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N600m UNILORIN integrated poultry farm ready for commissioning

By Abubakar Imam

All is now set for the official commissioning of the UNILORIN GGMAX Integrated Poultry Farm located at Amoyo in Ifelodun Local Government Area of Kwara State.

The commercial poultry farm, financed by a N600 million loan facility from the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), will be flagged off on July 21, 2022 by the Central Bank Governor, Mr. Godwin Emefiele.

This was disclosed last Tuesday (June 28, 2022) by the Chairman of the Farm project' Steering Committee, who is also the University's Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation), Prof. Mikhail Buhari, while featuring on a special edition of 'Table Talk', a current affairs programme of UNILORIN 89.3 FM.

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■ Prof. Buhari (left) and Prof. Adegoke (right) during the radio programme



Committee of Provost, Deans celebrates FUTA VC, Oladiji

By Mubarak Oladosu

The Committee of Provost and Deans (Co PD), University of Ilorin, has honoured one of its members, Prof Adenike T. Oladiji, who was recently appointed Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA).

At a special reception held for Prof. Oladiji last Wednesday, (June 29, 2022), at the University of Ilorin's Council Chamber, members of the CoPD and other guests took turns to shower encomiums on the former Dean of Life Sciences while also

offering pieces of invaluable advice to the first female UNILORIN alumnus to be appointed Vice-Chancellor of a university.

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TO ALL
UNILORITES**



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The programme, which was conducted in English and Yoruba languages, was anchored by the trio of the Station Manager, Mr. Idris Akintola Ibrahim, Mr. Temitope Olawuyi and Mr. Temitope Omoniyi.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor said that the commissioning, which would be hosted by the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the University Governing Council, Mallam Abidu Rafindadi Yazidu, OON, and the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, is also expected to be graced by dignitaries from all walks of life including the Governor of Kwara State, Mallam AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq; heads of sister institutions of higher learning and prominent traditional rulers from across the state.

While commending the University's Vice-Chancellor for his commitment to the project's execution and the management of the Central Bank for providing the enabling funds to the University, Prof. Buhari described the farm project as "a game changer" in the annals of creativity in ivory towers leadership in Nigeria.

Prof. Buhari, who was on the radio programme with the Director of the UNILORIN

Consultancy Services Centre, Prof. Alfred A. Adegoke, added that the project would contribute to the country's efforts towards attaining self-sufficiency in poultry production and boost employment opportunities for Nigerian youths.

While describing the project as a success story in view of the positive changes it has brought to the people of the host community and the transformation of an hitherto sleepy region into a busy and economically viable one, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor said that the farm has started with semi-automated production of chicks and its products.

He added that the farm, which kicked off penultimate Sunday (June 26, 2022), has in stock over 25,000 broilers and 17,000 layers and that the products of the farm would be on its way to anticipated distributors by Sunday (July 3, 2022).

Prof. Buhari explained that the products of the farm would certainly bridge the gap between the demand and supply of protein-yielding food, adding that, apart from the insurance on the farm, well trained experts are also on the farm to perpetuate its successes.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor added that the University was bound to make a lot of money from the farm as everything generated from it,

including waste materials, would be sold towards earning more money, which would boost the University's internally generated revenue.

The foremost academic said that the project is engaging relatively huge number of workers as he said that over 50 who were carefully recruited are already earning their livelihood on the farm while over 200 others are indirectly engaged.

While saying that everything worth doing would be done to ensure the success of the farm project, the distinguished Professor of Medicine pointed out that each of the workers was mandated to work at their maximum best as they would be given specific targets, which must be met.

Prof. Buhari, who said that the farm was located at the South-western end of the University land to spread development and prevent the institution's land from being encroached upon, assured members of the University community that they would also be opportune to buy the products of the farm.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor encouraged staff, students and members of the host community to see the farm project as theirs and ensure its protection from vandalism.

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In his tribute, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Sylvia O. Malomo, noted that the new FUTA Vice-Chancellor has numerous sterling qualities that stand her out among other academics in Nigeria.

She pointed out that Prof. Oladiji is more than capable for the assignment as her list of dedicated services in teaching, research and administration at the University of Ilorin in the last three decades, conspicuously stand her out.

Prof. Malomo, who also spoke in her capacity as Deputy Vice-Chancellor, recalled that she and Prof. Oladiji were both nominated for the position of Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University in 2018 but the new FUTA VC stepped down for her, true to her characteristic humility.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor also noted that the two of them are both female faculty members at the Department of Biochemistry, University of Ilorin, which she described as a Department noted for producing Vice-Chancellors and Deputy Vice-Chancellors for other universities in the country.

Prof. Malomo also appreciated the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Development, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Prof. Philip Oguntunde and other members of the FUTA entourage, saying that they are taking away a jewel who would impact Nigeria

and FUTA positively.

While delivering his welcome address, the Chairman of CoPD, who is also Provost of the College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin, Prof. O.T. Adedoyin, observed that the job of a Vice-Chancellor is no tea-party and not one given on account of sentiments such as the gender equality mantra but one that is made in recognition of the appointee's competence and capacity because it is a call to shape lives and livelihoods for the better.

Prof. Adedoyin noted that Nigeria is the way it is today because leaders don't dare to be innovative and he advised the VC to "toy with the idea of students studying and working, toy with the idea of assignments forming 80 percent of the marks while exams is just 20 percent, toy with the idea of open book test, toy with the idea of online classes option for some course and toy with the idea of all students staying on campus."

He also noted that there is safety in seeking a lot of advice from different quarters but divine counsel is the best, adding that the new VC should make her University a global brand and not a local branch.

In his goodwill message, the Dean of the Faculty of Physical Sciences Prof. J.K. Oyewunmi, extolled the qualities of the new FUTA VC, describing her as diligent, gentle and full of good ideas.

Similarly, the Dean of Arts, Prof. A.S. Abubakar, noted that Prof. Oladiji has what it takes to lead a University like FUTA on account of her knowledge, dispositions and temperament, adding that there should be no

limit to her well known patience.

While coordinating a session of presentation of gifts to the honouree, the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Prof. Olayinka R. Karim, noted that Prof. Oladiji's appointment is one that will impact positively on future generations.

Proposing the toast on behalf of the Dean of the Faculty of Clinical Sciences, Prof. I. A. Katibi, Prof. Luqman Abdulrahman of the Department of Paediatric Surgery described Prof. Oladiji as one of the finest scholars and alumnus of the University of Ilorin.

In her response, the FUTA Vice-Chancellor appreciated the Management of the University of Ilorin led by the Vice-Chancellor and the CoPD, noting that she takes good memories of her alma mater along to Akure.

She also noted that the Federal University of Technology, Akure, is peopled by warm and wonderful individuals who have made her settle in to her new assignment comfortably.

Dignitaries at the event included the Registrar, University of Ilorin Dr. Fola. M. Olowoleni; the University Librarian, Prof. Wahab Isa; the Dean of Education, Prof. M.O. Yusuf; the Dean of Law, Prof. Ijaiya; the Dean of Basic Medical Sciences, Prof. Akinola; Prof. Akanbi II, the Director of Corporate Affairs, Mr. Kunle Akogun; the Deputy Bursar, Mr. Ganiyu Olaniyan; and the Deputy Registrar, VC Office, Mrs. Beatrice Ishola.

SPECIAL FOCUS ON THE UNILORIN GGMAX POULTRY FARM, AMOYO, DUE FOR COMMISSIONING ON JULY 21ST, 2022

Pre-Commissioning observations by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (RTI), who is also the Chairman, Steering Committee of the Poultry Farm project, Prof. Mikhail Buhari, and the Director, Unilorin Consultancy Services Centre, Prof. Alfred Adegoke



■ Prof. Abdulkareem

It's a dream come true, says Prof. Abdulkareem

“It is a dream come true for me because when I was being interviewed for this job (Vice-Chancellorship), I mentioned to the panelists what I captioned as 'total land use' considering the large expanse of land that the University is endowed with. On where the money would have come from, I had no idea but sometimes when you wish, dreams can come true. At first, with the help of the former Council Chairman, Dr. Abdullah Jibril Oyekan, MFR, it was the Oriental Energy Resources of Alhaji Muhammad Indimi that took some fractions of the land for commercial farming. Then came along the

Central Bank of Nigeria, CBN, and I am glad that our efforts, in the end, yielded something that we can be proud of having come out top amongst close to a dozen universities that presented proposals for the project (Unilorin -GGMax Poultry Farm). The funding for my idea is what CBN has provided.

“The University of Ilorin, being a pioneer, my prayer is that things will go right so that we can lay examples for others that will go back to CBN or through other sources to seek for help and be able to carry out the scheme on a large

scale, as we are doing, now from the empowerment obtained from CBN.

“The emphasis was laid by the CBN Governor, at inception, that he wanted both the students and staff to benefit maximally from the project through researches and adequate food (protein) supply but as we march forward, the farm has expanded to cementing the town and gown relationship by providing jobs for people of the immediate community (Amoyo).”

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IT's A GAME CHANGER – Prof. Buhari

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“The vision started with the Central Bank Governor, Mr. Godwin Emefiele. Incidentally, that worked well with the vision of total land use of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem. We were invited to Abuja by the Central Bank of Nigeria to present a proposal on the revival of the poultry sector in Nigeria. This was sequel to the Government's ban on the importation of poultry products and the large squeeze on foreign exchange; the borders were closed and so the gap between the demand for poultry products and the supply was getting bigger by the day. The vision, therefore, of the Governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria was to bridge that gap using, initially, the Universities (this was later broadened to include all tertiary institutions in Nigeria (public and private)).

“And so, of the twelve universities that were invited initially, University of Ilorin was one of them. We came back home and we got the Animal Production Department of the Faculty of Agriculture to develop a proposal. Luckily our proposal was adjudged to be a bankable one; the next step was to look for a Participating Financial Institution, and we were able to identify Zenith Bank Plc as our own partner bank in this.”

How Mega is the Farm?

“The name of the Farm is Unilorin/GGMax Poultry Farm. It is an integrated commercial poultry farm with an installed capacity of 40,000 broilers, 33,000 layers, a feed mill that can produce 5 tons of feeds per hour, a semi-automated broiler processing unit that can process 1000 birds (broilers) per day, and a manure processing unit.

“For backward integration, we are planning for the establishment of a 2000hectare farmland for maize and soyabean production for exclusive use of the poultry farm. Another backward integration strategy we have in the pipeline is the establishment of an hatchery for day old chicks for commercial purpose; in the future, as part of the forward integration, the plan is to establish an egg powder production factory.

“What we have tried to achieve is to ensure that all aspect of the poultry value chain has been taken care of, and it is our hope that in the nearest future we can achieve all that we have set out to achieve as far as the



■ Prof. Buhari

poultry farm is concerned”.

The Worth And The Commercial Viability

“This came on as part of the CBN-driven Tertiary Institution Poultry Revival Scheme (TIPRES). We accessed the #600m facility from CBN through Zenith Bank as a participating financial institution. Right now, we have eight broilers' pens, four layers'pens and other buildings housing the feed mill, broilers' processing unit, living quarters for the staff of the farm, etc. At full production capacity, we intend to produce 7.5tons of broilers meat every five days; 5000 units of gizzards, 5000 units of livers; the heads and the legs will be in the right proportion along with the 7.5tons we are producing. Eggs, at full capacity, would be about 14,000 units per day that would be up for sale.

“The farm, for us an institution, is a game changer. Net profit, at full capacity, would mean that on every cycle of broiler production, we are making a net profit of over N2m. Though it takes about six weeks to run a cycle, but because they are integrated, you don't wait to finish a cycle before another one will come on stream. Our desire, our hope, our objective therefore is that every forty days, we would have completed eight cycles meaning that at a net profit of N2m per cycle, we are talking of N16m every forty days just on broiler production alone(the meat aspect). A third of that figure would be about N5m that would also come from the gizzard, the liver, the heads and legs and the intestines, every

forty days. The manure production will give us not less than N30,000:00 to N50,000.00 every month-we sell the manure because nothing is wasted as far as poultry is concern. Eggs from the layers is another ball game entirely.

“All these put together, you are looking at a very profitable venture if well run, and it is our desire to ensure that the attention, the commitment, the dedication we put in to get us to where we are today can be sustained to make sure that all our objectives, as far as this venture is concerned, are realized”.

The Benefits

Food Security:

“Considering the large gap between the demand for protein and the supply for poultry products specifically, this was

designed to bridge the gap using the universities/tertiary institutions as the vehicle. Producing 7.5tons of protein every five days is a big step towards that direction, and that is our little contribution towards contributing to food security in Nigeria.

Increase the Internally Generated Revenue of the University:

“Importantly, looking at the money mentioned, #16m every forty days, imagine the huge amount that will translate to in a year, and what that will mean for the Internally Generated Revenue of the University.

Research Opportunity for Students and Staff:

“The farm represents a very big opportunity for research for both the students and staff of the University.

Employment Generation:

“Right now we have 55 people employed on permanent (full term) basis working on the farm. At the height of construction, we had about 300 people working at the site. Our local community, Amoyo Community can testify that, this is the best thing that has happened to them because the local economy of the town has been considerably uplifted and they are better off for it”.

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THE ROLE OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES CENTRE IN THE PROJECT ---- Prof. Alfred Adegoke

“The Consultancy Services Centre is actually the special purpose vehicle, I think the Central Bank of Nigeria itself insisted when this loan was to be given that there will be a special purpose vehicle that will drive this project. So, the Consultancy Unit of the University of Ilorin is actually the Unit that is driving this special poultry revival Scheme by the Central Bank. So, we, in essence, own the project. The project is under us; we have had to midwife it, we have had to put in all the processes, the requirements by the Central Bank. The Consultancy Centre had to work through to create the space for this project, so we create the structure as it were to house this project. This is basically what we have done as a Consultancy Unit; there are a lot of details under what I have just said now but just to let you know that we were driving, we created, we are the special purpose vehicle to drive to this project.

Why Amoyo?

“As you know that the University of Ilorin is endowed with a lot of land, so when this project came, we thought of the best location of the University land which Amoyo is part of. Amoyo, first, is a trunk road, a major road in and out of

got all the papers - the insurance, everything was done etc the Consultancy did all of that to make sure the requirements are met. We also made sure that in recruiting the staff, we had an external Consultant which the Vice-Chancellor also approved who was working with us to guide us, we had the Department of Animal Science who are the technical committee, and everything we did implementing the proposal was guided by the external Consultant.

Sections of the Farm

“We have the Broilers, we have the Layers too. We had to do some employment; we did advertisement, interview, everything was done on merit. The External Consultant was the Chairman while I was the Co-Chair of the interview panel to employ people and Heads of these different units. The Processing Unit, the Feed Mills etc all of them were put in place to do those jobs.

Benefits

“This is a game changer. The University of Ilorin has never had anything like this. And indeed, no University in Nigeria has had this kind of opportunity that we have. We were the

Ilorin, and Amoyo itself is a big town, so the University chose that part of the land that opens up to Amoyo and I think it's a good decision because it puts us right on the market, right on the road, anybody coming to Ilorin, going to Abuja, Ekiti, Kogi or coming from the other axis would find us right there, so that is the reason. Our land spans to Jebba though but with a lot of brainstorming the Amoyo part of the University of Ilorin was chosen, and I think it's strategic and a good decision.

Creating Value for the huge Money Invested

“As you know, what we got from the CBN is not a grant, it is actually a loan, the poultry farm will therefore have to pay this money back. That was the first thing that got all of us running; we knew that this business could not be done as usual, we knew we had to do it differently. The Vice-Chancellor himself knew that, the DVC (RTI), Professor Buhari who is the lead on this thing knew that. We knew that this has to be done differently, it can't come under the normal bureaucracy of the University, the normal civil service-government kind of thing, this is business. We've got to make our money,



Prof. Adegoke

first University in this country to access N600m from the Central Bank, and in fact, probably there will be no other University that will access N600m because we now have learnt that Central Bank has said that they won't give up to N600m again, so this is unique for us as a University of Ilorin. This has already put us on the map and impact of this is many and it's going to help

we've got to pay back the loan, so that was the first thing and that informed our action and everything we've done since that time in driving the project. The first thing we did was to set up a Limited Liability Company, that process was on before I became Director, but when I took over, we had to put everything in place; *Unilorin-Bizface* we call it. And this poultry project is under this Limited Liability Company.

“The Vice-Chancellor has provided, excellently, the headship...he has allowed this project to have a life of its own. It is owned by the University but it operates on its own as a business venture and it has to be run that way. So, we had taken all the steps to make sure that everything we do, we do properly because we have to make profit, we have to pay back our loan. In structuring the establishment and all the thing that we did, we are involved - I worked with the technical committee, my team from the Consultancy Services day in, day out...there was a time we were meeting everyday for months working out all of these things. We did the feasibility studies, we made sure we did the environmental impact assessment, we made sure we

the economy and the number of people that are employed on the farm; research and training, a lot of our students in Nigerian Universities graduate without even having the opportunity to see some of these things, now we are going to have the processing unit that is semi-automated, we are going to have the hatchery, we are also going to be bridging the gap of the shortage of poultry meat, eggs etc. This is a big one and I think that for the University of Ilorin we are going to make the impact which is going to affect the community because our products are going to be available for members of the community, we are going to do a lot more as the project takes place. Again, this is a game changer because like this as happened before in this country and in this University.

“I will want to thank the Vice-Chancellor for the opportunity to drive this and to be involved in this because of the legacy and because of the impact of the results this will produce for generations coming.”

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Emir of Ilorin, Abdulkareem, Malomo drum support for CILS book launch, award ceremony

By *Mustafa Abubakar and Abdullahi Adepoju*

The Emir of Ilorin, His Royal Highness, Dr. Ibrahim Sulu Gambari (CFR); the Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem; and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Sylvia O. Malomo, have expressed their support for the University of Ilorin Centre for Ilorin Studies (CILS) "Book Launch and Award Presentation" ceremony, scheduled to hold this Thursday (July 7, 2022).

The ceremony, scheduled for the Banquet Hall, opposite the Kwara Government House, GRA, Ilorin, will commence at 10:00 am prompt and is expected to be graced by the Chief of Staff to the President, Prof. Ibrahim Gambari; the Governor of the Kwara State, Mallam AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq and his wife; Principal Officers of the University and important dignitaries from various walks of life.

The ceremony included book review by Mallam Lanre Issa-Onilu, a media guru and former National Publicity Secretary of the All Progressive Congress (APC), and awards to accomplished personalities in the country, who have in one way or the other contributed to the



The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdulkareem (middle), with members of the Committee during visit

success story of Ilorin Emirate.

Receiving members of the Central Working Committee of the Centre led by its Director, Prof. Y.O. Abdul-Hamid in his palace, the Emir of Ilorin thanked the Centre for showcasing the beauty of the city and for the show of love for the Ilorin heritage.

Dr. Sulu-Gambari, however, urged the Centre to continue the search and the showcasing of the good works done by the Ilorin Emirate sons and daughters, including non-indigenes that have contributed immensely to the success story of the City.

Also in the office of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdulkareem, expressed joy and profound willingness to champion

the course of the Centre and the award ceremony in every way.

Prof. Abdulkareem, who is the Chief Host of the ceremony, also pledged that everything needed will be adequately provided to actualise the success of the ceremony.

The committee members were also well received by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Malomo, who doubled as the Board Chairman for the Centre, with the assurance of being a part of the ceremony.

In the team were Dr. A. A. Muhammad; Dr. M.Y. Jimoh; Dr. A.O. La'aro; Dr. Asmau Imam Abdulkabir; Mr. M.M. Abubakar, Mr. I.A. Sulaiman; Mr. A. I. Jimba and Mr. A.A. Usman.

VC mourns late Oke-Ode monarch

By *Abubakar Imam*

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, has described the demise of the Eles of Oke-Ode in the Ifelodun Local Government Area of Kwara State, Oba Abdulkadir Adelodun Alebiosu II, as a great loss not only to the people of the community but also to the entire humanity.

Prof. Abdulkareem made this assertion last Friday (June 30, 2022) while reacting to the passage of the front line traditional ruler.

In a statement signed on his behalf by the institution's Director of Corporate Affairs, Mr. Kunle Akogun, the Vice-Chancellor said that the late monarch was a peace-lover, a devout Muslim and an outstanding leader, who served his community and humanity with total dedication.

The award-winning Professor of Chemical Engineering added that the over three decades reign of Oba Adelodun would go down in the history of the ancient town as a very remarkable period during which



■ *The late Eles of Oke-Ode*

several fascinating developments were recorded in several spheres of life.

He added that evidences abound that the late monarch mobilised material and human resources at his disposal to ensure that the town was placed in the map of places hosting institutions of higher learning, saying that the location of a College of Nursing at Oke-Ode by

the Kwara State Government would continue to make his tenure a remarkable one.

Prof. Abdulkareem, who commiserated with the people of Oke-Ode, particularly the family of the departed monarch and all the indigenes of the town who are either staff or students and even alumni of the better by far University, on what he called a monumental loss, said that the people of the community should take solace in the fact the late royal father lived an exemplary life and served for a very long time with harvest of exceptional accomplishments to show for it.

The Vice-Chancellor prayed Allah to forgive the shortcomings of Oba Adelodun and grant his family and the entire community the fortitude to bear his passage as he also prayed Allah to grant the community another monarch that would lead the people of the community beyond the next level.

The monarch joined his ancestors after a brief old-age related illness last Thursday (June 30, 2022) and has since been buried in accordance to Muslim rites.



Happy Birthday

S/N	Name	Department	Birthday
1	Adeboye Muhammed Akanbi Nurudeen	Paediatrics & Child Health	Jul 03
2	Obaleye Joshua Ayoola	Chemistry	Jul 03
3	Olanrewaju Wulemat Motunrayo	Registry	Jul 03
4	Balogun Tawakalitu Raufu	Library	Jul 03
5	Falade Ayotunde Atanda	Educational Technology	Jul 03
6	Saka Ajarat	Biochemistry	Jul 03
7	Abdulwaheed Akande Toheeb	Biochemistry	Jul 03
8	Oladosu Muhibat Odurinde Abeni	Registry	Jul 04
9	Abubakar Ibrahim Yusuf	Mass Communication	Jul 04
10	Olorukooba Rukayat Ronke	Legal Services Unit	Jul 04
11	Olusegun Roseline Ronke	Health Services	Jul 04
12	Awe Grace Kemi	Registry	Jul 04
13	Afolabi Abiodun S	Centre For Archives & Documentation	Jul 04
14	Balogun Adedayo Miftaudeen	Computer Science	Jul 04
15	Onigba Obalolu Babatunde	Technical & Entrepreneurship Centre	Jul 04
16	Azeez Toyin Yahaya	Security Division	Jul 04
17	Kasim Lateef Saka	Medicinal & Pharm. Chemistry	Jul 04
18	Ohworisi Agatha Ufuoma	Unilorin Staff School	Jul 05
19	Ibraheem Akeem Owolabi	Centre For Supportive Services For The Deaf	Jul 05
20	Salman Ramat Titilayo	Accounting	Jul 05
21	Ogunsanya Oluwafemi Adejumo	Bursary	Jul 05
22	Fakunle Shola	Registry	Jul 05
23	Arisekola Ibrahim Kehinde	Registry	Jul 05
24	Afolabi Raheem Tayo	Registry	Jul 05
25	Babamale Razaq Oba	Human Kinetics & Health Edu.	Jul 05
26	Ajidagba Uthman Abdulrahman	Arts Education	Jul 05
27	Arise Abimbola Kemisola	Home Economics & Food Science	Jul 05
28	Shogo Khadijat Bola	Procurement & Maintenance Support	Jul 05
29	Mohammed Ramat Mopelola	Adult & Primary Education	Jul 05
30	Yahaya Suleiman Abimbola	Biomedical Engineering	Jul 05
31	Soliu Hulaimat	Registry	Jul 05
32	Abd-El-Aziz Abd-El-Latif Adekunle	Educational Technology	Jul 05
33	Yunus Abdulrasheed Bolaji	Accounting	Jul 05
34	Mohammed Idrees Oludare	Surveying & Geo-Informatics	Jul 05
35	Owolabi Juliana Toyin	Unilorin Staff School	Jul 06
36	Balogun Cleonice Yomi	Training Research & Development	Jul 06
37	Isiaka Abdulganiyu Olatunji	Security Division	Jul 06
38	Alabi Mumini	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 06
39	Yusuf Toyin Fatimoh	Health Services	Jul 06
40	Olorunfemi Eunice Fehintola	Unilorin Staff School	Jul 07
41	Balogun Olayinka Rabi	Obstetrics & Gynaecology	Jul 07
42	Tubosun Helen Gbemisola	Registry	Jul 07
43	Baleen Salamat Uyo	Bursary	Jul 07
44	Oladeji Alamu Olukayode	Registry	Jul 07
45	Olujide Jackson Olusegun	Business Administration	Jul 07
46	Olaoye Femi Collin's	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 07
47	Omorinoye Omolayo Ajoke	Geology & Mineral Sciences	Jul 07
48	Adekunle Olusegun Iyiola	Library	Jul 07
49	Aina Emmanuel Olorunjoba	Architecture	Jul 07
50	Ogunkunle Caleb Oladokun	Religions	Jul 08
51	Oladosu Mary Oyeibimpe	Registry	Jul 08
52	Shuaib Abdulkadir Bola	Registry	Jul 08
53	Ahmed Mulkah Adebisi	Science Education	Jul 08
54	Taiwo Afolabi Jacob	Quantity Surveying	Jul 08
55	Mojeed Hammed Adeleye	Computer Science	Jul 08
56	Alasan Ndaceko Joel	Educational Technology	Jul 08
57	Alimi Olawale Alimi	Veterinary Surgery & Radiology	Jul 08
58	Adebayo Abdulganiyu	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 08
59	Olajide Olayemi Joseph	Anatomy	Jul 08
60	Aderibigbe Fatai Alade	Chemical Engineering	Jul 08
61	Jimoh Ramat Shina	Pharmaceutics & Industrial Pharmacy	Jul 09
62	Adisa Mulikat Yetunde	Library & Information Science	Jul 09
63	Bolaji Benjamin Olusomi	Anaesthesia	Jul 09
64	Shittu Musiliyu Muslihu	Veterinary Medicine	Jul 09
65	Olayinka Kehinde Jacob	Haematology & Blood Transfusion	Jul 09
66	Adeshina Lukman	History & International Studies	Jul 09
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The University Board of Health encourages you to visit the University Health Services for medical check-up on your birthday. Thanks

ASCOLAB, UNILORIN holds workshop on usage of composites in aerospace manufacturing

By Mustafa Abubakar

The Advanced Space Composite Laboratory (ASCOLAB), University of Ilorin, will between Tuesday July 5 and Wednesday July 6, 2022 hold a National composite stakeholders' workshop to sensitise the university communities and the entire nation on the extent of usage of composites in aerospace manufacturing and other industries like transportation (automotive & automobile), marine,

security, medical, and other industrial services.

The National Coordinator/Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, Dr. (Engr.) Kayode Odimeyemi, disclosed this last Wednesday (June 30, 2022) while speaking with UNILORIN BULLETIN in his office, located at the premises of the Department of Materials & Metallurgical Engineering, University of Ilorin.

According to him, the event is scheduled to

hold at De-Peace Hotels & Resorts, Ilorin with expected audience from the Science & Engineering faculties from all Nigerian public and private universities and polytechnics and private industry professionals in composite works. It will also give the participants first public opportunity to meet and possibly form a National professional body to midwife national policy, code and standard for the sector in Nigeria.

Guest Columnist

By Bagbansoro Uthman

Sulyman Age: As the curtains fall in Unilorin

There is a popular saying that every beginning must have an end. In roughly four months from now, the five-year single tenure of Prof. Abdulkareem Sulaiman Age as the Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Ilorin, Unilorin is gradually coming to a glorious crescendo.

The smooth-talking and sparkling Professor of Chemical Engineering was appointed in 2017 to lead the by far the best, the better by far University of Ilorin to greater heights with his academic and administrative acumen.

Our renowned researcher was picked having towered above other candidates at the interview and screening.

Our better by far institution has always been lucky with credible people mounting the saddle, beginning with our founding Principal and Vice-Chancellor, Erudite Professor of Medicine: Ladipo Akinkugbe (1975–1978) 2nd principal and 1st vice-chancellor, Prof. A. O. Adesola (1978–1981); Prof. S. A. Toye (1981–1988); Prof. A. Adeniyi (1985–1992); Prof. J. O. Oyinloye (1992–1997); Prof. S. O. Abdulraheem (1997–2002); Prof. S. O. Amali (2002–2007); Prof. I. O. Oloyede (2007–2012); Prof. A. G. Ambali (2012–2017) who are all scholars of repute.

So one would be rest assured that Age is worth the salt to have taken over the mantle once saddled by this man of impeccable pedigree and character.

Under his stewardship, the university developed and became a reference point for other universities in Kwara state and beyond.

Seven of the University of Ilorin's Professors were appointed as vice-chancellors and provosts across different institutions while 4 others were appointed as aides and agency's directors at state and federal levels. Prominent amongst them is the recently appointed first female Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Akure, FUTA, Professor Oladiji, a Fellow of the Nigerian Academy of Science, and in fact the very first female Fellow of that academy.

One of the legacies Age is leaving behind as he rounds off his tenure is his dedication to the completion of all projects.

As earlier said, Age bucked the trend by not leaving behind abandoned projects as inherited.

When Age mounted the saddle in October 2017 he

inherited many ongoing projects, chief among which is the Faculty of Environmental Sciences main building housing Departments of Quantity Surveying, Estate Management, Architecture, Urban and Regional Planning and Surveying and Geoinformatics which he has completed and is now in use.

One of Age's legacy projects is the construction of the state-of-the-art 1500 capacity lecture for the Faculty of Engineering and Department of Chemical Engineering which I was privileged to be a member of the team overseeing the project before I left having put the project at an advanced stage.

Age created a different committee to serve as an interface between the contractors and the school during the project, apart from the Projects Monitoring Committee which randomly visits all ongoing projects unannounced.

He didn't leave the monitoring to the committee alone. He also always drove in to monitor during weekends and pretended as a passerby whilst also asking questions.

More striking is the culture of broad consultations he has introduced to the university administration.

He encourages all stakeholders including students, staff members, parents, alumni, traditional rulers, host community to make contributions to his policies, thus, promoting sense of belonging and inclusiveness.

In recognition of the importance of giving back to the host community, he has started and completed a state-of-the-art Community Development Centre in the University.

In showing his admiration for his children — the students — he has also started the expansion of the Directorate of Students Affairs and clinic.

Age in consonance with his humble background doesn't blow his own trumpet because he believes it's against the principle of *Nemo Judex in causa sua* - No man can be a Judge in his cause.

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