



## NOTAP Commissions Multi-Million Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Office in BUK

By Nura Garba

The National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP) on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 commissioned a Multi-Million Naira Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Office (IPTTO) in Bayero University. The aim is to promote and protect intellectual property right, as well as raise awareness about the intellectual property among researchers.

The Director General of NOTAP, Dr Dan'Azumi M. Ibrahim, who was represented by the Director Consultancy Services, Dr. Adamu Tandama, said NOTAP served as a functional bridge in sustaining the link between the research community and industry,

The DG said from now on, Bayero University should begin to turn out patents (issuing a declaration claiming ownership of its intellectual property) from its research results. He added that most universities had turned their intellectual property into publication, saying that they should combine them with patent.

The NOTAP Chief Executive explained that adoption of this would not only show the economic tools of the University, but also unveil technological advancement.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration), Professor Haruna Wakili, said BUK was honoured by NOTAP for establishing the IPTT office in the university, saying that it would go a long way in facilitating its derive to achieve its mission of becoming a leader in research and innovation in Africa.



Representative of DG NOTAP, Dr. Adamu Tandama (right) being assisted by the DVC (Administration), Prof. Haruna Wakili to during the commissioning of IPTTO, BUK

thus making it a strong anchor for stimulating national growth and development.

“Specifically, NOTAP systematically tracks the inflow of technology into Nigeria and strategizes for its adaptation and domestication. It also coordinates Nigeria's initiatives in technology transfer; evaluation and registration of technology transfer agreements; promotion of innovation, patenting & intellectual property; technology advisory and support services; commercialization of R&D results; research-industry linkage; production of compendium management information system; publication of project profiles on R&D results, among others,” he added.

The NOTAP Team members had earlier on paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor and were received by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, who assured them of University's full commitment to live up to the NOTAP's expectations. He said the equipment

installed would be judiciously utilized.

NOTAP will also train BUK staff on the creation, management and enforcement of intellectual property rights from 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2019. It was established by Decree No. 70 of 1979, amended as Decree No. 82 of 1992 now referred to as NOTAP Act cap 268 LFN 1994. NOTAP is an Agency of the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology (FMST), Nigeria. It was established in response to Nigeria's needs to facilitate the emergence of a strong STI system reflective of the desire to evolve a strong economy based on science and technology.

# Public Complaints Commission Seeks Collaboration with BUK in Dispute Resolution

By Adamu Garba

The Public Complaints Commission has expressed its desire to partner with Bayero University, Kano, with a view to fashioning out modalities for effective resolutions of complaints and disputes brought before the Commission.

The Federal Commissioner of the Commission in



Officials from the Public Complaints Commission in a group photograph with some members of the University Management

Kano, Malam Ahmed Ado Dadin Kowa, made the plea during a visit to Bayero University on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2019.

Malam Ado Ahmed said that the Commission wanted to partner with Bayero University to fight administrative injustices and to promote peace and harmony considering the strategic importance of the institution in the society.

“It is our avowed hope and prayer that the management

of Bayero University, Kano, would assist the Commission in achieving its mandate,” he said.

He said the Public Complaints Commission was established primarily to entertain from citizens' complaints of injustice, corruption, unfair treatment and abuse of office by public officers.

Malam Dadin Kowa said PCC had good rapport with agencies, such as EFCC, ICPC, Human Rights and other institutions and would not hesitate to collaborate with Bayero University, Kano, in areas that would enhance operations of the Commission.

The Commissioner also decried on the delay in responding to letters sent to the University for Inquiry or clarification by the Commission.

In his response, the Acting Vice Chancellor, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, who alongside the Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Isyaku Mohammed, the University Librarian, Dr. Musa A. Auyo, and the Director of Public Affairs, Ahmad Shehu, received the visitors, attributed the delay in resolving issues to the nature and complexity of the University activities and sometimes lack of following the appropriate channels in communicating with the University.

Professor Tanko also pleaded with the Commission not to hesitate to send a reminder whenever such an incidence happens again.

## Islamic Cleric Calls for Special Programs for Victims of Sickle Cell

By Dr. Sa'idu Ahmad Dukawa

A renowned Islamic scholar in Kano, Sheikh Abdullah Uwais, has advised educational institutions, especially universities, on the need to give special consideration to victims of sickle cell disease. He made the call during an event titled: *Stakeholder Engagement Session on Screening of Sickle Cell Disease*.

The renowned scholar who commended BUK for taking the lead among universities in the region in the area of community services said in view of the pathetic condition which they lived on, such victims deserved special treatment, particularly in schools and/or places of work.

The occasion, which took place on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2019, was organized by the Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue (CICID), Bayero University, Kano in conjunction with the Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital, AKTH and the Africa Centre of Excellence in Population Health and Policy (ACEPHAP).



Participants at the Stakeholder Engagement Session on the Screening of Sickle Cell Disease

In his opening address, the Director of CICID, Dr. Bashir Aliyu Umar, explained that the objective of the session was to enlighten members of the public on the challenges posed by sickle cell disease to its victims, their parents

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and the society with the view to seeking *fatwa* (Islamic verdict) on the need of conducting premarital screening and the screening of the newborn so as to control the spread of the disease.

He cited several examples of similar exercise in the Muslim world, hoping that Nigerian Muslims would not be left behind in adopting premarital screening for the young so as to help in tackling the menace as well as to be in tune with modernity.

Resource persons in the summit included Dr. Ibrahim Musa Idris of AKTH, who made a presentation on the disease and the medical challenges it poses on its victims; Dr. Aisha Amal Galadanci of AKTH, who presented on the need for premarital screening and the screening of the

newborn; and Dr. Musa Auwal Yunus, the Educational Coordinator of Alfurqan Charitable Foundation, who led the discussion on Islamic perspective of disease screening.

In his remarks, the Chairman of the Kano State chapter of the Council of Ulama of Nigeria, Sheikh Ibrahim Khalil, emphasized on the policy aspect in an attempt to do with tackling the challenges to which he said only a fair representation of women coupled with the right caliber of men would bring about a lasting solution to most of the new challenges.

The session brought together over 100 Islamic scholars and Imams, medical staff of AKTH and other academics.

## Kano State Police Command to Help BUK Tackle Criminal Activities

By *Bala G. Abdullahi*

Kano State Police Commissioner, Alhaji Ahmed Iliyasu, has assured Bayero University Management of the readiness of the command to assist the University on issues bordering on insecurity, criminal activities and other social vices that may confront the institution.

The Commissioner gave the assurance when he received



Members of the University Land Implementation Committee during a visit to the Kano State Police Commission.

the University's Land Implementation Committee led by its Chairman, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, in his office on a courtesy call on Thursday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

On the issue of the University's land that is being encroached by some of its neighbouring communities at Rimin Zakara, the commissioner commended the strategy adopted by the University's management, which he believed was the reason why there was no breakdown of law and order as a result of the incessant encroachments.

He said the fact still remained that when population increased, the need for shelter also increased two-fold. 'Herein lies our major problems.' Alhaji Ilyasu stated that issues of land were so sensitive that if care was not taken, it might turn into something else. This was why 'we in the Police Command commended BUK's Management of setting up the Land Implementation Committee with membership cutting across stakeholders, such as State Security Service, Police, Emirate Council, the State Government and the Village of Rimin Zakara, the feuding

community, etc''.

He advised the committee to continue to dialogue with the people of the community. 'Apply persuasion and lobbying strategy. Do not use force, educate the youth of the community, who are agitated and contesting the compensation paid to their parents. I believe the presence of the elder statesman, Jarman Kano, Professor Isa Hashim, from the Emirate Council would help a lot to douse the youth agitation,' he counselled.

Earlier, the Chairman of the University's Land Implementation Committee, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, who is also the University's Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), had informed the Police Commissioner that they were in his office to intimate him about the happenings between the university and one of its neighbouring community at Rimin Zakara regarding land matters.

Professor Tanko said as a result of these agitations, the youth started encroaching into the University's land, selling carve-outs for residential purposes as well as for farming activities to unsuspecting individuals. All attempts made to draw their attention to the danger of their actions fell on deaf ears.

To get into the root of the issue, the University Management set up the Land Management Committee. The Committee did its work and submitted a report. Part of its recommendations culminated into the establishment of the Land Implementation Committee, which he is chairing. After the Committee took off, it was discovered that a large parcel of land belonging to the University had been sold out to people.

He said even currently they were busy selling the lands and 'we do not want friction with our neighbouring community, which is why we came to notify you. As I am talking to you now, the University Management is planning another bigger settlement for them to address these incessant encroachments,' Professor Tanko revealed.

## ... As NMA Worries Over High Rate of Morbidity, Mortality

By Bala G. Abdullahi

The Chairman of the Nigerian Medical Association (NMA), Kano State Chapter, Dr. Sanusi Muhammad Bala, has expressed grave concern over the high rate of morbidity and mortality, saying that all hands must be on deck to salvage the precarious situation.

Speaking during the opening ceremony of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Meeting of Continuing Medical Education (CME) of members of the association, which took place at Mahmud Tukur Theatre, Old Campus, Bayero University, Kano, on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2019, Dr. Sanusi said that, although all stakeholders in the health sectors, including the government, were doing their best in that regard, a lot needed to be done to reduce the situation to the barest minimum.

He said the theme of the AGM and CME meeting: **'Effective Referral System as a Way of Reducing Morbidity and Mortality'** was timely and apt, because, according to him, it would seek to create awareness and educate the populace on the efforts medical personnel were making to address the menace,

adding.

Also speaking, the Continuing Medical Education Chairman (CME), Dr. Sadiq Ahmed, expressed happiness over the decision of members to hold the two functions together. He said the choice of the theme of the occasion was apt, considering the high rate of morbidity and mortality.

Three papers were presented at the meeting. The first paper titled: **'Pre and Inter-Referral Care in Psychiatry'** was presented by a Consultant Psychiatrist, Dr. Auwal Sani. The second paper was presented by Dr. Imam Haruna with the title: **'Pre and Inter –Disciplinary Referral Care in Paediatrics'** and the last paper titled: **Maternal Mortality**.

All the speakers were unanimous in their call for effective referral system, which they believed was an antidote for preventing mortality. They, however, expressed concern over what they described as mass trooping by patients to tertiary medical centres when, in essence, such patients could be comfortably handled by primary health centres.

## Management Advised to Reinvigorate Security Division

By Bala G. Abdullahi

The Security Appraisal Committee has submitted its report to the management with strong recommendations for the strengthening of the

organization is very critical and therefore must be given special consideration. “It is our humble submission that for effective policing, the management must reorganize the security division by way of giving them training on modern techniques as well providing them with new gadgets to strengthen their operations.”

The Committee he said “discovered the problems of poor leadership arising from zero supervision and lack of requisite training for personnel. These lapses contributed largely to the security problems being faced by the university,” he observed.

Professor Kazaure also faulted the residents of the staff quarters for harbouring or shielding some of their wards who have questionable characters.

Responding, the Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics) Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, commended the committee for an excellent job and assured that the management would not leave any stone unturned in its efforts to ensuring a peaceful environment.

He also promised to study the report with a view to coming up with a standard policy for implementation. He said the management was concerned about the growing insecurity within the campuses, hence, the formation of the appraisal committee.

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Members of Security Appraisal Committee in a group photograph with Management shortly after submitting its report

University's security Division to ensure effective policing of the environment.

Speaking while presenting the report of the Committee to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, on Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2019, the Chairman of the Committee, Professor Salisu Kazaure, frowned at the lack of proper training of the security personnel.

According to him, security department in any

## Dr. M.L. Riskuwa Donates Laboratory Equipment to BUK

By Lamara Garba

Standard Laboratory sitting stools worth thousands of Naira were donated to the Department of Microbiology, Bayero University, Kano by a lady philanthropist, Dr. (Mrs) M. L. Riskuwa Shehu.

A statement dated 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 and signed by the Head of Department of Microbiology, Bayero University, Kano, Professor Abdullahi Hassan Kawo, said the equipment were presented by an academic from Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto, Dr. (Mrs) M.L Riskuwa.

“Accordingly, the Department sees it pertinent to write and convey its sincere appreciation of this special and

exclusive philanthropic gesture by a rare nationalist, among serving academics of the same field of teaching and research in Microbiology”, the letter reads in part.”

Professor Kawo, in particular, commended the special interest exhibited by the donor in facilitating the promotion of excellence in the Department, in particular, and the University, in general.

The Donor, Dr (Mrs) M.L. Riskuwa Shehu, lectures at the Department of Microbiology at Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto (UDUS).

## SCE Students Honour Pioneer Dean, Five Others

By Adamu Garba

The immediate past Dean of the School of Continuing Education (SCE), Professor Salisu Shehu, alongside former heads of Departments, received awards of merit in excellent administration by the students of the School.

The awards were presented during a send-off reception in honour of the pioneer Dean of the School, organized by the students on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at the



Students and staff of SCE in a group photograph shortly after a send-off reception in honour of the Pioneer Dean, Prof. Salisu Shehu

School's Theatre to celebrate with Professor Shehu for a successful completion of his tenure as the pioneer dean of SCE.

Other recipients of awards were former Heads of Department of Sciences, Professor Junaidu Na'aliya; Arts and Humanities, Dr. Salihu Lawal; Education, Dr. Usman Da'u Aliyu; Social Sciences and Administration, Dr. Aminu Isa and Dr. Muhammad Ibn Abdullahi, the former Sub-dean of the School of Continuing Education.

The event was attended by students, members of teaching and non-teaching staff of the school and well-wishers, who hailed Professor Shehu for his

meritorious and selfless service to the School and the University at large.

In his opening remarks, the new Dean of the School of Continuing Education (SCE), Dr. Salihu Lawal, who spoke at length on the achievements of his predecessor, promised to leverage on the successes recorded by the outgoing dean.

He said history would never forget the contributions of Professor Shehu, who had laid what he described as a solid foundation of the school since when it was earlier named ICEP but then later renamed Institute of Continuing Education (ICE) and now known as School of Continuing Education (SCE).

Responding on behalf of the recipients, Professor Shehu stated that he was overwhelmed by the honour, especially because it was organised by the students of the school, which, he said, would remain in his memory forever.

The former Dean described his smooth tenure as a collective effort made by his team of management, academic and non-academic staff of the school with whom he worked together.

Prof. Shehu said, “I enjoyed working with Dr. Salihu Lawal, the present Dean, who made the job easier”. He recalled that their relationship began since they were undergraduate students of Bayero University about 35 years ago.

He then thanked all the staff of the school, who worked with him, saying, “I truly appreciate you all and whatever little success we have achieved is because we worked as a family”.

He commended the University Management for giving him the opportunity to serve, especially the former and present Vice Chancellors, Professor Abubakar Adamu



Rashid and Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, respectively. He also thanked the leadership of students of School of Continuing Education for its maturity and understanding.

Among those who commented during the occasion were Dr. Sa'id Umar Dukawa from the Department of Political Science, the H.O.D. Education Department, Dr. Bello Ahmad Bello and many others.

## ANNOUNCEMENT TO: All Deans of Faculties, Bayero University, Kano

### CORRIGENDUM

Please refer to **Page 38 of General Examinations and Academic Regulations (GEAR) for First Degree Programmes.**

Refer to the title: "Examinations" on Page 38, Section

12.6.

In 12.6 (b), please note that the correct percentage is 40 and not '45% (The pass mark shall be 40%).

## BUK Qualifies for HIFL Round of 16

By *Nura Garba*

Bayero University Kano, on Thursday, 18th July, 2019 qualified to the round of 16 of the Higher Institutions Football League (HIFL) after playing a 3-3 draw with Benue State University, Makurdi (BSU).

Rufai Idris opened the account for BUK Stallions, when Ahmad Umar Jafar connected with him in just the 2nd minute of the game to give BUK an early lead before he was substituted two minutes after because of collision with BSU's defender, Abutu Emmanuel.

The match, which was played at Ahmed Adamu Mu'azu Mini Stadium, BUK New Campus, saw Benue State University's top marksman, Silas Aondover, score two goals in quick succession to give BSU a commanding lead just before the break.

However, on resumption to the second stanza, the BUK boys mounted pressure and it paid off, when Ahmad Umar Jafar connected well with Haruna Adamu's beautiful cross to score a fantastic goal and level the score at 2-2.

Silas Aondover, who became a thorn in the flesh for BUK's team, received a fantastic curling cross from David Igoche and smashed a thunderous shot to the roof the net, leaving BUK goalkeeper, Abdullahi Sulaiman Ahmad, nagging.

In what looked like the match would end in favour of BSU, an unfortunate handball by its defender, Abutu Emmanuel, cost the Makurdi side a late penalty, which was perfectly converted by Ahmad Umar Jafar to make it 3-3 apiece.

It was the last match of the group stage involving BUK, BSU, Makurdi and NSUK Miners of Nasarawa State

and Bayero University qualified with 4 points.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, Chairman Sports Consultative Committee, Professor I K. Abdulsalam, Director of Sports, Malam Usman Salihu, Director of Public Affairs, Ahmad Shehu, Professor Lasun Emiola and many other staff of BUK witnessed the match.

Bayero University had, in the first match, defeated Nasarawa State University, Keffi (NSUK Miners) by 1-0. The winner of last year's HIFL, the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi was earlier



BUK Team shortly after qualifying to the Round 16 of the HIFL

grouped in BUK zone, but the organizers gave the Benue team a compassion and automatic ticket to the round of 16.

As it is now, BUK Stallions and University of Agriculture Makurdi qualified from this zone. The HIFL competition is being sponsored by IBTC, Premier Cool and Indomie Nigeria with NUGA and Spanish La-liga as partners.

## University Health Services: Eye Check-up and Diabetic Screening

This is to inform all members of the University staff community that the Voluntary eye check-up and diabetic screening is on-going.

A statement by the Admin Officer, M.S. Bello says at present the Eye Check-up and Diabetic Screening is on for the staff of the Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, Bursary and Sport Directorate and they will round up on

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2019.

The next batch will be on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2019, for the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, Centre for Democratic Research, School of Postgraduate Studies and SERVICOM.

You are all invited to participate in the programme.

## CITAD Round Table Dialogue on Knowledge Production

CITAD is organizing a roundtable dialogue on falling standards and critical knowledge production in our universities.

**Keynote Speaker:** Professor Ibrahim Bello Kano and Dr. Kole Shettima, McAthur Foundation.

**Date:** Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

**Time:** 9:00am

**Venue:** Faculty of Physical Sciences, Bayero University, Kano

## University Secretarial Staff Association (USSA), BUK Branch

Following the transition processes of USSA Executive Members, contestant forms are available for sale as scheduled below:

**Opening and Closing Date:**

24<sup>th</sup> July, 2019 to 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2019

**Cost of Forms:**

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|--|---------------|
| 1. Chairman and Vice Chairman                                    | <b>N3,000</b> |
| 2. Secretary, Asst. Secretary, Treasurer and Financial Secretary | <b>N2,500</b> |
| 3. Other Positions   | <b>N2,000</b> |

**Where to obtain the Forms**

1. Mahdi Sani Bala, *PG School (New Campus)*
2. Rilwan Dan'Azumi, *Center for the Study of Nigerian Language and Folklore (New Campus)*
3. Sunusi Sabo Sagagi, *Central Store (Old Campus)*
4. Laraba Yakubu, *Mathematics Department, Old Campus*
5. Ahmed Tijjani Mu'azu, *College of Health Sciences, AKTH*



### Wedding Fatiha of Prof. Hafiz Abubakar's Daughter

(1) Professor Hafiz Abubakar, MFR, invites members of the University community and the General Public to the Wedding Fatiha of his Daughter, **Dr. Nusayba Hafiz Abubakar**, scheduled to take place as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

**Time:** 12pm

**Venue:** Sheikh Ishaq Rabi'u Mosque, Goron Dutse, Aminu Kano Way

(2) **Alhaji Abubakar Gidado** (Transport Officer), Vice Chancellor's Office invites members of the University Community and the General Public to the Wedding Fatiha of his Daughter **Sa'adiya Abubakar Gidado** and **Abdullahi Wada Nas**, scheduled to take place as follows:

**Date:** 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019

**Time:** 11:00am



**Venue:** BUK Old Campus Central Mosque

(3) **Malam Yusuf Ladan** of the University Library invites members of the University Community and the General Public to the Wedding Fatiha of his Daughter **Unaisa Yusuf Ladan** and **Badaru Garba Dantiye**, scheduled to take place as follows:

**Date:** Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

**Time:** 11:30am

**Venue:** Sheikh Ja'afar Juma'at Mosque, Dorayi Karama, Kano State

(4) **Mubarak Kabiru Garba (Saraki)** of the Budget Offices invites members of the University community to his wedding fatiha with Mashkurah Shareef Nafi'u, scheduled as follows:

**Date:** Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> August, 2019

**Time:** 11:00am

**Venue:** Hadejia Road, Kwanar Dakata, behind Dakata

## Appreciation from Mrs S. Muhammad Jamiu

On behalf of the family, I hereby registered our appreciations to the library management and university library staff for the warm and impressive send forth accorded my husband. (M.J. Ahmad).

Thank you ALL and may ALLAH bless you all. I also seek for your forgiveness on his behalf if he had offended any of you in course of discharging his duties. Thank you all.



# Department of Electrical Engineering: Seminar Presentation

**Presenter:** Dr M Buhari

**Topic:** Multi-type FACTS Location and Coordination using PI-PSO For

Transfer Capability Improvement.

**Chairman:** Head of Department Electrical

Engineering

**Date:** 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2019

**Time:** 9:00am

**Venue:** Electrical Engineering Departmental Conference Room.



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**Prof. Talatu Musa Garba**  
NCRRD, BUK, Kano.

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