on the prevention of electoral violence in 2011 elections in Kwara State.

The workshop holds this Wednesday and Thursday March 9 and 10 at the University Auditorium daily.

According to a statement signed by the acting Director of the Centre, Dr. (Mrs.) Olabisi Olasehinde-Williams, the Chairman of the occasion is the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede while the resource persons are Justice Mustapha Akanbi (rtd), Resident Electoral Commissioner, Kwara State; Mallam Yusuf Olaolu Ali, SAN; Director, State Security Service, Kwara State; Honorable Commissioner for Women Affairs, Kwara State; Commissioner of Police, Kwara State; Chief Imam, University of Ilorin and Chaplain, University of Ilorin.

SCREENING EXERCISE FOR NEXT OF KINS OF DECEASED PENSIONERS

The officials of the National Pension Commission Abuja (PenCom) will be coming to Ilorin for Biometric Verification and Enrolment of Next of Kins of deceased pensioners of Federal Government Parastatals under the PPVE I.

In readiness for the exercise coming up on the 7th and 8th of March 2011, you are required to get the following documents ready as part of the screening requirements:

- (a) Letter of identification from the institution;
- (b) Letter of First Appointment of the deceased;
- (c) Confirmation of Appointment of the deceased;
- (d) Letter of last promotion of the deceased;
- (e) Letter of retirement of the deceased (if the deceased retired before death);
- (f) Medical Certificate of Cause of Death;
- (g) Letter of Administration from the Court;
- (h) Deceased employees' file (to be provided by the PDOs);
- (i) Banking details – (Bank, Branch, Account number, sort code).

The verification exercise will take place at the University of Ilorin Auditorium. Please watch out for further details in the Daily Newspapers.

You may wish to see the Pension Desk Officer for further clarification where in doubt on any issue in respect of the above.

Signed

E.D. Obafemi

For: Registrar

NOTICE TO ALL STUDENTS Student Registration Closes

Please be informed that medical examination and registration to the University Health Services which commenced on 4th January, 2011 will **close on 11th March, 2011**. This notice is to request all to conclude their registration on or before the closing date.

Please note that there is no late registration in the Health Centre.

Signed

Dr. (Mrs.) M. O. Ajiboye

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Department fetes retired Secretary

The Department of English has organised a send-off programme in honour of its former Secretary, who retired from the services of the University on December 31, 2010, Mr. Oke F. Igundu.

Speaking at the occasion held last Thursday (March 3, 2011), the acting Head of English Department, Dr. Sola T. Babatunde, expressed his personal gratitude as well as that of the Department to Mr. Igundu for his diligence and hardwork. He also described Mr. Igundu as a dedicated officer whose competence and professionalism are inimitable.

Others who spoke at the event, like the former acting Head, Dr. (Mrs) V. A. Alabi, lauded the retiree as a paragon of honesty and acknowledged his contributions to the growth of the Department. Everyone agreed that the former Secretary will be missed by the Department because of the way he did his work.

In his response at the occasion, which was attended by the Dean of Arts, Prof. Z. I. Oseni, and staff of the Department, Mr. Igundu thanked the Department for the gesture, the gifts and the compliments. He described the period he spent at the Department of English as fulfilling and expressed his appreciation to the staff, the past and present Heads of the Department for the cooperation given to him during his period of service. He said that as true life is that which is dedicated to service, he would be available anytime the Department needs him for anything.

Happy Birthday To You!

S/N	Name	Faculty/Department/Office	Date of Birth
1	Adebayo, Ahmed A.	Faculty of Science	7th March
2	Oseni, Olayinka	Vice- Chancellor's Office	8th March
3	Oyeyemi, Olufolake O.	Registrar	8th March
4	Adeniyi, Raphael B.	Mathematics	10th March
5	Adisa, Abdulraheem	Security	10th March
6	Olokoba, Abdulfatai B.	Medicine	11th March
7	Usman, Hamzat	Health Services	11th March
8	Akande, Abdulrasaq A.	Chemical Pathology and Immunology	12th March
9	Baba, Muhammed A.	Works/Civil	12th March
10	Karim, Olayinka R.	Food Science & Home Economics	12th March
11	Abdulkadir, Babatunde S.	Vice- Chancellor's Office	13th March
12	Ogedengbe, Rachael Y.	Faculty of Veterinary Medicine	13th March

Unilorin in the News

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- While addressing the students of the University of Ilorin, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has disclosed that the University is yet to spend anything from the N5.5 billion Special Intervention Fund given to it by the Federal Government as the University believes in planning. ('We're yet to touch N5.5bn ETF fund – Unilorin', *National Pilot*, Thursday, March 3 – Sunday March 6, 2011, p.2) .
- The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, in an address entitled "Think out of the Box" has said that the internationalisation of the University of Ilorin is based on the fact that a university is basically characterised by pluralism. ('Pluralism defines a university - Oloyede', *National Pilot*, same date, p.4)
- The Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, has described the University of Ilorin as a source of pride to the Emirate while lauding the Vice-Chancellor's competence and commitment in carrying out his assignment. ('Unilorin, our pride – Emir', *National Pilot*, same date, p.4)
- The University of Ilorin has been proclaimed as a full member of the Global University Network for Innovation according to a letter recently addressed to the University by the Barcelona-based Network. ('Unilorin becomes full member of GUNI', *National Pilot*, same date, p.21)

Unilorin in the News

- A lecturer in the University of Ilorin, Dr. Pius Abioje, has expressed his opinion about the verification exercise of INEC. ('INEC's list of eligible voters', *The Guardian*, Sunday, February 22, 2011, p.16)
- The University of Ilorin has notified the public through its *Bulletin* that the Visitor to all federal universities, President Goodluck Jonathan, has constituted visitation panels to the universities. ('Jonathan approved conduct of visitation to 26 federal varsities', *The Guardian*, same date, p.32)
- A Mathematics student of the University of Ilorin, Biala Toheeb, has emerged the best student Mathematician in the country according to the National Mathematical Centre, Abuja. ('UNILORIN student emerges overall best Mathematician', *The Guardian*, same as above).
- The photograph of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede and Prof. Ayo Akinwale during the latter's inaugural lecture has been published. ('Photograph', *The Herald*, Monday Feb. 28, 2011, p.19)
- A Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology in Unilorin, Oluwarotimi Fakeye, has disclosed that Nigeria has the world's second highest number of maternal deaths. ('Nigeria records 59,000 maternal deaths annually – Don', *National Pilot*, Monday, February, 28 - Wednesday, March 2, 2011, pp.1&2)
- The moment in which the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, received the 93rd Inaugural Lecture from Prof. Olurotimi Fakeye of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology has been frozen in a photograph. ('Education News', *National Pilot*, Monday, February 20th 2011, p.26)
- The opinion of a consultant physician and neurologist at the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital (UITH), Dr. Chijioke Adindu, has been sought on hypertension. ('How best to treat hypertension', *Nigerian Tribune*, Tuesday, March 1, 2011, p.2)
- A former Chief Medical Director of UITH and Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Ilorin, Olurotimi Fakeye, has decried the high maternal mortality rate in Nigeria during his inaugural lecture at the University of Ilorin. ('High mortality caused by govt's neglect – Don', *Nigerian Tribune*, Tuesday, March 1, 2011, p.27)
- The Emir of Ilorin, Alh. Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, has said that he is proud of the University of Ilorin and described the Vice-Chancellor as "a man of competence and commitment" while receiving the visitation panel members who were led on a courtesy visit to him. ('We're proud of Unilorin – Emir', *Nigerian Tribune*, same date, p.47).
- While delivering his inaugural lecture at the University of Ilorin, Prof. Olurotimi Omoniyi Fakeye of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology has blamed Government for the high rate of women who die in vain. ('Varsity don blames government for maternal mortality', *Daily Trust*, Tuesday, March 1, 2011, p.47)
- Prof. Olurotimi Fakeye in his inaugural lecture has criticized the "jumbo pay" being received by the Nigerian legislators in a situation where such a huge amount of money can be used to improve healthcare and combat maternal mortality. ('At lecture: don blames govt over maternal mortality', *Nigerian Compass*, Wednesday, March 2, 2011).
- The 93rd inaugural lecturer of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Olurotimi Fakeye, has blamed the government for the high rates of maternal mortality in Nigeria. ('Fakeye blames govt for high mortality rate', *Champion*, Thursday, March 3, 2011, p. 33)
- The University of Ilorin has been accepted as a full member of the Global University Network for Innovation (GUNI), Barcelona. ('UNILORIN joins international body', "UNILORIN File", *The Nation*, Thursday, March 3, 2011, p.22; For other UNILORIN stories like "Association elects new leaders", and "FIRS to endow UNILORIN chairs", see same as above)

Quotes of the Week

Greed is permanent slavery.

- Ali bin Abi Talib.

Life without love is like a tree without blossoms or fruit.

- Khalil Gibran

We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light.

- Plato

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