

UNILORIN, S/Korean varsity sign MoU on smart farming

By Mustafa Abubakar

The Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Ilorin, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Institute of Smart Space Agriculture (ISSA), Gyeongsang National University, South Korea.

The MoU signing, which was held last Wednesday (June 4, 2025) at the University of Ilorin and witnessed by Principal Officers and stakeholders from both institutions, was a direct outcome of the just concluded FETiCON 2025, the international engineering conference hosted by the Faculty of Engineering and Technology (FET), University of Ilorin.

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■ Prof. Odusote (left) and Prof. Kim (right) after the MoU signing

UNILORIN, NACOE's bond rooted in mutual respect – Egbewole

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has reaffirmed the strong institutional bond between the University and the Nigeria Army College of Education (NACOE), Sobi Barracks, Ilorin, describing the bond as one rooted in mutual respect and shared goals.

Prof. Egbewole stated this penultimate Wednesday (May 28, 2025) while receiving the newly deployed Provost of NACOE, Brigadier-General Emmanuel Chidi Echebiwe, who was on a familiarisation visit to the University.

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■ Brigadier-General Echebiwe (right) presenting a copy of NACOE's journal to Prof. Egbewole (left) during the visit

We are what we eat, Elelu counsels Nigerians on quality of meat intake

By Abubakar Imam

A Professor at the Department of Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine, University of Ilorin, Nusirat Elelu, has said that what an individual eats reflects profoundly in the quality of his/her life.

Prof. Elelu stated this last Thursday (June 5, 2025) while delivering the University's 283rd Inaugural Lecture, entitled "The Public Health Veterinarian through Ticks, Snails and Community Service" at the University Auditorium.

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■ Prof. Elelu

Egbewole greets UNILORIN Muslim community at Eid-el-Kabir

By Abubakar Imam

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has felicitated with the University of Ilorin Muslim Community and the entire Muslim Ummah on the occasion of this year's Eid-el-Kabir festival marked worldwide last Friday, June 6th, 2025.

In a statement issued by the University's Director of Corporate Affairs, Mr Kunle Akogun, the Vice Chancellor said that it was "a thing of joy that we witnessed the celebration, which is in symbolic remembrance of Prophet Ibrahim's act of piety and steadfastness in the worship of Almighty Allah.

Prof. Egbewole, who described the occasion as one of the most important annual events of the Muslim calendar, urged members of the University's Muslim community to celebrate in moderation.

He reminded the Muslims of the genesis of the festival, which, he said, is rooted in obedience, faithfulness and perseverance demonstrated by Prophet



■ Prof. Egbewole

Ibrahim and his son, Ismail.

Prof. Egbewole urged the Muslim faithful to imbibe those fascinating virtues demonstrated by Prophets Ibrahim and Ismail for our nation to witness the much-envisioned rebirth.

The Vice Chancellor, who is also the Secretary-General of the Association of West African Universities (AWAU), appealed to

well-to-do Muslims to use the occasion to extend hands of fellowship to their less-privileged neighbours in their various communities in particular and the larger society for peace and love to reign.

The Professor of Jurisprudence and International Law commended the entire members of the University community for their contributions to the prevailing peace and harmony in the University and for working tirelessly towards ensuring the realisation of making the University the first in Nigeria, one of the best ten in Africa and among the leading 500 in the world. He said, "With the continuous cooperation of the staff, the University would not only achieve the dream but also surpass it."

Prof. Egbewole congratulated the Chairman of the Unilorin Muslim Community, Prof. Mudashiru Olalere Yusuf, the Chief Imam of Unilorin Central Mosque, Prof. Nasir Abdussalam, and the entire members of the Muslim Community on the occasion as he wished all a very peaceful and remarkable celebration.

UNILORIN alumnus, Isiaka, wins Leverhulme Trust Fellowship

By Tajudeen Babamale

A 2016 First Class graduate of Biology Education from the Department of Science Education, University of Ilorin, Dr Abass Isiaka, has been awarded the prestigious Leverhulme Trust Early Career Fellowship to undertake an ambitious research project at the School of Education and Lifelong Learning, University of East Anglia (UEA), United Kingdom.

The highly competitive fellowship supports outstanding early career researchers to carry out independent, impactful, and publishable work at UK institutions for a period of three years.

Dr Isiaka, currently serving as a Senior Research Associate at the Centre for Higher Education Research Practice Policy and Scholarship at UEA, was selected based on his impressive academic credentials and innovative research proposal.

With his project, entitled "Disabling by Design: Recasting the Future of Higher Education Policies in Africa", this illustrious alumnus of the University of Ilorin aims to develop a social history of higher education in relation to disability inclusion, by tracing policy and institutional developments from 1940 to the present.

In a phone chat with **UNILORIN Bulletin**, Dr Isiaka said that his work will adopt a histo-futurist methodology, which is a combination of historical analysis and future-oriented thinking, to uncover how colonial legacies and contemporary policies have shaped the inclusion (or



■ Dr Isiaka

exclusion) of persons with disabilities (PWDs) in West African higher education systems.

He stated that the research will involve archival and ethnographic work in both the UK and Nigeria and will be carried out in close collaboration with a leading Disabled People's Organisation (DPO), such as the Joint National Association of Persons with Disabilities in Nigeria (JONAPWD). According to him, this partnership will ensure that the study is co-produced with the disabled community, enriching its relevance and impact.

Dr Isiaka expressed deep appreciation for the fellowship, describing it as a validation of his long-standing commitment to disability justice and inclusive education. He said, "This award will provide me with the opportunity to explore the connection between coloniality and disability and how it continues to shape disabled people's access to higher

education in West Africa." He added that "it will also help us reflect on how similar patterns might be visible across other regions of Africa".

After graduating top of his class at UNILORIN in 2016, Dr Isiaka won the Commonwealth Scholarship in 2018, which enabled him to pursue a Master's degree in Education, Public Policy and Equity at the University of Glasgow, UK. He subsequently obtained a Ph.D. in Inclusive Education from the University of East Anglia in 2024.

Dr Isiaka has focused on widening participation, decolonising higher education, and improving access for marginalised groups, particularly persons with disabilities. His upcoming Leverhulme-funded study is expected to make a significant contribution to scholarship and policy debates around disability justice and inclusive education in Africa and beyond.

Reflecting on the essence of the project, he said: "It presents innovative approaches to gathering histories and making new possibilities, allowing for a future that acknowledge and attempt to avoid the violence of the past and the present".

He added that while substantial research exists on the colonial roots of higher education in Africa, little has been done to interrogate the enduring impact of (neo) colonial systems on disabled students' experiences and aspirations, especially in West Africa. "By uncovering the often-silenced histories of disabled people in the fight for independence and access to education, this project seeks to reimagine inclusive futures," he said.



UNILORIN, NACOE's bond rooted in mutual respect – Egbewole

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The Vice Chancellor said that the University of Ilorin is committed to supporting NACOE's academic advancement and is open to exploring fresh opportunities for collaboration in the interest of national development.

While highlighting the importance of sustained engagement between the two institutions, particularly in areas of staff development, curriculum support, and quality assurance, Prof. Egbewole assured the visiting team that the University would continue to provide the necessary academic and institutional support to ensure the survival and growth of NACOE's new programmes.

Earlier in his remarks, the Provost of NACOE, Brigadier General

Echibiwe, explained that his visit was to seek the University's continued support for the College's academic programmes.

While saying that his recent redeployment as the Provost of NACOE was his fourth official visit to Ilorin, he emphasised the importance of collaboration with the University of Ilorin in ensuring the success of NACOE's operations.

Brigadier General Echibiwe disclosed that the College is currently running ten academic programmes and may require the assistance of the University in facilitating and supporting these courses. He expressed confidence that the long-standing relationship between both institutions would pave the way for deeper academic partnerships.

The Provost solicited a renewed

commitment to collaboration and mutual support, to set positive tone for the future of academic cooperation between the University of Ilorin and the Nigeria Army College of Education.

The Vice Chancellor was joined to receive the military team by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Odunola; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research Technology and Innovation), Prof. Muhtar Adeiza Etudaiye; the Registrar, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfa; the University Bursar, Mr Abiodun Lawal; and the Ag Director of Security, Mr Paul Ogidi.

Olorunshola bags CVSN Fellowship

By Mustafa Abubakar

The College of Veterinary Surgeons Nigeria (CVSN) has conferred its Fellowship award on a Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Ilorin, Dr Isaac Dayo Olorunshola.

A letter of award, signed by Dr Helen Chime Ego Oputa, the Interim College Secretary, stated that Dr Olorunshola's Fellowship award follows his successful completion of the professional postgraduate programme in the Faculty of Pathology of the College.

The letter stated, "This is to inform you that you have successfully completed the Fellowship programme in the Pathology Faculty of the College of Veterinary Surgeons Nigeria. And having satisfied all the requirements, you have been awarded Fellow of the College of Veterinary Surgeons, Nigeria (FCVSN) in Microbiology with effect from 17 November, 2023".

The Interim College Secretary further confirmed that Dr Olorunshola was admitted into the Fellow class in the Faculty of Pathology in 2018 and completed the programme in 2023, passing all seven

required courses within the three years allotted for the programme.

In a formal communication to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, Dr Olorunshola expressed appreciation for the permission granted him to attend the part-time professional training.

Dr Olorunshola's achievement marks a significant milestone in his professional journey and reflects the University's commitment to staff development through continuous academic advancement.

We are what we eat, Elelu counsels Nigerians on quality of meat intake

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The Inaugural Lecturer explained that research has confirmed that animal diseases often affect human beings, pointing out that more than 70% of the emerging and re-emerging diseases that have affected humans over the past two decades came from animals.

Prof. Elelu advised Nigerians to give greater consideration to the quality of meat they consume to safeguard their health, saying that safeguarding the health of the population must be the watchword of all.

The Inaugural Lecturer, who is a former Head of the Department of Veterinary Public Health and Preventive Medicine, said that every effort must be made to prevent disease in animals to ensure that the health of human beings is not negatively impacted by what they consume from animals.

As a result of the relationship between human and animal health, Prof. Elelu said that health professionals must adopt multi-disciplinary health strategies to ensure effective and sustainable improvement in service delivery.

She explained that the suggestion is even more plausible among resource-poor countries as she noted that the multidisciplinary approach such as exemplified by one health strategy would serve the intended purpose.

The Inaugural Lecturer pointed out that public health, unlike other fields of medicine, is not about doctors treating individual patients but about an entire population.

Prof. Elelu, who is also the Executive Secretary of the Kwara State Primary Healthcare Development Agency, recalled that the success recorded in the control of the avian influenza epidemics in Nigeria between 2006 and 2010 was largely due to the coordinated efforts of the human and veterinary medicine professionals.

She explained that some diseases such as Zoonotic TB cannot be checked by the human health sector alone, saying that veterinarians and other stakeholders in the public health sector must work together by carrying out joint nomadic vaccination, targeting both their livestock and children.

Prof. Elelu, who has won several awards and recognitions, also canvassed integrated human and animal health surveillance through a sustainable programme involving veterinary and medical experts both nationally and internationally for a successful disease control programme.

For food safety and to address the role of animals in maintaining and transmitting the disease and in view of

the absence of effective preventive vaccinations or chemotherapy, Prof. Elelu called for strengthened joint human and animal health surveillance at the hospitals and meat inspection in the abattoirs.

Prof. Elelu, who is also the first female Professor of Veterinary Medicine from Kwara State, also called on stakeholders in animal husbandry to ensure that farmers are duly educated on good farm management practices such as biosecurity, vector control, animal vaccination, and waste management. She explained that

this would reduce animal disease burden and translate to improved food security, poverty reduction as well as prevent human zoonotic disease infection.

The Inaugural Lecturer also called for an improved health information and communication, saying that it is important to strengthen and sustain prompt health communication between human health and animal health sectors in a joint public health strategy, as the timely sharing of information will allow prompt identification of geographical areas or patient groups with a high risk of zoonotic disease exposure. This, according to her, will facilitate a targeted response for prevention and control.

Prof. Elelu, whose Inaugural Lecture was the first from her Department and the third from the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, also called for massive awareness campaigns on animal diseases. She said that awareness campaigns, fortified with content-specific messages to target audiences, especially amongst those most at risk of contracting infections, would be of great assistance in reducing the spread of the diseases.

She noted that public enlightenment campaigns against the consumption of pasteurised dairy products should be intensified. This, she said, should be complemented with continuous engagement of the people with individually tailored messages. She said that would also be more beneficial.

Prof. Elelu also suggested that the dissemination of health information must be regulated, especially on social media platforms, limiting health-related postings to only qualified medical professionals.



■ The representative of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Fawole (right) congratulating the Inaugural Lecturer, Prof. Elelu after the Lecture last Thursday

She recalled that during the 2020 pandemic, everyone became a doctor with a lot of misguided viral social media health messages.

Speaking on veterinary medicine, Prof. Elelu described the discipline as a unique career that benefits both animals and humans.

She urged students to give whatever course of studies they are pursuing all seriousness, pointing out that greatness awaits those who are determined and industrious in whatever legitimate cause they pursue.

The Inaugural Lecture, which was presided-over by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor(Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole, was also attended by several dignitaries including the Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji (Dr) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, CFR, who was represented by the Balogun Alanamu of Ilorin, Dr Usman Abubakar Akanbi-Jos; a former Chief Justice of Nigeria, Justice Saliu Modibbo Alfa Belgore, GCON; the Grand Khadi of Kwara State, Justice Abdulateef Kamaldeen; the Chairman of National Health Insurance Authority, Senator Ibrahim Yahaya Oloriegbe; the National President of Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU), Alhaji Abdulmumini Ayo Abdulmalik; a former Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. AbdulGaniyu Ambali, OON; and the Kwara State Commissioner for Tertiary Education, Mrs Saadat Modibbo Kawu, among several others from far and near.

UNILORIN, S/Korean varsity sign MoU on smart farming

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While Prof. Hyeon Tae Kim, the Chief of the Institute of Smart Space Agriculture (ISSA), signed on behalf of the South Korean University, the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Ilorin, Prof. Jamiu Kolawole Odusote signed on behalf of Nigeria's most sought-after University.

The collaboration is aimed at enhancing knowledge

exchange, promoting student and faculty mobility, and supporting research in smart farming, which is an emerging area of technological innovation in agriculture.

Speaking at the event, the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Prof. Jamiu Kolawole Odusote, said that the objective of the memorandum is to establish a collaborative relationship between the two institutions and to support a studentship programme aimed at achieving smart farm initiatives.

"The collaboration aims to promote knowledge sharing and support studentship programmes towards achieving a smart farm, the Dean said, noting that the collaboration would facilitate the progress of both institutions.

In his remarks, the Director, Centre for International Education (CIE), University of Ilorin, Prof. Lateef Onireti Ibraheem, described the MoU as another milestone in the University's growing list of international academic partnerships.

Prof. Onireti said, "This MoU between the South Korean University and the University of Ilorin is another connection to our series of MoUs. Since the inception of this Administration, we have signed more than 50 MoUs, and most of them are active"

"We hope that this MoU will cement the collaborations between us and the South Korean University. Both universities stand to benefit immensely, especially in Engineering and Agriculture, which are the core focus areas of this MoU."

The Director, who teaches at the Department of Arabic, emphasised the importance of global partnerships in driving institutional development.

According to Prof. Onireti, "a University must be universal. A University without internationalisation as a priority is not a University. A University without international staff, students, or collaborations is not a University".

He said, "We have organised and established links and partnerships with other



universities across the world so that we will be complete. A University in itself cannot be complete without having partners across the globe. The University of Ilorin is getting better by far, day by day."

In the memorandum, the two institutions agreed to promote the exchange of knowledge, expertise, and best practices in smart farming. This includes sharing research findings, technological innovations, and successful implementation strategies aimed at enhancing the understanding and application of smart farming practices.

Both parties are also committed to facilitating student exchange programmes where students from UNILORIN's Faculty of Engineering and Technology will have the opportunity to visit ISSA in South Korea to gain practical experience, while South Korean students will study and conduct research at UNILORIN to understand Nigeria's unique agricultural challenges.

The memorandum also provides for the initiation of joint research efforts to tackle specific agricultural problems through innovation. These projects may include collaborative studies, development of new smart farming technologies, and pilot programmes that address region-specific issues.

The agreement equally encourages Faculty and staff exchange between both institutions as academic and administrative personnel will participate in teaching, training, and research activities at the partner institution for the purpose of promoting mutual professional development.

A joint committee comprising representatives from both universities will also be set up to implement and monitor the MoU's activities. The committee will meet regularly to assess progress, address challenges, and recommend initiatives to strengthen the partnership.

The MoU takes effect from the date of signing and will remain active for an initial period of five (5) years. It may be renewed or revised through mutual written consent.

Both institutions also acknowledged the importance of protecting confidential and proprietary information and that all shared data and intellectual property will be managed according to institutional policies and applicable legal frameworks.

In the event of any dispute related to the MoU—including issues of breach, interpretation, or termination—the matter shall be resolved through final and binding arbitration in the country of domicile of the respondent. The arbitration shall be conducted in English and overseen by a mutually agreed arbitrator.

Each institution will also bear its own costs relating to the implementation of the collaboration, including travel, accommodation, and research expenses.

However, both parties will actively seek external funding through grants, scholarships, or other sources to support joint programmes and exchanges.

The MoU may be terminated by either party with a six-month written notice. However, existing collaborative activities or commitments made prior to the termination date will not be affected.

The agreement was signed on behalf of the Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Gyeongsang National University, South Korea, by Professor Hyeon Tae Kim, Chief of the Institute of Smart Space Agriculture (ISSA), and on behalf of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Ilorin, by Professor Jamiu Kolawole Odusote, Dean of the faculty.

The signing of this MoU marks a significant step toward building a global research network for sustainable agriculture and smart technology development. It reinforces the University of Ilorin's position as a forward-thinking institution committed to solving societal challenges through international cooperation, research excellence, and capacity building.

Always be mindful of your health, Fawole urges colleagues

By Isaac Lewu

The Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Ilorin, Prof. Oluyemisi Bolajoko Fawole, has charged staff of the Faculty to always be mindful of their health.

Prof. Fawole gave this advice last Tuesday (June 3, 2025) while speaking at a One-Day Health Check organised by the Faculty for staff members at the Faculty



Boardroom.

The Dean said that the Faculty decided to organise the programme so as to draw the attention of the beneficiaries to their health status in order to precipitate necessary attention.

While explaining the significance of the programme, Prof. Fawole said that a healthy workforce is key to achieving higher productivity and better service delivery.

She, therefore, emphasised the importance of regular medical check-ups, stressing that it enables individuals to detect potential health issues early, which can then be addressed promptly and effectively.

Prof. Fawole urged all staff members to make routine health checks a priority, noting that prevention is always better and often cheaper than cure.

The Chairman of the Faculty

Welfare Committee, Prof. Mutiat A. Balogun, expressed appreciation to the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), University of Ilorin, Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole, who is also the Managing Director and CEO of Anchored Hospital, for approving the free health checks for staff of the Faculty.

Prof. Balogun also acknowledged the dedication and professionalism of the nurses and staff of the Hospital, noting that their efforts made the exercise smooth and impactful.

She explained that many staff members often neglect their health due to busy schedules, which is why the Committee felt the need to bring the services of the hospital to them.

Also speaking, the former Director of the Sugar Research Institute, University of Ilorin, Prof. Felix Takim, described the programme as not only

commendable but also the first of its kind in the history of the Faculty.

Prof. Takim urged his colleagues to take the exercise as a reminder that only a healthy person can fulfil his responsibilities effectively.

On his part, Dr Abimbola Arise praised the initiative and encouraged other Faculties to adopt similar initiatives for the benefit of their staff.

She noted that many staff members are overwhelmed by academic and administrative duties and often lack the time to visit hospitals.

Dr Arise described the medical check-up as a thoughtful gesture that puts staff welfare at the forefront and promotes a healthier University environment.

Abdulraheem bags IMC Fellowship

By Abubakar Imam

The Institute of Management Consultants (IMC) has conferred its Fellowship on a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Human Kinetics Education, University of Ilorin, Dr Yinusa Owolabi Abdulraheem.

Dr Abdulraheem was conferred with the award penultimate Thursday (May 29, 2025) at an event held in Lagos.

Speaking with **UNILORIN Bulletin** on the development, Dr Abdulraheem appreciated the

Institute for the honour as he also promised to always be its good ambassador.

Dr Abdulraheem also appreciated the authorities of the University of Ilorin for the privilege granted him to associate with relevant professional bodies.

He assured the Management that he would continue to do his best towards deepening the greatness of the University.



■ Dr Abdulraheem (left) receiving his Certificate of award from an IMC Council Member, Dr Doofan (right) penultimate

SALLAH VISIT TO VC, OTHER MUSLIM TOP SHOTS



Eid el-Kabir: Christian Staff pay Sallah visit to VC, other Muslim top shots

By Mustafa Abubakar and
Temitope Omoniyi

In a heartwarming display of inter-faith harmony and in keeping with a long-standing tradition, the Christian management staff of the University of Ilorin last Sunday (June 8, 2025) visited the homes of their Muslim counterparts.

Led by the Deputy Vice-

Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega Fawole, members of the delegation included the Dean of Life Sciences, Prof. Rotimi Olusanya Arise; the Dean of Arts, Prof. Olalere Adeyemi; the Director of Mentorship Centre, Prof. Tanimola Makanjuola Akande; the Director of Unilorin Renewable Energy Centre, Prof. Peter Oladapo Adeoye; and the Director of Gender

Studies, Prof. Patricia Omojasola.

The team visited the residences of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Egbewole, SAN; the Registrar, Mr. Mansur Alfania; the Bursar Mr. Abiodun Lawal; the University Librarian, Prof. Kamaldeen Omopupa; and the Dean of Physical Sciences, Prof. Abdullahi Alafara Baba.



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Faculty of Agric ready for UNILORIN's 50th anniversary – Dean

By Abubakar Imam

Ahead of the upcoming 50th anniversary of the University of Ilorin, the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Prof. Oluyemisi Fawole, has expressed the readiness of the Faculty to mark the milestone in a special way, saying that the management, staff and students are looking forward to the events.

Prof. Fawole stated this penultimate Wednesday (May 21, 2024) while speaking with *UNILORIN Bulletin* in her office.

The Dean explained that the Faculty would stage an agricultural exhibition where produce and products of its various Departments as well as journals of the Faculty would be displayed for all to admire as part of the events marking the anniversary.

Prof. Fawole, who is the 16th Dean of the Faculty, which was established during the 1982/1983 academic session, added that the programme would also be highlighted with financial support to be given to four agripreneurs who were unsuccessful at the British-American Tobacco of Nigeria Foundation awards given to six of their colleagues earlier in the year. This, according to her, is to enable the four Unilorites to also go into various agricultural businesses on the University campus.

She also said that a workshop that would bring the town and gown together on best agricultural practices would be organised to mark the upcoming anniversary.

Prof. Fawole explained that the workshop, which would be dedicated to highlighting the inevitability of "smart agriculture", would come up a week or two before the main events. She explained that the workshop would enable experts in the Faculty and practising farmers to exchange ideas on modern farming with a view to enhancing agricultural productivity.

The Dean explained that the Faculty is one of those that have brought remarkable traffic to the University in terms of sponsorships and collaborations with various local and international organisations.

Prof. Fawole, who teaches at the Department of Agronomy, said that the Faculty has also placed the University in the front burner in innovative agricultural practices, saying that the recent development of Ilomaz 2 and Ilomaz 3, which are maize varieties that are tolerant to multiple stresses, including drought and Striga



■ Prof. Fawole

hermonthica, attracted huge applause from agricultural stakeholders across the world.

She also said that 22 distinguished Professors from the various Departments of the Faculty have delivered thought-provoking Inaugural Lectures at the University over the years, saying that most of the lectures have made impressive impacts on food security in Nigeria and beyond.

The Dean, who is the third female scholar that would head the Faculty since its inception, said that alumni of the Faculty across the world are being mobilised to celebrate with the University.

She explained that the alumni of the Faculty have been most encouraging and impactful as she said that arrangements have almost been concluded by them to buy a tractor and a plough for the Faculty to enhance teaching and learning as well as agricultural production.

Prof. Fawole, who said that the farm equipment would cost the alumni about ₦33,000,000, said that more than ₦13,000,000 had been generated so far from the contributions of distinguished alumni of the Faculty who have also done so many things for the Faculty over the years.

Speaking on the magnitude and quality of alumni produced by the Faculty, the Dean explained that it had produced no fewer than 3000 graduates since 1987.

Prof. Fawole said while some of the alumni are pursuing their livelihood and doing well in agriculture-related enterprises, she noted that a number of them have branched off to other areas of human endeavours where they are also making huge impacts.

The Dean recalled the outstanding contributions of alumni like Dr Olajumoke Ojo, who now has a Ph. D. in Nursing Science; Dr Adekunle Omotosho, who is the Chief Executive of a Lagos-based Aristech solutions company; and the late Dr Mustapha Ayodele Popoola, who was a

former Special Assistant to the current Minister of Agriculture and Food Security, Senator Abubakar Kyari.

Other outstanding alumni of the Faculty as recalled by the Dean are Dr Olabode Ezekiel Adebisi, a leading businessman and former Commissioner for Agriculture and Food Security in Ekiti State; Hon. Kehinde Boluade, who is a Special Assistant to the Ekiti State Governor and Hon. Ebenezer Olamide Boluwade, an ex-banker, who is currently an Agricultural Assistant to the United States Agency for International Development's Special Mission in Nigeria.

Prof. Fawole also said that the Dean of the Faculty of the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Abuja, Prof. Hakeem Oyerinde; is a proud product of the Faculty. She also mentioned Prof. Ayo Toye, Prof. O. S. Balogun, Prof. A.K. Musa, and Prof. Sola Ojo as well as Dr Usman Dipo Akanbi, who is the current President of the Association of Nigerian Authors (ANA), among others, as some of the alumni of the Faculty who are also working at the Faculty as lecturers in various Departments.

The Dean also said that the Faculty has produced very active members who have held key leadership positions in the nation's most sought-after University such as Prof. O. O. Balogun, Prof. Luke Ayorinde and Prof. Abayomi Omotosho, who served as Deputy Vice Chancellors at various times.

Prof. Fawole added that the Faculty also produced about five Vice Chancellors for other sister universities among its staff such as Prof. O. O. Balogun, who served at the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta; Prof. Luke Ayorinde, who served at various times at Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, and Thomas Adewumi University, Oko; as well as Prof. Bashiru Raji, Prof. Popoola and Prof. Olabisi Ramota Karim, who also served as Vice Chancellors of the Fountain University, Osogbo, at various times.

As a way of creating more impacts, the Dean said that her Faculty is working towards embarking on large scale commercial farming to enhance teaching and learning and assist members of the University community and the general public on food security.

Prof. Fawole congratulated the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, and other Principal Officers of the University and the generality of the members of the University community on the upcoming celebration. She wished the University more accomplishments worthy of celebrations.



Experts urge UNILORIN students to be resilient, tech-driven

By Mustafa Abubakar

Tech entrepreneurs have charged students of the University of Ilorin to be resilient, purposeful, technologically driven, and courageous in facing future challenges.

The experts made the call penultimate Tuesday (May 27, 2025) at the CareerFest X TechSummit 2025, hosted by the UNILORIN Google Developer Groups (GDG) on Campus in collaboration with the University Student Union.

The Summit, which was held at the University Auditorium, brought together Nigeria's leading voices in technology, innovation, personal development, and the arts to educate, empower, and engage students on navigating their careers in a rapidly evolving world.

Speaking at the event, the CEO and Co-founder of Chowdeck, Mr Femi Aluko, who shared an emotional and

practical account of his professional journey in a session titled: "From Where I Stood to Where I'm Standing: How I Built a Career That Builds Others", spoke about resilience, mentorship, and the power of building for others while growing personally.

"True growth is not just personal. It's about creating platforms where others can rise too. Success is not a solo race. It becomes more fulfilling when your story inspires others to believe in theirs", he said.

On his part, Mr Gbenga Okunniyi, who addressed the challenges of balancing education with career ambitions in his presentation, "Balancing School, Work, and a Career In Tech", urged students to maximise their time and be intentional about building real-world skills.

"Your degree is your foundation, but what you build on it is your responsibility", he noted.

Mr Femi Taiwo, who is CTO at INITS Limited, who took the audience into the future on the topic, "Building a Future-

Proof Path in the AI Era", emphasised agility, continuous learning, and adaptability as must-have traits for succeeding in tech.

"In the AI era, it's not just what you know, but how fast you can learn and unlearn", he said.

Mr Adora Nwodo, a software engineer at Microsoft, in his presentation disclosed the "Four C's to skyrocket your Tech Career" as Curiosity, Consistency, Community, and Communication.

He advised students to always, "Stay curious. Build in public. Tell your story, and never stop learning".

In his presentation, Mr Ebuka Chidube, the Digital Marketing Manager at PiggyVest, encouraged students to intentionally craft careers that align with their passions and values.

In his presentation titled, "How To Build a Career That Works for You," Mr Chidube likened career planning to product design.

Earlier in his address, the lead organiser of GDG on Campus, UNILORIN, Mr Femi Obadimu, expressed appreciation to the speakers, attendees, and partners for making the event a success.

"We wanted to create a platform where tech, creativity, and purpose meet. Seeing the energy in the room tells us this vision is alive", he said.

The Summit, which was attended by a large number of University of Ilorin students and Tech-driven youths from outside the University campus, was highlighted with a networking session that allowed students to interact directly with speakers and peers, fostering collaboration beyond the event.



UNILORIN MSSN hosts workshop on balancing faith with success

By Bashir Dawodu

The Muslim Students Society of Nigeria (MSSN), University of Ilorin Branch, has held a workshop aimed at guiding its members on how to live purposefully in line with Islamic principles without compromising their hereafter.

The workshop, which took place penultimate Saturday (May 31, 2025), with the theme: "Finding Balance Through Islamic Principles," was held at the University Auditorium Basement.

In his presentation, a content creator, Mr Salaudeen Abdul Basit, who spoke on "Winning Without Selling Your Soul", urged students to pursue success through knowledge, integrity, and dedication, without straying from Islamic values.

"True victory begins when your soul is priceless and not for sale,"

Mr Salaudeen said, adding that "getting the best of this world without losing the hereafter should be every Muslim's priority."

He reminded the participants of the temporary nature of life, stressing the importance of preparing for the hereafter. He said, "A good Muslim should always be conscious of death, it can come at any time. All souls ultimately belong to Almighty Allah."

Mr Salaudeen also emphasised that Islam encourages hard work, patience, and reliance on God, debunking any notion that the religion promotes passivity or laziness.

On his part, the founder of Jarus Homes, Mr Suraj Oyewale (Sir Jarus) charged Muslim students to get themselves ready for opportunities ahead and never to hide their identity as Muslims.

"Face your studies, dream big, huddle to the right part and strive to be

expert and trustworthy in your doings for Almighty to bless them for you," he advised.

Also speaking, Mr Zakariyyah Rasheed, who is a writer, called on Muslim students to learn how to write the right way, which serve as an act of worship. "your pen is a trust, learn to write to beautify the world", he said.

He reminded the participants that all actions are being recorded by Allah as he urged them to do all things with the fear of Allah.

Also speaking, the Editor-in-Chief of UNILORIN MSSN, Mr Babalola Abdulqayum Luqman, appreciated all the invited guests for honouring the Association's invitation.

He also urged all MSSN members to be ready to serve whenever they are called upon as he also urged them to have absolute reliance in Allah.

Three Faculties shine at UNILORIN 2025 Inter-Faculty contests

By Mustafa Abubakar

Three Faculties-Clinical Sciences, Life Sciences and Communication and Information Sciences, have emerged victorious at this year's edition of University of Ilorin Inter-Faculty Quiz, Debate, and Public Speaking Contests, respectively.

The finals of the competition, which was organised by the University Quiz, Debate, and Innovation Committee, was held at the University Auditorium penultimate Friday (May 30, 2025), after weeks of rigorous preliminary stages and highly-competitive rounds that witnessed a display of intellectual prowess, eloquence, and spirited rivalry among the University's brightest minds.

Speaking with *UNILORIN Bulletin* last Tuesday (June 3, 2025), the Chairman of the Organising Committee, Prof. O. A. Iyiola, disclosed that "the Faculty of Clinical Sciences proved its academic mettle by taking the top spot in the Quiz competition while the Faculties of Life Sciences and Arts secured second and third positions, respectively".

The Faculty of Life Sciences



clinched the first position in the Debate Competition, with the Faculty of Engineering and Technology emerging the first runner-up. The Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences emerged the second runner-up.

The public speaking contest, according to the Organising Committee Chairman, was fiercely competitive with the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences winning the top prize. The Faculty was followed by the Faculty of Clinical Sciences which emerged as runner-up while the Faculty of

Basic Medical Sciences was the second runner-up.

Prof. Iyiola praised all participating students for their dedication, brilliance, and enthusiasm throughout the contest.

The competitions witnessed large turns-out of students who came to support their respective Faculties, making the finale not just a test of knowledge and eloquence but also a celebration of campus unity and academic spirit.

Sola-Ojo commends UNILORIN's LABTOP initiative, calls for replication across Nigerian universities

By Mustafa Abubakar

The International Coordinator of African Support Bureau (ASBE), University of Ilorin, Prof. Foluke E. Sola-Ojo, has commended the Centre for Laboratory To Product (LABTOP), University of Ilorin, on its role in promoting innovation and research commercialisation as she called for its replication in all Nigerian universities.

Prof. Sola-Ojo made the remarks last Tuesday (June 3, 2025) in an interview with *UNILORIN Bulletin* in her office.

She described LABTOP as a groundbreaking model that connects academic research with industry needs, thereby creating real-life solutions to national challenges.

"Innovation without implementation is a wasted inspiration," she said, stressing that the initiative demonstrates the



■ Prof. Sola-Ojo

University of Ilorin's leadership in bridging the gap between research and real-world application.

Prof. Sola-Ojo noted that the University's strategic focus on research-driven innovations aligns with Nigeria's national development goals, particularly

in sectors such as agriculture, energy, and healthcare.

She added that with the right policy frameworks for incubation and commercialisation, Nigerian universities could develop homegrown technologies and significantly reduce reliance on imported solutions.

Prof. Sola-Ojo also praised the administration of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, for fostering an academic environment that encourages creativity, problem-solving, and entrepreneurship.

According to her, initiatives like LABTOP show that the University is not just producing graduates but also nurturing innovators and job creators.

She said that the LABTOP initiative is part of the University of Ilorin's broader vision to become a centre of excellence in research, innovation, and entrepreneurship, thereby contributing meaningfully to Nigeria's socioeconomic development.





Ogunyale tasks aspiring journalists on skills for professional competence

By Bashirat Omotosho

A seasoned journalist, Mr Kehinde Ogunyale, has urged students of the Department of Mass Communication, University of Ilorin, to develop analytical skills, which would empower them with the capacity to uncover facts, tell compelling stories, and hold those in power accountable.

Mr Ogunyale gave this advice last Tuesday (June 3, 2025) while speaking at a seminar on "Data Journalism for Accountability and transparency. The event was organised by the Department of Mass Communication to expose students to the relevance of data journalism in modern media practice.

The veteran journalist, who works at the Dataphyte Foundation, explained that data journalism involves the ability to examine, analyse, and visualise data critically in order to

extract hidden facts and patterns needed for an impactful reporting.

Mr Ogunyale also emphasised that in an era where misinformation is rampant, journalists must adopt data-driven approaches to ensure credibility and accuracy. "Data is not just numbers. It's evidence. When properly analysed and visualised, it becomes a powerful storytelling tool," he said.

Responding to a question, Mr Ogunyale encouraged aspiring journalists to explore digital tools and open data sources to enhance their storytelling capabilities.

Earlier in his opening remarks, the Head of the Department, Dr Patrick Udende, described the seminar as timely, noting that "data literacy is now a crucial skill for every journalist who desires to influence policies and demand accountability in today's media landscape."

According to him "The future of journalism lies in the ability to combine storytelling with analytical skills. We must begin to see data as a powerful tool for social



■ Mr Ogunyale

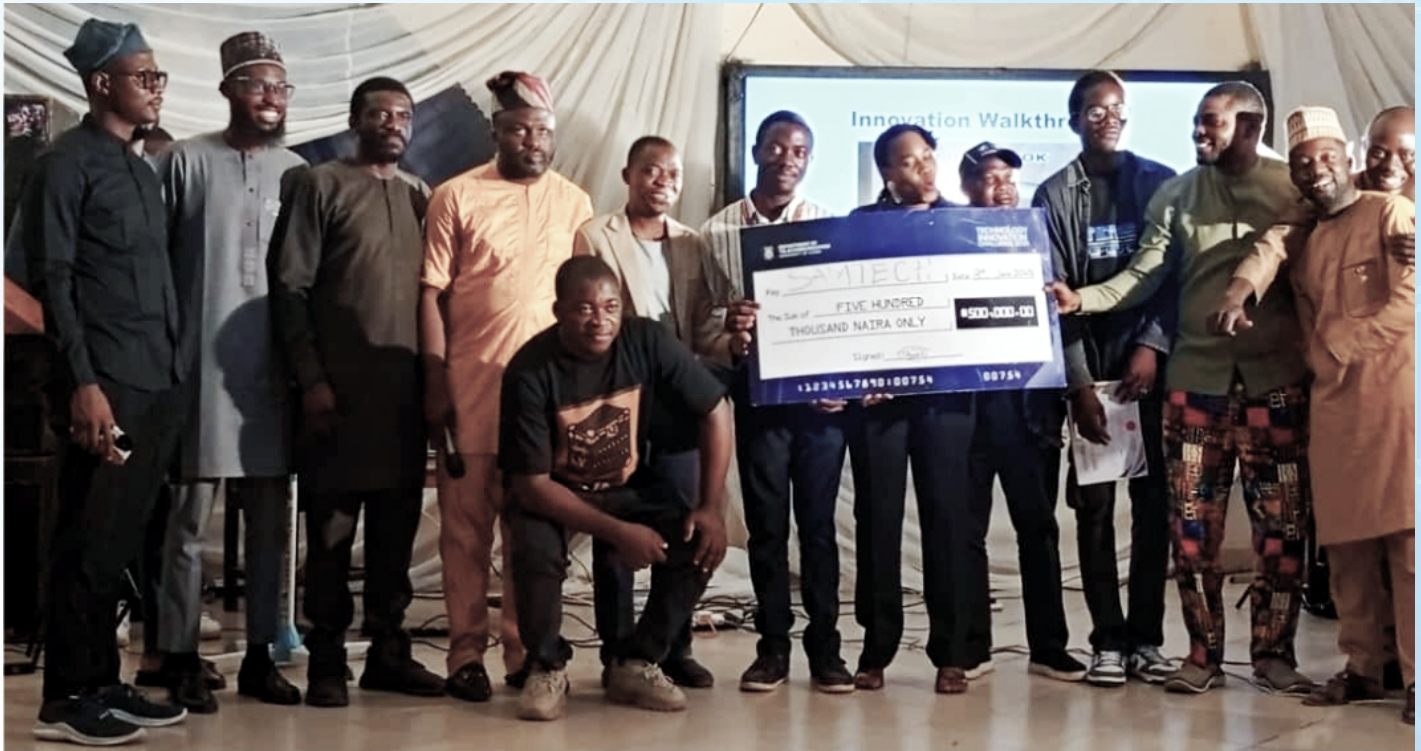
change."

A cross-section of students, who spoke with *UNILORIN Bulletin* on the sideline of the seminar, described the programme as insightful and inspiring.

In attendance at the programme were the Dean of the Faculty, Prof. Lukman Adesina Azeez; and former Head of the Department, Prof. Mustapha Kayode Lambe, among others.

Open Ph.D. Theses Defence

S/N	NAME	FACULTY/DEPARTMENT	TITLE	DATE&TIME	VENUE
1.	ABIOYE, Tunde	Engineering and Technology/Civil Engineering	Optimisation Model for Water Resources Development and Utilisation in the Sokoto-Rima River Basin, Northwestern Nigeria	Wednesday, 18 th June, 2025/10.00am	NWRCBNet-NC Board Room (Block 8)
2.	ADEYEMI, R oheemat Olabimpe	Arts/Linguistics and Nigerian Languages	"A Speech Act Study of Rara Alaafin Oyo"	Monday, 16 th June, 2025	Linguistics Phonetics Laboratory
3.	BABATUNDE, Christiana Taiwo	Arts/Linguistics and Nigerian Languages	"A Hermenecutic Study of the Yoruba Philosophical Thoughts in Selected Yoruba Written Poetry."	Tuesday, 17 th June, 2025/10:00am	Linguistics Phonetics Laboratory



Oloyede urges Telecom students to network, drive innovation

By Bashir Dawodu

The Head of the Department of Information Technology, University of Ilorin, Dr Mukhtahir Oluwaseyi Oloyede, has called on students of Telecommunication Science to actively engage with experts in the tech industry to drive innovation and provide solutions to pressing societal challenges.

Dr Oloyede made the call last Tuesday (June 3, 2025) while speaking at the grand finale of the maiden Technology and Innovation Challenge organised by the Department at CIS Lecture Theater.

He said “We are now living in a technological world,” adding, “Try to be creative and innovative for the development of society.”

He underscored the importance of collaboration, urging students to focus not just on building machines, but on creating real world solutions to both existing and emerging problems.

According to him, technology continues to bolster the global economy, reduce unemployment, and offer Nigeria a

sustainable path away from overdependence on the oil sector.

Dr Oloyede noted that challenges such as poor power supply, limited internet connectivity, and inadequate stakeholder participation threaten the growth of Nigeria's digital economy. These, he suggested, could be overcome through strategic policy making.

He equally encouraged students to cultivate creativity, embrace connectivity, and share ideas across industries for broader impact.

Also speaking, the Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences, Prof. Lukman Adesina Azeez, commended the Department for organising what he described as a “highly impactful initiative”.

Prof. Azeez urged students to take pride in their innovations, noting that many had already begun generating income through tech ventures.

“Identify problems and develop solutions,” he advised. “Be a source of inspiration to others.”

In her welcome address, the Head of the Department of Telecommunication Science, Dr

Adeniran Caroline, commended the students' creativity and passion for innovation. She encouraged them to embrace digital literacy and self employment.

“Fulfill your part in life by embracing digital literacy,” she said. “No need to search for a job, you are already self-employed as a student.”

Dr Adeniran also thanked sponsors and alumni for their continued support, emphasising that the challenge was more of a learning experience than a competition.

At the end of the contest, Team Samtech emerged as the overall winner, which earned it a cash prize of ₦500,000. Teams QTech Solutions and Medvi secured second and third places, winning ₦300,000 and ₦200,000, respectively.

Dignitaries at the event included the Director, Centre for Laboratory to Product LABTOP, Prof. M.J. Saka; the Director, Centre for Research, Development and In-House Training (CREDIT), Prof. Abdulkareem Oloyede; Prof. R. O. Oladele, Dr Hakeem Akande, and Mr Abdulrahman Musbau Dogo, among others.



Alumnus tasks UNILORIN Islamic Studies students on life after graduation

By Bashir Dawodu

Anigerian Army officer, Lieutenant Habeeb Bolaji Elemosho, has encouraged graduating students of the Department of Religions (Islamic Studies Unit), University of Ilorin to explore opportunities beyond traditional religious scholarship, particularly in the fields of entrepreneurship and Artificial Intelligence (AI) for them to have a great future.

Lt. Elemosho gave this advice last Monday (June 2, 2025) while speaking at this year's edition of the Department's annual symposium organised by its graduating students with the theme "Building Halal Personal Entrepreneurship in the age of Artificial Intelligence" held at the Faculty of Arts Lecture Hall.

He, however, urged them to pursue entrepreneurship and explore Artificial Intelligence with Islamic principles.

Lt. Elemosho, who is also an alumnus of the University, challenged the students not to limit themselves but to see their education as a gateway to wider societal impact.

"Don't limit yourself. Explore the right ways, because doing so can be

an act of worship," Lt. Elemosho said.

"An Islamic Studies certificate is not a barrier to greatness. Life may be hard at first, but ease will come if you put your trust in Almighty Allah," he explained.

The Army officer urged students to acquire digital and entrepreneurial skills, particularly in emerging fields like Artificial Intelligence, noting that AI is also transforming military operations, including drone warfare.

"Start developing digital skills, learn how AI works, and apply it in a halal way to benefit society," he advised.

He also said that, "entrepreneurship is not just about making money, but making halal income. That should be the goal of every Muslim entrepreneur."

Lt. Elemosho stressed that intention, transparency, and accountability are essential in any business pursuit, adding that the ultimate objective should be to please Allah while positively impacting the community.

Also speaking at the event, Mallam Abdulsalam Aladodo, the founder of Mobile Cap Moll, cautioned students against compromising their faith for fame or wealth.

"Your portion of wealth is already written by Almighty Allah," he said. "Be honest, trustworthy, and uphold integrity. These are the keys to long-term success in any venture."

He warned about the misuse of social media and Artificial Intelligence, stating, "AI will make brilliant people more brilliant and the foolish more foolish. Use it wisely to enhance your business and not for negative purposes that can destroy the society."

Speaking earlier, the Head of the Department of Religions, Prof. A.G. Alamu, who was represented by Dr A.O. Meleki, encouraged the students to diversify their skills and not be confined to traditional paths.

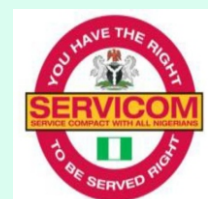
In his closing remarks, a Deputy Chief Imam of the University of Ilorin Central Mosque, Prof. Yahaya Oyewole Imam, thanked the guest speakers for their insightful contributions and urged the students to "think beyond being local champions" by stepping out of their comfort zones.

The event, which featured poetry rendition and presentation of awards of recognition to deserving individuals, was aimed at bridging faith based values with emerging technology and business opportunities.

Dignitaries in attendance included the Sub-Dean, Dr Abdulhamid Yusuf Badmus, Dr Yusuf Gambari, Dr Abdulgafar Olawale Fahm and Mr I.O. Oniye, among others.

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UNILORIN WEEKLY FINANCIAL DIGEST

FUND SOURCES AND UTILIZATION REPORT FROM 29TH MAY TO 5TH June 5, 2025

RECEIPTS:	AMOUNT
Academic Transcript	20,500.00
Sundry & Other Fees Student Charges	662,985.00
Sundry Other Incomes	15,358,236.25
Convocation Souvenir	77,900.00
Staff I.D Cards	4,000.00
Contractors' Registration fees	1,000.00
CODL- Undergraduate Charges	151,800.00
CODL- Form Processing Charges	15,200.00
Income from Verification /Screening	560,000.00
Capitation NHIS	21,750.00
Boarded Property	10,000.00
CCSCA- Clearance Charges	20,000.00
CCSCA- General Payment fees	610,500.00
Clinic Registration (Staff)	5,000.00
Others	10,000.00
Publication	268,900.00
Refund of Unspent Staff Personal Advance	5,000,000.00
Refund	2,088,525.78
Utility Income	26,500.00
Rent on University Property	2,000,000.00
Undergraduate Transcript Payment	683,800.00
Undergraduate Convocation Charges	239,900.00
Undergraduate School Charges	6,511,778.00
Postgraduate School Charges	9,144,070.00
Postgraduate School Transcript Payment	115,000.00
Postgraduate School Application Form	2,696,400.00
Postgraduate Acceptance Payment	80,400.00
Postgraduate Tuition Fees	366,900.00
Ilorin Business School Application Form	302,000.00
Ilorin Business School Charges	108,100.00
Remedial School Charges	236,400.00
Remedial Acceptance Payment	45,600.00
Remedial Application Form	15,200.00
Institute of Education Application Form	350,400.00
Institute of Education Acceptance Payment	915,200.00
JUPEB School Charges	1,983,800.00
JUPEB Clearance Charges	141,200.00
Total Receipt for the Period	N50,848,945.03
PAYMENTS	
PAYMENT TO CONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS:	
360 Degree Habitat Ltd Supply of 30HP Laptop	3,005,538.75
Raib Nigeria Ltd Repair work at Faculty of Environment	725,786.25
Zaamb Integrated Services Ltd Rehabilitation of Nissan Bus	19,314,847.50
Wazlat Global Services Ltd Repair of Hiace Bus	8,098,861.87
Ramsaky Nig Ltd Supply and Installation of two numbers Computer	6,235,000.00
Ibadan Electricity Distr. Coy Electricity bill for April 2025	152,368,282.63
Meem Solar Solutions Supply and Installation of 5KVA Solar System	6,847,750.00
Zendox International Services Limited Supply of Laptop Computer.	47,946,343.75
AIG-Hope Nig Ltd Supply and Installation of Window Blind.	6,371,307.14
Gibat Geosearch Nig Ltd Repair/Servicing of Borehole	997,866.50
PGC Cleaners and Merchants Waste Collection	60,000.00
Aplysafe International Ltd Development of E-Transcript Software System (CBNTETFUND)	2,998,387.50
OTHER PAYMENTS:	
Various Various i.e DTA, IMPREST, REFUND e.t.c	68,020,856.12
Purchase Advance Various	8,894,250.00
Unilorin Researchers Lodges Accommodation	1,705,200.00
Architects Registration Council Accreditation	850,000.00
Nigerian Legion(Abuja Liaison Office) Salary for May 25	370,000.00
Staff Training Staff Development Award(CBNTETFUND)	6,900,000.00
Unilorin Press Printing Jobs	3,641,288.00
Total TSA Charges Various	86,645.00
Total payment for the period	N345,438,211.01

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S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	BIRTHDAY
1	ANIYIKAIYE CHRISTIANAH OLUBUNMI	UNILORIN STAFF SCHOOL	08-Jun
2	SULEIMAN YEKEEN	PORTAL SERVICES	08-Jun
3	SALMAN MEDINAH TANWA	COMPUTER BASE TEST	08-Jun
4	OYEDEPO SUNDAY OLAITAN	BURSARY	08-Jun
5	MOHAMMUD SAADU ATOLAGBE	SECURITY DIVISION	08-Jun
6	MOHAMMED WAHEED	SECURITY DIVISION	08-Jun
7	KAZEEM MUINAT OLANIKE	MICROBIOLOGY	08-Jun
8	BALOGUN BAMITALE JANET	ENGLISH	08-Jun
9	RASHEED SHOFIU ADEWUYI	SOCIAL SCIENCE EDUCATION	08-Jun
10	GHAZAL KUDIRAT OLUBUNMI	UNILORIN STAFF SCHOOL	09-Jun
11	ADEFALU LAWAL LATEEF	AGRIC. EXTENSION & RURAL DEVELOPMENT	09-Jun
12	JEMIRIN DANIEL OLADELE	INDUSTRIAL CHEMISTRY	09-Jun
13	ALEGE SHERIFATU IBRAHIM	BURSARY	09-Jun
14	AJIBOLA TAIYE MARY	BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING	09-Jun
15	ABUBAKAR BASHEER MUHAMMED	REGISTRY	09-Jun
16	IBRAHIM MUSA	HOME ECONOMICS & FOOD SCIENCE	09-Jun
17	OLAWALE OLATUNBOSUN HAMED	WORKS: WORKS/MAINT. OFFICE	09-Jun
18	SANUSI HAMIDU OLADIMEJI	AGRIC. & BIOSYSTEMS ENGINEERING	09-Jun
19	BANJO HAMMED OLASUNKANMI	REGISTRY	09-Jun
20	ONIYE TAOFIQ OMOTOSHO	REGISTRY	10-Jun
21	FATOKI FLORENCE OMODUNKE	TRAINING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT	10-Jun
22	OWOETONI SAMUEL	WORKS: PARKS & GARDENS	10-Jun
23	OGUNGBADE OYELAKIN KUNMI	COUNSELLOR EDUCATION	10-Jun
24	OLUWAMOKOMI RICHARD	UNILORIN SUGAR RESEARCH INSTITUTE	10-Jun
25	OLUWATUYI GRACE OLUFAYOKE	REGISTRY	10-Jun
26	OMOKANYE LUKMAN OMOTAYO	OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY	10-Jun
27	ZAKARIYAH AISHATU OGAJA	REGISTRY	10-Jun
28	YISSA AKANBI	WORKS: WORKS/MAINT. OFFICE	10-Jun
29	ADEYANJU MONISHOLA OYINDAMOLA	BURSARY	10-Jun
30	AGBABIKA HABIBAH EROJE	OPTOMETRY & VISION SCIENCE	10-Jun
31	YUSUF ABDULGANIYU	SURVEYING & GEO-INFORMATICS	10-Jun
32	IMAM BASHIRAT TITIOPE	SCIENCE EDUCATION	10-Jun
33	JIMOH WASIU BANJI	INTERNAL AUDIT UNIT	10-Jun
34	POPOOLA OLADAPO RIDWAN	WORKS: MECHANICAL	10-Jun
35	IBITOYE COMFORT TOYIN	REGISTRY	11-Jun
36	HUDSON OLUFUNKE SYLVANA EYIWUMI	REGISTRY	11-Jun
37	AMALI MOHAMMED OTNOFU	PHARMACOLOGY & TOXICOLOGY	11-Jun
38	OMOLEWU OLATUBOSUN CHRISTOPHER	LINGUISTICS & NIGERIAN LANGUAGES	11-Jun
39	ADEDO ZULKARNAIN IBRAHIM	ARCHITECTURE	11-Jun
40	JIMOH SAIDU BOLAKALE	SCIENCE EDUCATION	11-Jun
41	IKHUEMIEN ` SYLVEATER	DIRECTORATE OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS	11-Jun
42	BELLO ABDULKAREEM BAMIDELE	FOOD & BIOPROCESS ENGINEERING	11-Jun
43	OLOYEDE ELIZABETH SHOLA	REGISTRY	11-Jun
44	UMAR NIMOTA OLANIHUN	SECURITY DIVISION	12-Jun
45	AHMED ABDULRASHEED ATANDA	BURSARY	12-Jun
46	LAWAL SAKA IYANDA	SECURITY DIVISION	12-Jun
47	ADELEYE EMMANUEL ADEKUNLE	INTERNAL AUDIT UNIT	12-Jun
48	BAKARE OMOTUNDE WAHEED	DIRECTORATE OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS	12-Jun
49	OGUNMODEDE JAMES AYODELE	MEDICINE	12-Jun
50	ODUNRINDE LUQMAN OLUSANJO	BURSARY	12-Jun
51	AFOLABI HAUWA	SECURITY DIVISION	12-Jun
52	JIMOH ELIZABETH FOLAKEMI	LIBRARY	12-Jun
53	EDUN ABDULKAREEM JIMOH	POLITICAL SCIENCE	12-Jun
54	LAWAL ISMAIL OLAYINKA	VETERINARY ANATOMY	12-Jun
55	LAWAL BALIKIS	REGISTRY	13-Jun
56	OKPANACHI SUNDAY	SECURITY DIVISION	13-Jun
57	LAARO WAHEED OLAIDE	SECURITY DIVISION	13-Jun
58	ABURIME AMINAT OZOHU	ARTS EDUCATION	13-Jun
59	SULAIMAN WASIU	SECURITY DIVISION	13-Jun
60	IBRAHIM MUSBAU KUNLE	REGISTRY	13-Jun
61	AJADI SULEIMAN ADI	REGISTRY	13-Jun
62	AKINTOLA OPEOLUWA OLATUNBOSUN .E.	VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH & PREVENTIVE MEDICINE	13-Jun
63	TIAMIYU SARAFI OYENIYI	REGISTRY	13-Jun
64	ABDULKADIR SHEHU	LIBRARY	13-Jun
65	AMBALI FAREEDAH OYINDAMOLA	VETERINARY MICROBIOLOGY	13-Jun
66	OYEDEPO OLANREWaju OLUBUKOLA	ANAESTHESIA	14-Jun
67	IJAIYA MUNIR-DEEN ADEREMI	OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY	14-Jun
68	AKANDE BAKARE	WORKS: PARKS & GARDENS	14-Jun
69	ABDULSALAM LUKMAN	LIBRARY	14-Jun
70	AKERE SAMUEL	SECURITY DIVISION	14-Jun
71	OTONEKWU FRIDAY OTU	REGISTRY	14-Jun
72	SAMUEL FOLUSHO OLUFUNKE	REGISTRY	14-Jun
73	ENIOLA FOLAKEMI JOYCE	REGISTRY	14-Jun
74	ADEWOYIN TIJANI ADEKOLA	DIRECTORATE OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS	14-Jun

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

- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has urged the Kwara State Police Command to intensify surveillance in off-campus areas surrounding the University for adequate security. ("UNILORIN VC urges Police to intensify surveillance, strengthen security around campuses", *BusinessDay*, Sunday, June 1, 2025, P. 13).
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has been commended for his leadership, which is enhancing the University's commitment to the promotion of indigenous innovations. ("FETICON 2025: UNILORIN VC Lauded For Visionary Leadership", <https://newtelegraphng.com>, "Why Nigeria still needs to centralise power – MD Siemens", <https://blueprint.ng>, "FETiCON 2025: Stakeholders chart path for indigenous solutions to Nigeria's food, energy, economic woes", <https://dailylinks.ng>, "FETICON 2025: UNILORIN VC Lauded For Visionary Leadership", <https://thereflection.com.ng>, "FETICON 2025: UNILORIN VC Lauded For Visionary Leadership", <https://nationaltrailonline.com.ng>, "Engineers plan to use indigenous technologies for food security", <https://medium.com>, "Engineers plan to use indigenous technologies for food security", <https://decency.home.blog>, "UNILORIN FETICON 2025: Engineering a Sustainable Future Through Indigenous Innovation", <https://rectitudenewsng.wordpress.com>, "UNILORIN Reaffirms Commitment to Indigenous Innovation at FETICON 2025 Opening", <https://rectitudenewsng.wordpress.com>).
- Tope Aladenusi, who is an alumnus of University of Ilorin, that was instrumental to pioneering cybersecurity

practice in Deloitte Nigeria, has been appointed to lead the Deloitte Cybersecurity services business in Africa. ("Nigeria's Aladenusi emerges cyber leader for Deloitte Africa" <https://blueprint.ng>)

- One Mr Mohammad Ahmad, who allegedly attacked and robbed two female students of the University of Ilorin while working on the school research farm, has been apprehended by the operatives of the Kwara State Police Command. ("3 months after release, robber who attacked Unilorin female students rearrested", <https://blueprint.ng>)
- An article written by the Deputy Editor, UNILORIN Bulletin, Mr Abubakar Imam, exploring staff members of the University of Ilorin, who had served or serving as Vice Chancellors has been published. ("UNILORIN: A Foundry For Vice Chancellors", <https://royalnews.com.ng>, "UNILORIN: A Foundry For Vice Chancellors", <https://highprofile.com.ng>)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has felicitated with the University of Ilorin Muslim Community and the entire Muslim Ummah on the occasion of this year's Eid-el-Kabir festival marked worldwide on Friday, June 6th, 2025. ("UNILORIN VC Egbewole Encourages Sacrifice, Fenerosity in Eid-el-Kabir Message", <https://gatmash.com>, "Egbewole Felicitates UNILORIN Muslim community at Eid-el-Kabir", <https://choicereporters.com>, "UNILORIN VC, Egbewole Felicitates With Muslims At Eid-el-Kabir", <https://www.dailytopic.com.ng>, <https://rectitudenewsng.wordpress.com>)

UNILORIN reaffirms commitment to indigenous innovation

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Highlighting the University's tradition of hosting solution-driven forums, Prof. Egbewole expressed optimism that FETICON 2025 will yield actionable results.

"At the University of Ilorin, we are always proud to host conferences that promote deep thinking and practical solutions. We are confident that the insights from our esteemed speakers will be highly beneficial. More importantly, this event goes beyond mere discussions;

we have been assured that Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) will be signed, translating words into tangible, actionable outcomes," he remarked.

The Vice Chancellor said that the University looks forward not only to acquiring knowledge but also to forging meaningful partnerships and implementing strategies that will address societal problems.

He said, "We eagerly look forward to learning a great deal from this conference—not just in terms of knowledge, but also in terms of meaningful partnerships and implementable strategies."

Also speaking, the Chairman of the Conference's Central Planning Committee, Prof. Kajogbola Rasaq Ajao, appealed to stakeholders to champion indigenous innovations as a pathway to sustainable development.

Prof. Ajao also called for a more vibrant exchange of knowledge among academics, industry leaders, policymakers, and innovators as he urged participants to work towards developing realistic community-driven solutions.

Awe loses mother

By Abubakar Imam

The death has been announced of Mrs Oluremi Mojisola Abraham, the mother of a Principal Assistant Data Analyst II at the Directorate of Corporate Affairs, University of Ilorin, Mr Olanrewaju Awe.

Mrs Abraham, who died in the early hours of Tuesday (June 3, 2025) at the age of 60, was, until her death, a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Home Economics, Federal College of Education, Kontagora, Niger State.

A statement made available to **UNILORIN Bulletin** by the family of the deceased explained that arrangements for

the burial of the remains of the deceased would soon be announced.

Meanwhile, the Director of Corporate Affairs, University of Ilorin, Mr Kunle Akogun, has described the late Mrs Abraham as an exemplary woman and a conscientious teacher who dedicated her life to raising others towards becoming good citizens.

Mr Akogun stated this in a condolence message addressed to Mr Awe on the death of his mother.

The Director, who said that the death of a mother at any point in life is always painful, urged Mr Awe to take solace in the fact that his late mother lived well and left a lot of fascinating legacies behind.



■ Late Mrs Abraha

Mr Akogun prayed to God to grant the deceased eternal rest and Mr Awe and his siblings the fortitude to bear the loss.



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UNILORIN reaffirms commitment to indigenous innovation

By **Mustafa Abubakar**

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has reaffirmed the University's commitment to the promotion of indigenous innovations.

Prof. Egbewole stated this last Monday (June 2, 2025) while speaking at the opening ceremony of the 3rd Faculty of Engineering and Technology Conference (FETICON). The theme of the conference was "Revitalising Communities: The Role of Indigenous Technologies in Addressing Food Security, Energy, and Economic Challenges for a Sustainable Future".

Represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services) of the University, Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole, the Vice Chancellor commended the conference organisers for bringing together highly resourceful speakers, stating that their presence reflects their firm commitment to innovation and unwavering contributions to national development.

He said "We are honoured to have an array of distinguished speakers. Their consistent support for progressive ideas and tangible impact across sectors highlight the importance of this



■ **Prof. Fawole**

gathering".

Speaking to the theme of the conference, Prof. Egbewole emphasised that the world has been forced to re-evaluate its priorities in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic. He noted that it is now more urgent than ever to look inward for solutions to challenges such as energy access, hunger, and poverty.

He noted, "Since the COVID-19 pandemic, the world has been compelled to

look inward. It has become necessary for all of us to ask: What can we do, using local solutions, to address the pressing issues that affect us? Global concerns such as energy access, poverty, and hunger continue to resonate across nations. Therefore, it is timely and appropriate that we examine these challenges from our own unique perspective and context". The Vice Chancellor expressed satisfaction with the role of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology in initiating cross-sector partnerships that aim to enhance capacity and drive innovation.

"We are pleased that the Faculty has fostered collaborations from various sectors. These partnerships will undoubtedly enable us to improve on our existing practices—to do what we have been doing in better, more efficient ways—ultimately leading to improved outcomes and innovations", he stated.

He stressed that the focus areas of the conference mirror Nigeria's current realities, especially as they relate to food security, energy, and economic resilience.

According to him, "These are core issues that define our present situation. We are truly excited about the conversations and contributions that this conference will spark."

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