

## PROF DUKIYA TASKS GOVERNMENT ON AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURE

The Nigerian government has been charged to establish an Automobile Villa where both conventional and technology universities in the country who have produced one automobile spare part or the other could be pooled together with mandates and timeline to produce made in Nigeria vehicles.



Prof. Dukiya presenting his lecture

Prof. Jaiye Jehoshaphat Dukiya made the charge when he presented the 65<sup>th</sup> Inaugural Lecture of the Federal University of Technology, Minna titled "**Leveraging Advances in Transport Development: To Where is Nigeria Heading**," held on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at the Caverton Lecture Theatre, Main Campus.

He recounted the development of road transport in Nigerian dating back to 1904 when Lord Luggard attempted the construction of road linkages around the country adding that automobiles have made great contributions to the growth of modern society from a primitive one to a highly industrialised society.

"The inimitable goal of transportation is to overcome space, which is a function of a variety of human and physical constraints such as distance, time, political system and topography," Prof. Dukiya said.

Stating his contribution to knowledge, the don who is the current Director, Centre for Disaster Risk Management and Development Studies (CDRM & DS) revealed that in the last 15 years, his research efforts have been focused on spatial interaction and adoption of automated transportation planning and management.

The Professor of Urban and Regional Planning called for the coverage of all the major urban centres and highways in the country with current cadastral maps that are geo-reference as most urban centres have no definite description of location and defined road networks.

The Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in conjunction with other relevant government agencies, he said, should convene a standing technical advisory panel comprising individuals with background in the disciplines central to design, development, and safety assurance of automotive electronics systems, including software and systems engineering, human factors and electronics hardware.

Prof. Dukiya said the panel should be consulted on relevant technical matters that arise with respect to all of the agency's vehicle safety programmes, including defect investigation processes and research needs assessments.

The lecturer also stressed the need to set a deadline in which all government agencies and institutions will have to switch to the use of made in Nigeria vehicles, and be committed to it, while criminalising vehicle smuggling activities.

In his address the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, *fssn*, while congratulating the lecturer, described the lecture as educative and informative. He acknowledged all dignitaries present at the lecture as well as the large turnout of the audience both from the University community and the town at large.

## CAMPUS NEWS LAUNCHES MOBILE APP

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# WASCAL RENOVATES BUILDING

**D**esirous of the need to enhance the standard of education at the primary level, the West African Science Service Centre on Climate Change and Adapted Land Use (WASCAL CC & ALU), Federal University of Technology, Minna has renovated a block of two classrooms at Busugi Primary School, Busugi Village, Bosso, Niger State.

The brief flag-off ceremony took place on Friday, June 15, 2018 at the School premises.

Speaking before flagging off the project, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala fssn expressed appreciation to WASCAL CC & ALU students and Board members for identifying with the community through the renovation of the primary school which he noted would produce leaders of tomorrow.

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies, Prof. Mathew Kolo urged the community to reciprocate the efforts of WASCAL CC & ALU by putting the project to judicious use and to maintain the project.



*The representative of the VC, Prof. Kolo (m) cutting the tape to flag-off the newly renovated building while the Director of WASCAL, Prof. Okhimamhe (1<sup>st</sup> from right) and others looked on.*

In her address at the event, the Director, WASCAL CC & ALU, Prof. Appolonia Okhimamhe said the deplorable state of the primary school was discovered by the Batch C students of WASCAL CC & ALU in their bid to address the problem of the community within the context of climate change and decided to assist the pupils who were receiving classes under the tree.

“We were impressed by the little efforts of the WASCAL CC & ALU Batch C students to improve the standard of education at the rural area and we all decided to contribute towards the project”. She stated.

The Director disclosed that the project is one of WASCAL CC & ALU contributions to the development of education at the primary level while noting that the renovated classrooms would enhance the quality of education in the school.

She called on philanthropists, individuals and private sector to continually support government efforts at enhancing the standard of education in the country by giving back to their Alma mater.

# PRIMARY SCHOOL



*The representative of the VC, Prof. Kolo (m), WASCAL board members, staff, pupils of the school and the villagers in a group snapshot in front of the newly renovated classrooms.*

Delivering his vote of thanks, the Dagacin Busugi, Alh. Mohammed Isah expressed gratitude to the officials of WASCAL CC & ALU for coming to the aid of the school and assured them that the renovated building would be put to good use.

## SALE OF ONLINE POSTGRADUATE APPLICATION FORMS

**T**he general public is hereby informed that the sales of online postgraduate application forms for admission into the 2018/2019 academic session has commenced.

### Requirements:

All applicants must possess the basic entry requirements in addition to five O'level credits, including English and Mathematics.

### Application Fee:

University charges an application fee of N10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Naira) only plus, N250.00 (Two Hundred and Fifty Naira) only Remita charges making a total of N10,250.00 (Ten Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Naira) only payable online via Remita platform with the use of Master or Verve card through the School portal.

### Closing Date:

Completed application forms must be submitted online through the University portal latest Friday, August 31, 2018. All necessary instructions on filling of forms must be adhered to and failure to do so is sufficient ground to disqualify an applicant.

### Important Notice:

Interested applicants should visit the Federal University of Technology, Minna website: [www.futminna.edu.ng](http://www.futminna.edu.ng) for further details on entry requirements, purchase, filling and submission of the online forms.

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## COUNSELLING TIP

Be conscious of your actions and inactions in this journey of life. The effects of our actions may be postponed but they are never lost. There is an inevitable reward for good deeds and an inescapable punishment for bad.

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

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## Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, June 11,  
– Thursday, June 14, 2018)

N/S	RECEIPTS	₦
1	Collection of Certificate	205,000.00
2	Transcript	315,000.00
3	Inter University Transfer Form	20,000.00
4	Turnitin	10,000.00
5	Statement of Result	400.00
6	Proficiency in English	4,000.00
7	Verification/Confirmation	10,000.00
8	Replacement of I.D. Card	1,000.00
9	Purchase of Academic Gown	30,000.00
10	Verification of Transcript	2,000.00
11	Hostel Fees	25,375.00
14	Letter of Introduction	1,000.00
15	Postgraduate Form	1,353,000.00
16	Postgraduate School Fees	1,013,750.00
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>2,990,525.00</b>
	<b>PAYMENTS</b>	
17	<b>Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	<b>(i) Staff</b>	
	(a) Refund	5,145,601.29
	(b) Advance	20,197,478.00
	<b>(ii) Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	(a) Doko International Hotel Ltd - Hotel Bill	44,680.00
	(b) " " "	102,825.00
	(c) " " "	152,000.00
	(d) Princess Az-zara Lodge - Hotel Bill	15,200.00
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>25,657,784.29</b>

## CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has, on behalf of Management, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna condoled **Abubakar Mahmoud Muhammad** of the Vice-Chancellor's Office, over the death of his mother, which occurred on Wednesday, June 13, 2018.

May her gentle soul rest in peace.

## APPRECIATION

Abubakar Mahmoud Muhammad of the Vice-Chancellor's Office has, on behalf of his family expressed sincere appreciation to the University Management, Staff and students for their prayers, words of consolation, gifts, visits, presence and other forms of support during the burial of his late mother, **Mallama Ramatu**. He prayed God Almighty to bless and reward everyone abundantly.