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UNILORIN kicks off 41st Convocation ceremonies

...Wurie, Sierra Leonean Minister, to deliver Convocation Lecture

By Abubakar Imam

As the 41st Convocation Ceremonies of the University of Ilorin gets underway, the University management has released the programme of activities for the event that formally kicks off today (Monday, October 19, 2026) with the Vice Chancellor's Press Briefing and Media Chat.

Already, the entire University campus is wearing a new look with fascinating decorations dotting the main University road and especially the main Convocation arena, the University Auditorium.

A statement by the Registrar of the University, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfaola, disclosed that the programme would run from Friday, 16th October to Sunday, 25th October, 2026.

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4th Anniversary: Egbewole appreciates staff support, seeks continuous cooperation

..... Unilorites hail VC's performance

By Abubakar Imam, Mubarak Oladosu and Mustafa Abubakar



■ Prof. Egbewole

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has appreciated members of the University community for their cooperation and support for him since he assumed office four years ago, urging them to sustain their efforts

towards the development of the University.

Prof. Egbewole stated this last Thursday (October 15, 2026), in a message he sent to members of the University community to mark the fourth anniversary of his assumption of office as the 11th Vice Chancellor of the University.

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NUC okays UNILORIN's Sustainable Development Studies programme

By Tajudeen Babamale

National Universities Commission (NUC) resource verification team has expressed satisfaction with the facilities and learning resources available at the University of Ilorin for the proposed Sustainable Development Studies programme, saying that the programme is ready to

commence.

The team leader, Prof. Oladimeji Bolaji Adeniji, stated this penultimate Tuesday (October 7, 2026) when the team visited the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, to present its report on the resource verification exercise.

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UNILORIN graduates 8,320 U-INSPIRE participants

By Mustafa Abubakar

No fewer than 8,320 participants of the U-INSPIRE programme of the University of Ilorin have successfully completed the programme out of about 10, 545 that enrolled during the 2025/2026 academic session.

Speaking last Friday (October 16, 2026) at the programme's 2nd cohort graduation ceremony and prize presentation held at the University Auditorium, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, charged beneficiaries to make the best use of the skills and opportunities acquired.

Prof. Egbewole also charged the beneficiaries to move beyond academic certificates by acquiring practical skills and transform innovative ideas into sustainable enterprises.

The Vice Chancellor said that U-INSPIRE was created to take students beyond academic certificates, noting that while degrees remain important, 21st-century skills required in the workplace were far more important.

He disclosed that one of the programmes judged among the best in the previous exercise won a N50 million grant, describing this as a validation of what the University was doing through U-INSPIRE.

Prof. Egbewole said the programme currently has 10 partners, expressing the hope that more partners

would be onboarded before the third cohort graduation and that relationships with existing partners would become more sustainable and visible.

In his welcome address, the Chairman, U-INSPIRE Implementation Committee, Prof. Rasheed Gbenga Jimoh, said the programme represented an important investment in human capacity development, stressing that university education should equip learners not only with certificates and theoretical knowledge but also with practical competencies, creativity, confidence and the ability to create value.

Prof. Jimoh congratulated the graduands as he urged them to see the graduation not as the end of their journey but as the beginning of a new phase of responsibility, creativity and purposeful engagement. He also commended the facilitators, mentors, partners and members of the Implementation Committee for their contributions to the programme.

The keynote speaker, Mr I. K. Obi, who spoke on "Transforming Innovative Ideas into Sustainable Businesses," identified knowledge and technical expertise as important foundations of successful business ideas, urging the graduates to continually improve their knowledge because sustainable businesses depend on maintaining a superior knowledge advantage.

Also speaking, the Chairman of the University of Ilorin GgMAX Farms Limited, Prof. Foluke Eunice Sola-Ojo, said that

graduands have been trained in different skills and technological innovations.

She, therefore, urged them to make effective use of the knowledge acquired for their own benefit.

At the pitch presentation, McGeorge Consulting Limited emerged first with 76.70 per cent, while Lassod Consulting Limited came second with 73 per cent. Groom to Lead Integrated Services Limited placed third with 71.67 per cent for its Uni-Hub project.

Prof. Idayat Aderinto, who announced the results, said that the projects were assessed on problem-market fit, solution innovation, business viability, team credibility, investment outlook, and presentation impact, with a total of 100 points.

She explained that McGeorge Consulting Limited's project was designed to create a hub where people could move, stay, conduct research and trade within the same context, while Lassod Consulting Limited proposed a platform to automate project supervision and facilitate interaction between students and supervisors while she noted that the Groom to Lead Integrated Services Limited's Uni-Hub project was designed as a platform for University of Ilorin students to register and showcase their skills and abilities, with free registration.





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Prof. Adeniji said that the team was satisfied with what it observed during its tour of the University Library and other facilities. He also commended the University for providing up-to-date books and journals to support the proposed programme.

The team leader, expressed confidence that the programme was

ready to commence, following the team's assessment of the available academic resources and facilities.

In his response, the Vice Chancellor thanked the Resource Verification team for its work, saying that its observations and recommendations are valuable to the efforts of the University to ensure that the programme meets the required standards.

While assuring the team that the University would address the identified gaps and implement the recommendations contained in the report, Prof. Egbewole added said the University remained committed to expanding its academic offerings and would prioritise the programme as part of its broader efforts to promote sustainable development through teaching and research.

UNILORIN kicks off 41st Convocation ceremonies

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A major highlight of the event is the Convocation Lecture, titled "From Lecture Hall to Cabinet Room: The Journey from Academia to Public Leadership", to be delivered by the Sierra Leonean Minister of Technical and Higher Education, Dr Haja Ramatulai Wurie, on Friday, October 23, 2026 at the University Auditorium beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The Registrar disclosed that the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, will on Monday, October 20, 2026 address a World Press Conference where he would reel out the achievements recorded by the University in the last one year and celebrate the graduands.

Mr Alfania explained that on Tuesday, October 20, 2026, the Convocation Play, titled "The Death of the Crown Escort", written by AbdulMalik A. Amali and directed by Prof. AbdulRasheed Abiodun Adeoye, will be staged at the University Performing and Film Arts Theatre between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. and

from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m

He also noted that the Convocation for graduands of four-year programme from the Faculties of Education, Agriculture (Home Economics), Communication and Information Sciences, Environmental Sciences (Architecture), Social Sciences and the Institute of Education will be held on Wednesday, October 21, 2026 beginning at 9:00a.m.

The Registrar further said that on Thursday, October 22, 2026, the convocation of graduands of four-year programmes from the Faculties of Arts, Basic Medical Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Life Sciences, Management Sciences and Physical Sciences will hold at the University Auditorium beginning at 9:00a.m.

He added that Friday, October 23, 2026 will be the turn of graduands five and six year programmes from the Faculties of Agriculture, Basic Clinical Sciences, Clinical Sciences, Engineering and Technology, Environmental Sciences, Life Sciences

(Optometry), Law, Pharmacy, Veterinary Medicine and Postgraduate School with hold immediately after the Convocation lecture.

Mr Alfania explained that on the same Friday, October 23, 2026 a cocktail will be organised for the Convocation lecturer at the Auditorium Basement by 12noon while another special Jumaat service will follow at the University Central Mosque by 2:00pm.

The Registrar added that the Visitor to the University, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, will after the special Jumaat service, commissioned some projects completed in the course of the year while the Convocation Luncheon and staff Merit Award will take place on the same day by 4:30pm at the University Multipurpose Hall.

Mr Alfania said that the week-long ceremonies will be concluded with a Thanksgiving Service at St. Thomas Aquinas Chaplaincy on Sunday, October 25, 2026 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

TETFund commends UNILORIN on effective utilisation of intervention funds

... Egbewole, others seek more support for infrastructure, security, staff development

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Team Lead of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) Impact and Needs Assessment Programme for 2016–2025, Prof. Isa Abdulraheem, has commended the University of Ilorin for its effective utilisation of TETFund intervention funds, noting that the University has no abandoned projects.

Prof. Abdulraheem gave this commendation in an interview with **UNILORIN Bulletin** last Monday (October 12, 2026) after a Community Engagement Forum held at the Auditorium Basement. The Forum was organised as part of the assessment of TETFund-supported projects and programmes in the North-Central Zone.

While explaining that the forum brought together six beneficiary institutions from Kwara State to validate data collected during the assessment, the Team Lead noted that the assessment was designed to determine whether the Fund's interventions had delivered value for money and identify areas requiring improvement.

Prof. Abdulraheem expressed satisfaction with the submission of the University of Ilorin, noting that it validated the team's findings on the utilisation of TETFund interventions. He also urged other beneficiary institutions across Nigeria to emulate the University's example.

Meanwhile, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has commended the Federal Government and TETFund for their contributions to the development of the University and appealed for additional support in critical areas, particularly infrastructure and security.

Speaking through the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Lere Adeyemi, the Vice Chancellor identified perimeter fencing, security surveillance vehicles and a new Senate Building as some of the University's pressing needs.

He explained that the University had approximately 15,000 hectares of land, making perimeter fencing essential to prevent encroachment and address security concerns. He added that additional surveillance vehicles would strengthen campus security and enhance



the protection of students and other members of the University community.

Similarly, the Director of the Physical Planning Unit, Mr AbdulRahman Toyin Jimoh, called for a review of TETFund's advance payment arrangements for infrastructure projects to address the challenges contractors face in procuring construction materials amid changing economic conditions.

The Director explained that the 30 per cent advance payment allowed under the prevailing policy might be insufficient to procure all the materials required for projects, particularly air-conditioning equipment and electrical and mechanical components, whose prices are affected by foreign exchange fluctuations.

Mr Jimoh recommended that TETFund consider increasing the advance payment percentage, subject to contractors providing an Advance Payment Guarantee (APG) from an insurance company and a performance bond to safeguard project delivery.

On his part, the President of the Students' Union, Mr Mozeed Adam, urged TETFund to consider interventions in campus transportation and recreational facilities to improve students' welfare.

The Students' Union leader, who identified transportation as one of the major challenges of the students alongside security concerns, appealed for the procurement of buses to ease students' movement around the campus.

Mr Adam also advocated increased investment in sports and recreational facilities through the renovation of existing infrastructure and the provision of additional sports equipment to enable students to relax and manage academic stress.

In another submission, the Chairman of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU),

University of Ilorin Chapter, Mr Naheem Falowo, proposed staff exchange programmes with Nigerian universities and partner institutions abroad to promote professional development, knowledge sharing and institutional advancement. He said non-teaching staff in the Registry, Bursary, and other administrative units could spend three to six months at partner institutions, depending on the terms of the agreements.

The SSANU Chairman noted that the University's existing memoranda of understanding with institutions across the world could provide a basis for the programme, which he said, would expose staff members to international best practices, improve institutional operations and enhance the global visibility and rankings of participating universities.

Also contributing, the Director of the Centre for Research Development and In-House Training (CREDIT), Prof. Abdulkarim Oloyede, called for clearer guidelines on TETFund's sponsorship of postgraduate studies, particularly MPhil programmes.

Prof. Oloyede observed that uncertainty over whether MPhil programmes qualified for sponsorship had created confusion among prospective applicants, especially as some universities appeared to accept applications for such programmes while TETFund's position was understood to exclude them.

He urged the Fund to provide clear and consistent guidance on the matter and consider accommodating MPhil-to-PhD programmes under its sponsorship scheme to widen opportunities for prospective scholars.

Alfanla seeks broader recognition of FFS's mandate

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Registrar of the University of Ilorin, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfanla, has called for a review of the name of the Federal Fire Service (FFS) to reflect its broader responsibilities in public safety, emergency response and property protection beyond firefighting.

Mr Alfanla made the call last Tuesday (October 13, 2026) when the Kwara State Controller of the Federal Fire Service, ACF Ibrahim Sarafadeen, paid him a familiarisation visit in his office.

The Registrar said that he understood that beyond firefighting, the FFS plays critical roles in fire prevention, safety inspections, emergency rescue, public enlightenment, disaster response and the enforcement of fire safety standards, among others.

He commended the Service for its sustained support to the University and the state, noting that its interventions had helped prevent fire incidents from causing extensive damage to property on several occasions.

He also appreciated the Command for its contributions to staff development, noting that the University prioritised professional training and ensured that its personnel, including those in the Fire Unit, acquire the relevant skills to perform their duties effectively.

Mr Alfanla stated that the University conducted regular fire safety audits and maintained functional fire extinguishers across its buildings, adding that the Fire Unit periodically trained members of staff on appropriate responses to fire emergencies.

The Registrar further noted that the University Management remained committed to professional development with staff members encouraged to participate in relevant training programmes to improve their competence.

Earlier, ACF Sarafadeen explained that his visit was part of

the Federal Fire Service's mandate to engage institutions and assess their fire safety arrangements.

He commended the University Management for establishing a fire station on campus, describing the facility as an important component of emergency preparedness, particularly in a large institution with a substantial population of students and staff.

While warning that delays in accessing emergency assistance could result in significant losses, as fires could destroy property worth billions of naira within minutes, the Controller said that fire stations within institutions were necessary because the Service could not respond to emergencies everywhere simultaneously.

ACF Sarafadeen also stressed the importance of periodic fire safety audits and continuous professional training to keep personnel abreast of emerging knowledge and best practices in fire prevention and emergency response.

He noted that the Federal Ministry of Interior had directed the Service to



conduct fire safety audits, adding that, such assessments were essential for identifying risks and ensuring compliance with established safety standards.

Also speaking, the Ag. Director of Security of the University of Ilorin, Mr Paul Ogidi, reaffirmed the commitment of the University Community to professionalism and continuous staff development. He noted that training remained essential to improving personnel competence and service delivery.

He announced that one of the University's Fire Service Officers had recently returned from a training programme organised by the Federal Fire Service, adding that, such initiatives would strengthen the capacity of personnel to respond effectively to fire emergencies and other safety challenges on campus.



Egbewole, Oloyede grace Adabiyah centenary celebration

By Abubakar Imam

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Oloyede, SAN, and the immediate past Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Emeritus Is-haq Oloyede, CON, were among several dignitaries from all walks of life that attended the grand finale of the centenary celebrations of Az-Zumratul Adabiyah Kamaliyyah School of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Ilorin.

The event, which took place at the premises of the Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ogidi, Ilorin, was also attended by the Sultan of Sokoto, Alhaji Muhammad Saad Abubakar III, CFR, and the 15th Emir of Kano, Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero, CFR, as well as the Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji(Dr) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, CFR, who was represented by the Magaji Aare of Ilorin, Alhaji Shuaib Aremu Zubair.

The Vice Chancellor was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation), Prof. Muhtar Adeiza Etudaiye.

Other members of the University of Ilorin community who also attended the colourful event included the Chairman of the Editorial Board of **UNILORIN Bulletin**, and Vice Chancellor, African School of Economics (the Pan-African University of Excellence), Abuja, Prof. Mahofuz Adedimeji; the Dean of the Faculty of Arts, Prof. Ibrahim Abdulganiyu Jawondo; the Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences (CIS), Prof. Saudat Salah Abdulbaqi,



former Dean of CIS, Prof. Rasheed Gbenga Jimoh who is also the Vice Chancellor of Mohammed Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin.

Also in attendance were a former Dean of the Faculty of Arts, University of Ilorin, Prof. Abubakre, Deremi Razak; a Senior Lecturer at the Department of Arabic and Transnational Studies, Dr Hussain Musa Arikewusola and a lecturer at the Department of Mass Communication, Dr Fatima Abubakre, among several others.

The Arabic School, which is the alma mater of several staff members of the University of Ilorin, was founded in 1926 by the first Grand Mufti of Ilorin and a recipient of an honorary doctorate degree in literature of the better by far University, the late Shaykh Muhammad Kamalud-Deen Al-Adabiy.

Meanwhile, the Director of the

Centre for Ilorin Studies (CILS), University of Ilorin, Prof. Ali Arazeem Abdullahi, has expressed the readiness of his Centre to work with the renowned Arabic School and similar ones towards preserving the religious, sociocultural and intellectual heritage of Ilorin, which they symbolise.

Prof. Abdullahi, in a statement, said that the School has, through its products, promoted and projected the good image of the Ilorin Emirate to the rest of the world.

He explained that anyone who desires to know more about the Ilorin Emirate cannot do without studying the curricular and nuances of products of modern Arabic and Islamic training institutions, which the centenarian school epitomises.

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UNILORIN strengthens status in research quality with installation of critical equipment

By Mustafa Abubakar

The University of Ilorin through its Central Research Laboratories (CRL) has taken another significant step towards strengthening its research and analytical capabilities with the installation of two advanced analytical instruments, the X-ray Diffractometer (XRD) and Gas Chromatograph (GC) between last Tuesday (October 13, 2026) and Thursday (October 15, 2026).

As part of the exercise, hands on training sessions were conducted for laboratory personnel and interested staff members on the operation and basic maintenance of the equipment.

Training on the XRD was held on Wednesday (October 14, 2026) while

the GC training took place on Thursday (October 15, 2026).

The XRD will support material characterisation and crystal structure analysis, while the GC will enhance the laboratory's capacity for the separation, identification and quantification of chemical compounds.

This development underscores the commitment of

the University to advancing scientific research, promoting innovation and providing quality analytical services to researchers within and beyond the University community.

In his remarks, the Director of the Central Research Laboratories, Prof. Ibraheem Adeola Katibi, explained that the



administration of Prof. AbdulWahab Egbewole, SAN, was poised to take the University to number one position, not only in quality but also in quantum and degree of societal impact of research nationwide.

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The Vice Chancellor, who is also a Member of the Nigerian Body of Benchers, recalled that when he assumed office, he solicited the cooperation and support of the staff members, adding that their contributions had made the journey easier than envisaged.

"Dear Colleagues, four years ago, I assumed office as the Vice Chancellor of this great University, and I solicited your cooperation and support," he wrote, adding that. "I wish to seize this opportunity to say a big thank you for making the journey easier than envisaged and for doing your best to develop our University. I do not take this support for granted and I want to express my appreciation personally".

Prof. Egbewole also urged members of the University community to continue to do their best for the University to achieve the lofty goals set for it.

"Let me again request that you continue to do your best to achieve the lofty goals we set for ourselves and in the greater interest of our University", he said.

Meanwhile, a cross-section of members of the University community, who spoke with **UNILORIN Bulletin** last Friday (October 16, 2026), commended the Vice Chancellor for working tirelessly towards the continued growth and development of the University over the past four years.

In his assessment, the Director of Corporate Affairs, University of Ilorin, Mr Kunle Akogun, said that the tenure of the Vice Chancellor has been very remarkable not only through the developments he initiated but also as a result of external support he has attracted to the University.

Mr Akogun specifically acknowledged the administrative style of the

Vice Chancellor, whivh, he said, style has been making his task of projecting, polishing and preserving the alluring image of the University easy.

The veteran journalist and consummate public relations guru ago, explained that the consistent fraternal consultations the Vice Chancellor does with both the internal and external publics of the University have endeared the University to all and de-escalated tension, and reduced the incidents of bad press.

He commended the Vice Chancellor for his support for the Directorate particularly through the provision of solar-power facilities for the radio station and the establishment of UNILORIN TV and the New Media Unit.

Reviewing Prof. Egbewole's tenure, the Chairman of the UNILORIN Television Management Board, Prof. Solomon I. Ikibe, extolled the virtues of the Vice Chancellor.

Prof. Ikibe, who is a former Head of the Department of the Performing Arts and Film Studies, rejoiced with the Vice Chancellor as he also wished him and the entire University community a more successful tenure and a very rewarding 41st Convocation ceremonies.

Also commenting, the Director of the Physical Planning Unit of the University, Mr AbdulRahman Toyin Jimoh, paid glowing tributes to the Vice Chancellor for the several projects his Administration has either completed or initiated.

Mr Jimoh, who is a former Chairman of the Kwara State Chapter of the Nigerian Institute of Quantity Surveying (NIQS), said that nearly every Faculty in the University has one or two projects executed by the current administration, a situation, which he said, is facilitating effective service delivery.

In his view, a former Head of the Department of Jurisprudence and International Law, Prof Azubuike Onuora-Oguno, congratulated the

Vice Chancellor on the successes achieved so far.

The don thanked the Vice Chancellor for his fascinating leadership and for making the Department very proud as the University's Chief Executive in the last four years.

Prof. Onuora-Oguino said that the tenure of the Vice Chancellor has positively transformed the University, noting that the Faculty of Law, in particular, has become a place that is more comfortable for teaching and learning.

Also speaking, the Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences, Prof. Saudat Salah Abdulbaqi, said that the tenure of the Vice Chancellor is another golden era in the annals of the University.

Prof. Abdulbaqi said that the purchase of new cars for some Deans and senior officials of the University by the management of the University under the leadership of Prof. Egbewole would not only enhance service delivery on the part of beneficiaries but also boost the corporate image of the University.

On her part, the Ag. Director of Legal Services, University of Ilorin, Mrs Farida Sheriff, said that the tenure of Prof. Egbewole has been very remarkable.

She noted that as his professional colleague, she has always found Prof. Egbewole's comments and interventions very meaningful in the discharge of the responsibilities of her office as the University's Chief Legal Adviser.

Mrs Sheriff said that the Vice Chancellor has been ensuring that the University strictly adheres to the rules, a situation, which she said has been preventing the University from finding itself in the wrong side of the law.

UNILORIN 'll do better in next global ranking- Ambali

By Muizdeen Adewole

The Project Manager for Ranking Implementation at the University of Ilorin and former Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Suleiman Folorunsho Ambali, has expressed confidence that the University would improve its performance in the next Times Higher Education World University Rankings and indeed in all other national, continental and global rankings in 2027.

Prof. Ambali gave this assurance penulthmate Thursday (October 8, 2026) while featuring on a special interview programme on **UNILORIN 89.3 FM**, anchored by the station's General Manager, Mr Idris Alooma.

Speaking on the 2026 Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings, in which UNILORIN placed first in Nigeria for research quality, Prof. Ambali said that he was "happy to the bone marrow" because research is a central pillar of university education.

According to him, the result confirms that UNILORIN's research impact is felt not only in Nigeria but also globally.



Prof. Ambali

"By next year, we will rank higher than this because our target is embedded in our Vision 1:10:500," he said.

He explained that the recognition would strengthen the global reputation of UNILORIN staff, students and alumni.

"Wherever a member of the UNILORIN community, whether staff, student or graduate, appears globally, they will be highly regarded as a leader adding that more of our graduates will be employed internationally, and our scholars and

researchers will command greater respect among their colleagues at global fora."

Prof. Ambali added that international funding bodies are likely to be more willing to award research grants to UNILORIN researchers, given the University's demonstrated record of quality research.

He commended the researchers whose outstanding work earned the University this recognition, and praised the management team led by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, for its visionary, globally minded leadership and the doggedness with which it is pursuing Vision 1:10:500. He noted that, since assuming office, the Vice-Chancellor has consistently released Senate Research Grants and has gone further to institute the Special Senate Research Grants, to enable researchers to do more quality research.

Prof. Ambali urged the University lecturers to be more research-driven, impactful and visible in the global academic space, for the benefit of both their personal and institutional reputations.. He stressed that all stakeholders must work together to take the University into the league of the world's top 500 universities.



GgMAX Farm Board celebrates immediate past Board

By Mustafa Abubakar

The new Board of the University of Ilorin GgMAX Farm, under the chairmanship of Prof. Foluke Sola-Ojo, has organised a send-off ceremony for members of the immediate past Board in recognition of their contributions to its development.

Speaking at the event held last Tuesday (October 6, 2026) at the farm premises, Prof. Sola-Ojo appreciated the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, for the opportunity given to the new Board to serve, assuring him that it would do its best to move the farm forward.

Prof. Sola-Ojo also pledged that the Board would work towards offsetting

the outstanding loan of the farm, while seeking divine guidance and support in achieving its objectives.

The new Chairman commended the immediate past Chairman, Prof. S. O. Salami, for his fatherly leadership and the affection he enjoyed among the farm staff. She also appreciated other members of the 2023 Board for their contributions to the growth of the farm.

Prof. Sola-Ojo said that the new Board would build on the achievements and established procedures of the previous Board while introducing new innovations and ideas to further enhance the progress of GgMAX Farm.

She prayed for the success of the outgoing Board members in their future endeavours.

In his remarks, the immediate past Chairman of the Board, Prof. Salami, expressed appreciation for the send-forth, saying that he was happy and had not expected such a heroic farewell.

Prof. Salami expressed confidence in the ability of the new Board to record greater achievements and transform the farm, considering the enthusiasm and capacity for innovation of the members.

He urged the farm staff to give the new Board maximum cooperation and support for the continued development of the farm.

The programme was attended by members of the immediate past and new Boards, and staff of GgMAX Farm, among others.

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The Director, who said that the impacts of the products of the institution and its offshoots on the growth and development of the Ilorin Emirate and the University of Ilorin, in particular, cannot be over-emphasised, recalled that the pioneer Director of the Centre, Prof. AbdulGaniyu AbdusSalam Oladosu and his successor, Prof. Zakariyah Idris Oseni, are among thousands of scholars who passed through either the school or

any of its offshoots across the nation.

Prof. Abdullahi, who teaches at the Department of Sociology, said that apart from its founder being a recipient of the University of Ilorin's prestigious honorary doctorate degree in Literature, the life and works of the pioneer Grand Mufti of Ilorin have also continued to feature prominently in most of the works published by the Centre since its establishment.

While encouraging alumni of the School and others in possession of one

material or the other on their schools, proprietors and alumni to make such available to the Centre to ensure their preservation for future use, Prof. Abdullahi assured such institutions of the readiness of the Centre to work with them towards achieving the essence of the Centre.

Prof. Abdullahi wished the centenarian school more years of quality services to the Ilorin community and humanity at large.



NITPCS President, Jimoh charges IT professionals on digital transformation, national devt

By Mustafa Abubakar

The National President of the Nigeria Information Technology Professionals in Civil and Public Service (NITPCS), Prof. Rasheed Gbenga Jimoh, has charged information technology professionals to take leading roles in Nigeria's digital transformation and national development.

Prof. Jimoh, who is the immediate past Director of the Computer Services and Information Technology (COMSIT) Directorate, University of Ilorin, gave the charge penultimate Thursday (October 8, 2026). in his welcome address at the 2026 Annual Summit of NITPCS, held at The Federal Polytechnic, Offa, Kwara State.

The Summit was themed, "The Emerging Gig Economy: Implications for IT Professionals in Public and Civil Service."

Prof. Jimoh, who is also the Vice Chancellor of Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin, said that the rapid development of digital platforms, Artificial Intelligence, cloud computing, automation and remote working was redefining how skills were acquired, services delivered and

economic value created.

The NITPCS President noted that the emerging gig economy offered IT professionals opportunities for continuous learning, professional mobility, innovation, knowledge sharing and the deployment of specialised digital skills.

He identified cybersecurity, data protection, remuneration, career progression, recruitment and institutional governance as critical areas requiring attention as public-sector institutions adapt to changing employment patterns.

Prof. Jimoh urged IT professionals to move beyond their traditional roles as operators of computer systems and networks to become strategic partners and architects of digital transformation.

He maintained that Nigeria could not afford to remain a passive consumer of digital technologies but must develop the capacity to create, innovate and deploy technology in addressing national challenges.

According to him, a future-ready public service must be digitally skilled, agile, data-driven, citizen-centred and capable of responding effectively to emerging technological developments.

He called for deliberate investment in the continuous professional development of IT personnel and the creation of opportunities for young Nigerians to acquire globally relevant digital skills.

Prof. Jimoh also emphasised the importance of ensuring that technological innovation did not compromise security, privacy, accountability or national interests.

He described the summit as a platform for professional engagement, knowledge exchange, capacity development and policy dialogue, urging participants to develop practical recommendations that could translate into policies, programmes and institutional reforms.

The NITPCS President congratulated the award recipients, describing their recognition as a reflection of their contributions to digital transformation, community development and purposeful leadership.

He also expressed appreciation to the dignitaries, speakers, partners, sponsors, delegates and members of the organising committee for their contributions to the success of the Summit.



UMLC celebrates Mawlid with special needs students

By Mustafa Abubakar

The University of Ilorin Muslim Ladies' Circle (UMLC) has celebrated the 2026 Mawlid with students of the Kwara State School for Special Needs, Ilorin, urging them to maximise their potentials, pursue higher education and remain steadfast in their faith.

The annual programme, spearheaded by the Mini Campus Asalatul Section of the Circle, featured Qur'anic recitation, Salawat, Islamic songs, quiz and Qur'anic competitions, sign-language demonstration, career guidance, goodwill messages and presentation of gifts to students. It was held penultimate Sunday (October 10, 2026).

Speaking at the event, the Coordinator of the UMLC, Mini Campus Branch, Mrs Muhibat Yusuf, thanked members, invited guests, participating schools and the host school for their support.

She congratulated the students and appreciated their parents for their commitment to the education and wellbeing of the students.

She urged the students not to

regard the School for Special Needs as the terminal point of their education but to strive for higher education and aspire to become professionals, noting that people with special abilities had become lawyers, doctors, engineers and professionals in various fields.

Mrs Yusuf also appealed to past and present members, particularly former Executives Committee Members, to support the Circle and sustain the legacy of its founders, she expressed concern over the declining participation in its activities.

Earlier, the Amirah of the Circle, Prof. Saudat Salah Abdulbaqi, represented by Prof. Nafisat Afolake Adedokun-Shittu, Coordinator of the Postgraduate Studies (PS) Branch of UMLC, appreciated members for their sacrifices and commitment to the programme.

Prof. Abdulbaqi urged Muslims to use the Mawlid celebration to demonstrate the teachings of Prophet Muhammad (SAW) through compassion, charity and selfless service. She encouraged the students not to regard disability as inability but to develop their academic, digital and entrepreneurial skills.

"Don't limit your destiny. Don't limit your ability. You have been given

special abilities by Allah. Tap into those potentials and abilities, and Allah will bless you," she said.

The Principal of the School, Mrs Rashida Olayinka Jibril, appreciated UMLC for its continued support.

The Qur'anic and quiz competition featured the host School, Queen Elizabeth School and the UNILORIN School. The Kwara State School for Special Needs emerged first with 25 points, followed by Queen Elizabeth School with 22 points, while the UNILORIN School came third with 11 points.

The wife of the Vice Chancellor, Mrs Muheebat Adedola Egbewole, represented by Prof. Durotoye, presented gifts to the winners, congratulating the participating schools and commending the organisers for bringing happiness to children with special abilities.

The event, which was attended by a former Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), University of Ilorin, Prof. Nike Yetunde Sidiqat Ijaiya, ended with prayers for the students, their parents, teachers, contributors and organisers, with supplications for the children to succeed in their education and become sources of pride to their families.

5 UNILORIN Staff Inducted as NITPCS Members

By Mustafa Abubakar

Five staff members of the University of Ilorin have been inducted as members of the Nigeria Information Technology Professionals in Civil and Public Service (NITPCS).

The induction was part of the 2026 NITPCS Annual Summit held at the Main Auditorium of the Federal Polytechnic, Offa, with the theme, "The Emerging Gig Economy: Implications for IT Professionals in Public and Civil Service."

The inducted UNILORIN staff members are Mr Muhammed Mustapha, Mr AbdurRaheem Mubarak, Mr Bakare Ridhwan and Mr Tiamiyu ZainulAbideen.

Speaking at the event, the National President of NITPCS, Prof. Rasheed Gbenga Jimoh, a former Director of the Computer Services and Information Technology Unit (COMSIT), University of Ilorin, and Vice-Chancellor of Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin, commended the management of the Federal Polytechnic, Offa, for hosting the summit. He also acknowledged the contributions of professional bodies and members of the Local Organising Committee.

In his presentation, Prof. Ganiyu Adesola Aderounmu, Deputy



Vice-Chancellor (Academic) of Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, called for sustained digital skills development, flexible workforce planning and the responsible adoption of emerging technologies to strengthen Nigeria's civil and public service.

The Rector of the Federal Polytechnic, Offa, Dr Kadiri Kamoru Oluwatoyin, described the Summit's theme as timely, noting that emerging technologies were transforming the world of work and creating new opportunities and

challenges for information technology professionals.

He called for stronger collaboration between tertiary institutions and industry to translate research outputs into practical solutions capable of addressing societal challenges.

The Summit also featured plenary sessions, cultural performances, networking opportunities and partner presentations by technology organisations.

UNILORIN 'll excel in quiz, debate contests - Garba

By Abubakar Imam

The new Chairman of the University of Ilorin Quiz, Debate and Innovation Committee, Dr Mohammed Kabir Garba, has expressed his readiness and that of his colleagues on the Committee towards placing the University in national and international reckoning through brilliant performances in quiz and debate contests.

Dr Garba, who is an Associate Professor at the Department of Statistics, gave this assurance last Wednesday (October 14, 2026) in a chat with **UNILORIN Bulletin** in his office.

While acknowledging that the University has not done badly in quiz and debate contests over the years, Dr Garba assured the management that his tenure would witness better performances having served on the Committee for over 12 years.



Dr Garba

The don explained that the fascinating records and alluring image of the University can always be boosted through wonderful performances in quiz and debate contests, saying that "those who had never and may not visit our University could be attracted by superlative oratorical skills of Unilorites".

Dr Garba added that his Committee would spare no effort at ensuring that only the best represent the University at such competitions for maximum performance.

He added that his Committee would work with Deans, particularly, the Dean of Student Affairs Unit, and Heads of the Departments as well as other stakeholders through the regular staging of Inter-Departmental and Inter-Faculty Quiz, Debate and Innovations Contests from where outstanding debaters and inventors would be selected and further coached to represent the University at national and international levels.

Dr Garba, who is a former Sub-Dean at the Student Affairs Unit, thanked the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, for his appointment. He equally commended the efforts of his predecessors for their various cumulative achievements so far.

Adisa emerges Chairman, Kwara ACSPN

By Abubakar Imam and
Mustafa Abubakar

The Head of the Department of Mass Communication, University of Ilorin, Prof. Rasaq Mohammed Adisa, has been inaugurated as Chairman of the Kwara State Chapter of the Association of Communication Scholars and Professionals of Nigeria (ACSPN).

The inauguration of the Executive Committee, held penultimate Saturday (October 10, 2026), was conducted on behalf of the National President of ACSPN, Prof. Rotimi Williams Olatunji, by the National Secretary, Prof. Solomon Abiodun Oyeleye.

Other members of the newly inaugurated Executive Committee are Dr Victor Olusegun Babatunde, Vice-Chairman I; Mrs. Olatundun Kehinde, Vice-Chairman II; Dr Temidayo O. Bankole, Secretary; Mrs Ololu Halimat, Assistant Secretary; Dr Yusuf A. Sholola, Public Relations Officer; Mr. Mumeen AbdulHameed, Assistant Public Relations Officer; Mr Fatiu Olorunbebe, Financial Secretary; and Dr Monsurat M. Wonuola, Treasurer.

The Executive Committee also comprises Mr Habeeb Daranijo, Mobilising Officer for Kwara North; Mr Thanni Maimasa, Mobilising Officer for Kwara Central; Mr Samuel Areh, Mobilising Officer for Kwara South; and Mr Ibrahim Ibukun, Auditor.

In his inaugural speech, Prof. Adisa identified professional development, membership expansion, collaboration and the promotion of communication scholarship and practice as key priorities of his administration. He expressed gratitude to the national leadership and members for the confidence reposed in the new Executive Committee.

Prof. Adisa said his administration would be guided by service, continuity, professionalism, collaboration and measurable impact.

He explained that the chapter would consolidate the capacity-building programme initiated more than a month before the inauguration, while continuing to draw on the guidance and support of the



Prof. Adisa

association's Vice-President, North-Central, Prof. Lukman Azeez.

Prof. Adisa further disclosed that the Chapter had begun mobilising communication scholars and practitioners across Kwara State to register with the national body before its formal inauguration, resulting in the registration of more than 20 professionals.

He added that the Executive Committee would intensify its membership drive, encourage departmental registration of students across higher institutions in the state and engage senior professionals in the communication industry to broaden the association's professional base.

Prof. Adisa called on members to regard the new leadership as a collective responsibility, expressing confidence that collaboration and sustained professional engagement would make the Kwara Chapter more visible, intellectually vibrant and professionally relevant.

He reaffirmed the commitment of the Executive Committee to strengthening the Chapter, creating meaningful value for members and contributing to the advancement of communication scholarship and professional practice in Nigeria.

In his remarks, the former Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences (CIS), University of Ilorin, and Vice-President, North-Central, of ACSPN, Prof. Adesina

Lukman Azeez, who oversees the Association's chapters across the zone, described the inauguration as timely and long overdue. He noted that it marked a significant milestone in consolidating the Kwara Chapter's activities and institutional presence.

Prof. Azeez commended the Chapter for its commitment, visibility and steady progress, urging other chapters in the North-Central zone to emulate its organisational drive, strengthen their structures and encourage greater member participation. He expressed optimism that the achievements of the Chapter would inspire other state chapters and contribute to a more active and professionally engaged association at zonal and national levels.

In his presentation, the former Kwara State Commissioner for Information and inaugural lecturer, Mr Raheem Adedoyin, highlighted the interconnected roles of journalism, communication and governance in societal development. He observed that journalism informs society, communication connects society, while governance provides direction.

Mr Adedoyin emphasised the constitutional responsibility of the Nigerian media to promote accountability and public responsibility, stressing that journalism should neither become an institutional opponent of government nor abandon its duty to expose wrongdoing.

According to him, the media should fairly report government achievements while also bringing failures to public attention in the interest of the society.

Mr Adedoyin noted that communication was indispensable to good governance, explaining that even well-conceived policies could become disconnected from citizens if they did not understand what government was doing, why the policies were being implemented and how they affected their lives.

He warned that journalism without responsibility could become noise, communication without credibility could degenerate into propaganda, while governance without accountability could become detached from the people.

Don advocates THM to bridge research-policy gap in Nigeria

By Muizdeen Adewole and
Abubakar Abdulquadri

The Deputy Vice Chancellor of Hillside University of Science and Technology, Okemesi, Ekiti State, Prof. Babatunde Olufemi Adebisin, has advocated a deliberate and institutionalised synergy among academia, government and industry as a panacea for Nigeria's persistent failure to translate University research into public policy.

Advocating the Triple Helix Model (THM) as the way forward, the don stressed that sustainable national development is only possible when government, industry and academia operate as interdependent helices rather than isolated silos.

The call was made by the renowned Space Physicist while facilitating the monthly colloquium series of the Association of West Africa Universities (AWAU) held virtually last Saturday (October 10, 2026).

Speaking on the theme, "Beyond Publications: Measuring University Impact in Converting Research to Sustainable Development Policy Outcomes," Prof. Adebisin lamented that despite the huge intellectual capital domiciled in Nigerian universities, research findings continue to gather dust on library shelves while the nation grapples with avoidable policy failures.

Citing his recent study published in *Earth and Space Science*, the don revealed a worrying picture of Africa's global scientific footprint. According to him, Africa contributes only 3.2% of the world's publication volume and a paltry 5.0% of global citation counts. Within Africa, he noted, South Africa leads with 40.9% (936) of publication output, followed by Nigeria with 14.3% (326) and Egypt with 13.6% (310), while citation impact remains heavily skewed.

Prof. Adebisin explained that the crisis goes beyond publication numbers to utilisation. Presenting results from a pilot case study of 114 respondents comprising 64% faculty members, 47% PhD holders, and

stakeholders drawn from Federal (20%), State (23%) and Private Universities (43%), he identified major barriers preventing university research from influencing public policy in Nigeria.

According to the findings, Political interference, lack of political will, corruption and government interests ranked highest at 34.2%, followed by Weak collaboration and Research-Policy gap otherwise known as Town - Gown disconnect at 23.7%.

Other inhibiting factors include Poor communication and translation of research findings (15.8%), Inadequate research funding and grants (14.0%), and Poor research quality and the 'publish or perish' syndrome (7.9%).

To drive home his advocacy, the scholar presented real-life case studies to show the cost of ignoring scientific evidence.

In one of the case studies, he recalled how in March 2022, space weather agencies in the United States and United Kingdom accurately predicted mild to moderate geomagnetic storms for March 14 and 15, 2022, and prepared their power infrastructure accordingly. On those same days, he said, Nigeria experienced a widespread national grid collapse, with 19 power plants recording zero output, as reported by *The Punch* newspaper of March 15, 2022.

He then asked, "Could this collapse of the national grid occurring on the same days as the geomagnetic storm be mere coincidence?" "This is a classic case of the possible effect of Geomagnetically Induced Currents (GICs) on power grid failure that proactive policy based on available space science research could have mitigated," he said.

Prof. Adebisin further illustrated the trust deficit that undermines research impact using the "Research in Academia"



Mona Lisa continuum, where the original idea conceptualised in a Principal Investigator's mind becomes distorted through grant proposals, experiments, conference presentations and journal submissions, until what is eventually published bears little resemblance to societal needs.

He called on the Federal Government to increase research funding, demonstrate political will, institutionalise evidence-based policy frameworks, and create formal channels for researchers to interface with policymakers.

He also charged universities to prioritise relevant, solution-driven research, improve research communication beyond academic journals, and build public trust through research integrity.

Prof. Adebisin concluded that Nigeria can no longer afford to treat university research as an academic ritual, adding that bridging the gap between knowledge production and policy implementation is not optional but existential for national development.

The highly interactive colloquium, which drew participants from universities across West Africa, including the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, and other Principal Officers.



Imam tasks KWASUED's press officers on effective service delivery

By Abubakar Abdulqadir

The Deputy Editor of *UNILORIN Bulletin*, Mr Abubakar Imam, has tasked press officers of the Kwara State University of Education (KWASUED), Ilorin, to take the task of building, projecting and preserving the image of the new University with adequate professionalism and unflinching seriousness.

Mr Imam gave the advice last Monday (October 12, 2026) while presenting a paper, titled "Crisis Communication, Media Relations and Effective Management of University Public Information," at a Workshop organised for the personnel of Protocol and Information (Press) Unit of the new University at the institution's Boardroom.

The Deputy Editor highlighted the importance of timely, accurate and strategic communication in managing institutional crises as he also stressed the need to sustain constructive media relations in order to protect the reputation of the University.

The Deputy Editor also emphasised the critical role of the Protocol and Information Unit in coordinating media engagement, projecting the University's image and ensuring the professional dissemination of official information.

Mr Imam, who is also a Deputy Director at the Directorate of Corporate Affairs, University of Ilorin, encouraged participants to always update their skills, acknowledge public concerns, demonstrate empathy, provide verified updates and maintain transparency when



responding to emerging issues.

He stressed the importance of prompt response during a crisis period, particularly within the first 15 to 30 minutes, which he identified as a critical period for managing emerging situations.

The first 15 minutes, according to Mr Imam, represents the "Golden Window", during which swift, coordinated and strategic actions must be deployed in order to prevent diffusion of misinformation and minimise reputational damage.

While explaining that public relations is an essential management function, Mr Imam, who is also the immediate past National Secretary of the Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU), emphasised the need to ensure effective collaboration between the Information Unit and the Student Affairs Unit as well as the Security Unit to ensure the prevalence of peace and tranquility

needed in every institution of higher learning.

On crisis response, Mr Imam stressed the importance of issuing an official statement that acknowledges the situation, explains the action being taken and expresses concern for those affected.

Such communication, Mr Imam noted, helps reassure stakeholders, build public confidence and reinforce the University's commitment to responsible information management.

Mr Imam, who commended the management of KWASUED for organising the workshop, thanked the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Medinat Folorunso Salman, for her excellent services to the new University and for ensuring that the University takes after the probity and service delivery that her alma mater and primary employer, the University of Ilorin, is noted for.

DCA, students' union pledge stronger partnership

By Mustafa Abubakar

The Directorate of Corporate Affairs and the 39th Students' Union Executive Council of the University of Ilorin, have expressed their commitment to strengthening collaboration towards promoting the image of the University, sustaining campus harmony and enhancing information dissemination among students.

This commitment was expressed last Monday (October 12, 2026) during a familiarisation visit by the Students' Union leaders to the Directorate of Corporate Affairs, where they commended the Directorate for its sustained efforts in projecting the image of the University and disseminating relevant information to the internal and external publics of the institution.

Speaking during the visit, the Director of Corporate Affairs, Mr Kunle Akogun, congratulated the Executive Committee Members on their election and urged them to sustain the tradition of peaceful coexistence, mutual understanding and responsible leadership of the University students.

Mr Akogun described the University as a campus of harmony, noting that the achievement was a product of deliberate efforts by the management and students to maintain cordial relationship and address potential disagreements before they escalate.

He explained that the open-door policy and the willingness of management to engage the Students' Union leaders on issues affecting students had contributed significantly to the peaceful atmosphere on campus.

According to him, rather than imposing decisions on students, the management usually engages their representatives to explain the circumstances surrounding proposed policies and seek their understanding before implementation.

He said the approach had helped to promote mutual respect and cooperation between the two parties, adding that the Students' Union remained a critical

stakeholder in the information and image-building efforts of the University.

The Director urged the student leaders to uphold the values of responsibility and harmony, stressing that every member of the University community is an image maker of the institution.

Mr Akogun also explained that the Directorate is responsible for managing the public image and information dissemination of the University through its various operational units, including public affairs, broadcasting, marketing, social media and protocol.

Also speaking, the General Manager of the **UNILORIN 89.3FM**, Mr Idris Akintola Ibrahim (Alooma), advised the students to embrace responsible leadership and recognise their roles as ambassadors of the University.

He urged them to lead rather than lord themselves on others, represent their constituents rather than rule over them, and work collectively to protect and strengthen the reputation of the University.

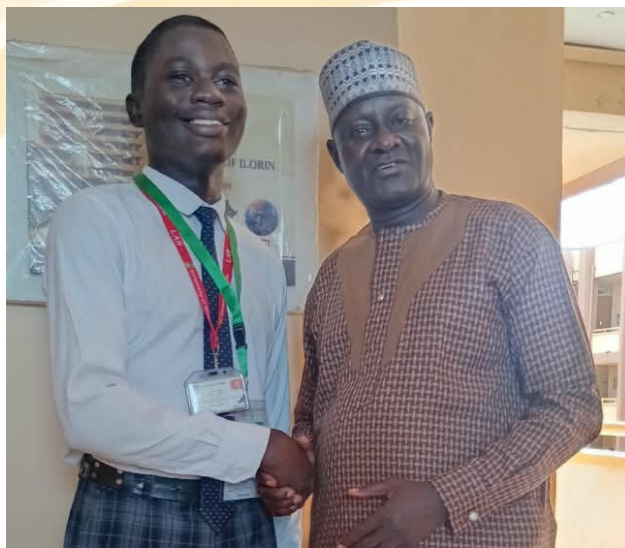
Mr Alooma encouraged students with talents in broadcasting and other creative fields to approach the Directorate with proposals and explore opportunities to participate in its programmes.

He disclosed that the Directorate was willing to provide interested students with opportunities for training, practical experience and certification through its volunteer initiatives.

He added that such opportunities could help students develop their professional skills while contributing to the University's growth and visibility.

Earlier in his remarks, the President of the Students' Union, Mr Adam Mozeed, expressed appreciation to the Director and the Directorate staff for their warm reception.

The President described the visit as the beginning of a new relationship between



the Students' Union and the Directorate, expressing hope that it would lead to sustained cooperation in advancing the interests of the University.

The President assured the Directorate of the willingness of the union to work with relevant university units to promote development, adding that the success of the University was also the success of its students.

Also speaking, the Vice President, Main Campus of the Students' Union, Adeola Fati, said that the visit was intended to familiarise the new union leadership with the operations of the Directorate, understand the services available to students at the Directorate, and explore areas of collaboration between both bodies.

According to her, the Students' Union occupies a strategic position as a bridge between the University Management and the student population and could therefore help communicate the activities, policies and achievements of the University to students more effectively.

She explained that the union is interested in identifying opportunities through which students could contribute to the work of the Directorate, particularly in disseminating important information and promoting the image of the University.



CILS gets books donations from Nda Salaty Centre

By Abubakar Imam

The literary collections of the Centre for Ilorin Studies (CILS), University of Ilorin, got a boost last Monday (October 12, 2026), with additional four books it received from Darul Qadiriyyah As-Salatiyyah Al-Islamiyyah Islamic Centre, Ilorin.

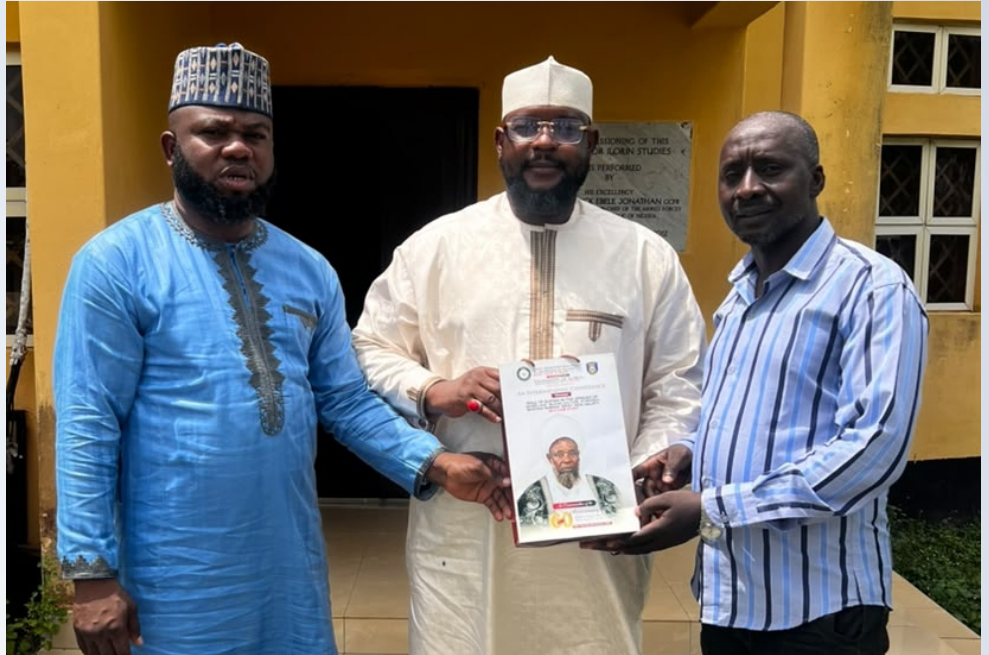
The books, written in Arabic Language, were donated to the Centre during a courtesy visit to the CILS by Dr Abubakar Abdullahi.

Dr Abdullahi, who teaches at the Department of Arabic and Transnational Studies, University of Ilorin, thanked the leadership of the CILS for participating in a recent international conference organised to mark the 60th anniversary of the death of one of the most distinguished Islamic scholars in the history of Ilorin, Shaykh Ahmad Rifa'i Nda Salaty at Whitefield Hotels, Ilorin.

Dr Abdullahi commended the CILS for committing itself to the preservation, documentation and promotion of the rich historical, cultural and intellectual heritage of Ilorin and its people.

The don, who is a grand son of Shaykh Nda Salaty, explained that the conference, which was themed, "Sufism and Its Role in the Spread of Arabic and Islamic Culture in Nigeria: Shaykh Ahmad Rifa'i Nda Salaty as a Case Study", was purposely organised to highlight the contributions of Sufism to the development and spread of Arabic and Islamic culture in Nigeria, with particular emphasis on the life, teachings, spiritual legacy and contributions of the late Shaykh Ahmad Rifa'i Nda Salaty, who passed away in 1966.

Receiving the books, the Director of the CILS, Prof. Ali Arazim Abdullahi, thanked the Centre for organising the Conference, saying that it provided a platform for scholars, Islamic clerics, researchers and other participants to reflect on the historical significance of Sufism and its influence on Islamic scholarship,



spirituality, religious education and cultural development in Nigeria.

Prof. Abdullahi said that the Centre collaborated with organisers of the Conference because of its conviction that it would serve as an avenue to commemorate the enduring legacy of a remarkable son of Ilorin, Shaykh Ahmad Rifa'i Nda Salaty. He pointed out that the Conference had encouraged further research into his life and contributions to Islamic civilisation.

Speaking on the books, Prof. Abdullahi said that the donation represents an important step towards

strengthening collaboration, preserving Islamic literary heritage and promoting scholarly research at the CILS.

The Director, who was joined by his Deputy, Dr Mahmud Danjuma, to receive the books, assured all that the books would serve as valuable resources for researchers, students and other members of the University community interested in Arabic and Islamic studies and the history of Ilorin.

He assured the Nda Salaty Centre that the CILS would turn the proceedings at the Conference into a book of reading.



UNILORIN Vet student clinches 3rd position in VITAL 2 national contest

By Mubarak Oladosu

A student of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Ilorin, Mr Asonibare Ayomipo Testimony, has emerged Second Runner-up at the VITAL 2 Project National Schools' Competition.

The competition, themed "Veterinary Innovations in Animal Health," was organised for all Veterinary schools in Nigeria by GALVmed, Animal Care and Pharmaceutical Company with headquarters in the United Kingdom, and IKORE International, an Abuja-based non-governmental organisation, which also specialises in the agricultural sector.

Mr Asonibare placed third in the national contest held on September 16, 2026, in Abuja where the Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (FUNAAB), came second, and the University of Jos (UNIJOS) won the first position.

For his feat, the Unilorite was presented with a prize cheque of Three Hundred Thousand Naira (N300,000.00) which he received with the moral support of Dr. Ahmed Olayiwola Akeem, of the Department of Veterinary Microbiology, who was also sponsored to the event by the organisers along with Mr Asonibare.

Meanwhile, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo



Egbewole, SAN, has congratulated Mr Asonibare through a statement issued by the Director of Corporate Affairs of the University, Mr Kunle Akogun.

The Vice Chancellor, who felicitated the prize winner, urged him not to rest on his oars.



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UNILORIN inducts 32 new vet doctors

By Mustafa Abubakar

...charges on profession, innovation

The University of Ilorin has inducted 32 graduates of its Faculty of Veterinary Medicine into the veterinary profession, charging them to uphold professional integrity, embrace innovation and remain committed to lifelong learning and service to humanity.

The event, which was the eighth since the establishment of the Faculty, was held last (Monday, October 12, 2026) at the University Auditorium in the presence of parents, guardians, friends and well-wishers of the inductees.

The ceremony also brought together members of the University Management, representatives of the Veterinary Council of Nigeria (VCN), government officials, professional bodies, academics, parents, guardians, friends and well-wishers to celebrate the new veterinary doctors.

In his address, the Vice Chancellor, University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor, (Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola, congratulated the graduands for successfully completing their academic and professional training.

He described the induction as an important transition from students to professionals, urging the new veterinarians to uphold the University's values of excellence, discipline, integrity and service, while contributing to animal health, public health, food security and national development.

Delivering the keynote address, the Chief Executive Officer of Farm Alert, Dr Femi Kayode, challenged the new veterinarians to embrace emerging technologies, particularly artificial intelligence, without losing human judgement and professional values.

Speaking on "The Veterinarian in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Embracing Innovations Without Losing the Human Touch," Dr Kayode said technology was transforming information access, diagnosis and service delivery.

He identified AI applications in



Prof. Bakare-Odunola

differential diagnosis, clinical documentation, client communication, research, literature reviews and professional development, but cautioned that it should complement rather than replace professional judgement.

Dr Kayode urged the graduates to verify critical information, especially drug dosage, withdrawal periods and drug interactions, and develop innovative solutions to local problems.

In his address, the President of the VCN, Prof. Mathew Adamu, congratulated the graduands and emphasised the importance of professional registration and compliance with regulations guiding veterinary practice.

He urged them to protect the integrity of the profession, maintain high ethical standards and continually update their knowledge as Veterinary Medicine evolves.

In his remarks, the Registrar of the VCN, Dr Oladotun Fadipe, explained that the induction was essential to the recognition of the graduates as veterinary doctors.

He said the process provided the professional and regulatory framework required for practice and informed the inductees that they



Dr Kayode

would receive their provisional certificates and take the Veterinary Oath.

Dr Fadipe reminded them that practising licences must be renewed annually, stressing that the VCN did not operate a lifetime membership arrangement. He encouraged them to maintain contact with the Council through its offices across the country.

In her goodwill message, the Executive Secretary of the Kwara State Primary Health Care Development Agency, Prof. Nusirat Elelu, congratulated the graduands and urged them to use their training to contribute to the health and wellbeing of the society.

She emphasised the connection between animal and human health and encouraged the new veterinarians to embrace the One Health Approach, while remaining committed to professionalism, continuous learning and community service.

Earlier, in his welcome address, the Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Prof. Salu A. Ameen, described the ceremony as a day of celebration, fulfilment and thanksgiving.

He said the induction marked the assumption of professional responsibilities by a new generation of veterinarians, adding that their training had equipped them with intellectual discipline, resilience and clinical competence.

Prof. Ameen said veterinary medicine occupied a unique position at the intersection of animal, human and environmental health, making veterinarians important participants in the One Health agenda.

Speaking on behalf of the inductees, Dr Halimat Adedeji Olanishile appreciated the lecturers and mentors for their guidance and the parents and guardians for their sacrifices.

She reminded her colleagues that the white coat represented not only academic achievement but professional responsibility, urging them to uphold compassion, integrity, excellence and resilience.



Transform healthcare, Oyewumi charges newly inducted UNILORIN-trained physiotherapists

By Mustafa Abubakar

A renowned Physiotherapist, Prof. Taiwo Joseph Oyewumi, has charged the 89 newly inducted graduands of the University of Ilorin Physiotherapy programme to use their knowledge, skills and expertise to transform healthcare delivery in Nigeria.

Prof. Oyewumi gave the charge last Tuesday (October 13, 2026) while delivering the Induction Lecture, titled “The Nigerian Healthcare Ecosystem: The Place of the Physiotherapist,” at the 3rd Professional Induction and Admission Ceremony for Physiotherapy Graduands of the University.

He stressed that healthcare would remain incomplete without rehabilitation, restoration of function, prevention of disability and helping patients return to productive living, noting that physiotherapists play important roles in health education, preventive and curative care, habilitation and rehabilitation.

He explained that the Nigerian healthcare ecosystem comprises public and private sectors, with the patient at its centre and supported by hospitals, healthcare professionals, medical suppliers, technology and regulatory bodies.

Prof. Oyewumi explained that Physiotherapy practice covers musculoskeletal, neurological, cardiopulmonary, paediatric, geriatric, sports, community and public health Physiotherapy, stressing that physiotherapists are increasingly recognised as important members of multidisciplinary healthcare teams.

According to him,



physiotherapists contribute to prevention, acute care, chronic disease management and community health promotion. At the primary healthcare level, they contribute to health promotion, prevention and community Physiotherapy; at the secondary level, they provide rehabilitation for surgical, orthopaedic and medical patients; while at the tertiary level, they provide specialist care, including intensive care, neurological rehabilitation, sports medicine, research and teaching.

Prof. Oyewumi highlighted the relevance of Physiotherapy to stroke and neurological conditions, musculoskeletal and sports injuries, cardiopulmonary conditions, trauma, maternal and child health and the needs of the elderly.

He advocated greater integration of rehabilitation into primary healthcare, national health policies and health insurance programmes, alongside increased research, evidence based practice, innovation, digital health adoption and international

collaboration. He also urged physiotherapists to explore opportunities in occupational health and ergonomics, public health, policy advisory services, health technology entrepreneurship and sports medicine.

Speaking on professional excellence, Dr Oyewumi stressed that excellence is built through consistent efforts. He urged the graduands to embrace continuous learning, mentorship, research, publication, careful observation, honest work, innovation and service.

Representing the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation), Prof. Muhtar Etudaiye, reaffirmed the commitment of the University to producing graduates who combine sound academic knowledge with professional competence, research capacity and innovation.

Prof. Egbewole stressed that the responsibility of the University went beyond producing degree holders, noting the importance of producing well rounded graduates capable of applying their knowledge to real life challenges. He charged the newly inducted physiotherapists to remain worthy ambassadors of the University by upholding integrity, discipline and professionalism.

In his address, the Provost of the College of Health Sciences, University of Ilorin, Prof. M.A.N.Adeboye, congratulated the graduands and urged them to remain committed to discipline, competence, compassion and service. He reminded them that induction was not the end of learning but the beginning of another phase of professional development.



Ex-NCC chief assures UNILORIN Engineering graduates of job prospect

By Abubakar Imam

A retired Director of Spectrum Administration at the National Communications Commission (NCC), Engr Yusuf Oluwatoyin Asaju, has assured graduates of Engineering of availability of jobs, saying that they should entertain no fear of unemployment whatsoever.

Engr. Asaju gave the assurance last Thursday (October 15, 2026) while speaking at the induction ceremony of 607 graduates of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, University of Ilorin.

He explained that graduates of Engineering, who are competent and honest, would not find it difficult to get one job or the other either in the public or private sector of the nation's economy and even beyond.

Engr Asaju, who is a 1985 graduate of the Department of Electrical Engineering, University of Ilorin, encouraged the graduands to always look forward with pride.

He urged them to always exhibit honesty and integrity for them to enjoy a very successful career as he said that they should not allow any reason to becloud their sense of professional judgement.

He warned them against engagement in any form of malpractice in order not to expose innocent people to danger.

Engr Asaju, who previously served in the defunct National Electric Power Authority (NEPA), thanked the



Engr Asaju

University of Ilorin for the quality of knowledge and morality inculcated in him and his course-mates at the University as he also thanked the University for sustaining the tradition of producing market ready graduates, particularly in the Engineering profession.

Speaking earlier, the Vice Chancellor of the University, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, congratulated the graduands and their parents and guardians for the milestones of graduating into the real world.

Prof. Egbewole, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola, advised the inductees against the Japa syndrome.

He said that Nigeria has given them so much and that they should reciprocate by joining forces with other compatriots to ensure that Nigeria attains its full potential.

The graduands were formally inducted into the profession by the President of the Nigerian Society of Engineers (NSE), Engr Ali Alimasuya Rabi, who was represented by Engr Thomas Abolarin.

The NSE President reminded the inductees that their graduation is not the end of knowledge acquisition but the beginning of another journey in the task of knowing more to become more prolific and professionally savvy.

In a chat with **UNILORIN Bulletin**, one of the inductees, Engr Abdulsamad Abdullateef, described the event as a monumental one in his life and those of others.

He thanked the University for training him and his colleagues as he assured all that they would continue to serve as good ambassadors of the University.

One of the highlights of the event was the presentation of an award to the best graduating student of the Faculty, Engr Abdulsemiu Olamilekan, who graduated from the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering as well as best graduating student from each of the 10 Departments in the Faculty by the Ilorin Branch of NSE.

The event was attended by the Registrar, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfa; the Registrar of the Council of Registered Engineers of Nigeria (COREN), who was represented by one of his predecessors, Engr Kamila Wopa; the Chairman of the Ilorin Branch of the NSE, Engr Ahmed Kazeem Jatto, among several others.





Egbewole charges new Nursing graduates to transform healthcare services

By Mustafa Abubakar

The Department of Nursing Science, University of Ilorin, has inducted 86 of its graduates into the nursing profession, with the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, charging the new nurses to deploy their knowledge, skills, compassion and innovation towards transforming healthcare delivery in Nigeria.

The professional induction and admission ceremony for the nursing graduands was held at the University Auditorium last Wednesday (October 14, 2026), with the theme, “Closing the Education Practice Technology Gap: A Three-Way Compact for Global Standard Nursing in Nigeria.”

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor(Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola, said the theme of the ceremony was timely, given the rapid changes taking place in healthcare and the increasing influence of technology on professional practice.

He urged the inductees to combine sound professional knowledge with technological competence, adaptability, innovation and compassion in their practice.

He also encouraged them to embrace emerging technologies and continuously update their professional knowledge, stressing that modern nursing practice could no longer be separated from digital health, electronic

medical records, telemedicine, artificial intelligence and other technological innovations.

The Vice Chancellor also encouraged the new nurses to see their professional training as an opportunity to contribute to solving healthcare challenges facing Nigeria, urging them to become responsible professionals capable of making meaningful contributions to their communities, institutions and the nation.

He charged them to uphold the reputation of the University of Ilorin wherever they found themselves and to distinguish themselves through integrity, professionalism, discipline and excellence.

In his remarks, the keynote speaker, Prof. Chizoma Millicent Ndikom, who teaches Maternal and Child Health Nursing at the Faculty of Nursing Sciences, University of Ibadan, identified education, practice and technology as three interconnected areas requiring collective attention, stressing that universities must provide contemporary professional education, healthcare institutions must create enabling environments for effective clinical practice, while nurses must continuously acquire new competencies to remain relevant in a rapidly changing healthcare environment.

She advocated competency based education, simulation, supervised clinical placements, OSCEs, evidence-based practice and digital health training.

She also called for stronger partnerships between nursing schools and healthcare institutions through trained

preceptors, joint assessment, mentorship, structured transition into practice and effective feedback mechanisms..

Also speaking, the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Prof. M. A. N. Adeboye, described the ceremony as more than a celebration of academic achievement, saying it marked the transition from student life to professional responsibility.

Prof. Adeboye urged the inductees to make the name of their set a standard for competence, character, compassion, courage, innovation and commitment to patients and communities.

The Provost urged the inductees never to forget that behind every diagnosis was a human being, behind every hospital bed was a family and behind every clinical procedure was a person deserving of dignity.

“Treat every patient as though that patient were someone you love. Your knowledge will make you competent. Your skills will make you effective, but your compassion will make you truly exceptional,” he said.

The ceremony featured the oath-taking, conducted by the Registrar of the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria, presentation of an award to the guest speaker, citations of nursing elders and presentation of awards to outstanding members of the graduating class.

The event was attended by Principal Officers of the University, parents and guardians as well as well-wishers of the inductees.



1	Ogunlola, Omolayo Durotade	Ling. & Nig. Languages	Oct-18
2	Osunbiyiye, Omolade Grace	Registry	Oct-18
3	Emelogu, Chukwuemeka Chima	Bursary	Oct-18
4	Bamidele, Funke Idowu	Registry	Oct-18
5	Akanbi, Gbenle Margaret	Registry	Oct-18
6	Ayinla, Waheed Adisa	Registry	Oct-18
7	Aina, Olawumi Lydia	Registry	Oct-18
8	Damilare, Fausat Shade	Urban & Regional Planning	Oct-18
9	Azobu, Lucky Ewere	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Oct-18
10	Abdulwahab, Hafsat Motunrayo	Registry	Oct-18
11	Ameen, Muhammed Murtala	Registry	Oct-18
12	Atteh, Femi Yinka	Performing Arts	Oct-18
13	Aliyu, Asiata Joke	Chemistry	Oct-18
14	Adeniji, Saidat Morenike	Science Education	Oct-18
15	Ayorinde, Atinuke Mubo	Registry	Oct-19
16	Gobir, Aishatu Ahmed	Paediatrics & Child Health	Oct-19
17	Ajape, Abdullwahab Akanbi	Surgery	Oct-19
18	Olowo, Falilat Mukthar	Registry	Oct-19
19	Olatunji, Samson Olusola	Arts Education	Oct-19
20	Falaiye, Oluwasesan Adeniran	Physics	Oct-19
21	Ojo, Fatimoh Omeneke	Registry	Oct-19
22	Shuaib, Avosshi Khadajat	Registry	Oct-19
23	Bello, Hafiz Olakekan	Physics	Oct-19
24	Ilugbaro, Mujidat Ajoke Abio	Procurement & Maintenance Suport	Oct-19
25	Abdulkadir, Muhammad Kabir	Medical Radiography	Oct-19
26	Olabintan, Isiaka Gbenga	Security Division	Oct-20
27	Abodunrin, Fatai Tunde	Bursary	Oct-20
28	Owolabi, Olufemi David	Zoology	Oct-20
29	Aiyedona, Femi Simeon	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Oct-20
30	Ibrahim, Aminat Bola	Registry	Oct-20
31	Lawal, Bashiru Babatunde	Bursary	Oct-20
32	Ibrahim, Abdulkadir	Security Division	Oct-20
33	Bakare, Naimat Gatta	Mathematics	Oct-20
34	Eniowoyan, Segun Samuel	Registry	Oct-20
35	Fashola, David Adeyemi	Library	Oct-20
36	Oyedeji, Stephen	Plant Biology	Oct-20
37	Saheed, Kamardeen	Siwes Unit	Oct-20
38	Usman, Abduljemil Bio	Registry	Oct-20
39	Saliu, Rabi	Registry	Oct-20
40	Iji, Juliana	Water Resources & Environmental Engineering	Oct-20
41	Adeyanju, Oluwashola Roseline	Registry	Oct-20
42	Bamidele, Phillips Kayode	Registry	Oct-21
43	Ehinmidun, Samuel Olaniyo	Registry	Oct-21
44	Sodiq, Aminat Aduke	Registry	Oct-21
45	Ajayi, Edward Boluwade	Plant Biology	Oct-21
46	Salah, Muritala	Academic Planning Unit	Oct-21
47	Ojo, Abosede Francisca	Library	Oct-21
48	Gatta, Nusirat Funmilayo	Statistics	Oct-21
49	Sa'Ad, Mahmud Bayo	Registry	Oct-21
50	Alade, Oluwatoyin Sunday	Bursary	Oct-22
51	Alayande, Kehinde Adenike	Registry	Oct-22
52	Ayoku, Taibat Tayo	Registry	Oct-22
53	Idris, Abdulrasaq Olawale	Security Division	Oct-22
54	Yusuf, Iyabo Roseline	Registry	Oct-22
55	Hammed, Abdullahi Henry	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Oct-22
56	Ojo, Oluwasola Michael	Optometry & Vision Science	Oct-22
57	Abdulrasaq, Munirudeen	Registry	Oct-22
58	Oyedepo, Olukemi Damilola Mary	Registry	Oct-22
59	Lawal, Kafayat Tinuola	Security Division	Oct-22
60	Igben, Lucky Francis	Security Division	Oct-23
61	Adamariko, Clement Anowe	Electrical & Electronics Engineering	Oct-23
62	Ogunremi, Toyin Funke	Health Services	Oct-23
63	Sayi, Olorundare Moshood	Civil Engineering	Oct-23
64	Asiyanbola, Caleb	Educational Technology	Oct-23
65	Balogun, Naeem Atanda	Information & Communication Science	Oct-23
66	Yusuf, Qudirat Amura	Registry	Oct-23
67	Sanni, Siaka Ojivo	Registry	Oct-24
68	Moneke, Theresa Oluchi	University Lodges Unit	Oct-24
69	Aderinoye, Ganiyat Olaide	Mass Communication	Oct-24
70	Solomon, Victoria Dupe	Registry	Oct-24
71	Faruq, Marim Abiodun	Security Division	Oct-24
72	Ahmed, Ganiyu Abiodun	Marketing	Oct-24
73	Mohammed, Nuhu Ola	Registry	Oct-24
74	Ajiboye, Kunle Rotimi	University Lodges Unit	Oct-24



UNILORIN WEEKLY FINANCIAL DIGEST

FUND SOURCES AND UTILIZATION REPORT FROM 9TH OCTOBER TO 15TH OCTOBER 2026

	Capitation NHIS	13,050.00
	Academic Transcript	10,000.00
	Clinic Registration	15,000.00
	Hire of University Property	2,000.00
	Contractor Registration Fees	11,000.00
	Transcript Charges	20,000.00
	Sundry/Other Fees & Student Charges	305,300.00
	Sundry Other Income	828,698.71
	Convocation Souvenir	222,200.00
	Convocation Undergraduate Charges	27,169,000.00
	Income from Verification /Screening	910,000.00
	Income from Fitness Centre	6,000.00
	CODL - General Payment	303,000.00
	CODL - Form Processing charges	50,400.00
	CODL - Clearance charges	200,800.00
	CODL - Undergraduate charges	101,680.00
	Staff and student I.D Cards	20,000.00
	Rent on University Property	250,000.00
	Postgraduate Acceptance Payment	11,818,800.00
	Postgraduate Application Form	151,200.00
	Postgraduate School Charges	4,654,320.00
	Postgraduate Tuition Fees	565,103.30
	Postgraduate Verification of Results	5,177,200.00
	Postgraduate Transcript Payment	155,500.00
	Ilorin Business School Charges	1,735,200.00
	Ilorin Business School Application Form	302,400.00
	Ilorin Business School Acceptance Payment	246,400.00
	Ilorin Business School Verification of Results	181,800.00
	Institute of Education Hostel Accommodation	505,000.00
	Institute of Education Verification of Results	242,400.00
	Institute of Education School Charges	485,106.70
	Institute of Education Application Form	25,200.00
	JUPEB Application Form	1,058,400.00
	JUPEB Acceptance Payment	1,209,600.00
	JUPEB School Charges	22,880,600.00
	Utility Income	26,500.00
	Remedial Acceptance Payment	440,800.00
	Remedial Application Form	228,000.00
	Undergraduate Transcript Payment	1,020,300.00
	Undergraduate Change of Course	479,400.00
	Undergraduate Post UTME Registration	176,400.00
	TOTAL RECEIPT FOR THE PERIOD	84,203,758.71
	PAYMENTS	N
	PAYMENT TO CONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS & OTHERS:	
NOSOK INTERNATIONAL CONCEPT LTD	RENOVATION OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OFFICE AT SENATE BUILDING [TETFUND]	16,082,121.10
ABADAM UNIVERSAL INTERBIZ LTD	RENOVATION OF INTERNAL WORK FOR THE SENATE BUILDING [TETFUND]	27,491,565.62
BELLY B NIG LTD	RENOVATION OF EXTERNAL WORK FOR THE SENATE BUILDING [TETFUND]	18,775,983.54
JIYODA INTERNATIONAL LTD	RENOVATION OF POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPT ACCREDITATION [TETFUND]	18,564,962.83
UNILORIN PETROL STATION	SUPPLY OF FUEL	37,741,080.30
CARLOHA NIG LTD	SUPPLY OF 10 OF CHERY SEDAN VEHICLES	325,187,500.00
100 SIGHT GENERAL SERVICES LTD	RENOVATION OF QUARTER 70 AND REPLACEMENT OF DAMAGED CEILING BOARD	4,671,842.50
MARTINS MART BUSINESS HUB	PURCHASE OF DENTAL MATERIALS	2,237,000.00
TOPMARK SYSTEM CONSULTANT LTD	RENEWAL OF SPM LICENSE	1,115,312.50
DUNMADE APARTMENT GLOBAL SERVICES	FEEDING AND ACCOMMODATION OF UNIVERSITY GUESTS	2,639,340.00
TRIKAF VENTURES LTD	UNIVERSITY CLEANING SERVICES	31,763,670.00
MEEM SOLAR SOLUTIONS	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF CCTV SYSTEM	6,355,830.00
SOLID CAST RESOURCES LTD	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICE EQUIPMENT	15,524,467.38
KOPIAN WORLD ENT	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICE EQUIPMENT	10,995,637.50
ROQZEE HEIGHTS LTD	RENOVATION OF UNIVERSITY FOUNTAIN AT SENATER BUILDING ROUNDABOUT	2,357,684.73
SOLID CAST RESOURCES LTD	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF LAB EQUIPMENT	3,990,490.00
EJIDAY INTL SERVICES LTD	REPAIR OF SPIIT AND PACKAGES AIR CONDITIONER [TETFUND]	28,218,209.81
UNILORIN PRESS	PRODUCTION OF 12000 COPIES OF FACULTY JOURNAL	17,860,000.00
FOLINGO ENGR LTD	CONSTRUCTION OF FURNISHING OF 2NR 250 CAPACITY LECTURE HALL (TETFUND)	25,541,726.15
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ABOGUN SEGUN AND OTHERS	JUPEB TUTORS AND STAFF HONORARIUM FOR THE YEAR 2025/2026 ACADEMIC SESSION	39,340,000.00
LUKE GBNLE JOLAYEMI NIG LTD	RENOVATION WORKS FOR DEPT OF MECHANICAL, CHEMICAL, AGRICULTURAL AND BIOSYSTEM	12,486,325.71
JAHAZA ENT	SUPPLY OF PLUMBING MATERIALS	3,533,514.13
NBP TECHNOLOGIES INTL LTD	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF SOLAR POWER AND INVERTER	12,343,267.65
Y- EL ASSOCIATES	RENOVATION OF JUPEB LAB	561,543.36
Various	Various I.E DTA, IMPREST, REFUND E.T.C	201,150,205.80
Purchase Advance	Various	23,498,994.00
TOTAL TSA CHARGES	Various	176,515.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS		894,106,207.61

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The University of Ilorin has emerged as Nigeria's number one university in the realm of Research Quality in the just released Times Higher Education (THE) World University Ranking.

("UNILORIN tops in research quality by world varsity ranking", *Blueprint*, Monday, October 5, 2026, p.28; "UI, UNN, Covenant lead Nigerian varsities in global research ranking", *The Nation*, Monday, October 5, 2026, p.8; "Varsity Rankings: UNILORIN Rated No 1 in Research Quality", *Thisday*, Monday, October 5, 2026, p.33; "NIGERIA UNIVERSITIES ON THE RISE AGAIN: SALUTE TO THE FGN, ACADEMIA", *Blueprint*, Wednesday, October 7, 2026, p.3; "UNILORIN rated Nigeria's best university for research quality", *The Graphic*, Wednesday, October 7 -- Tuesday October 13, 2026, p.10; "UNILORIN emerges Nigeria's too university in research quality", <https://www.vanguardngr.com>; "World university ranking: UNILORIN rated number one in research quality", <https://blueprint.ng>; "Varsity Rankings: UNILORIN Rated No 1 in Research Quality", <https://thisdaylive.com>; "UNILORIN ranked highest among Nigerian universities in research quality", <https://dailyembassage.com.ng>; "World Ranking: UNILORIN Ranks No 1 in Nigeria For Research Quality", <https://thecabal.ng>; "World varsity ranking: UNILORIN Rated No 1 in Research Quality", <https://rectitudenrwsng.wordpress.com>; "Unilorin ranked number one in Nigeria for quality research", <https://Nigerianewsdirect.com>; "World varsity rankings", <https://savannaexpress.com.ng>)

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has urged the newly promoted professors to take mentorship seriously by nurturing younger academics in their respective Departments and Faculties and helping to ensure continuity in knowledge, scholarship and academic leadership. ("UNILORIN VC tasks new Professors on mentorship, inaugural lectures", <https://decency.home.blogspot>)

The Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, University of Ilorin, in collaboration with the Veterinary Council of Nigeria (VCN), will hold its 8th Induction Oath Taking Ceremony for newly graduated veterinary doctors. ("UNILORIN VC Medicine Set to Hold 8th Induction Monday, October 12", <https://tgeproximanews.blogspot.com>)

The National President of Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU), Alhaji Abdulmumini Ayo Abdulmalik, was among several dignitaries who converged at the main Auditorium of the University of Ilorin for a special event held in honour of a former Vice Chancellor of the University and the immediate past Registrar and Chief Executive Officer of the Joint Admission and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Emeritus Ishaq Olanrewaju Oloyede, CON. ("IEDPU honours Oloyede at lecture", <https://thepriximanews.blogspot.com>)

The University of Ilorin has recorded another remarkable feat on the

global stage as two of its personalities, Dr Ruth Abiola Adimula and Veteran Journalist, Idris Alooma, emerged recipients of the prestigious Award of Excellence at the YOMAF Global Award Session 18.

("UNILORIN Records Another Remarkable Feat As Adimula, Alooma Shine At YOMAF Global Award Session 18", <https://choice-reporters.com>; "Double Honours for Unilorin as Adimula Shines at YOMAF Global Award Session 18", <https://theidealnewsworld.blogspot.com>; "Double Honours for UNILORIN: Adimula, Alooma, Shine at YOMAF Global Award Session 18", <https://silidmedia874482948.wordpress.com>)

The Faculty of Engineering and Technology (FET), University of Ilorin has disclosed that a total sum of N10,892,000 has been expended on materials to support its Community-Based Engineering Services (COBES) scheme.

("FET spends N10.8m on COBES materials", <https://decency.home.blog>)

The University of Ilorin will hold its 41st Convocation Ceremonies from October 16 to 25, with a public lecture and project commissioning. ("UNILORIN Releases Programme for 41st Convocation Ceremonies", <https://fellowpress.com>; "UNILORIN Begins 41st Convocation with Three Graduation Days", <https://thenationalpilot.com.ng>)

While speaking at the Induction and Oath-taking Ceremony of the Nigeria Society of Engineering (NSE), held at the University of Ilorin, a former Director of Spectrum Administration, Nigeria Communication Commission, Engr. Oluwatoyin Asaju, has charged the newly inducted engineering graduates of the University to uphold integrity, safety, and service to humanity.

("NCC Ex-Director charges new engineers to uphold integrity, safety", <https://decency.home.blog>; "NCC Ex-Director Urges Newly inducted UNILORIN Engineers to Uphold integrity, Safety", <https://esnadnews.blogspot.com>)

A total of 86 nursing graduands, comprising 13 males and 73 females, have been inducted into the nursing profession at the 9th Professional Induction and Admission Ceremony of the Department of Nursing Science, University of Ilorin.

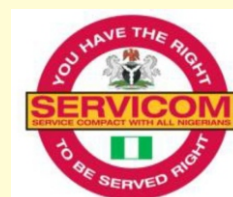
("UNILORIN VC WARNS 86 NEWS NURSES AGAINST JAPA, SAYS NIGERIAN NEEDS THEIR EXPERTISE", <https://curioustelevision>)

The University of Ilorin has been singled out as a university with well maintained infrastructure facilities in an investigative news reports by a newspaper, where many public universities are said to be facing widespread infrastructural decay

("Ivory Towers in State of Decay", <https://newtelegraphng.com>; Saturday Telegraph, October 17, 2026, p.15)

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Egbewole hails UNILORIN' performance in global ranking

... We're proud to represent alma mater on global stage -- Emmanuel

By Abubakar Imam and Isaac Lewu

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has expressed profound satisfaction with the rising profile of the University following its clinching of the 4th position nationally in the 2026 Global Top 2% Scientists/Researchers ranking based on Stanford evaluation. This development was unveiled while the University is still basking in the euphoria of its emergence as the best Nigerian University in Research Quality.

Prof. Egbewole, in a statement issued by the University's Director of Corporate Affairs, Mr Kunle Akogun, last Monday (October 12, 2026), described the development as "superlatively exciting".

The Vice Chancellor, particularly saluted the professionalism of all the ten researchers whose efforts contributed to the favourable rating that is making the University very proud again.

Prof. Egbewole, who is also a Member of the Nigerian Body of Benchers, assured members of the University community of the readiness of his Administration to offer every support they would need to engage in meaningful research endeavours.

While commending the ten scholars, Prof. Egbewole reminded them and others that the task of making the University the first in Nigeria, one of the best ten in Africa and among the leading 500 across the world is a task that must be achieved.

The researchers that made the University proud in the rating include a one-time University Researcher of the Year, Prof. Adewale George Adeniyi, who teaches at the Department of Chemical Engineering; Prof. Ismail Ayoade Odetokun of the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Dr Folorunso Ajide of the Department of Economics and Dr Mufutau Opeyemi Bello.

Others include Ebuka Chizere Emenike of the Faculty of Environmental Sciences, Stephen Sunday Emmanuel, who is a specialist in Organic Chemistry and Ibrahim Adeshina, who teaches Fisheries.

Meanwhile, one of the 10 distinguished researchers who made the Stanford- Elsevier Top 2 % Scientists list, Dr Stephen Emmanuel, has said that he and his wife, who also made the list, felt "deeply privileged and honoured to represent the University on the global stage through the recognition."

In a personal letter he sent to the Vice Chancellor, Dr Emmanuel said that they would remain grateful for the solid foundation the University gave them as they look forward to giving back to the University in due course.

While thanking Prof. Egbewole for his exemplary leadership style the don promised that they would contribute to the continued growth, research excellence, and global reputation of the University as they would also continue to be its proud ambassadors.