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## Emefiele: UNILORIN, a model for other varsities

### ... flags off N600m poultry farm

### \*Olofa hails varsity management

By Abubakar Imam

Last Thursday (July 21, 2022) was another great day in the annals of the newly re-crowned most subscribed institution of higher learning, the University of Ilorin, as dignitaries from all walks of life joined the Governor of the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN), Mr. Godwin Emefiele, to commission the institution's multimillion naira poultry farm located at Amoyo in the Ifelodun Local Government Area of Kwara State.

The poultry farm was financed by CBN loan of N600 million under the apex bank's Tertiary Institutions Poultry Revival Scheme (TIPRES).

Speaking at the event, the CBN Governor congratulated the University of Ilorin for making the establishment of the poultry farm a reality, saying that with the development, the University has again shown that it is a model among its peers in Nigeria.

The CBN Governor, who was represented on the occasion by the Deputy Director and Secretary to the Agricultural Credit Guarantee Scheme of the Bank, Mr. Edwin Nzelu, said that the Bank would continue to support any investment that would ensure food sufficiency and employment generation in the country.

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■ The representative of the CBN Governor, Mr. Nzelu

## VC thanks CBN, others for making UNILORIN's dream a reality

By Abubakar Imam

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, has expressed his appreciation to the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) and other stakeholders for their cumulative efforts that

culminated in the establishment of the UNILORIN GgMax Poultry Farm.

Prof. Abdulkareem made the commendation last Thursday (July 21, 2022), while welcoming guests to the Farm's commissioning ceremony

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■ The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdulkareem



■ The Chairman of the UNILORIN GgMax Poultry Farm Steering Committee, Prof' Mikhail Busari

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While noting that the poultry subsector was very important for the drive towards economic greatness of the country, Mr. Emefiele thanked the management of the University of Ilorin for buying into the aspiration of the CBN on food production and employment generation through the commercial farm initiative.

Mr. Emefiele pointed out that the UNILORIN Poultry Farm was the first of its kind by any institution of higher learning in Nigeria since the CBN intervention programme in agriculture started in 1977.

He added that the University of Ilorin poultry farm would certainly bridge the gap between the demand and supply for chicken and eggs not only within Kwara State but across the country.

Also speaking, the Governor of Kwara State, Mallam AbdulRahman

AbdulRazaq, thanked the CBN for the loan advanced to the University of Ilorin to establish the farm as he urged the Bank to consider given more support to Kwara State.

Mallam AbdulRazaq expressed the reediness of his administration to support improved livestock production as he drew the attention of the management and staff of the University to the need to come with solutions that will mitigate the challenges facing livestock production in Nigeria.

The Governor, who was represented by the Kwara State Commissioner for Communication, Mr. Towoju Olabode George, promised that the Kwara State Government would continue to provide support to the University of Ilorin for it to continue to excel as the nation's most subscribed University.

He added that the Kwara State Government would collaborate with the CBN towards the establishment of a commercial

poultry settlement in the state with a view to encouraging youth participation and for the State to serve as a model in poultry production in Nigeria.

In his remarks, the Olofa of Offa, Oba Muhammadu Mufutau Gbadamosi Esuwoye II, who spoke on behalf of about ten leading traditional rulers who graced the ceremony, congratulated the University of Ilorin for coming up with the farm, which he believed would complement the efforts of other stakeholders in the provision of food and direct as well as indirect employment for hundreds of citizens of the country.

Oba Gbadamosi, who is also a successful poultry farmer, said that his farm would continue to partner with the University of Ilorin GgMAX Farm for it to achieve its corporate objectives.

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While recalling that the establishment of the farm was one of the several things he had in mind and promised the institution's stakeholders on his way to becoming the 10th Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdulkareem paid glowing tributes to the Chairman and members of the immediate past Governing Council of the University, Dr. Abdullah Jibril Oyekan, MFR as well as the current Chairman of the Council, Mallam Abidu Rafindandi Yazidu, OON and his colleagues on the Council, who were also at the event, for their support.

The Vice-Chancellor said that the farm, which is situated on 30-hectare land, currently houses 17,000 layers, a feed mill with an installed capacity of 5 tons/hour and a semiautonomous Broiler Processing Unit with a capacity to process 1,000 birds/day, among other facilities.

Prof. Abdulkareem explained that the farm has engaged 55 full time employees while over 200 artisans are also earning their daily sustenance from it, saying that the farm has become "our modest contribution to generating employment and lightening up the local economy".

The renowned Professor of Chemical Engineering also assured that the farm was poised to contribute to the

nation's food security by bridging the gap between the demand for poultry products and the supply brought on largely by the ban on importation of poultry products.

Prof. Abdulkareem also expressed the conviction that "the University will see a huge leap in its Internally Generated Revenue" as it would make money available for critical aspects of the University's operations in the areas of research and physical development.

The Vice-Chancellor, nevertheless, called on the CBN to consider a downward review of the interest rate on the loan from 9% to 5% beyond February 2023 for the business to flourish, while assuring that the farm would be properly managed for it to achieve its target and for the University to become a model in the running of such a commercial initiative.

Prof. Abdulkareem thanked members of the Steering Committee, led by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (RTI), Prof. Mikhail Buhari, that midwived the project, as well as the Director of the UNILORIN Consultancy Services, Prof. A. A. Adegoke, for a job well done.

The event, was graced by the Deputy Governor of Kwara State, Mr. Patrick Kayode Alabi, who was

represented by the State Commissioner for Local Government and Chieftaincy Affairs, Arc. Aliyu Saifudeen, and the Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji (Dr.) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, CFR, who was represented by the Balogun Alanamu of Ilorin, Dr. Uthman Abubakar Akanbi-Jos; the Elese of Igbaja, Alhaji Ahmadu Awuni Arepo; the Olomu of Omu-Aran, Oba AbdulRaheem Adeoti; the Oloro of Oro, Oba AbdulRafiu Oyelaran Ajiboye; the Olomu of Omupo, Oba Yakubu Adebayo Buhari, the Olusun of Isanlu Isin, Oba Olugbenga Solomon Oloyede; the Olusun of Ijara-Isin, Oba Julius Ajibola Ademola and the Alamoyo of Amoyo, Oba Jamiu Oyebode Ibrahim.

The event was also graced by the University Librarian, Prof. Abdulwahab Issa; the Bursar, Mr. Hakeem Sonde; Deans of the various Faculties, Directors of various Centres and units, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Offa, Prof. AbdulRaheem Bayo Lawal; representatives of Vice-Chancellors of other sister institutions as well as a former Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun, who is also the Consultant to the project.



## AT THE COMMISSIONING OF UNILORIN GgMax POULTRY FARM ON THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2022





## Prof. Imam re-appointed into TETFund Research Committee

By Mubarak Oladosu

The Head of the Humanities Cluster at the Centre for Research Development and in-House Training (CREDIT), University of Ilorin, Prof. Yahya Oyewole Imam, has been reappointed into the National Research Fund Screening and Monitoring Committee (NRFS & MC) of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund).

The appointment was conveyed in a letter dated July 6, 2022, addressed to the Chairman and members of the

reconstituted Committee.

The Committee members are drawn from federal universities, a federal polytechnic and highly reputable universities across the world.

The appointment is for a period of two years.

The renowned Professor of Religious Studies is currently the Director of the Centre for Research Development at the Borno State University, Maiduguri, where he is on sabbatical.



■ Prof. Imam

## Ayanda for installation as Canon, August 6

Deputy Bursar at the University of Ilorin, Rev. S. O. Ayanda, will be installed as the Canon of St. Barnabas Cathedral, Sabo Oke, Ilorin on Saturday, August 6 2022.

A statement made available to UNILORIN BULLETIN disclosed that "the Lord Bishop of the Diocese of Kwara Anglican Communion, Rt. Rev. S. T. G. Adewole, had earlier in February this year appointed Rev. Ayanda as Canon of the cathedral,



■ Rev. Canon Ayanda

adding that "the installation

service/ceremony will take place on 6th of August 2022 at St Barnabas Cathedral, Sabo oke, Ilorin".

According to the statement, the installation service is billed to commence at 10.00a.m while reception follows afterwards at St. Michael's Anglican Church, Ita Alamu, Ilorin.

Members of the University community are cordially invited to grace the occasion.

## Atanda becomes Rotary President

By Abubakar Imam

Senior Accountant at the Bursary Division of the University of Ilorin, Abubakar Atanda (Saabe), has emerged as the new President of the Rotary Club of Ilorin, Golden District 9125.

Mr. Atanda, who takes over from Rotarian Olufunmisho Olakunle Dare, would be sworn-in at an event slated for Saturday, October 1, 2022 at Ilorin.

Speaking after his election, Rotarian Atanda promised to follow the footsteps of his predecessor by attaching great importance to the Rotary seven areas



■ Mr. Atanda (middle) being decorated with insignia of office

of focus such as peace, conflict

prevention and resolution, economic and community development, water and sanitation, supporting environment, maternal and child health care, basic education and literacy as well as disease prevention and treatment.

Prior to his emergence, Rotarian Atanda served the organisation as the Director of New Generation and the Secretary of its Committee on WAEC Scholarship.

## Prof. Mustapha loses dad

The death has been announced of Alhaji Mustapha Hassan Keke of Ile Keke (Behind Babaita Mosque) Alore, Ilorin. He was aged 83 years.

The late Alhaji Mustapha, who died last Thursday (July 21, 2022), is

survived by two wives, five children and several grandchildren. Among the children is Prof. Moshood Keke Mustapha of the Department of Zoology, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Ilorin.



■ The late Alhaji Mustapha



# Happy Birthday

S/N	Name	Department	Birthday
1	Adeleke Babatunde Lateef	Statistics	Jul 24
2	Issa Abdul-Rasak	Registry	Jul 24
3	Amori Raufu	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 24
4	Obans Mary Ehimen	Registry	Jul 24
5	Yusuf Abdulmumeen Taiye	Legal Services Unit	Jul 24
6	Olawuyi Olushola Festus	Centre For Open & Distance Learning	Jul 24
7	Bamgbose Fatai Ayodele	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 24
8	Oladiji Femi	Epidemiology & Com. Health	Jul 24
9	Adeyemi Michael Olufemi	Registry	Jul 25
10	Olusanya Olayemi Henry	Technical & Entrepreneurship Centre	Jul 25
11	Dauda Musa	Unilorin Zoo	Jul 25
12	Sasere Joseph Adekunle	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 25
13	Ibrahim Sanni Ozi	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Jul 25
14	Saliman Isiaka	Works: Parks & Gardens	Jul 25
15	Afolayan Oladele	Registry	Jul 25
16	Adeleye Serah Mobolanle	Registry	Jul 25
17	Aderinola Shade Omolola	Medicinal & Pharm. Chemistry	Jul 25
18	Mustapha Mohammed	Security Division	Jul 25
19	Adekilekun Mubarak Tijani	Business Law	Jul 26
20	Olaoye Raimi Adebayo	History & International Studies	Jul 26
21	Afolabi Sunday Audu	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 26
22	Ohro Michael	Security Division	Jul 26
23	Arokoyo Eunice Olusegun	Registry	Jul 26
24	Olatunji Samuel Adeolu	Computer Engineering	Jul 26
25	Bello Nusrat Olatundun	Clinical Pharmacy & Pharmacy Practice	Jul 27
26	Sanni Ahuwoza Munirat	Internal Audit Unit	Jul 27
27	Afolabi Olatunji Solomon	Private & Property Law	Jul 27
28	Idris Issa	Pharmacology & Therapeutics	Jul 27
29	Adelowokan Juliana Olufunso	Registry	Jul 27
30	Adebayo Fatima Titilayo	Registry	Jul 27
31	Issa Haruna Ayotunde	Works: Mechanical	Jul 27
32	Muhammed Jimoh Kamaldeen	Educational Technology	Jul 27
33	Tolorunleke Samuel Omoseyinde	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Jul 27
34	Ajayi Justina Ibukun	Registry	Jul 27
35	Abdul Ish'aq Funsho	Obstetrics & Gynaecology	Jul 27
36	Komolafe Mary Ayo	Registry	Jul 27
37	Tiamiyu Kabir Olasunkanmi	Registry	Jul 27
38	Yusuff Nurudeen Omotayo	Telecommunication Science	Jul 27
39	Aberi Olaide Mariam	Registry	Jul 27
40	Elesho Rashidat Folashade	Pharmaceutics & Industrial Pharmacy	Jul 28
41	Abdulkadir Taofeeq Sholagberu	Water Resources & Environmental Engineering	Jul 28
42	Abegunde Raphael Segun	Registry	Jul 28
43	Odeh Lemuel Ekedegwa	History & International Studies	Jul 28
44	Durojaiye Victoria	Registry	Jul 28
45	Abraham Michael Freedom	Registry	Jul 28
46	Folorunsho Morolayo Ruth	Computer Base Test	Jul 28
47	Abdussalam Ahmad Shehu	Ling. & Nig. Languages	Jul 28
48	Ndom Roy Jacob Enyia	Behavioural Science	Jul 28
49	George Ifeoluwapo Temidayo	Registry	Jul 28
50	Faloye Oyinade Olajumoke	Microbiology	Jul 28
51	Ebireri Omovigho Rani	Adult & Primary Education	Jul 28
52	Sa'adu Jimoh Kolawole	Registry	Jul 28
53	Lawal-Rilwan Rodiat Yetunde	Finance	Jul 28
54	Ifabiyi Ifatokun Paul	Geography & Environmental Management	Jul 29
55	Animashaun Kehinde Seth	Registry	Jul 29
56	Uthman Muhammed Mubashir B.	Epidemiology & Com. Health	Jul 29
57	Giwah Rilwan Lawal	Geology & Mineral Sciences	Jul 29
58	Amoo Abdulquaderi Oladimeji	Surveying & Geo-Informatics	Jul 29
59	Adekoya Adebisi Juliet	Registry	Jul 30
60	Balogun Mudashir	Registry	Jul 30
61	Abdullahi Sa'ad Toyin	Medicinal & Pharm. Chemistry	Jul 30
62	Iyanda Abubakar Elewure	Registry	Jul 30
63	Olorunjoje Falilat Funmi	Zoology	Jul 30

**The University Board of Health encourages you to visit the University Health Services for medical check-up on your birthday. Thanks**

## Yahya elected President, Statisticians' Society

*By Mustafa Abubakar*

The Professional Statisticians' Society of Nigeria (PSSN) has appointed a Professor of Biostatistics in the Department of Statistics, University of Ilorin, Prof. Waheed Babatunde Yahya, as its new President.

Prof. Yahya was the immediate past National Secretary of the Society and doubled as the Editor-In-Chief of the its journal, Annals of Statistical Theory and Application and her conference proceedings.

In the same vein, the Society also elected Dr. Mohammed Kabir Garba of the same Department as

its new National Secretary.

The election was one of the highlights of the Society's Annual General Meeting (AGM) & 6th International Conference co-hosted by Yaba College of Technology and Nigerian Institute of Medical Research (NIMR), Lagos, between Monday, June 27, 2022 and Thursday, June 30, 2022.

The two-in-one event with a Pre-conference Workshop themed, "Statistical Theories and Methods in Drug Development" facilitated by Statistics researchers and

professionals in drug development from Novartis Pharma AG, USA, drew participants from higher institutions and research institutes all over the world.

The PSSN, which is the registered society of Statistics Professionals in Nigeria, was established with the mission to contribute to the development of the nation through advanced statistical research that benefits decision-makers, policy advisers, industrialists, and investors.





■ The representative of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sylvia Malomo (3rd left), receiving the cheque from the award prize money

## Again, UNILORIN wins JAMB merit award, N75m prize money

By Kunle Akogun

For the third consecutive time, the University of Ilorin has won the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB)'s 2020 Institution of First Choice by admission seekers in the country.

The award, which gave the University a prize money of N75 million, is one of the five categories for the 2020 JAMB National Tertiary Admissions' Performance-Merit Award (NATAP-M Award).

UNILORIN had previously won the same award in the 2018 and 2019 editions of NATAP-M Award, adding another category, the Institution with the Highest Number of Admitted International Students in the 2019 edition.

Twelve other tertiary institutions, drawn from federal, states and privately owned tertiary institutions, won in various categories of the award at a grand ceremony held in Abuja last Thursday (July 21, 2022).

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Sylvia O. Malomo collected the award on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem.

Each of the five categories of the awards is worth N100 million shared in N75million for winner, N15million for first runner up and N10million for second runner up among the winning institutions.

While speaking on the criteria for selection of winning institutions, the JAMB Registrar, Prof. Ishaq Oloyede, noted that the 2022 award happens to be the third edition of the award since it was initiated in 2018.

The five categories of awards and the winning institutions include 2020 Institution of First Choice, in which the University of Ilorin emerged as the most sought-after tertiary institution in Nigeria,

with 81,659 applicants in the 2020 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examinations (UTME), while Ahmadu Bello University (ABU) ranked second with 75,446. Bayero University, Kano (BUK), ranked third with 59,506.

Other categories include, the Most National Institution in 2020 Admission, won by the Kaduna Polytechnic, with admitted candidates from across 33 states of the federation; and the 2020 Most Improved Institution in Gender Balance, won by the Federal University, Lafia.

The others are, Institution With Highest Number of International Students in 2020 Admission, won by Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria; and the Most Compliant Institution In Keeping to the Guidelines in 2020 Admissions, won by Covenant University, Ota, Ogun State.