



Prof. Adamu Idris Tanko, former
DVC (Academics)

Education System in Nigeria Suffering Neglect ...Says Professor Adamu I. Tanko

By Lamara Garba

Unless there is urgent intervention from the government to ensure better investment in the education sector at all levels, the system is suffering neglect whose consequences should better be imagined, a former Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Professor Adamu Idris Tanko, has prophesied.

He said in his office in an exclusive interview with members of the BUK's media team on Monday, 16th November, 2020 that the sector had suffered serious neglect over the years, which, he said, was responsible for the prolonged crisis especially between academic staff and the government.

The two times DVC regretted that looking at the way things are going now, Nigeria is reverting to the old bad days of brain drain in the Nigerian Universities. The decay in the system is too monumental and unless it is checked, the condition will be worse and the end result could be too catastrophic for the society to contain.

"We are reverting to the old bad days in Nigerian universities in which the take home cannot take one anywhere. The decay is too monumental, certainly, massive brain drain is in the offing," he declared.

The one time Chairman of the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), Bayero University branch, passionately appealed to well meaning Nigerians to intervene and save the situation, which, he said, was posing a bleak future.

Professor Tanko also was of the opinion that the only way to end the lingering crises between the government and university staff unions and to succeed in the struggle for good investment and better condition of service is for all university workers to come together and form a common front to talk with one voice.

"If we can have harmony among the University staff and talk with one voice, it would have been better for all of us. There is strength in unity; the earlier we adopt this strategy, the better for the system. But lack of harmony and unity among the various union, I think, is our major problem," he declared.

Professor Tanko, who is also the National President of the Association of Nigerian Geographers (ANG) noted that there is no harm in operating as individual unions but whenever there is an issue at stake we should confront it collectively. “It is evidently glaring, for example, as far as IPPIS is concerned no university staff is happy, whether teaching or administrative staff,” he argued.

According to him, given his way, he would love to see a situation where all the unions will come together and

talk with one voice when ever there is an issue at stake that effect members of staff irrespective of the union they belong to. “There is the need to form a joint team in the struggle for the emancipation of Nigerian education from total collapse.”

The Professor of Geography also suggested that the revitalization should cut across all the levels of education, from the grassroots to the secondary schools and up to the tertiary institutions.

NAPTIN to Collaborate with BUK in Training for Power Sector

By Adamu Garba



VC, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas along with management of the University in a group photograph with officials of NAPTIN

The National Power Training Institute of Nigeria (NAPTIN) has sought joint collaboration with Bayero University to train students of electrical engineering and other related fields.

The call for the collaboration was made by the Director General of NAPTIN, Alhaji Ahmed Bolaji Nagode, during a courtesy visit to the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, on Tuesday, September 17, 2020.

Alhaji Nagode stated that the visit was another important step in NAPTIN's quest to produce industry-ready graduates by training and maintaining relationships with reputable academic institutions, stressing that the collaboration was aimed at bridging the gap between what was learned in the University and the practical aspects.

“We intend to partner with BUK through our Centre in Kano so that students can learn the practical aspect of the power sector” Mr. Nagode explained.

“As a training institute, we want to make our facilities accessible to the students so as to provide hands-on training in power sector,” he added.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, while responding has expressed delight and assured the

visitors of the University's readiness to partner with the NAPTIN.

“We are ready to collaborate with any institution that is ready to partner with us, we believe that through the collaboration, we can improve our educational system”. The VC said.

The Vice Chancellor remarked that the University had a Federal Government intervention on solar energy and had set up a training team which will take over the running of the solar initiative after expiration of the MoU.

The National Power Training Institute of Nigeria (NAPTIN) was established in 2009 to provide skilled workforce and professionals for the power sector through training, research, and development in partnership with national and international public and private entities.

Present at the meeting were the University Registrar, Hajiya Fatima Binta Mohammed, University Librarian, Dr. Musa A. Auyo; Director, Public Affairs, Ahmad Shehu, Director, Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership, Professor Ibrahim A. Rufa'i, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, Professor Salisu Dan'azumi and many heads of departments.



BUK Commends NCC Board, Management -Seeks Intervention on Virtual Learning

By Nura Garba

Bayero University, Kano, has commended the efforts of the board and management of the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) in its continuous drive to reinvigorate telecommunication industry in order to meet the challenges of global digital revolution.

The University also expressed confidence that the board and management staff of the NCC had all the wherewithal and competence to lead a successful digital revolution that will place Nigeria among the ICT developed countries.

Speaking on Thursday, 19th November, 2020 while receiving the board and management of the commission, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, said the University was delighted with the intervention of NCC in providing laptop computers, ipads and other gadgets to support teaching and research.

Prof Abbas however, sought the intervention of the NCC on virtual learning which the University is now shifting its attention to, due to the new normal scenario brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Vice Chancellor said the intervention of the Commission would surely boost the University's teaching and learning landscape through virtual means, commending the Executive Vice Chairman, Professor Umar Garba Danbatta for his leadership transformations.

In his remarks, the Executive Vice Chairman of NCC, Professor Umar Garba Danbatta expressed appreciation to the University Management for always granting his request to go on his leave of absence.

While congratulating Professor Abbas on his appointment as the 11th Vice Chancellor, the EVC, NCC expressed the Commission's determination to continue with its intervention in boosting education in Nigeria.

Prof. Danbatta stated that all the achievements recorded in the NCC were as a result of the invaluable contributions by the staff of the commission.

In his remarks earlier, the Chairman of the NCC Board, Professor Ayinde said the visit was predicated on the home coming of Professor Danbatta and to strengthen the Commission's resolve of partnering with the nation's tertiary institutions to boost research development.

He said the board and management staff were in Kano for a retreat and therefore decided to visit Bayero University, Kano being the home of the Executive Vice Chairman.

According to him, Professor Danbatta serves the commission diligently and has become a good ambassador of Bayero University, Kano. "We have to thank BUK for his administrative acumen, purposeful leadership style, human relations and commitment to serve the country better."

SSANU Gets New President ...As BUK's Abdulmalik Yunusa Emerges VP, North-West

By Nura Garba



From left: New SSANU National President and VP North-West, Comrade Abdulmalik Yunus taking Oath of office



SSANU-BUK Chairman, Comrade Haruna Aliyu along with BUK delegates at the conference

Members of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU) elected Comrade Muhammad Haruna from Modibbo Adama University of Science and Technology, Yola as the new National President of the Association.

Equally, Bayero University's Abdulmalik N.B Yunusa was elected Vice President representing the North-West Zone during the Quadrennial National Delegates Conference, which took place in Abuja and sworn-in on Wednesday, 10th November, 2020.

Comrade Mohammed Haruna recorded the highest number of votes to defeat Comrade Alpha in a keenly contested election.

Presenting a keynote speech at the event, the Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed stated that the NUC had fully appreciated the leadership of SSANU and recognized the immense contribution of its members in running the affairs of the University system. He explained that SSANU is a critical stakeholder in the University administration, noting that his commission would continue to work with the union for the development of the sector.

The NUC Executive Secretary happily informed the large gathering that the Minister of Education had approved the constitution of Visitation Panel, noting that the membership of the panel constituted of former heads of service of the federation, retired permanent

secretaries, former vice chancellors, former Registrars, former Bursars and many other key stakeholders.

Also speaking, the President of the Nigeria Labor Congress, Ayuba Wabba, advised the university unions to come together and build strong policies in the system, which will work better for the system rather than allow the government to use divide and rule mechanism.

In his valedictory address, the outgoing SSANU National President, Comrade Samson Ugwoke hinted that the biggest challenge being faced by the union is the lack of respect of agreements duly and freely entered into by employers either at state or federal levels.

In an emotionally laden voice, the former President thanked all members for the opportunity given to him to serve the union for 9 years, urging them to extend the same support he enjoyed to the newly elected president.

Meanwhile, the Chairman of SSANU's BUK Chapter, Comrade (Dr.) Haruna Aliyu led 19 delegates and observers from Bayero University, Kano to the Congress.

He expressed appreciation over the manner in which the delegates conducted themselves and congratulated Abdulmalik Yunusa for the victory. "This victory is not only for SSANU, but, also for the entire Bayero University, Kano.

Dala Community Felicitates with VC

By Adamu Garba



VC, Prof. Sagir A. Abbas presenting a sevenur to the Chairman of Makafin Dala Community Development Association, Alh. Rabi'u Lawan Ya'u, while the Secretary looks on

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, has received a felicitation souvenir from the Makafin Dala Community Development Association (MACODA).

The Vice-Chancellor was presented the gift by the MACODA on Thursday, 19th November, 2020 by members of his community, who paid him a courtesy visit to felicitate with him on his appointment as the Vice Chancellor.

While presenting the souvenir, the Chairman of the Association, Alhaji Rabi'u Lawan Ya'u stated that the visit was to congratulate the Vice Chancellor and wish him a successful tenure in office.

Alhaji Rabi'u commended the Vice Chancellor for his support to Dala community and pleaded to him to double his efforts while describing him as "a good ambassador of the community". He added that Professor Sagir Abbas had made substantial contributions to the progress and development of his community.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, while responding, had thanked the visitors and assured that he will continue to encourage the younger generations.

"I want to thank the Dala community for the visit and for presenting the souvenir to me and for praying, I am assuring you that I will not fail you"

Professor Sagir urged the association to encourage and motivate younger generations to further their education because it is the bedrock of development.

"We have to make best use of this opportunity to mentor and counsel our younger ones to pursue the necessary requirements for admission into universities. We must work in concert to take our community to a greater height," the VC remarked.

The VC promised to justify the confidence the University reposed in him and that he would be fair to all.

He assured the association of his continued support towards for the growth and development of the area.

Professor Sagir said he would be fair and just in the discharge of his duties as the Vice-Chancellor of the University without recourse to race, ethnicity, religion, political differences or tribe.

Power Outage at New Campus

This is to inform members of the University community residing at **New Campus** that, there will be a power outage on the campus due to maintenance work, scheduled on **Sunday, 22nd November, 2020 from 9:00am to 9:00pm.**

According to a letter signed by the Director, MSD, Arch. Abdulmalik Dikko Aliyu, urged members to bear with the situation and regret any inconveniences that might cause.

Students of Medni'ima International School Acknowledge VC's Efforts in Mentoring Youths

By Adamu Garba



Dean, Students Affairs, Dr. Shamsuddeen Umar and Secretary of the Division, Hajjiya Anisa Uwais receiving a plaque from the visiting students of Medni'ima school

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, FMAN has been commended by the students, staff and management of the Medni'ima International School for his role in counseling and mentoring younger generations.

The commendation was made while presenting an award of excellence to the VC by the management of the school on Thursday, 19th November, 2020 at the Deanery of Student Affairs.

Receiving the award on behalf of the Vice Chancellor, the Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Shamsuddeen Umar

thanked the visitors and charged the students who were on excursion visit to the University to pay attention to their studies and make sure that they graduate with flying colours that will ease their admission into universities.

“Try hard and pay attention to your classes, read extensively and prepare ahead of time. The entry into BUK is easy so long as you possess the requirements”, he remarked.

He cautioned the visiting students to desist from unnecessary use of smart phones which, he said, might draw them back in pursuance of their dreams.

Earlier in his remarks, the Principal and Director of the Medni'ima International School, Prince Jimoh Ahmed said the excursion visit was aimed to boost the spirit and knowledge of the students so that they can be motivated to actualize their dreams.

He added that they decided to meet the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas as a father, a mentor and a motivator to congratulate him and present a gift to him for his relentless effort in encouraging the younger generations to develop.

Prince Jimoh, hitherto an undergraduate student of the Department of Science and Technical Education, has acknowledged the Vice Chancellor's love and dedicated efforts towards a better BUK.

A similar award of excellence was presented to the Dean of Student Affairs in recognition of his excellent service to students as a father, a mentor and a role model.

Ministry of Agric Donates Agricultural Equipment to CDA

By Nura Garba

The Federal Ministry of Agriculture and Rural development (FMARD) has donated various agricultural equipment to the Africa Centre of Excellence in Dryland Agriculture (CDA). The equipment was graciously allocated to the Centre by the Honourable Minister, Alhaji Mohammed Sabo Nanono. This gesture was aimed at supporting and strengthening the CDA towards discharging its mandate in the West and Central Africa sub-region.

The equipment comprises of drip irrigation kits (five sets with water tanks and five without tanks), 5 units of maize planters, two multi-purpose threshers, 2 units of 7Hp water pumps, 3 units of 3Hp water pumps and one mechanical dryer. These machines received are with full accessories consisting of 60 rolls of drip lines, 10 rolls of lateral hoses, 15 rolls of oval hose, 5 MC4



Some of the donated items

cables and boxes, 5 MCB boxes, 5 MCB poles, 10 two thousand litres capacity plastic tanks, 5 metal stands and 5 solar panels.

It could be recalled that the Honourable Minister during the formal commissioning of the CDA Training and Research Farm in December 2019 stressed that 'collaboration between the Centre and the Ministry will further capacitate inhabitants of the drylands in land

and water management to combat the challenges of climate change and its effect on overall productivity' This kind gesture will no doubt go a long way in the realization of the goals and vision of the CDA.

The equipment has already been received and brought to the CDA Training and Research Farm for installation.

Ganduje Appoints Dungurawa Rector Kano Poly

By Lamara Garba

Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje has approved the appointment of Dr. Kabiru Bello Dungurawa as Rector of Kano State Polytechnic.

A letter of appointment dated 30th October, 2020 and signed by the State Commissioner for Higher Education, Dr. Mariya Mahmoud Bunkure said the appointment is effective from 25th October, 2020 and for a four year period.

"I have the honour to inform you that by the powered conferred on him, the visitor, Kano State Polytechnic Law 2005, His Excellency, the Executive Governor of Kano State, Dr. Abdullahi Umar Ganduje, OFR has approved your appointment as Rector, Kano State Polytechnic. The appointment is for a period of four (4) years and takes effects from 25th



Dr. KABIR BELLO DUNGURAWA
RECTOR
KANO STATE POLYTECHNIC

October, 2020,' the letter reads in part.

The letter also said the appointment was based on public trust and confidence, patriotic disposition as well as the exhibited commitment at uplifting the educational standard of the state.

Until his appointment, Dr. Dungurawa was the Head, Department of education in the Faculty of Education, Bayero University.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas while congratulating the new Rector prayed to Almighty Allah to guide and give him the wisdom to steer the affairs of the Polytechnic to greater height. He charged him to be good ambassador of the university as evidenced by his

previous record of service in the university.

Prof. Abdussamad Muhammad Abdussamad Re-appointed Deputy Director, Genomics and Molecular Biology

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas has approved the re-appointment of Professor Abdussamad Muhammad Abdussamad of the Centre for Biotechnology Research as the Deputy Director,

(Genomics and Molecular Biology) for another two years A letter of appointment signed by the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed, says the appointment is with effect from 1st December, 2020.

Dr. Ibrahim Tajo Siraj Re-appointed Deputy Director, Administration & Instrumentation

The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas has approved the re-appointment of Dr. Ibrahim Tajo Siraj of the Centre for Biotechnology Research as the Deputy Director, (Administration and Instrumentation) for

another two years.

A letter of appointment signed by the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed, says the appointment is with effect from 1st December, 2020.



(1) Malam Harisu Isyaka Lanzai of Human Resource Unit, Registry Department wishes to invite members of the University community and the general public to his wedding *fatiha* with his fiancée, Hafsat Sabo Chiroma, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday, 28th November, 2020

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Kofar Gari, *Gidan Chiroman Lanzai*, Darazo Local Government, Bauchi State.

(2) Dr. Musa A. Auyo, BUK Librarian wishes to invite members of the University community and the general public to the wedding *fatiha* of his daughter, Hafsat Musa Auyo with her groom, Aminu Husaini Ibrahim, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: 21st November, 2020

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Central Mosque, BUK Old Campus, Kano



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Applications are invited from qualified candidates for **UTME** and **Direct Entry Admission** into the following Part-Time Degree Programmes for 2019/2020 Academic Session.

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- B. A. Islamic Studies

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- B. A. (Ed) English
- B. A. (Ed) Hausa
- B. A. (Ed) History
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- B. Sc. (Ed) Economics
- B. Sc. (Ed) Geography
- B. Sc. (Ed) Mathematics
- B. Sc. Health Education

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- B. Sc. Mathematics

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Applicants for Admission into the programmes must satisfy the following conditions:

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- a) A minimum of five 'O' Level Credits in relevant subjects including English at not more than two sittings.
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- c) In addition, applicants for admission into B. Sc. Accounting, B.Sc. Business Administration, B.Sc. Mathematics, B. Sc. (Ed) Mathematics, B. Sc. Health Education and B. Sc. (Ed) Economics must also have credits in '**O' Level Mathematics**.
- d) Holders of National Board for Arabic and Islamic Studies Certificates (NBAIS) can only apply for B. A. Arabic and B. A. Islamic Studies.

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- b) Possess a minimum of **five (5) 'O' Level Credits** in relevant subjects, including English.
- c) Must be at least **25 years old and above**.
- d) In addition, applicants for admission into B. Sc. Accounting, B.Sc. Business Administration, B.Sc. Mathematics, B. Sc. (Ed) Mathematics and B. Sc. (Ed) Economics must also have credits in '**O' Level Mathematics**. While candidates for B. Nursing Science and B. Sc. Health Education must have **credits in English, Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics**.
- e) Holders of National Board for Arabic and Islamic Studies Certificates (NBAIS) can only apply for B. A. Arabic and B. A. Islamic Studies.
- f) Candidates applying for B. Sc. Public Administration should possess a credit in Government/History in addition.

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- Step - 1 An applicant should visit **JAMB Online Application Platform for Part-Time Degree Programme**, select BUK, access the form, fill it and then make a non-refundable payment of **Three Thousand Five Hundred Naira only (N3,500:00)** into the JAMB'S Account from **Monday 23rd November 2020 to Monday 4th January 2021**
- Step - 2 Applicant can then approach the University Portal - www.buk.edu.ng with effect from **Tuesday 24th November 2020** and Click **PART-TIME APPLICATION FORM** at the homepage. Login **PROGRAMME SELECTED and GENDER**.
- Step - 3 User should create account at the Portal. Username and Password will be provided.
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- Step - 6 Review your form to ensure accuracy of all information you have provided.
- Step - 7 Provide your JAMB Number before printing acknowledgement slip.
- Step - 8 After completion, generate your Acknowledgement Slip. Print the Slip and keep it safe. The Slip will be needed during the collection of Admission Letter and during Registration.

Payment of the Processing Fee opens at Banks from **Tuesday 1st December 2020** and closes **Friday 29th January 2021**.

For inquiries or difficulties in applying, emails should be sent to application_pt@buk.edu.ng

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