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Union leaders hail Egbewole on first 100 days in office

By Olusegun Mokuolu

Leaders of the four workers' unions at the University of Ilorin have congratulated the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, on his first 100 days in office, noting that he has performed incredibly well within this short period.

The union leaders, Prof. Saliu Moyosore Ajao of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), Mr Naheem Olusola Falowo of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), Mr Femi Awolola of the National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT), and Mr Ibrahim Suberu of the Non-Academic Staff Union of Educational and Associated Institutions (NASU), gave the commendation last Monday (January 23, 2023) during an interactive session between them and the Vice-Chancellor, in his office.

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■ Prof. Egbewole

Medical feat:

UNILORIN don performs first cancer-of-the-eye treatment in Nigeria

By Mubarak Oladosu



■ Prof. Ademola-Popoola

A Professor of Ophthalmology at the University of Ilorin and Consultant Ophthalmologist at the UNILORIN Teaching Hospital, Dupe Ademola-Popoola, has led some Nigerian doctors to perform the first treatment of Cancer of the eye in Nigeria.

Known medically as Intra-Arterial Chemotherapy (IAC) treatment, the feat was performed in conjunction with some visiting Israeli surgeons, who were in Nigeria to train Nigerian doctors in performing IAC for children with eye cancer.

Prof. Ademola-Popoola, who is also the Director of the University's Computer Services and Information Technology Unit (COMSIT) told newsmen recently that she and some Nigerian doctors partnered with Israeli surgeons to perform the first Intra-Arterial Chemotherapy (IAC) treatment for children who are afflicted with Retinoblastoma also known as cancer of the eye.

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At 225th Inaugural Lecture, Omipidan seeks stringent laws against suicide

By Abubakar Imam

Following increasing cases of suicide and attempted suicide by various means across the world, particularly in Nigeria, a Professor of Euthanasia Law and Medical Ethics at the University of Ilorin, Bashiru Adeniyi Omipidan, has called on stakeholders to rise up against any attempt at legitimising

the suicide in Nigeria.

Prof. Omipidan made the call last Thursday (January 26, 2023) while delivering the 225th Inaugural Lecture of the University, entitled "Euthanasia, The 21st Century Culture of Death: Interrogating Lacuna in the Nigerian Laws and Code of Medical Ethics" at the institution's auditorium.

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■ Prof. Omipidan

UNILORIN produces 52 new pharmacists

By **Mustafa Abubakar,**
Uzoma Onyejiukwa
and **Lola Fajuyi**

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has described pharmacists as important component in the country's healthcare professions ranking.

Prof. Egbewole stated this penultimate Friday (January 20, 2023) at the 7th Induction/Oath taking ceremony of the 52 graduating students of the 2020/2021 class of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the University.

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented at the event by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. O. A. Omotesho, pledged his unflinching commitment to making the University the best again by any ranking in Nigeria and one of the best in Africa.

In his address, the Registrar, Pharmaceutical Council of Nigeria (PCN), Pharm. Ibrahim Babashehu Ahmed, congratulated the inductees on their success, which he said, is a culmination of many years of dedication and hard work, despite the interruption of academics by the COVID pandemic and industrial actions by university workers' unions.

The keynote speaker, Pharm. Bankole Aminu Ezebuilo, urged the inductees to improve their reality and lower their expectations, stressing that they should



■ **Cross section of the new pharmacy graduands during their induction ceremony**

"expect the worst and hope for the best".

Speaking on the topic, "Dreams versus reality: Life before and after graduation", Pharm. Ezebuilo, who is also the founder and Chief Executive Officer of KAYHELT Pharma Limited, noted that the inductees should invest in themselves.

Also speaking, the Acting Dean of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dr Sa'ad Toyin Abdullahi, advised the inductees to approach the future with an open mind and be willing to learn from those they encounter.

Among the dignitaries that graced

the occasion were the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Suleiman Funsho Ambali; the University Librarian, Dr Kamal Tunde Omopupa; the representative of the Registrar, Mr Toyin Bamigboye; the Dean of Postgraduate School, Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola; Deans, Directors, and Heads of Departments/Units; representatives of the Pharmaceutical Society of Nigeria (PSN), as well as families members and relatives of the graduands.

... 44 new vet doctors

By **Abubakar Imam**

It was celebration galore last Monday (January 23, 2023) as the nation's most subscribed institution of higher learning, the University of Ilorin, graduated 44 new veterinary doctors.

The new veterinary graduands were inducted into the veterinary practice by the Registrar of the Veterinary Council of Nigeria (VCN), Dr Nurralahi Abubakar, at an impressive ceremony held at the University Auditorium.

Addressing the graduands, Dr Abubakar advised them to always ensure that they are guided by the ethics of the profession.

The VCN Registrar said that practitioners of veterinary medicine are important gatekeepers between the people and their health as he explained that most of the diseases plaguing humanity are transmitted by animals whose wellbeing veterinary doctors manage.

He added that the veterinary doctors are therefore very important to the wellbeing and survival of humanity because of the important roles they play.

Speaking at the event, the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, reminded the new veterinary doctors of the need to use the privileges of the expertise they have

acquired to effect the desired changes in the discharge of their professional duties in such a way that their positive impact would be felt.

Prof. Egbewole, who congratulated the inductees on the completion of their academic programme, reminded them of the fact that the knowledge and attributes inculcated in them by the University were done in order to ensure that they do well not just as professional veterinarians but also as decent members of the human community.

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented on the occasion by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Olubunmi Omotesho, reiterated the resolve of the University to always ensure that students are impacted with necessary knowledge, skills and global best practices before their graduation into the real world.

In her address at the ceremony, the President, Veterinary Council of Nigeria (VCN), Dr. Aishatu Abubakar Baju, an Assistant Inspector General of Police, emphasised the importance of veterinary practice towards the all-round development of Nigeria and the global human community.

Earlier in his welcoming address, the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Prof. Moshood Raji, congratulated the graduands as he advised them on the need to always be professional in the discharge of their duties.

He observed that the advent of the COVID-19 pandemic has shown the importance of the profession in helping to promote the health of humans as well as animals.

Prof. Raji added that the veterinarians should collaborate with other health sector in the improvement of the health of the citizenry.

The highlight of the event was the presentation of certificates to all the graduands and prizes to outstanding ones including Dr Mutiat Adetona who emerged as the Overall Best Graduand for the 2020/2021 session.

Among those who witnessed the ceremony were the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), University of Ilorin, Prof. Suleiman Funsho Ambali; a former Deputy Vice Chancellor of Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, who is also an elder of the veterinary professional in Nigeria, Prof. Saka Nuru; the Chairman of the Kwara State Civil Service Commission, Alhaja Habeebat Anike Yusuf and the Special Adviser to the Governor of Kwara State, Alhaji Saadu Salaudeen as well as the Turaki of Ilorin, Mallam Saliu Mustapha, who donated the sum of N1,000,000:00 towards the provisions of infrastructural facilities for the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Ilorin.

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In his remarks, the ASUU Chairman, Prof. Ajao, described the Vice Chancellor as a history maker, saying, "This is the first time a sitting Vice Chancellor would invite the unions for interaction".

Prof. Ajao also thanked the Vice Chancellor for his open-door policy, noting that the union enjoys regular access to him within his first 100 days in office, submitting that the Vice Chancellor is doing well.

Pleading for the return of the Senate Research Grant, the ASUU Chairman said that members of the Union understand that the Vice Chancellor cannot solve all the problems overnight.

On his part, the SSANU Chairman, Comrade Falowo, noted that the Vice Chancellor has renewed the hope of his members, adding that he has started on a good note going by his accomplishments within his first 100 days in office.

In his own remarks, the NAAT Chairman, Mr Awolola, submitted that the Vice Chancellor has shown that he is ready to take the institution to greater heights.

He noted that the digitization effort of the Vice Chancellor within his first 100 days in office is remarkable and an excellent step in the right direction.

Also speaking, the NASU Chairman, Mr Suberu, rejoiced with the Vice Chancellor on the occasion of his first

100 days in office.

Mr Suberu thanked the Vice Chancellor for the end of the year largesse given to staff last December, suggesting that it should be sustained.

While welcoming the Union leaders to his office, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Egbewole, said that 100 days in office is important but not significant in a five-year tenure.

Prof. Egbewole explained that he invited the

unions leaders for the interactive session so that they could tell him how he is doing in the office after his first 100 days in office and offer suggestions on how he could do things better.

"We can disagree to agree. You are my mirror. Tell me what we are not doing right and how to do it right", the Vice Chancellor said.

Prof. Egbewole informed the unions that he has noted their issues, promising to address them systemically



■ **Prof. Ajao**



■ **Comrade Falowo**



■ **Comrade Awolola**



■ **Comrade Suberu**

and holistically.

The Vice Chancellor disclosed that the University Governing Council has approved the Senate Research Grant, noting further that the 2023 procurement plan would address several of the issues raised by the unions in their various submissions.

He pointed out that the management is developing various plans and systems to ease the transportation problem currently facing the students.

At 225th Inaugural Lecture, Omipidan seeks stringent laws against suicide

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The Inaugural Lecturer, who is also the first African Professor of Euthanasia and Medical Ethics, said that the call became necessary so as to ensure the preservation of the body organs of innocent patients who may be terminally ill but not yet dead, saying that suicide should never be an option.

Prof. Omipidan, who bemoaned the increasing rate of suicide and organs harvest among Nigerians, described suicide as a deliberate and illegal attempt at terminating one's life for one reason or the other.

He added that to discourage suicide, government should, as a matter of urgency, equip hospitals and clinics in Nigeria with state-of-the-art facilities for them to provide adequate health care services to patients, saying that emphasis must be placed on the health of the severely or terminally ill, the disabled, aged persons and babies with deformities in order to discourage suicide.

Prof. Omipidan, who is also the Director of the University of Ilorin Centre for Open and Distance Learning (CODL),



■ **The Vice Chancellor, congratulating the Inaugural Lecturer, Prof. Omipidan, last Thursday**

cautioned citizens who are suffering from one illness or the other against suicide as he said that it is always possible to regain one's

health.

The don also canvassed the tightening of the present laws on suicide in Nigeria and that critical considerations must be given to the existing lacuna by amending the criminal code laws to provide for sections which will specifically deal with euthanasia.

He added that it was high time euthanasia and assisted suicide are criminalised in order to serve as deterrents to those

who may want to take their lives for one reason or the other.

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UNILORIN don performs first cancer-of-the-eye treatment in Nigeria

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Prof. Ademola-Popoola pointed out that surgery was part of the activities of the International Retinoblastoma Workshop facilitated by the Department of Ophthalmology, University of Ilorin.

The don also disclosed that the UITH had been performing Retinoblastoma surgery for decades, but the treatment has evolved over time with advancement in knowledge and technology.

According to her, the treatment of eye cancer for children at the UITH only just managed to save lives in the past but now it manages to save eyes along with lives.

She however lamented that doctors are unable to save vision when parents present the children late after the disease had progressed.

Prof. Ademola-Popoola added that the IAC method of treatment has been available for some years in other countries, but due to high cost of its application, Nigeria was left out.

She noted that the UITH is yet to have the new technology for the surgery but the hospital has been supportive in the healthcare of children with the disease and had become a referral centre in the country.

The Consultant Ophthalmologist explained further that three children from Taraba State and Abuja were brought to UITH for the surgical interventions.

She appealed to the Federal Government to establish necessary facilities and laboratories for the treatment of Retinoblastoma in UITH, adding that about 400 children are expected to develop the disease every year in Nigeria.

She also canvassed for the establishment of health facilities dedicated for the treatment of eye diseases across the six geopolitical zones of the country.

The consultant appealed to all stakeholders to fund the treatment of the disease, saying that it is a very expensive disease to manage and that treatment is lifelong.

Prof Didi Fabian, an Ophthalmologist at Sheba Medical Centre, Israel, explained that the UITH facilitated the interventions which they were happy to key into.

He described Retinoblastoma as an eye cancer that begins in the retina, which is the sensitive lining on the inside of the eye.

Prof. Ademola-Popoola established and heads the Paediatric, Strabismus and Ocular oncology services at the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital, Ilorin. She completed the Fellowship of the National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria-NPMCN (FMCophth) and that of the West African College of Surgeon (FWACS) in Ophthalmology in 2001. She subsequently did sub-specialty training in Paediatric

Ophthalmology at the LV Prasad Eye Institute, Banjara Hills, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh, India (2007) and International Council of Ophthalmology Fellowship in Ophthalmic Oncology at the Eye and Laser World Centre, Giza Egypt and Rod El Farag National Eye Centre Cairo, Egypt (2009). Prof. Ademola-Popoola had some stint at Emory, and Kansas in USA. She was part of the ROP-NET and RB-NET of Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust and RB-MDT with international faculties from US, UK, India, Egypt, Israel etc and Nigeria. She has been providing leadership to support development of standardized RB treatment in Nigeria.

Working with a highly dedicated team, she transformed University of Ilorin/Teaching Hospital to a frontline referral and training Centre for Paediatric Ophthalmology in Nigeria and especially for Retinopathy of Prematurity and retinoblastoma care.

An advocate for kids' eye care, Prof. Ademola-Popoola facilitated and was the local host doctor for ORBIS (an international Eye care NGO based in the New York, USA) Flying Eye Hospital -FEH aboard a DC -10 aircraft and hospital-based-program -HBP with 52 volunteer international eye care super-specialists (from 13 different countries from 28 February to 20th March in Ilorin, Nigeria, 2011).

Abdus-Salam delivers 226th Inaugural Lecture

The Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, invites members of the University of Ilorin community and the general public to the Two hundred and twenty-sixth (226th) Inaugural Lecture of the University scheduled as follows:

Lecturer: Professor Nasiru Abdus-Salam B.Sc., M.Sc., Ph.D. (Ilorin), FCSN

Department of Chemistry, Faculty of

Physical Sciences, University of Ilorin

Topic: "Pollution: A Curse or a Necessity? The Choice is Yours"

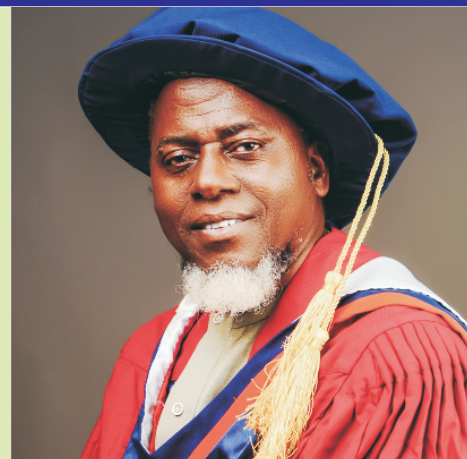
Date: Thursday, 2nd February, 2023

Time: 5.00 p.m.

Venue: University Auditorium, Main Campus, University of Ilorin.

Chairman: Professor W. O. Egbewole, SAN Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin.

Dr. Fola M. Olowoleni
Registrar



■ Prof. Abdus-Salam

Only Allah elevates, says Egbewole *as Ladies Circle honours Karim, others

By Mubarak Oladosu

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has advised those seeking promotion in their respective careers to put in their best while putting their trust in Allah as He is the only One that grants promotion.

Prof Egbewole gave this admonition last Tuesday (January 24, 2023) at the Public Lecture and award programme organised by the University of Ilorin Muslim Ladies Circle in honour of their members who got promoted as Professors, Deputy Registrars Deputy Directors and their trail-blazing Amirah, Prof. Olayinka R. Karim, who was recently appointed Vice Chancellor of Fountain University, Osogbo.

The Vice Chancellor noted that Allah is always deliberate in his ways and nothing happens by accident in Islamic reckoning. He, therefore, urged members of the Circle who are expecting similar elevation to be patient because every delay is playing-out in accordance with the deliberate plan of Allah.

Prof. Egbewole further noted that in Islamic theology, whatever delay or perceived misfortune that might happen to a person is the very best option at that time, in the spiritual realm. He also urged the members of the Ladies Circle who have been elevated to keep doing what they have been doing which has so far seen them to their current position.

In her welcome address, the Amirah (President) of the Circle, Prof Karim, appealed to the University management to appoint women into more positions of responsibility because women are competent, capable,



■ The honourees and dignitaries at the event

committed and ready.

In her lecture at the event, Dr. Salimat Adepoju of the Department of Behavioural Sciences, University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital, who spoke on strategies for managing mental health and stress in the workplace pointed out that there is no health without good mental health as such, mental health is of utmost importance for women to excel in their careers.

The psychiatrist highlighted challenges such as hormonal changes, which are peculiar to the female gender and lack of harmony and support at work place as part of factors which could inhibit optimal mental stability.

In his address at the event, the Chief Imam of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Nasir Abdulsalam appreciated Allah for His mercies on members of the Circle, which is the female wing of the University's Muslim Community.

The distinguished Professor of Chemistry also commended the female wing of the Muslim Community for its

laudable activities.

Apart from Prof. Olayinka Ramota Karim who was named Vice Chancellor of Fountain University, the other honourees, namely Prof. Modinat Abduraheem of the Department of Chemistry, Prof. Khadija Olaide Raji of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Prof Olabisi Fatimah Adekola of Agronomy and Prof Mistura Azeez of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, were elevated to the professorial rank in the 2021 promotion exercise while Mrs. Khadija Wura Garba rose to the position of Deputy Registrar, University of Ilorin and Mrs Ruqayat Olokoba became Deputy Director of the University's Legal Unit.

Distinguished personalities that attended the event included a former Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), University of Ilorin, Prof Nike Sidikat Ijaiya, the current Deputy Vice Chancellors of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Ayobami Omotesho and Prof. Sulyman Ambali.

UNILORIN COBES students execute 14 projects in Kwara communities

By Mustafa Abubakar

No fewer than 14 community development projects were completed and delivered to 12 communities in three Local Government Areas of Kwara State by the 2022 Community-Based Experience and Service (COBES) students of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Ilorin.

This was disclosed last Tuesday (January 24, 2023) by the Faculty Coordinator of the 2022 COBES programme, Dr M. O. Sunmonu in a chat with **UNILORIN BULLETIN**.

Dr Sunmonu also disclosed that the Community-Based Experience and Service (COBES) is an annual exercise and a programme meant for the 400 Level

students of the Faculty. It was held between December 5 and December 15, 2022.

According to him, places visited are Ilala, Afon, Ogbondoroko, Alufa, Sapati Ile, Okanle, Oke-Ose, Apado, Iponrin, Okeya-po, Owu-Isin and Amoyo, all in Kwara State, while the projects executed included painting and renovation of schools.

Others included mounting solar street lights at various locations, fixing and repairs of abandoned boreholes, renovating mosques and palaces, patching access roads, repairs of dilapidated school buildings, erection of bus-stop, rehabilitation of boreholes and water supply systems, reconstructing playing ground facilities in schools, fencing step-down transformer, renovation of clinics, repairs, and replacement of solar street

lights, and repair of damaged wells and taps, among others.

Also speaking, the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Prof. O. A. Lasode, expressed satisfaction with the various community projects executed by the students and also expressed hope for better achievements in the next COBES exercise.

In their separate comments, the Coordinators of the 2022 COBES programme, Dr M. O. Sunmonu, and Dr M. O. Iyanda, congratulated the students on the successful completion of the programme.

They also expressed satisfaction with the level of various community projects being executed by the students.

Ambali tasks Ilorin indigenes on patriotism

By Abubakar Imam

The Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), University of Ilorin, Prof. Suleiman Funsho Ambali, has enjoined the people of Ilorin Emirate to always demonstrate acts of patriotism to the community and the nation at large.

Prof. Ambali gave this advice penultimate Saturday (January 21, 2023) at a special dinner organised by the Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU) in honour of 11 sons of the community, among whom were the Medical Director and Chief Executive, Federal Neuropsychiatric Hospital, Budo-Egba, Ilorin, Prof. Baba Awoye Issa, Registrar, Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila-Orangun, Mr Kassim Kayode Babamale.

Delivering a lecture, entitled "The Role Expected of a Patriot Towards Ilorin Emirate", Prof. Ambali said that "a patriot is not somebody who is extraordinary but a normal citizen who behaves in the most righteous manner".

Prof. Ambali, who is also the Chairman of Ilorin Emirate Staff Association, University of Ilorin, urged indigenes of the community to be proud of their heritage and ensure that they take pride in its developmental strive while also devoting their time and energy to the promotion of its unity, stability and

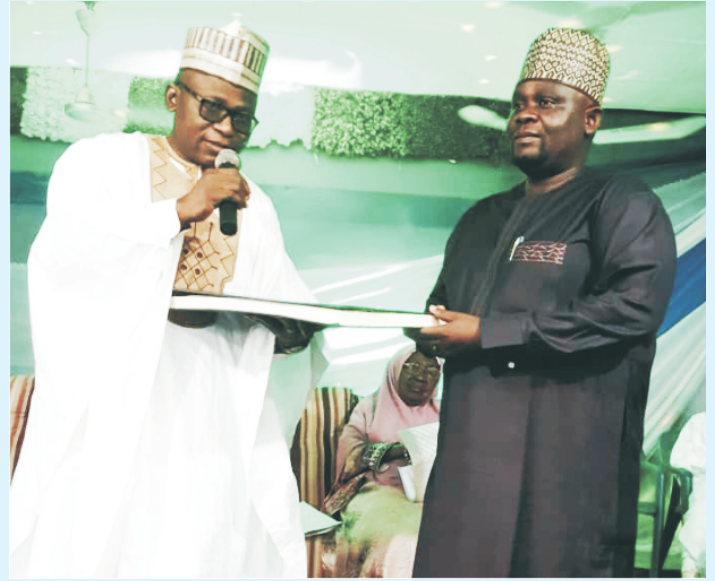
indivisibility.

The renowned expert in environmental toxicology added that a patriot must always demonstrate special concern for the wellbeing of his community and its inhabitants and must be willing to sacrifice for its progress.

As a way of deepening patriotism, Prof. Ambali urged his compatriots to always pay absolute respect to all the traditional and cultural symbols of the community, saying that an indigene of Ilorin Emirate must

subscribe to the characteristic unity in diversity mantra of the Emirate.

Speaking earlier, the National President of the Union, Alhaji Aliyu Otta Uthman, said that the event, which was presided over by a former Pro-Chancellor and Chairman, Governing Council of the University of Port-Harcourt and Member of the Board of the Centre for Ilorin Studies, University of Ilorin, Alhaji L. A. K. Jimoh, was organised to celebrate



■ Prof. Ambali (left) presenting a souvenir to Mr Babamale (right) at the event

indigenes of Ilorin Emirate who did the community proud through personal struggles and achievements, which pushed the Emirate to the front burner of national discourse.

Among those who were honoured at the event were the pioneer Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Ilorin, Prof. Muhammed Taofeeq AbdulRazaq, SAN; and the Executive Director, NNPC PLC, Alhaji Abdulkadir Tunji Nagode.

CISSA holds orientation for fresh students

By Abdulquadri Abubakar and Fajuyi Omolola Ruth

The Communication and Information Sciences Students Association (CISSA), University of Ilorin has organised an orientation programme for fresh students of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences (CIS).

Speaking at the programme held penultimate Thursday (January 19, 2023) at the Faculty's Lecture Theatre, the Dean of the Faculty, Prof. Lukman Adeshina Azeez, advised the students to face their studies squarely to justify their presence in the university.

Prof. Azeez, who was represented at the event by the Sub-Dean of the Faculty, Dr Amos Bajeh, welcomed both the fresh and returning students back on campus after a prolonged ASUU strike.

He explained that the Faculty has five Departments namely: Computer Science, Mass Communication, Communication and Information Sciences,

Library and Information Sciences, and Telecommunication Science.

The Professor of Mass Communication added that the Faculty is full of experts that will guide and train them to overcome their academic challenges and excel in their chosen careers.

Prof. Azeez therefore called on students to set their goals and objectives to attain academic excellence.

While speaking on how students can set their objectives, the Dean pointed out that they must not give room for laziness, adopt critical thinking and be ready to ask questions as well as have ability to cross the bridge before getting there through applying SMART method.

In her own remarks, the Ag. Head of the Department of Mass Communication, Dr Khadijat K. Kadiri, advised students to be active both within and outside the University community by striving hard to acquire skills that are in line with their talents. She opined that this will make them independent of their certificates and become good ambassadors of their families.

The HOD also urged students to

shun all forms of immoral activities and comply with the University rules and regulations, noting that Unilorin is a reputable Institution governed by rules that must be complied with.

On his part, the Guest Speaker and an alumnus of the Faculty, Mr Oluwatoyin Luqman Bolakale, described Mentoring as the act of guiding someone by somebody to bring out the best out of his or her career pursuit and attain success at the end of the day.

Bolakale, who spoke on "Mentorship in Academic Excellence and Capacity Building", emphasized on the need for students to have a good mentor who will guide them right on what to do and not to do, adding that "if you have a good mentor there are high tendencies that you will achieve academically".

Earlier in his remarks, the President of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences Students Association CISSA, Lateef Soddiq Olamilekan, appealed to his colleagues to always dress properly in accordance with the University dress code.

UNILORIN CODL organises workshop on open educational resources policy

By Mustafa Abubakar and Adebanye Adeniran

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has said that the University is on the threshold of delivery of an initiative that will surpass the already existing partnership between it and the Commonwealth of Learning.

Prof. Egbewole, disclosed this penultimate Monday (January 16, 2023), while declaring open a workshop organised by the Centre for Open and Distance Learning (CODL), University of Ilorin.

The Vice-Chancellor, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Prof. O. A. Omotosho, said that the benefits of the workshop and the cross-fertilization of ideas from it will be established under better partnership and collaboration that please the University of Ilorin on the frontline of the open UNILORIN educational resource arena.

He further stressed that education is a totality of all processes through which an individual is cultivated for both his well-being and that of the society to which he belongs.

"We, therefore, feel grateful to be witnessing another stride in that journey as the Commonwealth of Learning of Canada is



■ Dignitaries and participants at the workshop

partnering with UNILORIN to seek to develop and validate an open educational resource policy for our reach institution", he added.

Earlier in his remarks, the Director of the Centre, Prof. Bashir Omipidan, said that the workshop is an educational resource that is freely accessible, openly licensed instructional material for teaching, learning, assessing, and research purpose.

"The workshop is taking place at a time when the Vice Chancellor unveiled his SMART agenda. What better way to jump into the world of smart teaching and learning.

It is for this reason that I encourage every participant to consider this a privilege and therefore make the most of the opportunity", Prof. Omipidan said.

He, however, appreciated the Vice Chancellor, for his support towards uplifting the Centre.

"For any ODL Centre to succeed, it must have the backing of the Vice Chancellor. For us, at UNILORIN ODL, we have been having the Vice Chancellor's support. He has never turned down any requests from the CODL rather he has been supportive", he said.

Alooma tasks UNILORIN FM presenters on promotion of campus peace

By Tijani Adewoyin

As Nigeria moves closer to the 2023 general election, the Station Manager of **UNILORIN 89.3 FM**, Mr Ibrahim Idris Alooma, has implored all presenters on the radio station to always consider the peace, progress and unity of the University of Ilorin and the country at large in their programmes.

Mr Alooma stated this penultimate Friday (January 20, 2023) when he received members of the new Dawah Team of the Muslim Students Society of Nigeria

(MSSN), University of Ilorin branch who were on a familiarisation visit to the radio station.

The Station Manager said that the University is synonymous to peace and Unilorin FM being an important unit in the institution has been doing same.

While urging them to understand the diversity of the University, Mr Alooma urged the MSSN Dawah team to always consider the peace, unity and security of the University of Ilorin in all episodes of their programmes.

Earlier, the new MSSN Dawah Coordinator and leader of the team, Mallam Adejumo Sodi, said that the visit was to introduce the new MSSN officials to the management of the campus radio station and to appreciate the kind gestures that successive MSSN executives have been receiving from the management of UNILORIN FM.

Other members of the team included Mufti 1, Mallam Abdulrauf Lukman and Mufti 11, Mallam Issah Ibrahim.

DCA Staff, Abubakar, appointed Kwara SWAN ex-officio member

By Temitope Omoniye

Principal Information Officer in the Directorate of Corporate Affairs, University of Ilorin, Mr Mustafa Abubakar, has been appointed Ex officio member of the Kwara State Chapter of the Sports Writers Association of Nigeria (SWAN).

The appointment, which received overwhelming acceptance of members of the SWAN Congress, was made shortly after members elected new executives to pilot the affairs of the association for the next three years.

Abubakar, the immediate past Vice Chairman of the Kwara State Council

of the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ), is a writer with **UNILORIN FM** and Production Editor of **UNILORIN BULLETIN**.

Ayodeji Ismail of the Kwara State Broadcasting Corporation (Radio Kwara) emerged the new Chairman after defeating Olayinka Owolewa of the *News Agency of Nigeria* (NAN) by 17 to 13 votes in a keenly contested election at the NUJ Conference Hall in Ilorin last (Monday, January 23, 2023).

The other officers, who were elected unopposed are *Sobi FM*'s Toyin Saheed, Vice Chairman; Dare Kuti of *Aclsports*, Secretary; Sodi Adebara of *Harmony FM*, Assistant Secretary; Nicholas Uwerunonye of *Daily*

Independent, Treasurer; Bamidele Obasesin, Welfare; Nusirat Popoola, Financial Secretary; and Abdul Momoh, Ex-Officio II.

In his acceptance speech, the new chairman, Ayodeji Ismail assured members that he would work on consolidating on the gains of his predecessors while stating that the new administration will focus on training and re-training of members.

Earlier in his speech, the immediate past Chairman of the Association, Mr Jimoh Bashir, thanked members and stakeholders for the support extended to his administration and called on them to extend the same support to the new SWAN executive committee.

Ojuade assumes office as 3rd VC of Crown-Hill varsity

By Tajudeen Babamale

It was a mixture of academic and cultural activities at the Crown-Hill University, Ilorin, last Monday (January 23, 2023), as Prof. Jeel Olasunkanmi Ojuade of the University of Ilorin assumed office as the 3rd Vice-Chancellor of the fast-growing private university.

Vice-Chancellors, traditional rulers, members of the academic community, religious leaders, staff and students from Crown-Hill University and sister institutions were among those in attendance at the event held at the university compound, Baala Road, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State.

In his inaugural address as the new Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ojuade made a covenant to run an all-inclusive, open-door, approachable, accountable, and transparent administration as well as to reward results, and sanction indolence and dishonesty.

Prof. Ojuade, who is the Chairman of the **UNILORIN FM** Board, also assured the Crown-Hill University community that there would be no witch-hunt, humiliation, discrimination, or harassment, saying that whoever comes with equity must have clean hands.

The Professor of Dance and Theatre appealed to all staff of the institution to cooperate with the new authority and administration, be innovative, resourceful, and creative, and embrace a new culture of work ethic.



■ Prof. Ojuade

Prof. Ojuade, whose dancing career has taken him to many continents of the world, however, assured the students of the university that their voice would be heard and that he and his team would run an administration that will be student-centric.

In an interview with the **UNILORIN BULLETIN** on the sidelines of the occasion, the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, who is also the Chairman of the newly inaugurated consortium of eight universities in Kwara State, called 'KU8', Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, said he expected nothing less than the best from the new Vice Chancellor of Crown-Hill University, Prof. Ojuade.

While appealing to the new vice chancellor to approach his new assignment with the UNILORIN culture and turn the tide there positively, Prof. Egbewole

expressed happiness that the University of Ilorin, has become a producer of Vice-Chancellors, which attests to the "better by far" status of the most sought-after University in Nigeria.

Meanwhile, a former Dean of the Faculty of Arts, and a colleague of Prof. Ojuade at the Department of the Performing Arts, Prof. Rasheed Adeoye, said he was "triply happy" because Prof. J.O. Ojuade is the first lecturer of the Department of Performing Arts since 1981 to become a Vice Chancellor.

Prof. Adeoye said, "Right from 1981, nobody from the Department has become a VC. So, history is being written, and my prayers are that he will succeed in writing history that has never been written at this university".

The UNILORIN Governing Council member, however, said that Prof. Ojuade must deliver excellently because he has the requisite experience.

Prof. Adeoye said, "What kind of advice can I give to a man who learns so fast? He has worked with successive Vice-Chancellors, so it is easy for him to succeed. This is because he himself is a product of success. He has worked with Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, Prof. Oba AbdulRaheem, Prof. AbdulGaniyu Ambali, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, and Prof. Egbewole. He also worked with the late Vice-Chancellor of Kwara State University, KWASU, Prof. M. M. Akanbi. If you are in a privileged position to have worked with such people, we won't expect anything less from you. So I'm sure he will deliver".

At 225th Inaugural Lecture, Omipidan seeks stringent laws against suicide

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While commending the positions of the Nigerian Medical Association (NMA), which has instituted punishment against medical doctors found to have been involved in suicide or assisted suicide, Prof. Omipidan urged other medical associations around the world to emulate the NMA in discouraging all forms of suicide as he encouraged the NMA to continue to withdraw the licenses of erring doctors.

Prof. Omipidan also encouraged the NMA to continue to train and retrain its members on effective pain management as he said that such interventions would enable doctors to give appropriate advice to terminally ill patients.

He also appealed to all the strata of government in Nigeria to deploy their information machinery towards mounting strong and sustained public enlightenment

campaigns to demonstrate to their citizens the ills of legalising euthanasia and assisted suicide.

The inaugural lecturer also implored the United Nations Organisation to prevail on countries and jurisdictions that have legalised euthanasia or assisted suicide to swiftly criminalise it as he canvassed for the imposition of heavy sanctions on countries and jurisdictions that henceforth legalise it or fail to criminalise it.

Prof. Omipidan also suggested the establishment of anti-suicide and palliative care centres in all institutions of higher learning in the country to assist students who might be contemplating suicide.

He also appealed to concerned authorities to ensure that publications on euthanasia and assisted suicide are properly scrutinised before being

published as he noted that the mass media should also be more objective in reporting controversial and sensitive issues particularly those related to suicide.

He also canvassed regular orientations for the severely or terminally ill, aged persons and disabled persons to end-of-life issues to avoid being coerced into accepting suicide as an option instead of living.

Prof. Omipidan also suggested that treatment of patients on life support should only be withdrawn when the patients are totally dead and not when one or two organs of their bodies stopped functioning.

The Inaugural Lecture, which was presided over by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, was also graced by relations, friends, students and colleagues from far and near.

**FUND SOURCES AND UTILIZATION REPORT FROM 19TH TO 26TH JANUARY 2023**

RECEIPTS:	AMOUNT
Academic Transcript	853,322.50
Sundry & Other Fees Student Charges	899,659.00
Sundry Other Income	817,850.00
Tender Fees	100,000.00
Income from Fitness Centre	7,000.00
Capitation NHIS	15,000.00
Income from Dental Clinic	115,416.25
Utility Income	20,800.00
Convocation Souvenir	125,800.00
Contractor's Registration fees	55,000.00
Income from Diagnostic Centre	849,154.00
Rent on University Property	64,800.00
Publication	58,000.00
Income from Verification/Screening	60,000.00
Staff I.D Cards	2,000.00
Student I.D. Cards	17,000.00
Students fee-Academic Programme	74,400.00
Undergraduate School Charges	58,718,700.00
Undergraduate Convocation Charges	13,868,900.00
Undergraduate Hostel Accommodation	10,373,050.00
Undergraduate Change of Course form	5,150.00
Undergraduate General Payment	2,730,200.00
Undergraduate Clearance Charges	50,300.00
Undergraduate Post UTME Registration	279,350.00
Postgraduate School Convocation Charges	21,450.00
Postgraduate School Charges	13,007,300.00
Postgraduate School General payment	420,600.00
Postgraduate School Add/Drop payment	3,450.00
Postgraduate School Acceptance Payment	1,249,300.00
JUPEB Application form	251,500.00
JUPEB Acceptance Payment	181,350.00
JUPEB Hostel Accommodation	241,200.00
JUPEB School Charges	1,386,650.00
Ilorin Business School Charges	141,750.00
Remedial School Application Form	90,900.00
Remedial School Charges	585,750.00
Remedial School Hostel Accommodation	15,150.00
Total Receipt for the Period	₦107,757,201.75
PAYMENTS	
PAYMENT TO CONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS :	
Yusuf O. Ali & Co Legal Fees	10,000,000.00
Folingo Engineering Nig Ltd Construction of Advancement Centre Building.	13,207,321.09
NOAB Global Concept Ltd Repair and Replacement of Electronic D C alternator on Cummins Generator.	57,512.50
Rockfield Petroleum Product Supply of fuel	1,659,675.00
Omohunola Nig Ltd Construction of Road	2,977,535.00
OTHER PAYMENTS:	
Various Various i.e DTA, IMPREST, REFUND e.t.c	16,008,629.00
Purchase Advance Various	858,000.00
Unilorin Petrol Station Supply of Petrol	93,000.00
TSA Charges Various	31,712.50
Total payment for the period	₦44,893,385.09

*Signed***O.H. Sonde FCA***Bursar***Open Ph.D Thesis Defence**

S/N	NAME	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	TITLE	DATE&TIME	VENUE
1	ASIRU, Tajudeen Motunrayo	Physical Sciences/Mathematics	Dufour and Soret Effects on Dissipative, Radiative, Nonlinear Convective, Heat and Mass Transfer Flow in a Forchheimer Medium	Monday 30 th January, 2023/10:00am	Computer Laboratory, Department of Mathematics (Block 1)
2	MOSES, Ayorinde Emmanuel	Arts/History and International Studies	Traditional Political Leadership in Isanlu Kingdom of Yorubaland, 1850-2018	Monday 30 th January, 2023/10:00am	New Faculty of Arts Board Room
3	ADEWALE, Adenike Adebola	Life Sciences/Biochemistry		Thursday 2 nd February, 2023/10:00am	Room 5G3, Block 5 Department of Biochemistry
4	ADIGUN, Temidayo Olamide	Life Sciences/Biochemistry		Thursday 2 nd February, 2023/1:00pm	Room 5G3, Block 5 Department of Biochemistry
5	JOEL, Enoch Banbilbwa	Life Sciences/Biochemistry		Monday 6 th February 2023/10:00am	Room 5G3, Block 5 Department of Biochemistry



S/N	Name	Department	Birthday
1	Salman Tawakalitu Kemi	Registry	Jan 29
2	Amuda Abiola Yahaya	Works: Works/Maintenance Office	Jan 29
3	Issa Abdulkadir	Security Division	Jan 29
4	Abdulrahman Abdulfatah Idris	Registry	Jan 30
5	Saka Lugman	Political Science	Jan 30
6	Ishola Beatrice Oluwafunmilayo	Registry	Jan 30
7	Asaju Musa	Works: Works/Maintenance Office	Jan 30
8	Egbewole Muibat Adeola	Registry	Jan 30
9	Olumo Bolanle Adama	Bursary	Jan 30
10	Okoro Tawakalitu Aderonke	Registry	Jan 30
11	Usman-Hamza Fatima Enehezei	Computer Science	Jan 30
12	Zubair Marili Funmilayo	Industrial Chemistry	Jan 31
13	Uthman Lateefat Arinola	Arabic	Jan 31
14	Sa'ad Muhammed Junaid	Registry	Jan 31
15	Abdulkarim Umma Abdulkadir	Registry	Jan 31
16	Saka Aliyu Olodo	Registry	Jan 31
17	Ademola Oluwafunmilayo Abosede	Registry	Jan 31
18	Alabi Raphael Ayodele	Registry	Feb 01
19	Oguntoye Stephen Olubunmi	Chemistry	Feb 01
20	Atoyebi Joel Adebare	Ling. & Nig. Languages	Feb 01
21	Awoyiola Taiwo	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Feb 01
22	Ogunyinka Festus Olubunmi	Unilorin Press	Feb 01
23	Afolabi Timothy	Security Division	Feb 01
24	Alamu Akiti Glory	Religions	Feb 01
25	Ibrahim Aliyu Olowo	Registry	Feb 01
26	Oyeniye Olatunji Michael	Registry	Feb 01
27	Tunde Victoria Lola	Registry	Feb 01
28	Sanni-Suleiman Afsat	French	Feb 01
29	Obayomi Joseph	Registry	Feb 01
30	Bello Yekeen	Arts Education	Feb 02
31	Lawal Olanrewaju Ridwan	Home Economics & Food Science	Feb 02
32	Bello Kabir Olamilekan	Biochemistry	Feb 02
33	Oyewo Jacob Oyelesi	Registry	Feb 02
34	Akogun I.G. Kunle	Directorate Of Corporate Affairs	Feb 02
35	Adeyemi-Ale Olutomi Adeola	Zoology	Feb 02
36	Sanusi Zakariyyah Olatunde	Registry	Feb 02
37	Olaoye David Olayinka	Registry	Feb 02
38	Alabi Sarah Oluwafunmilayo	Web Support Services	Feb 02
39	Muh'd Bashir Adesina Salamat Bode	University Guest House	Feb 02
40	Adeoye Abdulrasheed Abiodun	Performing Arts	Feb 02
41	Jimoh Yusuf	Unilorin Zoo	Feb 02
42	Adebiyi Ganiyu Tayo	Security Division	Feb 02
43	Salawu Raimi	Security Division	Feb 02
44	Mohammed Iyabo	Security Division	Feb 02
45	Olarewaju Akande	Security Division	Feb 02
46	Jimoh Abdulrahman Toyin	Physical Planning Unit	Feb 02
47	Abdulraheem Rasheedat Bolanle	Health Services	Feb 02
48	Annonu Azor Amos	Animal Production	Feb 02
49	Abdullahi Adamu Ndaman	Medicine	Feb 02
50	Olanrewaju Timothy Olusegun	Medicine	Feb 02
51	Kuranga Fatai Omotosho	Optometry & Vision Science	Feb 02
52	Attahir Muhammed Jimu	Security Division	Feb 02
53	Abdulrazaq Olanrewaju Mutalib	Library	Feb 02
54	Sa'adu Simbiat	Registry	Feb 02
55	Abubakar Sidiq Babatunde	Security Division	Feb 02
56	Mahamud Hafeez Owolabi	Computer Engineering	Feb 02
57	Umar Abubakar Yaru	Public Administration	Feb 02
58	Mohammed Kafayat Abiola	Registry	Feb 02
59	Suleiman Yekeen Alaran	Security Division	Feb 02
60	Shuaib Jamiu	Registry	Feb 02
61	Idowu Anthony Ekundayo	Works: Works/ Maintenance Office	Feb 02
62	Babatunde Jonathan Adewale	Unilorin Staff School	Feb 03
63	Saliu Bolanle Kudirat	Microbiology	Feb 03
64	Raji Saburi Atanda	Civil Engineering	Feb 03
65	Ishola Tajudeen Abiodun	Agricultural & Biosystem Engineering	Feb 03
66	Katibi Ibraheem Adeola	Medicine	Feb 03
67	Osemene Olubunmi Florence	Accounting	Feb 03
68	Sanni Rasheed Ishola	Works: Mechanical	Feb 03
69	Ayeni Timothy	Works: Works/Maintenance Office	Feb 03
70	Mustapha Faridah Onajomo	Registry	Feb 03
71	Abdullahi Fatimoh Bintu	Security Division	Feb 03
72	Awe Janet Toyin	Training Research & Development	Feb 03
73	Oyedepo Adeola Margaret	Computer Base Test	Feb 03
74	Oladijo Idowu Dauda	Computer Science	Feb 03
75	Williams Felicia Esemekipharo	Pharm. Microbiology & Biotechnology	Feb 03
76	Olaoye Adeleke Temitepe	Network Operating Centre	Feb 03
77	Afolayan Joel Adeleke	Nursing Science	Feb 03
78	Lawal Abdulrasheed Kayode	Veterinary Public Health & Preventive Medicine	Feb 03
79	Kuti Kareem Babatunde	Registry	Feb 03
80	Adelabu Joy Kikelomo	Architecture	Feb 03
81	Akinyemi Joshua Kolade	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Feb 04
82	Omotoso Asake Abimbola	Agronomy	Feb 04
83	Yusuf Babatunde	Works: Works/Maintenance Office	Feb 04
84	Olabanji Victoria Bosede	Centre For International Education	Feb 04
85	Osanaife Peter Adewumi	Statistics	Feb 04
86	Kolawole Abiola	Registry	Feb 04
87	Abdullahi Mutairu	Works: Works/Maintenance Office	Feb 04
88	Omolekan Olushola Joshua	Business Administration	Feb 04
89	Abdul Abdulraheem	Clinical Pharmacy & Pharmacy Practice	Feb 04
90	Sideeq Abubakar Lukman	Veterinary Pathology	Feb 04
91	Nwokeh Assumpta Ogechi	Registry	Feb 04

Staff Development Award

RECIPIENTS	PROGRAMME	DEPARTMENT	INSTITUTION WHERE TENABLE
A. G. Yusuf	Ph. D.	Nursing Science	University of Limerick, Ireland
Shakirat O. Abdulkadir	Ph. D.	Home Economics and Food Sciences	University of Ibadan, Nigeria



- While delivering the 223rd Inaugural Lecture of the University, Prof. AbdulRaheem Yusuf of the Department of Social Studies Education, has submitted that reintroducing Social Studies across Nigerian schools will produce better leaders and citizens.
("Reintroducing Social Studies across Nigeria schools will produce better leaders and citizens -University Don", <https://solarennews.wordpress.com>; See also, "Stakeholder advocates compulsory teaching of social studies in schools", <https://radionigeria.gov.ng> , "Lecturer seeks inclusion of Social Studies in Schools Curriculum", <https://>; "Don Hinges Nigeria's Survival on Return of Social Studies in Schools ", *Leadership*, Thursday, January 18, 2023, P.16)
- A Professor of Dance at the Department of Performing Arts, University of Ilorin, Jeleel Ojuade, has emerged as the new Vice Chancellor of Crown Hill University, Ilorin.
("UNILORIN lecturer, Prof. Jeleel Ojuade becomes new VC of Crown Hill varsity", <https://RoyalNews.com.ng>)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has emerged the pioneer Chairman of the consortium of eight Universities that are currently domiciled in Kwara State, called KU8.
("Egbewole emerges pioneer Chairman of KU8", <https://highprofile.com>)
- A final year student of the Faculty of Social Studies Education, University of Ilorin, Tosin Adeduro, who was the only African to come into the top five, alongside, Russian, Japan, Philippines and Vietnam, has shared her experience.
("Miss Tourism Nigeria: We need to expose students to tourism early", *Telegraph*, Sunday, January 15, 2023, P.15)
- The Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Ilorin, Prof. Ramota Karim, who is now the Vice Chancellor of Fountain University, Osogbo, has joined the list of other female University Vice Chancellor in Nigeria.
("Prof. Ramota Karim Emerges 4th Vice Chancellor of Fountain University", *ThisDay*, Saturday, January 14, 2023, P.14)
- The University of Ilorin has disclosed that 11 of its academic staff have been listed among 500 top authors in the last three years from Nigeria.
("UNILORIN Dons Shortlisted among 500 Top Authors", <https://incnews247.com>)
- The Nigeria Society of Engineers (NSE), Ilorin Branch, has inducted the 2022 graduating Engineering students of the University of Ilorin into the Engineering profession.
("NSE inducts 2022 Engineering students of University of Ilorin", <https://justevenonline.com>)
- The World Health Organization (WHO) has recognised the University of Ilorin Community Based Experiences and Services (COBES) as a collaborative centre for research and manpower development.
("UNILORIN gets WHO recognition in research, manpower devt", *Nigerian Tribune*, Thursday, January 19, 2023, P.18)
- The University of Ilorin has invited contractors to tender for some projects in the institution
("University of Ilorin Invitation To Tender ", *The Federal Tenders Journal*, Monday, January 23, 2023; See also, "University of Ilorin Invitation To Tender", *The Nation*, Monday, January 23, 2023, P.20; "University of Ilorin Invitation To Tender", *Daily Trust*, Monday, January 23, 2023, P.24)
- The University of Ilorin has placed an advertisement on Expression of Interest (EOI) for engagement of consultants.
("EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) For ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS ", *The Federal Tenders Journal*, Monday, January 23, 2023; See also, EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) For ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS ", *ThisDay*, January 25, 2023, P.32; EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) For ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS ", *Daily Trust*, Monday, January 23, 2023, P.24)
- The Veterinary Council of Nigeria (VCN) has decried the dearth of veterinarians in the country, warning that the development is dangerous for the nation's health care delivery system, as the University of Ilorin graduated 44 veterinary doctors who were inducted into the veterinary practice.
("Vet Council Decries dearth of veterinarians in Nigeria", <https://www.newtelegraphng.com>; See also, "University of Ilorin Inducts 44 Veterinary Doctors ", <https://von.gov.ng>; "75% of human ailment come from animals -Veterinarian", <http://dailylinks.ng>; UNILORIN inducts 44 new veterinary doctors", *Leadership*, Tuesday, January 24, 2023, P.14; "UNILORIN inducts 44 new veterinary doctors", *The Herald*, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, P.9)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has been elected the Secretary General of the Association of West African Universities (AWAU).
("UNILORIN VC Elected AWAU Scribe", <https://highprofile.com.ng>; See also, "Unilorin VC Elected AWAU Scribe", *The Herald*, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, P.9)
- The newly appointed Vice Chancellor of the Crown Hill University (CHU), Prof. Jeleel Olasunkanmi Ojuade, has pledged to run a student-oriented administration and use his connection and wealth of experience to take the Institution to the next level.
("Ojuade sets agenda for Crown Hill University", <https://highprofile.com.ng>; See also, "Ojuade Becomes Second Unilorin Don to Head Crown Hill University", <https://www.theidealnewsworld.com.ng>; "Ojuade promises students oriented administration", *The Herald*, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, P.9)
- While delivering the 224th Inaugural Lecture of the University, titled "Looking Through a Tube to see the world within the Tube: Experiences and Challenges of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy in Nigeria", Prof. Abdulfatai Olokoba of the Faculty of Clinical Sciences, College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin, has alerted that less than 100 gastroenterologists serve a population of about 200 million Nigerians in the treatment of digestive system diseases.
("Less than 100 gastroenterologists serve 200m Nigerians", <https://healthreporters.info>; See also, "Don seeks more funding for health sector", <https://westernpost.ng>; "Don Calls for establishment of Gastrointestinal repair, maintenance centres", <https://solarenews.wordpress.com>; "Less than 100 gastroenterologists serve population of 200m Nigerians -- Don", <https://freedonline.com.ng>; "Less than 100 gastroenterologists serve population of 200m Nigerians -- Expert", <https://healthwise.punchng.com>; "Don calls for establishment of Gastrointestinal centres", *The Herald*, Wednesday, January 25, 2023, P.9)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Egbewole, SAN, has sympathised with the students of the Institution over the transportation hardship they encounter daily while going to campus.
("Fuel Scarcity: UNILORIN VC sympathises with students over hardship", <https://www.thestar.ng>; See also, "Transportation Challenges: We Feel Your pain, Unilorin Management Sympathises with Students, Adjust Lecture Time Table", <https://www.theidealnewsworld.com>; "Unilorin appeals to students as fuel crisis takes toll on varsity Transportation", <https://dailypost.ng>)



UNILORIN KICKS OFF VIRTUAL CLASSES

...deploys 300-capacity zoom licences to Faculties, Depts

By Kunle Akogun

As promised by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, the University of Ilorin has assigned 500 user accounts of 300-capacity zoom licences to its various Faculties and Departments for the immediate commencement of virtual classes.

The Chairman of the University's Time-table and Room Usages Committee, Prof. R. O. Arise, who disclosed this in a memo to relevant officials, said that the virtual classes would run simultaneously with physical classes.

In the memo, dated January 26, 2023 and sent to the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Provost of the College of Health Sciences, Deans of Faculties, Heads of Academic Departments, Sub-Deans of Faculties, and Chairman, Quality Assurance Committee, Prof. Arise said, "The 2021/2022 Academic Session Hybrid Lecture Time-table for the Harmattan Semestre has since taken effect from 3rd January, 2023".

The memo, titled "COMMENCEMENT OF BOTH VIRTUAL AND PHYSICAL CLASSES", further stated, "For effective virtual delivery of lectures, about 500 user accounts of 300 capacity zoom licences



■ Prof. Arise



■ Prof. Egbewole

have been assigned to Faculties and Departments through their respective Sub-Deans".

It added, "We have also developed virtual class schedule for courses with class sizes of about 1000, 3000, and 5000 students using the large capacity zoom licences".

The memo directed the Heads of Departments "to get details of their zoom accounts and large class zoom schedules from their (Faculty) Sub-Deans".

It pointed out that "physical delivery of lectures/practical sessions in classrooms/laboratories is very important and should be consciously

sustained".

It would be recalled that in the wake of the transportation challenges facing the students and staff of the University, the management rolled out several measures to mitigate the effect of the unfortunate situation on the students in particular.

These included the directive to the Time-table and Room Usages Committee to adjust lecture time-table to make it more flexible.

The management also renewed the University's zoom licences to activate the virtual lecture option.