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## Kwara CP affirms UNILORIN's cultism-free status



■ The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Egbewole (left) presenting a souvenir to CP Olayiwa last Tuesday

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Commissioner of Police, Kwara State Command, Mr Mobolaji Victor Olayiwa, has affirmed the University of Ilorin's exemplary status as a cultism-free campus, which stands it out among other universities in Nigeria.

The Police Commissioner gave this affirmation last Tuesday (January 16, 2024) when he received the management team of the University, led by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, which paid him a courtesy visit at the Kwara State Police Command Headquarters.

Mr Olayiwa, who expressed satisfaction with the prevailing cultism-free status of the University, pointed out that the commendable status had been widely reported and celebrated even before his arrival in the state.

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## We operate responsible trade unionism at UNILORIN - Egbewole

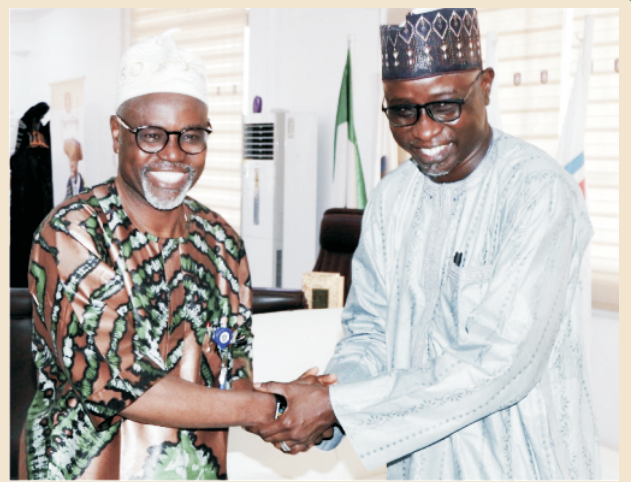
By Tajudeen Babamale

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has said that the institution operates the most responsible trade unionism in Nigeria, which solidifies its status as the preferred choice for stakeholders, including prospective students and their parents and guardians.

Prof. Egbewole, stated this last Thursday (January 18, 2024) while declaring open the Zonal Executive Council (ZEC) meeting of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU) held at the University's Main Auditorium.

The Vice Chancellor explained that the focus of union leaders should be the welfare of their members and they should always encourage management to make it a top priority.

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■ Prof. Egbewole (left) welcoming SSANU National President, Comrade Ibrahim (right) to his office last Thursday

## Egbewole, others hail Abdulkareem, as ex-VC clocks 70

By Mubarak Oladosu

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has congratulated his immediate past predecessor in office, Prof. Sulyman Age Abdulkareem, on his 70th birthday and formal retirement from the services of the University.

Prof. Egbewole also described the former Vice Chancellor as an

astute academic, prolific researcher and notable University administrator.

He stated this last Friday (January 19, 2023) while making his remarks at the public presentation of a Festschrift published to mark the 70th birthday of Prof. Abdulkareem, entitled "Material Development for Sustainable Development in the Contemporary Time".

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■ Prof. Abdulkareem (right) and his wife last Friday

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## Take UNILORIN along with you, Yusuf tells TP students

By Bashirat Omotosho and Bashir Dawodu

**T**he Director of the Institute of Education, University of Ilorin, Prof. AbdulRaheem Yusuf, has charged the sandwich students of the University, who have been dispatched to various schools on teaching practice, to carry the pride of the University with them to their various institutions.

Prof. Yusuf made this call penultimate Saturday (January 13, 2024) while addressing the concerned students at the orientation programme held for them at the Mini Campus of the University.

The Director, who encouraged the students to be inventors, advocates of good values and inspirational to those they would be teaching, also urged them to contribute to the revolutionisation of the teaching profession.

He explained that the Institute aligned with the vision of the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, as encapsulated in the 1:10:500 initiative, which is aimed at making the University the first in Nigeria, among the best 10 in Africa and one of the best 500 in the world.

Prof. Yusuf added that students of the University have significant roles to play in the realisation of the vision.

He explained that teaching is not just a profession but a calling, a responsibility and a privilege.

The Director, who is also a former Provost of the Kwara State College of Education, Ilorin, maintained that as

ambassadors of the University, the students must carry the torch of knowledge through their teaching practices as they are also expected to contribute directly to the realisation of the ambitious vision of the University.

He urged the students not to be just teachers but transformative educators who embrace innovation, adaptability and inclusivity in their approach as their excellent passion for teaching and commitment to student development will be the building blocks for brighter educational future.

Also speaking, the Chairmam of the Teaching Practice Committee, Dr Eniola K. Ola-Alani, admonished the concerned students to be focused in the discharge of their responsibilities.

She explained that teachers are nation builders and should always behave like one wherever they find themselves.

Dr Ola-Alani explained that the University frowned at illegal activities and encouraged the students to desist from such acts.

On his part, the Chairman of the University of Ilorin's Chapter of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), Dr Alex Akanmu, enlightened the participants on the benefits of the teaching practice.

Dr Akanmu, who teaches at the Department of Science Education, urged the students to take proper advantage of the teaching practice to develop themselves and make new friends.

The duo of Mrs Fasilat Giwa and



■ Prof. Yusuf

Dr Abubakar Lawal spoke on effective classroom management as they advised the participants to demonstrate professionalism by ensuring good classroom control ability.

Responding on behalf of his colleagues, Mr Isiaq Olaitan, who is a student of the Department of Educational Technology, explained that the orientation programme is an eye opener and an avenue for the students to know the rules and regulations guiding teaching practice.

The event was graced by several dignitaries including Dr Mohammad AbdulRahman, Dr Dorcas Daramola, Dr Musa Suleiman, Dr Moshood Oniye, Dr Ibraheem Kperogi and Mr Adewale Adeoye, among others.



■ A cross section of students at the event penultimate Saturday



## Kwara CP affirms UNILORIN's cultism-free status

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The Commissioner of Police said, "The University of Ilorin stands far apart in terms of disdain for cultism. Even before I came to Kwara State, I had heard positive reports about the zero-cultism status of the University. This achievement is a result of the effective collaboration between the institution's management and security agencies".

While commending the positive uniqueness of the University of Ilorin, the Police Commissioner applauded the continuous uninterrupted academic programme of the institution, which has made it the darling of admission seekers, as he urged other institutions of higher learning to emulate its success in curbing cult-related activities.

He assured the University management team of continuous support of the Police in ensuring that staff and students of the most sought-after university go about their daily activities without fear or intimidation.

Speaking earlier, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, commended the remarkable peaceful situations witnessed in Kwara State since the assumption of office by the new Commissioner of Police.

Prof. Egbewole restated the University's commitment to supporting the efforts of the Police in maintaining a secure environment.

Highlighting the enduring partnership between the University and the Police, Prof. Egbewole explained the importance of a safe and crime-free community.

He credited the sustained collaboration between the University and



■ Prof. Egbewole (fourth left) with CP Olaiya (middle) and Principal Officers of the University as well as some other senior police officers during the visit

security agencies in the state to the foresight of his predecessors and that of his host, praising the synergy that has endured over time.

The Vice Chancellor expressed his resolve to nurture and strengthen the relationship further in order to ensure the continued safety of members of the University community.

He pleaded with the Kwara State Police Command to focus its attention on these areas by extending its vigilance beyond the campus boundaries to ensure the safety and security of students in their off-campus accommodations.

The Vice Chancellor also urged the Police to keep the University informed of any observations in the surrounding areas, emphasising the interconnectedness of the campus and its neighboring communities. He stressed that the overall safety of the University community is paramount, and the

collaboration between the institution and the Police is crucial in achieving this goal.

Prof. Egbewole expressed optimism that the Police Command's continued efforts, combined with the University's support, would create a secure environment not only within the campus but also in the surrounding communities where students reside.

The Vice Chancellor was joined on the courtesy visit by other Principal Officers, including the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Olubunmi Abayomi Omotosho; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Suleiman Folorunsho Ambali; the Registrar, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfa, who was represented by the Deputy Registrar (Council), Mrs Mary Olayemi; while Mr Abdulrasheed Atanda Ahmed represented the Ag. Bursar, Mr Oba Abdulkareem.

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Speaking further, the renowned legal luminary described his predecessor as a man of service, saying that the Nigerian University system needed the wisdom and insight of Prof. Abdulkareem.

Prof. Egbewole, who is also the Secretary-General of the Association of West African Universities (AWAU), appreciated the dedication and passion of Prof. Abdulkareem.

In his welcome address, a former Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Prof. D.S. Ogunniyi, recalled that the Department of Chemical Engineering started with Prof. Omodele Eleta, Prof. Sulym Age Abdulkareem and himself as pioneer staff.

He recalled that they were moved from the Department of Industrial Chemistry, saying that Prof. Abdulkareem had been instrumental to the development of the Department through his exceptional industry and passion.

Prof. Ogunniyi also recalled that the former Vice Chancellor supported all Departments in the University when they were facing accreditation, particularly during his tenure as the Chief Executive of the University.

In her introduction of the celebrant, Prof. Omodele Eleta described Prof. Abdulkareem as a mentor who challenged her with a number of responsibilities.

Reviewing the Festschrift, Prof. Ogundele noted that human activities have made the world continuously more complex hence the need for many of the 17 United Nations Development Goals.

He noted that while most of the chapters in the book are academic in their focus, some other chapters discuss the personality of Prof. Abdulkareem.

Prof. Ogundele described the honouree as integrity personified and a hardworking scholar whose contributions to the growth and development of scholarship, especially in the realm of Chemical

Engineering, would continue to be celebrated.

The event, which attracted the crème de la crème of the society, was attended by Principal Officers of the University of Ilorin who served in the administration of Prof. Abdulkareem including Prof. Bolaji Fatai Sule, Prof. Mikail Buhari, and Dr Folaranmi Modupe Olowoloni.

Also in attendance were current Principal Officers of the University including the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services) Prof. Suleiman Folorunsho Ambali; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Abayomi Olubunmi Omotosho and the founder of Al Hikmah University, Ilorin, Alhaji AbdulRaheem Oladimeji. Also in attendance were the current Vice Chancellor of Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Prof. Noah Yusuf; a former Deputy Vice Chancellor of Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Prof. Lateef Oladimeji, among others.

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Prof. Egbewole explained that the acceptance of that fact has been the factor that ensured that all the unions operating at the University of Ilorin such as the Senior Staff Association of Universities (SSANU), the Non-Academic Staff Union (NASU), the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) and the National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT), and management of the University are on the same page.

The Vice Chancellor, who noted the importance of constructive collaboration between union leaders and management for the benefit of the University's staff, pledged that his administration will continue to welcome constructive criticism for the benefit of all.

Prof. Egbewole, however, appealed to various union leaders who attended the meeting to continually guide their members towards responsible conduct within their respective institutions.

While also identifying students as a critical stakeholder in the University system, the UNILORIN Vice Chancellor urged all University staff to recognise students as crucial stakeholders and accord them the deserving respect.

Prof. Egbewole advocated responsible interaction with the students to foster an environment that instills pride in their alma mater, which in return would encourage the students to contribute positively to the growth and development of their respective universities.

In a related development, the National President of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), Comrade Mohammed H. Ibrahim, has bestowed the title of honorary member on the Vice Chancellor of the

University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN.

The investiture ceremony of the Vice Chancellor took place during a courtesy visit by the SSANU President in his office.

Comrade Ibrahim expressed the Union's admiration for Prof. Egbewole's exemplary leadership styles and noteworthy contributions to the academic community.

Speaking further, the SSANU leader highlighted the University of Ilorin's outstanding performance, citing consistent commendable reports received at the national secretariat of the Union about the University.

He emphasised that the institution, under the administration of Prof. Egbewole, has become a role model for other universities in Nigeria.

He added that the conferment of the honorary membership of SSANU on Prof. Egbewole is not only informed by his personal accomplishments but also confirmed the effectiveness of the collaborations between the University of Ilorin and SSANU.

Also speaking, the National Vice President, Western Zone of SSANU, Comrade Abdsobbur O. Salaam, commended the University of Ilorin for its exceptional commitment to excellence in both words and actions.

He explained that the University has proven to be better by far, as he noted that there is no cause for alarm or discord between the authorities of the University and SSANU.

In his own comment, the Registrar of the University of Ilorin, who is also a former National Treasurer of SSANU, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfana,

lauded the Vice Chancellor of the University for always being proactive and for extending love to all unions on the campus.

Mr Alfana reiterated his admiration for the Vice Chancellor's unwavering commitment to prioritising the welfare of both staff and students of the University.

According to the Registrar, Prof. Egbewole has consistently demonstrated a keen understanding of the challenges faced by the University community and has taken significant steps to address them.

Mr Alfana pointed out that the reduction of school charges by 25% for children of staff members was a decision targeted at cushioning the effects of the current economic climate on them.

He added that the gesture reflected the Vice Chancellor's sensitivity to the financial well-being of the University's workforce.

The Registrar also commended Prof. Egbewole for his collaborative leadership styles, stating that the Vice Chancellor consistently fosters unity and understanding among Principal Officers of the University.

Mr Alfana said that Prof. Egbewole has never taken any decision without seeking the opinions of all Principal Officers of the University, thereby enhancing the overall management of University activities.

Joining the Vice Chancellor to receive the SSANU President and members of his entourage were a Deputy Bursar, Mr Abdulrasheed Atanda Ahmed, who stood in for the Ag. Bursar, Mr Oba Abdulbarki; and the Chairman of the University of Ilorin Chapter of SSANU, Comrade Naheem Falowo, among others.

## Ahman-Pategi congratulates Adedimeji on NAHCON's appointment

By Mustafa Abubakar

The Founder of Ahman Patigi University, Dr Aliyu Ahman-Pategi, has congratulated the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Mahfouz Adedimeji, on his appointment as a member of the management board of the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (NAHCON).

In a congratulatory letter dated Tuesday (January 16, 2024) and signed by the Ag. Director, APU Public Relations Unit, Mr Muhammed Jiya, a copy of which was made available to UNILORIN BULLETIN, the former House of Representatives said that Prof. Adedimeji's new appointment is a testament to his exemplary leadership and dedication to excellence.



■ Prof. Adedimeji

According to him, as the APU Vice Chancellor, Prof. Adedimeji has played a pivotal role in steering the institution toward unparalleled success,

fostering an environment of academic innovation, and promoting a culture of excellence.

Dr Ahman Pategi added, "The APU community takes immense pride in Prof. Adedimeji's achievements and sees his appointment to the NAHCON Board as a recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field of education and administration. His visionary leadership has not only elevated APU but has also positioned him as a distinguished figure in the national arena".

He thanked President Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu for recognising Prof. Adedimeji's worth with the appointment, expressing confidence in his ability to join others in elevating the Commission to greater heights.



## Egbewole, others eulogise Olasheinde-Williams

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has joined other staff members and students of the institution in commending the academic prowess, mentorship sagacity and motherly traits of a former Dean of the institution's Faculty of Education, Felicia Olasheinde-Williams.

Speaking at a send-forth ceremony held at the Faculty of Education Lecture Theatre penultimate Thursday (January 11, 2024), Prof. Egbewole, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Suleiman Folorunsho Ambali, praised Prof. Olasheinde-Williams for her exceptional contributions to the field of education and her unwavering dedication to shaping the lives of generations of students and mentoring fellow lecturers.

Acknowledging her profound impact on the academic community, the Vice Chancellor explained the importance of recognising and appreciating those who served humanity selflessly and meritoriously. He explained that Prof. Olasheinde-Williams has written her name in gold and that posterity will be kind to her.

The Vice Chancellor also pointed out that the honouree as a trailblazer in online teaching at the University of Ilorin, noting that her influence extended beyond the University as the National Institute of Security Studies (NISS) promptly recognised and embraced her expertise upon her retirement.

Prof. Egbewole expressed gratitude to the Department of Educational Psychology and Faculty of Education for honouring the former Dean.

He noted that Prof. Olasheinde-Williams' journey doesn't end with retirement, as she continues to inspire and contribute to education in her new role at NISS.

Speaking earlier, the Dean of the Faculty of Education, University of Ilorin

Prof. Lasiele Alabi Yahaya, expressed profound gratitude to the retired Professor for the remarkable contributions She offered the University and humanity.

The Dean said "She is a mother who will be missed at the Faculty. We recognise her unparalleled commitment and tireless efforts in shaping the lives of both staff and students. Her departure leaves a void that will be hard to fill".

Prof. Yahaya, who is a former Director of the University's Institute of Education, also affirmed that one of Prof. Olasheinde-Williams' notable achievements was the introduction of online teaching at the Faculty, adding that the visionary move not only modernised the educational landscape but also positioned the institution at the forefront of innovative pedagogy.

In a tribute, the Head of the Department of Social Sciences Education at the Faculty of Education, Prof. Ismaila Amali, expressed deep appreciation for the admirable services rendered by the esteemed former Dean.

Prof. Amali remarked that the honouree served the University meritoriously, leaving an indelible mark on the academic landscape.

He added that they were already missing her most dearly because she left a vacuum that is hard to fill.

Speaking further, Prof. Amali said that the honouree always demonstrated exceptional leadership and a commitment to excellence during her tenure as the Dean of the Faculty of Education and when she was the Director of various Centres in the University of Ilorin.

He said "One notable aspect of her leadership was the transformative influence she exerted on the Directors of various

Centres, notably the Centre for International Education (CIE) and the Center for Peace and Strategic Studies (CPSS)".

While commending her for bringing her brilliance to bear on these Centres, leading to advancements in education, research, and strategic studies, the Head of the Department highlighted the significant impact Prof. Olasheinde-Williams made on various fronts, especially in fostering robust education, promoting quality research, and advancing pedagogy both within and



■ The representative of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Ambali and the honouree at the event

outside the University community.

Responding, the former Dean expressed her gratitude to the University management, the Faculty, and her Department for the trust bestowed upon her during her tenure.

While acknowledging the University's recognition of her contributions, Prof. Olasheinde-Williams attributed the honour to God as she expressed gratitude to all those who supported her and her family throughout the journey.

The retired Professor of Educational Psychology encouraged the students to be open to opportunities as she explained the significance of education beyond obtaining a degree. "It is not enough to come to the University to get a degree. There is what is called the G-factor. It tells you that once you have a fundamental degree, you can be a player in all fields," she advised.

Reflecting on the challenges and delays she experienced in her career, the astute scholar expressed the need for all to exhibit resilience and unwavering faith in divine timing. She noted that "God knew that I would spend 16 years waiting before I become a Professor, and He prepared me for it. In all of those years, I never sat down to bemoan the delay".

She added that the fact that she was immediately engaged on a national assignment at the National Institute for Security Studies (NISS) as a Study Group Coordinator, a role she didn't anticipate immediately after leaving her former academic position, is a proof that God is the best planner.

The ceremony was graced by various Heads of Departments, Directors, students and staff of the University of Ilorin as well as friends and family members of Prof. Olasheinde-Williams.



■ Prof. Olasheinde-Williams (second right) receiving a souvenir from the wife of a former Vice Chancellor, Prof. H. T. Ambali at the event, while others look on



## Emir of Ilorin assures Akanbi of prayers

By Abubakar Imam

**T**he Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji (Dr) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, CFR, has assured a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management at the University of Ilorin, Dr Usman Oladipo Akanbi, of the prayers and support of the people of Ilorin Emirate.

The Emir gave this assurance last Tuesday (January 16, 2023) while receiving Dr Akanbi, who was at the ancient palace to formally intimate the royal father of his recent election as the new National President of the Association of Nigerian Authors (ANA).

Alhaji Sulu-Gambari said that he was delighted that one of his subjects was found worthy of leading an Association peopled by distinguished academics and men of letters from all over Nigeria.

The Emir commended the intellectual resourcefulness and resilience of Dr Akanbi as he praised his dedication to literature.

The royal father also saluted the memory of the father of the ANA's National President, late Justice Mustapha Akanbi, who he described as his boss and elder brother as he also underscored the deep connection between the royal family and that of the late Justice Akanbi.

The Emir also paid glowing



■ Dr Akanbi (left) and the Emir (right) last Tuesday

tributes to the memory of Dr Akanbi's younger brother, Prof. Muhammed Mustapha Akanbi, SAN, who was the late Vice Chancellor of the Kwara State University, Malete, for his unforgettable contributions to the development of the Ilorin Emirate and the nation at large.

Speaking earlier, Dr Akanbi said that he was at the palace to formally inform the Emir of his emergence as the National

President of the Association of Nigerian Authors.

He added that he was also at the palace to seek the counsel, prayers and support of the Emir, which he said are needed to enable him to succeed in the task of leading ANA.

Dr Akanbi was accompanied on the visit by members of the Kwara State chapter of the Association.

## Olawuyi calls for upscale of support services

By Mubarak Oladosu

**A** Professor at the Department of Educational Psychology, University of Ilorin, Prof. Bolanle Olawuyi, has called for an improvement in the delivery of support services to members of the University community who have special needs such that the services match the best available in the world.

Prof. Olawuyi made this call recently while delivering a keynote address titled "Communication Methods for Students with Hearing Impairment in an Inclusive Setting: The Need for Sign Language Interpreters" at the opening session of a Three Day In-House Training organised by the Centre for Support Services for the Deaf (CSSD), University of Ilorin.

The don noted that the Centre needed to employ more interpreters to meet the standard, which is a maximum of two students to an interpreter and also called for the introduction of speech to text technology and reintroduction of the sign language into GNS curriculum.

Similarly, the don called on the government to encourage parents with deaf children to learn sign language so that the

children can expand their cognitive ability and develop emotionally right from home.

Prof. Olawuyi described an inclusive environment as the type that accommodates everyone regardless of the peculiar disability such that no one is treated as a squatter and none feels that he or she has inferior or superior rights.

The don also said that like all languages, the sign language is dynamic and it evolves overtime. This, she said, makes it an imperative for interpreters to update their skills constantly.

She urged interpreters to develop emotional shock absorbers and always employ total communication methods while interpreting.

The renowned academic elucidated further on total communication, saying it involves the use of the mouth for lip reading, speech for the partially deaf, finger spelling to communicate new and knotty words, and also the use of the body and face to communicate gestures and emotions.

Prof. Olawuyi also emphasised that interpreters must ensure that their hands are placed below the chin and they use a well-lit environment while on duty in order to communicate effectively.

While speaking at the event, the Dean of the Faculty of Education, Prof. Lasiele Alabi Yahaya, disclosed that the nomenclature of the Centre will soon change because the Centre does not only support deaf people, but it cares for all disabilities and special needs, adding that "support services is beyond sign language".

Prof. Yahya promised to communicate the needs of the Centre to the University management, noting that the Prof. Egbewole-led administration leaves no one behind.

While appreciating the University for its support to the CSSD, the Director of the Centre, Prof. Taiwo Ambali, urged participants to encourage students and members of the University Community who have disabilities and need for other special support to register at the Centre in order to benefit from the services provided by the Centre.

The opening session was attended by Dr P. A. Kolawole and Mr J. O. Isarinade who are Deputy Directors at the Centre, Mr S. T. Shuaib who represented a former Director of the Centre, Prof. Bello and also attended by the Centre's interpreters.



## UNILORITES seek reintroduction of mass transit buses on varsity route

By Abubakar Imam

A cross section of members of the University of Ilorin community has appealed to the Kwara State Government to consider the reintroduction of mass transit service to the University route.

This appeal was made by concerned staff and students of the University who spoke to *UNILORIN BULLETIN* on the challenges of transportation they have been facing since the resumption of full activities at the University.

Mr Ahmed Yakub, a Quantity Surveyor at the University's Works Department, said that the reintroduction of the service by the government would be a great relief to many staff and students of the University who come from the town every day.

He added that many of the staff members who have personal vehicles are finding it very difficult to maintain such because of the prevailing economic situations.

Mr Yakub added that such a transport support service is one of the benefits staff members of the University can derive from the government of Kwara State, which derived taxes from their salaries on monthly basis.

He also appealed to the Kwara State Government to prevail on the contractor handling the Tanke Flyover Bridge to complete and deliver the project on time so that the pain members of the University community go through on a daily basis could be minimised.

Also speaking, Mrs Biliqees Mojirayo Abdulganiyu of the University's Centre for Open and Distance Learning, said that the Kwara State Government would be doing members of the University community a lot of favour if the transportation scheme otherwise called "Soludero" is reintroduced.



■ Mrs Abdulganiyu

She explained that the salaries of the University staff members can no longer take them home not to talk of students whose parents are also finding it difficult to survive the present economic hardship.

Mrs Abdulganiyu said that she was always disturbed seeing hundreds of students stranded on the road on their way to and from the campus every day.

On her part, Miss Boluwatife Bamidele, a student of the Department of Library and Information Science said that the appeal for the intervention of the Kwara State Government became necessary in view of the fact that a sizeable percentage of students of the University live outside the campus.

She added that the current situation has shown that the number of privately-owned commercial vehicles currently plying the University route are insufficient to meet the increasing needs of the students and staff of the University.

Miss Bamidele is not happy that most of the commercial vehicle shuttle between the campus and Oke-Odo, saying that they don't get to Tanke before heading back to the campus.

Mrs Hajarat Gambari of the University Health Services, on her part, enjoined well-to-do individuals to consider investing in commercial transportation for the benefit of staff and students of the



■ Dr Garba

University.

Mrs Gambari also appealed to trade unions operating in the University to also consider investment in transportation business at the University for the sake of their members who face severe challenges on their way to and from the campus every day.

She noted that unions can purchase and maintain commercial vehicles that would be conveying their members and other interested *UNILORITES* to and from the campus on a daily basis, saying that such can be run to also generate revenue.

Mr Felix Dare Afolabi of the Directorate of Corporate Affairs, on his part, appealed to the University's management to reintroduce the transport welfare scheme for staff and students as it was done a few months back.

He suggested that the University can also charge a token for the operation and maintenance of the vehicles, saying that such a scheme would bring a lot of relief to members of the University community.

Speaking on the issue, the Sub-Dean, Student Affairs, Dr Muhammad Kabir Garba, said that the authorities of the University are not unaware of the challenges of transportation being faced by students of the University.

He explained that the University management is exploring all options towards alleviating the suffering of students in their daily movement to and from the campus.

Dr Garba, who teaches at the Department of Statistics, pointed out that the Student Affairs Unit at a meeting last Thursday (January 18, 2024) engaged transporters on the way out of the challenges as he stated that the problem would be adequately tackled.

He assured that everything worth doing shall be done to make transportation easier for students of the University.



■ Mr. Afolabi



■ Mrs Gambari





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## Top Authors by Scholarly Output

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| 60. |  | Bello, Abiodun Hamzat         | 17 | 2023 | 71  | 7  |
| 61. |  | Shaba, Timilehin Gideon       | 17 | 2023 | 150 | 8  |
| 62. |  | Lasode, Olumuyiwa Ajani       | 17 | 2023 | 217 | 14 |
| 63. |  | Adeyeye, Ademola A.           | 16 | 2023 | 273 | 18 |
| 64. |  | Sowande, A. O.                | 16 | 2023 | 56  | 6  |
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| 66. |  | Ahmed, Akeem Olayiwola        | 16 | 2023 | 69  | 6  |
| 67. |  | Akande, Tanimola Makanjuola   | 16 | 2023 | 54  | 17 |
| 68. |  | Olayaki, Luqman Aribidesi     | 15 | 2023 | 61  | 13 |
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| 71. |  | Oyedeji, Stephen              | 15 | 2023 | 22  | 6  |
| 72. |  | Ajala, Elijah Olawale         | 15 | 2022 | 275 | 11 |
| 73. |  | Ajala, Mary Adejoke           | 15 | 2022 | 281 | 11 |
| 74. |  | Onifade, Damilola Victoria    | 15 | 2022 | 440 | 14 |
| 75. |  | Gbadeyan, Jacob Abiodun       | 15 | 2023 | 277 | 13 |
| 76. |  | Olanrewaju, Timothy Olusegun  | 14 | 2023 | 114 | 14 |
| 77. |  | Ogunmodede, James Ayodele     | 14 | 2023 | 40  | 7  |
| 78. |  | Arise, Abimbola Kemisola      | 14 | 2023 | 41  | 7  |
| 79. |  | Afolabi, Saheed Olanrewaju    | 14 | 2023 | 247 | 8  |
| 80. |  | Olawayin, Lukman Abiodun      | 14 | 2023 | 169 | 9  |
| 81. |  | Ibrahim, Oladimeji M.S.O.     | 14 | 2023 | 134 | 10 |
| 82. |  | Barnigboye, Mercy Oluwaseyi   | 14 | 2023 | 48  | 5  |
| 83. |  | Adeosun, Adeshina Taofeeq     | 14 | 2023 | 277 | 9  |
| 84. |  | Tajudeen, Yusuf Amuda         | 14 | 2023 | 24  | 3  |
| 85. |  | Emmanuel, Stephen Sunday      | 14 | 2023 | 81  | 6  |
| 86. |  | Ademola-Popoola, Dupe Serifat | 14 | 2023 | 467 | 11 |
| 87. |  | Olorundare, Olufunke Esan     | 14 | 2023 | 55  | 8  |
| 88. |  | Adebayo, Joseph Oluwatope     | 14 | 2023 | 124 | 15 |
| 89. |  | Popoola, Ademola Ajabi        | 13 | 2023 | 232 | 15 |
| 90. |  | Raufu, Ibrahim Adisa          | 13 | 2023 | 37  | 8  |
| 91. |  | Ajimotokan, Habeeb Adewale    | 13 | 2023 | 4   | 7  |
| 92. |  | Adebisi, Jeleel Adekunle      | 13 | 2023 | 62  | 10 |
| 93. |  | Ayeloja, Ayodeji Ahmed        | 13 | 2023 | 23  | 4  |

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|------|--|----------------------------------|----|------|-----|----|
| 94.  |  | Fatoba, Paul Ojo                 | 13 | 2023 | 132 | 14 |
| 95.  |  | Idowu, Amos Sesan                | 13 | 2023 | 215 | 8  |
| 96.  |  | Abdulkadir, Mohammed Baba        | 13 | 2023 | 25  | 9  |
| 97.  |  | Kola-Mustapha, Adeola Tawakalitu | 13 | 2023 | 34  | 8  |
| 98.  |  | Popoola, Gbenga Omotade          | 13 | 2022 | 46  | 8  |
| 99.  |  | Akande, Oluwatosin Wuraola       | 13 | 2023 | 75  | 7  |
| 100. |  | Areola, Emmanuel Damilare        | 13 | 2023 | 78  | 7  |
| 101. |  | Adeyemi, Sherif Babatunde        | 13 | 2023 | 84  | 6  |
| 102. |  | Akintayo, Olaide Akinwunmi       | 13 | 2023 | 96  | 6  |
| 103. |  | Adah, Adakole Sylvanus           | 13 | 2023 | 9   | 3  |
| 104. |  | Ajala, Oluwaseun J.              | 13 | 2023 | 407 | 15 |
| 105. |  | Sabinari, Isaiah Woru            | 13 | 2023 | 18  | 2  |
| 106. |  | Adah, Deborah Arimie             | 13 | 2023 | 12  | 3  |
| 107. |  | Odetayo, Adeyemi Fatai           | 13 | 2023 | 109 | 6  |
| 108. |  | Bilaminu, Sikiru Abayomi         | 12 | 2023 | 31  | 8  |
| 109. |  | Desalu, Olufemi Oluwuyiwa        | 12 | 2022 | 53  | 19 |
| 110. |  | Aiyedun, Julius Olaniyi          | 12 | 2023 | 19  | 5  |
| 111. |  | Sunmonu, Musliu Olushola         | 12 | 2023 | 7   | 4  |
| 112. |  | Otuozu, Abdulrahman Okino        | 12 | 2023 | 219 | 8  |
| 113. |  | Akpenpuun, Timothy Denen         | 12 | 2023 | 73  | 7  |
| 114. |  | Oyabambi, Adewumi Oluwafemi      | 12 | 2023 | 25  | 2  |
| 115. |  | Yusuf, Tunde A.                  | 12 | 2022 | 330 | 12 |
| 116. |  | Aderibigbe, Fatai Alade          | 12 | 2023 | 111 | 6  |
| 117. |  | Usman-Hamza, Fatima Enehezei     | 12 | 2022 | 69  | 5  |
| 118. |  | Eletta, Omodele Abosede Abiodun  | 12 | 2023 | 346 | 13 |
| 119. |  | Oyewopo, Adeoye Oyetunji         | 11 | 2023 | 7   | 9  |
| 120. |  | Tiamiyu, Lateef Oloyede          | 11 | 2023 | 187 | 10 |
| 121. |  | Surajudeen-Bakinde, Nazmat Toyin | 11 | 2023 | 149 | 12 |
| 122. |  | Abdus-Salam, Nasir               | 11 | 2023 | 74  | 9  |
| 123. |  | Alabi, Aderemi Babatunde         | 11 | 2023 | 50  | 9  |
| 124. |  | Agodirin, Olayide Sulaiman       | 11 | 2023 | 54  | 12 |
| 125. |  | Fahm, Abdul Gafar Olawale        | 11 | 2023 | 106 | 3  |
| 126. |  | Imam, Aminu                      | 11 | 2023 | 23  | 8  |
| 127. |  | Abdulkadir, Taofeeq Sholagberu   | 11 | 2023 | 149 | 9  |
| 128. |  | Falodun, Bidemi Oluamide         | 11 | 2023 | 173 | 10 |

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## FUND SOURCES AND UTILIZATION REPORT FROM 11<sup>TH</sup> TO 18<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024

| RECEIPTS:  | AMOUNT                 |
|--|------------------------|
| Academic Transcript  | 634,860.00             |
| Sundry & Other Fees Student Charges  | 1,745,850.00           |
| Sundry Other Income  | 9,606,430.00           |
| Income from Dental Clinic  | 158,038.75             |
| Convocation Souvenir   | 570,700.00             |
| Contractors' Registration Fees   | 9,000.00               |
| Income from Fitness Centre   | 2,000.00               |
| Staff I.D. Cards   | 2,000.00               |
| Utility Income   | 154,000.00             |
| Tender Fees  | 60,000.00              |
| Rent on University Property  | 106,068.00             |
| Publication  | 96,800.00              |
| Refund (Non Salary)  | 88,600.00              |
| Departmental Income  | 403,034.00             |
| Capitation- NHIS   | 1,890,750.00           |
| Late Registration Surcharges   | 2,000.00               |
| Undergraduate School Charges   | 177,717,220.00         |
| Undergraduate Hostel Accommodation   | 9,785,000.00           |
| Undergraduate Change of Course   | 40,000.00              |
| Undergraduate Clearance Charges  | 50,400.00              |
| Undergraduate Convocation Charges  | 1,352,450.00           |
| Undergraduate Post UTME Registration   | 575,400.00             |
| Postgraduate School Charges  | 20,344,850.00          |
| Postgraduate School Transcript Payment   | 85,215.00              |
| Postgraduate School Registration Fees  | 7,500.00               |
| Postgraduate School Acceptance Payment   | 20,000.00              |
| Postgraduate Convocation Charges   | 82,150.00              |
| Ilorin Business School Application form  | 50,300.00              |
| Remedial Application Form  | 91,050.00              |
| Remedial Acceptance Payment  | 121,050.00             |
| Remedial Hostel Accommodation  | 106,050.00             |
| Remedial School Charges  | 2,450,850.00           |
| JUPEB School Charges   | 1,791,800.00           |
| JUPEB Acceptance Payment   | 20,150.00              |
| JUPEB Hostel Accommodation   | 150,300.00             |
| JUPEB General Payment  | 30,150.00              |
| <b>Total Receipt for the Period</b>  | <b>₦230,402,015.75</b> |
| <b>PAYMENTS</b>  |                        |
| <b>PAYMENT TO CONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS :</b>  |                        |
| HOOG Entsol Ltd Supply and Installation of Computers                                   | 17,803,720.00          |
| Authur Spring Nig Ltd Construction of 500 Capacity Lecture Hall (CBNTETFUND)           | 32,148,858.44          |
| Ivory Link Int'l Ltd Construction of 500 Capacity Lecture Hall (CBNTETFUND)            | 24,027,386.40          |
| Decagon Books Ltd Supply of Books  | 1,266,150.00           |
| Nimmus Nig Ltd Renovation Works  | 2,329,333.44           |
| Masterpiece Funke Kugbiyi Ventures Catering Services                                   | 726,400.00             |
| Olusosun Int'l Nig Ventures Supply of Books  | 1,080,000.00           |
| GAA and Associates Ltd Maintenance of Green Project                                    | 5,839,658.64           |
| Amor Grey Ltd Supply of New Toyota Camry   | 79,627,500.00          |
| Raib Worldwide Interbiz Ltd Maintenance of Culvet                                      | 509,480.00             |
| Peace Global and Digital Printing Supply of Office Equipment                           | 759,272.50             |
| Phadin Interated Production of Mufflers  | 16,500,000.00          |
| CAS Global Nig Ltd Production of Mufflers  | 20,820,000.00          |
| Kobilah Nig Ltd Production of Mufflers   | 16,500,000.00          |
| Shelter Setters Aluminium and Expert Nig Ltd Repair of Damaged roof at Senate Building | 495,771.19             |
| Sterrock Global Biz Ventures Soft ware Development and upgrade                         | 1,800,000.00           |
| Goke Adeoye Supply of Photocopier Machine  | 395,000.00             |
| JKK Oneware Ltd Computer Based Services  | 1,398,600.00           |
| Swash Integrated Project Ltd Construction of Parking LOTS (CBNTETFUND)                 | 14,069,383.38          |
| Lush Tech Engineering Co Ltd Construction of Parking LOTS (CBNTETFUND)                 | 13,679,013.22          |
| Ibironke Technologies Ltd Construction of Low Tension (CBNTETFUND)                     | 15,516,568.30          |
| Swiftknight Ltd Renovation of main campus Clinic (CBNTETFUND)                          | 20,950,599.08          |
| Index Engineering Consult Renovation of Public Toilet                                  | 2,939,689.63           |
| Jays Mart Nig Ltd Renovation Works   | 2,874,308.13           |
| Luke Gbenle Jolayemi Nig Ltd Installation of Burglarly Proof to Laboratories           | 2,572,562.00           |
| <b>OTHER PAYMENTS:</b>   |                        |
| Various Various i.e DTA, IMPREST, REFUND e.t.c   | 17,438,044.73          |
| Purchase Advance Various   | 1,613,654.00           |
| Vigilante Group of Nigeria Salary for December 2023                                    | 3,068,000.00           |
| Unilorin Petrol Station Supply of Fuel   | 2,799,396.00           |
| Faculty Staff Salary for December 2023   | 13,190,125.00          |
| Teachers Registration Council Professional Qualifying Examination Application Fees     | 1,554,000.00           |
| Nigerian Legion Salary for December 2023   | 4,140,000.00           |
| Unilorin Guest Houses Catering Services  | 3,508,890.00           |
| TSA Charges Various  | 164,617.50             |
| <b>Total payment for the period</b>  | <b>₦344,105,981.58</b> |

Signed

Oba Abdulbarki, FCA

Ag. Bursar

## Renewal of Appointment

| NAME                                 | FACULTY/DEPARTMENT                  | APPOINTMENT                             | EFFECTIVE DATE                 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| Dr. (ARC.) Aishat T. Abubakar- Kamar | Environmental Sciences/Architecture | Coordinator, Department of Architecture | 1 <sup>st</sup> February, 2024 |





| S/N | Name                                      | Department                                 | Birthday |
|-----|---|--|----------|
| 1   | Abdulkareem, Sulyman Age                  | Chemical Engineering                       | Jan 21   |
| 2   | Oloruntoba, Samson Olorunsoga             | Security Division                          | Jan 21   |
| 3   | Ishola, James Olatayo                     | Educational Technology                     | Jan 21   |
| 4   | Abdulsalam, Nasiru                        | Chemistry                                  | Jan 21   |
| 5   | Ogunlade, Fadejinmi Carlius               | Registry                                   | Jan 21   |
| 6   | Adejumo, Rachael Omotayo                  | Registry                                   | Jan 21   |
| 7   | Dauda, Rafat Bukola                       | Unilorin Staff School                      | Jan 21   |
| 8   | Olorunsaiye, Esther Fehintola             | Computer Base Test                         | Jan 21   |
| 9   | Isah, Abdulmumin                          | Library & Information Science              | Jan 21   |
| 10  | Adio, Abdulfatai                          | Security Division                          | Jan 21   |
| 11  | Adebayo, Joseph Sunday                    | Works: Electrical/Telecommunication        | Jan 21   |
| 12  | Yusuf, Abdulganiyu Kayode                 | Civil Engineering                          | Jan 21   |
| 13  | Isiaka, Monsurat                          | Criminology & Security Studies             | Jan 21   |
| 14  | Ibraheem, Musa Oluwatoyin                 | Human Kinetics & Health Education          | Jan 21   |
| 15  | Usman, Bilikis Funmilayo                  | Centre For Open & Distance Learning        | Jan 21   |
| 16  | Abdulwahab, Rasheedat Arikewuyo           | Computer Engineering                       | Jan 21   |
| 17  | Omotoso, Ayodele Babatunde                | Medicine                                   | Jan 22   |
| 18  | Fakuade, Abel Gbenga                      | Linguistics & Nigerian Languages           | Jan 22   |
| 19  | Adeyemi, Kayode                           | Registry                                   | Jan 22   |
| 20  | Salami, Bintu Bola                        | Library                                    | Jan 22   |
| 21  | Olubiyi, Adeola Taiye                     | Registry                                   | Jan 22   |
| 22  | Issa, Baba Awoye                          | Behavioural Science                        | Jan 22   |
| 23  | Emmanuel, Aduke Rachael                   | Registry                                   | Jan 22   |
| 24  | Bakare, Akeem Adekunle                    | Registry                                   | Jan 22   |
| 25  | Ibrahim, Sulaiman Toyin                   | Registry                                   | Jan 22   |
| 26  | Dabul, Ezekiel Sunday                     | Works: Works/ Maintenance Office           | Jan 22   |
| 27  | Olawepo, Kehinde Gabriel                  | Plant Biology                              | Jan 22   |
| 28  | Adeleke, Mariam Olaide                    | Statistics                                 | Jan 22   |
| 29  | Babayeju, Adeshola Ajoke                  | Home Economics & Food Science              | Jan 23   |
| 30  | Abdulraheem, Zainab Kehinde               | University Lodges Unit                     | Jan 23   |
| 31  | Salami, Rukayat Folake                    | Portal Services                            | Jan 23   |
| 32  | Ekundayo, Omolara Motunrayo               | Registry                                   | Jan 23   |
| 33  | Adi, Azumi Hajarar                        | Registry                                   | Jan 24   |
| 34  | Opaleke, Deborah Oluyemisi                | Home Economics & Food Science              | Jan 24   |
| 35  | Awojobi, Omotayo Sunday                   | Materials & Metallurgical Engineering      | Jan 24   |
| 36  | Garuba, Mohammed Tayo                     | Fire Services Unit                         | Jan 24   |
| 37  | Durosini, Wasiu Ayobami                   | Estate Management                          | Jan 24   |
| 38  | Olosasa, Aminat Aduke                     | Bursary                                    | Jan 24   |
| 39  | Oladele, Oluwabunmi Titilope              | Information & Communication Science        | Jan 24   |
| 40  | Adebisi, Olusoji Olusegun                 | Microbiology                               | Jan 24   |
| 41  | Suleiman, Abdul-Rahman Adebayo            | History & International Studies            | Jan 24   |
| 42  | Igunnu, Adedoyin                          | Biochemistry                               | Jan 24   |
| 43  | Joseph, Isaiah Edogbo                     | Registry                                   | Jan 25   |
| 44  | Issa, Yakubu                              | Security Division                          | Jan 25   |
| 45  | Adu, Dorcas Dupe                          | Registry                                   | Jan 25   |
| 46  | Olaoye, Victoria Iyabo                    | Registry                                   | Jan 25   |
| 47  | Oyekunle, Timothy Lanre                   | Mathematics                                | Jan 25   |
| 48  | Ibrahim, Fatimat Folawiyi                 | Central Administration: Office             | Jan 25   |
| 49  | Issa, Abdulhakeem                         | Centre For Open & Distance Learning        | Jan 25   |
| 50  | Bajomo, Eunice Tayo                       | Registry                                   | Jan 25   |
| 51  | Oni, Israel Ola-Oluwa                     | Registry                                   | Jan 25   |
| 52  | Abiola, Olasunkanmi Samuel                | Civil Engineering                          | Jan 26   |
| 53  | Adekunle, Oluwasegun Adetokunbo           | Agric Extension & Rural Dev                | Jan 26   |
| 54  | Oni, Marion Olabisi                       | UNILORIN Staff School (Upper Basic School) | Jan 26   |
| 55  | Abiodun, Olufunmilla Adunni               | Home Economics & Food Science              | Jan 26   |
| 56  | Ogunjumilua, Mosunmola Abeke              | Registry                                   | Jan 26   |
| 57  | Adeyinka-Ajiboye, Olabamibo Victoria      | Agricultural & Biosystem Engineering       | Jan 26   |
| 58  | Babamale, Suraj Mohammed                  | Registry                                   | Jan 26   |
| 59  | Suleiman, Mulikat Arinola                 | Security Division                          | Jan 26   |
| 60  | Agbojologun, Muritala Shehu               | Security Division                          | Jan 26   |
| 61  | Abdurraheem, Abdulhafiz Olanrewaju        | Registry                                   | Jan 26   |
| 62  | Yayi, Timothy Opeyemi                     | Social Science Education                   | Jan 26   |
| 63  | Olarinoye, John Kola                      | Medicine                                   | Jan 27   |
| 64  | Jibril, Umar Nda                          | Nursing Science                            | Jan 27   |
| 65  | Otonekwo, Florence Onyeisi                | Library                                    | Jan 27   |
| 66  | Abdulbaki, Oba                            | Bursary                                    | Jan 27   |
| 67  | Atiku, Monsurat Alatemaji                 | Registry                                   | Jan 27   |
| 68  | Belewu, Kafayat Yemisi                    | Agriculture Economics & Farm Management    | Jan 27   |
| 69  | Ojulari, Lekan Sheriff                    | Physiology                                 | Jan 27   |
| 70  | Adebisi, Adebayo                          | Security Division                          | Jan 27   |
| 71  | Jimoh-Abdulghaffaar, Hidaayan Oluwamayowa | Physiology                                 | Jan 27   |

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



## Let's mould junior colleagues, Adeyemi urges senior academics

By Abubakar Imam

The Dean of the Faculty of Arts, University of Ilorin, Prof. Olalere Adeyemi, has called on senior members of the institution's academic community to always offer adequate and qualitative and timely support and mentorship to their colleagues, particularly incoming ones in order to replicate themselves in the younger ones.

The Dean made this call last Tuesday (January 16, 2024) while speaking at the inauguration of the Faculty's Mentoring Committee at his office.

Prof. Adeyemi said that it was important for the elders to prepare the younger ones for the tasks ahead for the University to be peopled by distinguished and thoroughly-baked academics who would ensure that the University remains the nation's most sought-after.

The Dean appreciated the support of the Chairman and members of the Committee not only to him and the Faculty but also to the Vice Chancellor and the management of the University.

He explained that the terms of reference of the Committee include the provision of mentorship to both the junior



■ Prof. Adeyemi (third right) with Prof. Yusuf (second right) and other members of the committee after the inauguration last Tuesday

and senior staff members as it affects career progression, research output and work ethics, among others.

Responding, the Chairman of the Committee, Prof. Badmas Olanrewaju Yusuf, thanked the Dean and management of the Faculty for tasking him and his colleagues with the mentorship of staff of the Faculty.

Prof. Yusuf, who is also a one-time Dean of the Postgraduate School, University of Ilorin, assured that the

Committee would do its best so that the Faculty would continue to deliver high quality services and remain a pride to the University and its stakeholders.

The Committee, which subsequently held its inaugural meeting, comprises of Prof. Ronke Olademo, Prof. Gbenga Fakuade, Prof. Sam Aghalino, Prof. Issa Olanrongbe Sanusi and Prof. Solomon Ikibe, who would serve as its Secretary.

## UNILORIN expels 'Plato' over misconduct

By Mustafa Abubakar

The management of the University of Ilorin has expelled Mr Mathew Adeboye Balogun (a.k.a Plato) with Matriculation Number: 14/25OD062.

Mr Balogun was expelled having been found guilty of allegation of sexual molestation committed against vulnerable students and admission seekers into the University.

This was contained in a letter of notification of expulsion from the University's Student Affairs Unit with Reference number:UIL/SAU/SAO/2024/01, titled, "Re: Allegation of Misconduct against Balogun, Mathew Adeboye", dated Wednesday (January 3, 2024) and signed by the Deputy Registrar, Student Affairs, Mr Moses Opaleke, copy of which was made available to UNILORIN BULLETIN



■ Balogun

penultimate Monday (January 8, 2024).

The letter stated, "Kindly recall that the social media was set agog with the report of sexual molestation by Balogun, Mathew Adeboye Matriculation number 14/25OD062 (aka Plato)"

Subsequently, he was invited to

appear before the Student Disciplinary Committee on October 16, 2023, which he did not honour.

The letter further stated, "At the second sitting of 19th October, 2023 of the Student Disciplinary Committee when he showed up, he admitted to the second charge against him for misconducting himself in such a way that he took unlawful and undue advantages of vulnerable students and admission seekers by sexually molesting them under the pretense that he could influence their results and or offer them admissions into the University, contrary to Clause 3(a) viii, 3(b) and 4(k) of Students' Information and Regulations Handbook".

"On 25th October, 2023 he was served his letter of expulsion and consequently expelled from the University", the letter stated.

## Musa's son weds

Ayinde Ishaq Musa, the son of the Caretaker at the Directorate of Corporate Affairs, University of Ilorin, Mrs Bolajoko Musa, will this Saturday (January 27, 2024) tie the nuptial knot with his heartthrob,

Maryam Aduke Tajudeen.

A copy of the wedding notification made available to UNILORIN BULLETIN stated that the ceremony will hold at the Fate/Basin Primary and Secondary School, Beside

Fate Central Mosque, Fate, Ilorin, beginning at 10am.

Members of the University community and general public are cordially invited.



- An alumnus of the University of Ilorin, who is also the Chief Executive Officer of Olatunde Prestige Limited and Bezaleel Manufacturing Company, Mr Tunde Ebidero, has shared his feelings on the need for the government to give more supports to SMEs, enhance job creation, boost exports and reduce forex crisis. ("Nigeria becoming dumping ground for imported furniture - Operator", *The Punch*, Friday, January 12, 2024, P.24)
- A former Director of the Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies (CPSS), University of Ilorin, who is currently the Vice Chancellor of Ahman Pategi University (APU), Pategi, Prof. Mahfouz Adebola Adedimeji, has been named among new members of the Board and management of the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria (NAHCON) recently appointed by President Bola Ahmed Tinubu. ("President Tinubu appoints new board management of NAHCON, NCPC", *The Herald*, Friday, January 12, 2024, P. 18)
- A former Dean, Postgraduate School, University of Ilorin, who is currently the Director of the University's Centre for Linguistic Immersion, Prof. Badmas Olanrewaju Yusuf, has admonished President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, to beam the searchlight of his administration on Ministers and other appointees suspected to have misappropriated public funds placed in their care. ("Betta Edu: Beam searchlight on other appointees, Unilorin Don tells Tinubu", *The Herald*, Sunday, January 14, 2024, P.5, : "Eduagate: Varsity Don want Ministers, Others probed", *Leadership*, Monday, January 15, 2024, P.16)
- While speaking at a reception organised in honour of Mallam Yusuf Olaolu Ali, SAN, a former Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, who is also the current Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede, has argued that it was only Allah that determined how best to reward good deeds, noting that Mallam Ali rightly deserved to be honoured with Professorship having been offering *probono* teaching and research at UNILORIN for no fewer than two decades without looking forward for the honour. ("Grand Garland For Garlander Yusuf Ali ", *The Guardian*, Sunday, January 14, 2024, P.25, : "Grand Garland for Kajola Champion, Yusuf Ali, SAN", *National Pilot*, Monday 15th-Sunday 21st, 2024, P.13, : "In honour of Kajola Champion, Yusuf Alli SAN", *Blueprint*, Friday, January 13, 2024, P.20)
- In a newspaper interview, Prof. Mubarak Oloduowo Ameen of the Department of Chemistry, University of Ilorin, has reviewed his career and that of his brother,

Prof. Ahmed Oloduowo Ameen of the University's Department of Computer Science, which culminated in their promotion to the rank of Professor on the same day by the authorities of the same University.

("How my brother and I became Professor same day in same varsity -UNILORIN don" *Sunday Tribune*, January 14, 2024, P.23)

- A paper delivered by Prof. Hassan Saliu of the Department of Political Science, University of Ilorin at an event organised by Ilorin Emirate Professors' Association in Ilorin, the Kwara State Capital has been published. ("Pressing Challenges facing the Ilorin Emirate and Some Pathways", *National Pilot*, Monday 15th -21st January, 2024, P.4)
- While delivering the 251st Inaugural Lecture of the University of Ilorin titled "the Risk of not taking Risk in Agricultural Innovations and Gender Inclusivity", Prof. Opeyemi Ayinde of the institution's Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management, has encouraged Nigerian farmers to adopt climate resilient crop varieties to mitigate risk and boost crop production. ("UNILORIN don asks farmers to adopt climate -resilient Crop varieties", *Blueprint*, Monday, January 15, 2024, P.15, : "Unilorin don emphasises risk in agricultural innovaion ", *Nigerian Tribune*, Tuesday, January 16, 2024, P.13, : "Varsity Don emphasises danger in agricultural innovations ", *The Herald*, Wednesday, January 17, 2024, P.9, : "Unilorin Don Advocates Comprehensive Agric Policy to maintain low Inflation, Stabilise Economy ", *Thisday*, Monday, January 15, 2024, P.46, See also, "Agriculture Don advocates gender equity on adoption of technology innovation", <https://ashnewsdaily.com>)
- The name of the Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has been mentioned among other dignitaries who laid the wreath in honour of falling heroes at this year's edition of the annual Armed Forces Remembrance Day celebration. ("Armed Forces Remembrance Day: Kwara Gov Salutes gallant security officers", *The Herald*, Wednesday, January 17, 2023, P.13)
- The Founder, Board of Trustees, Governing Council, management and staff of Ahman Pategi University (APU), Kwara State, have congratulated the former Director of the Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies (CPSS), University of Ilorin, who is also the Vice Chancellor of APU, Prof. Mahfouz Adebola Adedimeji, on his recent appointment as a Board Member of the National Hajj Commission of Nigeria. ("APU celebrates VC's appointment to board", *The Nation*, Thursday, January 18, 2024 P.18)

## Open Ph.D. Theses Defence

| S/N | NAME                      | FACULTY/DEPARTMENT                           | TITLE   | DATE&TIME   | VENUE                            |
|-----|---------------------------|--|---|---|----------------------------------|
| 1.  | OYELEKE, Mufutau oyetunji | Engineering and Technology/Civil Engineering | Performance of Reinforced Self-Compacting Concrete Baem-Column Connection in Framed Structure                       | Monday, 29 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024/10:00am    | NWRCBNet-NC Board Room(Block 8)  |
| 2.  | SHOLADOYE, Muniru Oyewale | Engineering and Technology/Civil Engineering | Characterization and Reliability of Deactivated Soil Waste for Geotechnical Safety of Structural Foundation         | Tuesday, 30 <sup>th</sup> January, 2024/10:00am   | NWRCBNet-NC Board Room (Block 8) |
| 3.  | BALLA, Sunday Kilkabu     | Engineering and Technology/Civil Engineering | Evaluation of Performance Goals Possible Intermodal Points of Interchange for a Viable Intermodal System in Nigeria | Wednesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> January, 2024/10:00am | NWRCBNet-NC Board Room (Block 8) |





## Why we chose UNILORIN – International students

By Tajudeen Babamale

The University of Ilorin has been described as the most alluring, compelling and attractive University to international students seeking a top-notch education. This is possible because of its track record of excellence, stable academic calendar and report of teeming graduates of the institution who are doing well in their various careers.

This was the consensus of opinion of the international students of the University who spoke at a luncheon organised for them by the Vice Chancellor of the institution, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, on Monday, January 1, 2024 at the Vice Chancellor's Lodge.

Speaking at the event, a student of the Department of Computer Science, who is also the President of the International Students Association of the University, Mr. Sheriff Ibrahim, shared his thoughts on why UNILORIN is the preferred choice for international students.

Mr Ibrahim stated that "I chose UNILORIN for its modest reputation, a crucial factor considering the background I come from. The institution is known for providing excellent training to its students, and this was a significant consideration for me".

He went on to identify the University's welcoming atmosphere, describing it as a comfortable home for international students.

Mr Ibrahim expressed gratitude for the simplified processes that make the University be like a home away from home. He also commended the fast-paced academic calendar, which allows for efficient progress in studies.

On his part, Mr Jesse Mundama, of the Department of Medicine and Surgery, explained his admiration for the University, citing the consistent track record of excellence demonstrated by its graduates.

Mr Mundama, a Cameroonian, said his decision to pursue his medical education at the University of Ilorin is not only based on the University's reputation but also on its favourable ranking, adding that the institution has garnered commendation for its commitment to academic excellence and has been recognised as a leading educational institution in Nigeria.

Also speaking, a student of the Department of History and International Studies and a citizen of Guinea-Conakry, Miss Mayram Ahmed, said her decision to enroll at the University of Ilorin was due to her personal connection to the city. She said, "I chose UNILORIN for several reasons. Firstly, I was born and raised here in Ilorin. Secondly, both of my brothers are proud graduates of this University, with one completing his studies in the History



### ■ The Vice Chancellor (middle) with some of the foreign students recently

graduating from the University. Department. Lastly, I heard that the University warmly welcomes and values international students, an aspect of the University's culture that further motivated me to become a part of the UNILORIN community," she explained.

Another Cameroonian, who is also a student in the Department of Medicine and Surgery, Mr Kiyoh Elian Vutsibuong, said that his decision to pursue his medical studies in Nigeria was influenced by the wise counsel of a distinguished Professor in Cameroon whom he greatly admires. He said his mentor, who is also a proud graduate of the University of Ilorin, played a pivotal role in guiding him through the admission process, ultimately securing him a coveted place at the prestigious institution.

While observing that the journey to the most sought-after University was not without its challenges as he faced the daunting task of transitioning from being a third-year student (300L) in Cameroon to starting afresh as a first-year student (100L) at UNILORIN. He said despite the initial hurdles, he persevered, demonstrating resilience and commitment to his academic goals.

Also speaking, another Cameroonian who is studying Civil Engineering at the University, Mr Houatchueng Tadjuidje Maurel, said his decision to enroll at the institution was not arbitrary; rather, it was influenced by the success and recommendations of his elder brother, who graduated from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in the last academic session.

According to Mr Maurel, his brother spoke highly of UNILORIN's academic excellence and exceptional courses, creating a strong motivation for him to follow in his brother's footsteps.

He opined that the University has garnered a reputation for providing high-quality education and fostering an environment conducive to academic success.

On her part, a student of Anatomy, who hails from Guinea-Conakry, Miss Diakite Hauwa Doma, narrated that her choice of University of Ilorin was based on the success stories of her two uncles, who are thriving in their respective fields after

She explained that report on the stable academic calendar and the reputation of a fast-paced academic journey, influenced her choice.

Despite the inevitable challenges and stress that come with pursuing higher education, Miss Hauwa noted that the overall experience at UNILORIN has been worthwhile, noting that the University's pleasant environment and the accommodating nature of its people have created a positive atmosphere conducive to learning and personal growth.

Miss Hauwa also expressed her gratitude to the University's management for providing her with the opportunity to study at a reputable University, an institution renowned for its commitment to academic excellence and holistic development of its students.

Another Guinean who is a student at the Department of Health Education, Miss Camara Salimat Hawa, said her decision to enroll at the most subscribed University in Nigeria was guided by the University's strong and well-respected reputation, particularly for the quality of its certificate. More so, she said her parents, who hold UNILORIN in high regard, were impressed with the institution's emphasis on modesty and character development, which further reinforced her choice.

A Sierra Leonean student at the Department of Information Technology, Mr Holima Sandy, called for educational excursions to historical places in Kwara State to enrich the cultural and historical experiences of the international students.

Mr Sandy said that before enrolling at UNILORIN, he was intrigued by pictures of historical places in Kwara State posted by some alumni of the University.

He appealed to the management of the University to organise trips to historical places in Kwara State for students to learn more beyond what is obtainable in the classroom. He explained that the value and enrichment such outings would bring to the educational experience would enable students to appreciate the cultural and historical aspects of their host state.