

## MEYA PAYS COURTESY VISIT TO FUTMINNA

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Principal Officers in a group snapshot with MEYA Officials. 5th from right VC, Prof. Abdullahi Bala.

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Minna Emirate Youths Association (MEYA), led by its President Mall. Abubakar Jibrin Pada, has paid a courtesy visit to the Management of the Federal University of Technology, Minna.

The President and other executive members were received by the Vice-Chancellor of the Institution, Prof. Abdullahi Bala FSSN, at the Senate Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, on Friday, February 25, 2022.

Speaking, the President said the purpose of their visit was to partner with the University on issues of admission, youth empowerment, support on security in the Emirate, thuggery,

hooliganism and drug abuse and other related matters, as well as to seek support in actualizing Minna Emirate Youths Association 2022 blueprint.

Mall. Jibrin requested the Vice-Chancellor to give more admission slots and provide employment, teaching and non-teaching cadres, for youths of the Emirate.

He disclosed that since his assumption of office as the President, they were able to establish a workshop and employed five people working on welding and construction.

He later presented to the Vice-Chancellor 2022 blueprint of the

association.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Bala FSSN, expressed his gratitude for the visit, adding that he was pleased to have them around.

On admission issue, he disclosed that the University has, since 2013, ensured that any candidate from Niger State that meets the basic requirement is given admission.

Prof. Bala noted that as at 2012, Niger State indigenes constituted 66% of the workforce in the University.

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He urged the union leaders to continue to sensitize their members to keep away from drug abuse and other social vices.

Prof. Bala promised that Management would look at their work plan and get back to them.

## FUTMINNA READY TO PARTNER NDLEA - VC

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**FUT, Minna Principal Officers in a group photograph with NDLEA officials. Middle, VC, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, State Commander of the NDLEA, Barr. Haruna Kweteshe (4th & 5th from right, front row)**

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The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology Minna, Prof. Abdullahi Bala fsssn, has stressed the need for the University to collaborate with the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) towards sensitisation and prevention of drug abuse among the youths.

Prof. Bala stated this on Thursday, February 24, 2022 when the State Commander of the NDLEA, Barr. Haruna Kweteshe paid him a courtesy visit at the Council Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

The Vice-Chancellor further expressed the institution's readiness to partner the NDLEA in rehabilitation and counselling of youths who have been involved in drug abuse in view of the Agency's expertise in such.

He applauded the Agency for their good works even as he identified the desire by the youth to get rich quickly and live in affluence without working for it as part of the causes of the rise in drug-related crimes.

Prof. Bala who further stated that the University has zero tolerance for drug abuse, said most of the cases recorded are happening amongst the students living off campus.

"That is why Management is making efforts in trying to build additional hostel accommodation on the campus, to be able to monitor their activities to some extent. So with this sensitization, many will be saved from going into that direction as many go into it without knowing its implications," he added.

The VC thanked the agency for coming with such proposal as partnering with them will be of great help to the students.

Speaking earlier, State Commander, NDLEA Barr. Kweteshe, said the purpose of their visit is to partner with the University in the area of war against drug abuse, adding that Niger has been selected as the zonal headquarter of Kwara, Kogi and Niger.

Barr. Kweteshe said the agency felt it necessary to seek partnership to carry out anti-drug abuse campaign in the University after the ASUU strike which will go a long way in bringing sanity into the society.

The Commander added that with the partnership of the University, they will succeed with the

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campaign, as no one is safe from the effect of drug abuse, hence the need to join hands in the campaign.

Highlight of the occasion was the

decoration of the Vice-Chancellor as NDLEA Ambassador by the State Commander.

Other Principal Officers were also decorated with the badge.

Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta; Registrar, Mr. Amos Nmadu Kolo and the Bursar, Mrs. Hadiza Goje, fcna, fcti were at the event.

## UPGRADING

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the upgrading of Edimeh J. Augustine, University Library Services from Graduate Assistant to Assistant Librarian with effect from 15th December, 2021.

## RETIREMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the mandatory retirement of Prof. G. N. Nsofor, Department of Geography, from the service of the University with effect from 1st August, 2022.

## COUNSELLING TIPS

In any environment you find yourself, be objective in your opinion on issues. Never adopt an attitude of indifference, for if you do, you will suffer for it.

Guidance and Counselling Unit,  
Students' Affairs Division.

## MONEY MATTER

Weekly Financial Digest for 14th February- 20th February 2022		
N/S	RECEIPTS	N
1	Transcript	831,700.00
2	Certificate (Under-graduate )	322,000.00
3	Certificate (Post-graduate )	201,000.00
4	Clearance Fees	21,000.00
5	Replacement of I.D. Card	2,000.00
6	Hostel Fees	35,000.00
7	Prepaid Meter	35,000.00
8	Motorcycle (Registration Fees )	10,000.00
9	Commercial Activities Shop	58,000.00
10	Transcript (Students Copy )	16,000.00
11	Registration Fees Pre-Degree	166,500.00
12	Post-graduate School Fees	2,351,250.00
13	Sales of Forms-pre-degree	10,000.00
14	Verification of Result	45,000.00
15	Post UTME Fees	28,000.00
16	CODEL Acceptance	25,000.00
17	CODEL Registration	89,200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>4,246,650.00</b>

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18	<b>Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	<b>(i) Staff</b>	
	(a) Advance	725,000.00
	(b ) Refund /Payment to Staff	13,292,307.10
	<b>(ii) Contractors/Suppliers</b>	
	(a) White Hill Luxury Hotel - Hotel Bill	1,805,000.00
	b) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	276,700.00
	(c ) I T F - Traning	50,000.00
	(d) LaurateL Ventures - Supply	509,550.00
	(e) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	194,200.00
	(f) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	874,180.00
	(g) Mohammed Agro chemical - Supply	4,759,562.50
	(h) Barocer Nig. Ent. - Supply	548,250.00
	(i) Simbest Scientific & Chemical & Allied Prod. Ltd. - Supply	589,997.63
	(j) DHL Int. Nig. Ltd. - Courier Service	1,054,072.35
	(k) Joel Badu Contracting - Supply	2,756,300.00
	(l) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	78,600.00
	(m) Nigeria Library Association - Subscription	50,000.00
	(o) NSDC Ltd. - Hotel Bill	607,912.50
	(p) Royal & Royal Event System Ltd. - Hotel Bill	183,300.00
	(q) Dynamic View Ltd. - Construction	48,731,207.18
	( r) Peculiar Treasure Engr. - Construction	11,427,542.38
	(s ) Afrium Co. Nig. Ltd. - Construction	3,182,923.06
	(t) ZAZ Construction Lrd. - Construction	31,534,158.40
	(u) Mahadi Services & Resources Ltd. - Construction	7,434,991.50
	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>88,513,681.64</b>