



# Campus News

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## FUTMINNA DONATES POLICE OUTPOST TO HOST COMMUNITY

**D**esirous of the need to reduce crime rate as well as ensure safety of lives and property within the University host community, the Federal University of Technology, Minna has donated a

He disclosed that the donation was the first of its kind in the state and urged other corporate organisations in the state to emulate what FUT, Minna has done.

The Police boss admonished students of the University to focus on their studies and shun all forms of criminality, especially cultism, drug abuse and other social vices that are inimical to their education.

Speaking earlier, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, **FNSBMB, FAS**, stated that the project is dear to the University in view of the need to address the incessant cases of robbery attacks on students within the community as majority of the students live outside the campus.

Prof. Akanji called on the students to be conscious of their environment and be law abiding citizens in order to ensure peaceful coexistence in the community.

The Vice-Chancellor assured the Nigeria Police that the University would do everything possible within its capacity to support them to fully discharge their duties in the community.

He further expressed appreciation to the Police Commissioner for finding time out of his busy schedule to flag off the project.

The Police outpost is now under the direct supervision of the DPO in charge of Kpakungu division.



*Niger State Commissioner of Police, Mu'azu (2nd left) flagging off the Police outpost supported by VC, Prof. Akanji (Left), while Dagachin Gidan Kwano Alh. Mohammed (3rd left) looks on with smiles*

well-furnished Police outpost to its host community.

The project was flagged off by the Niger State Commissioner of Police, Zubairu Mu'azu on Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at the Gidan Kwano Village.

Speaking before flagging off the project, the Police boss said the project is a great gift to mark his one year anniversary as Commissioner of Police in Niger State, adding that the relationship between the University and the Police has been cordial.

"I must confess that FUT, Minna is the most Police friendly higher institution in the state," the Commissioner disclosed.

The Commissioner commended the University Management for the kind gesture while assuring them that the outpost would serve the purpose for which it was established.

"I have directed the immediate posting of Police officers to man this outpost for it to take off without delay as this will go a long way in checkmating criminal activities within the University community and its environs," he stated.

## CAMPUS NEWS FACEBOOK PAGE

**J**oin our online community by following trending University events on our Facebook page. **Futminna InfoUnit** and our twitter handle **@infounitfutmx**.

The platforms are geared towards serving the University community and the general public better.

# MANAGEMENT RECEIVES FUTMINNA NUGA CONTINGENT

## ...VC APPLAUDS TEAM FUTMINNA

**T**he Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS*, has applauded the



*The VC, Prof. Akanji (m), other POs, coaches, officials, coordinators and Team FUTMinna athletes to the 25<sup>th</sup> NUGA games in a group photograph after the medal presentation ceremony at the Senate Chamber.*

performance of the University's contingent to the last Nigeria Universities Games Association (NUGA) competition held at the University of Agriculture, Makurdi, Benue State.

The Vice-Chancellor stated this on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 when he received the University's athletes to the games in company of other Principal Officers of the University at the Senate Chamber, Main Campus.

Prof. Akanji commended the athletes for making the University proud at the games, adding that their sacrifices and performances at the games cannot be quantified.

The VC disclosed that the performance of the University's athletes at the games gladdens the heart of the University Management judging from the fact that the University is a specialised institution without a dedicated Department of Physical and Health Education like other conventional universities that admit some students strictly for sports reasons.

"We are grateful to you for bringing honour to the University. You are the face of the University that we want to see and not those that are involved in social vices," the VC enthused.

The don promised the athletes that a special cocktail party would be hosted in their honour after the fasting period at the VC's Lodge to show the University Management's appreciation to them while adding that material present would also be announced at the event after due consultation with the Management team.

He advised the students to take their studies serious which is the primary aim of being in the University and assured them of Management support in all competitions. The VC also applauded the coaches,

officials and coordinators for their contributions to the success recorded by the University athletes at the games.

Speaking earlier, the Chairman, University Sports Committee, Prof. Abdulmojeed Ijaiya briefed the University Management on the team's performance at the games and thanked Prof. Akanji for being a sport friendly Vice-Chancellor.

"We are very grateful to you for well documented support towards the growth of sports in the University with the upgrading of our sports facilities to world standards at both campuses," the former Niger Tornadoes goal poacher stated.

The former Nigerian International further expressed gratitude to the athletes for putting the University name on sports map in the country through their performances at the games.

The Vice-Chancellor later presented medals to all the athletes that won laurels at the games. The Vice-Chancellor was also decorated with the NUGA commemorative medal by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) Prof. Yahaya Iyaka who was supported by the Chairman, University Sports Committee, Prof. Ijaiya.

It will be recalled that Team FUTMinna won one silver and four bronze medals at the 25<sup>th</sup> edition of NUGA games to finish 19<sup>th</sup> on the medal table out of the 73 universities that participated at the biennial sporting fiesta.

## FUTMINNA HOSTS SIWES ZONAL COORDINATORS

**T**he Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS*, has re-echoed the Mission and Vision of the University to demonstrate commitment towards keeping to its mandate.

He reiterated this during the second quarter Students' Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) supervisory meeting held on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at the FUT, Minna Main Campus.

Prof. Akanji who was represented at the meeting by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Yahaya Iyaka observed that some courses of the University are not currently funded by the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) urged them to look into possible inclusion of these courses for funding.

In terms of staff training, the VC disclosed that the University has been patronising workshop packages organised by the ITF adding that it has been rewarding to the beneficiaries and the University at large.

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He expressed the University's readiness for more collaborations with the ITF in order to boost the impact it has on human capacity building.

Prof. Akanji finally expressed the University's appreciation to the ITF, participating institutions as well as other stakeholders from industries for taking out time to attend the meeting.



Seated: (4th from left) VC's representative, Prof. Iyaka with other Principal Officers and SIWES Coordinators in a group photograph.

While commending the ITF for its role in stipend payment to deserving students, he requested the organisation to look into possible upward review of the stipend in views of the prevailing challenges faced by students during the scheme.

In her address, the ITF Area Manager, Minna Area Office, Mrs. Ifeoma Grace Ihezue stated that the ITF is a federal government agency saddled with the responsibility of providing, promoting and encouraging the acquisition of skills in the nation's workforce so as to generate trained indigenous man power sufficient to meet the needs of the economy.

Mrs. Ihezua was represented by the Head of Training, Sule Joseph Arewa. As stipulated in the operational guidelines, she said, ITF relates with the University through SIWES Coordinators and that it is expected that all institutions have functional SIWES Units and Coordinators with representatives from all departments.

The Area Manager reminded them that the objectives of SIWES is to bridge the gap between theory and practical experience.

## DRID CALLS FOR VIBRANT PROPOSAL

**D**irectorate for Research Innovation and Development (DRID) calls for submission of vibrant research proposals from researchers in the University for TETFund Institutional Based Research Intervention (IBRI) Grant.

The submissions must be in accordance with TETFund and DRID's Guidelines and format. This includes:

1. The lead researcher must be clearly indicated being the first on the table of researchers.
2. Submissions should be endorsed by all the researchers, the lead researcher's HOD, Chairman of the School research Sub-committee for assessment, and the respective Deans; Recommendations should be made in clear terms before being forwarded from the Schools collectively with a covering letter to DRID.
3. All proposals **MUST** be collaborative or Multi-disciplinary as no Individual proposal will be processed.
4. Three (3) hard copies and a soft copy of proposal are to be submitted to DRID.
5. Note that the **Maximum amount** obtainable for this grant is **N1, 500,000 (One Million Five Hundred Thousand Naira only)**. Ensure that your budget does not exceed this.

6. Photocopies of certificates of DRID's Workshop on writing award winning research grant proposal should be attached by researchers

7. All research proposals should be submitted to DRID on or before Friday, July 28, 2017. Any proposal submitted after this date will not be entertained.

# APPOINTMENTS

## (i) Appointment

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the re-appointment of **Mrs. Shitu Maryam Danjuma** of Registry Department as Deputy Focal Officer, SERVICOM Unit for another period of Two (2) years with effect from June 16, 2017.

## (ii) Sabbatical

The Vice-Chancellor has approved Sabbatical for the following for a period of one (1) year each:

1. **Dr. U. G. Akpan**, Department of Chemical Engineering, tenable at the Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State, with effect from June 1, 2017.
2. **Engr. (Dr.) Kovo Abdulsalami Sanni**, Department of Chemical Engineering, tenable at the University of Port Harcourt, with effect from October 1, 2017.
3. **Dr. Onoduku Usman Shehu**, Department of Geology tenable at the Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Kwara State, with effect from December 1, 2017.
4. **Dr. Umar Sheshi Isah**, Department of Agricultural Economics and Extension Technology, tenable at the Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida University, Lapai, with effect from November 1, 2017.

Similarly, the Vice-Chancellor has approved the Sabbatical appointment of **Wodu A. Matthew (Mrs.)**, Establishment Division, Federal College of Education, Kontagora, Niger State as a Principal Assistant Registrar, with effect from June 12, 2017.

## (iii) Renewal

He has also approved the renewal of appointments of the following Visiting Lecturers for a period of one year each:

1. **Prof. Callitus C. Ibe**, Department of Transport Management Technology, with effect from May 1, 2017.
2. **Dr. (Mrs.) M. M. Olorukooba**, Department of Crop Production, with effect from June 1, 2017.
3. **Dr. B. M. Mustapha**, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, with effect from May 5, 2017.

Also approved is the renewal of contract appointment of **Duruji Dickson Chijioko**, Equipment and Maintenance Centre (EMC), with effect from June 22, 2017.

# Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, June 12 – Friday, June 16, 2017)

S	RECEIPTS	N
1	Clearance Fees	3,000.00
2	Collection of Certificate	293,500.00
3	Academic Transcript Fees	300,000.00
4	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	10,000.00
5	Proficiency in English	6,000.00
6	Replacement of I.D. Card	6,500.00
7	Turnitin	8,500.00
8	Semesterial Result	900.00
9	Commercial Activities	2,000.00
10	Farm Land	2,500.00
11	Attestation of Certificate	2,000.00
12	Campus Radio	14,400.00
13	Letter of Introduction	1,000.00
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>650,300.00</b>
	<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
	(a) Refund	917,560.00
	<b>(i) Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	(a) DHL Int'l Nig. Ltd.- Couriers Service	315,900.94
	(b) Bashir Heritage Nig. Ltd. - Supply	5,900,475.00
	(c) DHL Int'l Nig. Ltd. - Courier Service	3,055.00
	(d) Oscar Moore Interfund Ltd. - Supply	4,925,000.00
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENT</b>	<b>12,061,990.94</b>

## COUNSELLING TIP

In your struggle for life achievement, give room for disappointment. Appreciate the agent of your frustrations. At the end of your achievement, you will discover that they were actually used to prove God's greatness and faithfulness to you.

**Guidance and Counselling Unit,  
Students' Affairs Division.**

## CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has on behalf of Management, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna condoled Prof. Musa Aibinu, Department of Mechatronics Engineering over the death of his mother, which sad event occurred on Saturday, June 17, 2017. May her gentle soul rest in peace.