

NIM lauds VC as epitome of excellence

The Nigerian Institute of Management (NIM) has described the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, as “an epitome of hardwork and excellence.”

The Chairman of NIM, North Central Zone, Mr. John Alabi, gave this commendation while leading a delegation of top NIM leaders on a courtesy visit to the Vice-Chancellor last Thursday (September 3, 2009) at the University of Ilorin.

Mr. Alabi said his delegation had confirmed the reports they had heard about the University. He expressed his appreciation to the Vice-Chancellor for the good work he is doing for the nation just as he acknowledged Prof. Oloyede’s commitment to the Institute, saying that it is the first time in the history of the Institute that a Vice-Chancellor is actively committed to the ideals and activities of the Institute.



L-R: NIM Kwara Chapter Chairman, M Akinola, NIM North Central Zonal Chairman, Mr. Alabi; Registrar, Mrs Oyeyemi and VC, Prof. Oloyede at the ev

Mr. Alabi expressed his regret that for technical reasons bordering on procedure, the proposed inauguration of the University Chapter of the NIM could not hold that raining day. He noted that NIM leadership would as a matter of importance convey a new date to the University chapter very soon and the inauguration would be done.

Shedding further light on the issue, the Chairman, Kwara State Chapter of the NIM, Elder J.O. Akinola, thanked the Vice-Chancellor and identified the procedural problem. He said the University chapter would also appreciate that as an Institute statutorily charged with the regulation of management, it would be understandable why internal procedures within the Institute should be followed.

In his response, the Vice-Chancellor thanked the NIM for the kind words about the University and acknowledged the hardwork put in by the Deputy Registrar (Academic), Mrs. F.M. Olowoleni, who he referred to as the *de facto* Chairman of the Unilorin Chapter, and her team.

Prof. Oloyede noted that though the importance he attaches to the N.I.M. made him to seek exemption from a meeting he should be attending in Abuja, he was convinced beyond any reasonable doubt that whatever should be done in any situation should be done and on no account should organisational due process be breached.

The Vice-Chancellor revealed that he always appreciates people who call a spade a spade and that is why, regardless of what people may think of him, he would always say his mind clearly without any ambiguity like one of his late teachers, Prof. Ismail Balogun.

Prof. Oloyede added humour to the event by giving the analogy of a man who introduced his fiancée to his friends for their comments, and one of them spoke on their behalf that if one looked at the lady deeply, one would know she is a very beautiful person. The Vice-Chairman narrated further that after the marriage, the friends blamed themselves for not telling their friend the truth about his ugly wife when he introduced her earlier to them for their comments. The spokesperson then replied that they had actually warned their friend because a beautiful woman would not need being looked at *deeply* before one would know she truly is.

The Vice-Chancellor said on many occasions, the message is lost in niceties and he re-affirmed his belief that Nigeria would be good when things are done properly. He expressed his satisfaction that NIM is expectedly conducting itself in accordance to its laid down procedure.

In the NIM delegation were, apart from the Chairmen of the North Central Zone and Kwara State Chapter, the Chairman, NIM Ilorin Chapter, Mr. Aiyedogbon and Mr. Femi of the NIM, North Central Zonal Office. Joining the Vice-Chancellor, who is a member of the Institute and Chairman of the Unilorin Chapter were the Registrar, Mrs. Olufolake O. Oyeyemi, the Deputy Registrar (Academic), Mrs. Folaranmi M. Olowoleni; the Faculty Officer, (Arts), Mrs. M.O. Oladosu; the Faculty Officer (Law), Mrs. R.W. Salee, the Dean of Student Affairs, Prof. Sulaiman A. Abdulkareem and the Officer-in-Charge, Directorate of Information and Protocol, Mr. Mahfouz A. Adedimeji.