

58 TO BAG FIRST CLASS AT FUTMINNA 30TH CONVOCATION By Dorothy Elaigu



PROF. BALA DURING THE PRESS BRIEFING AT THE SENATE CHAMBER, MAIN CAMPUS.

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Il is now set for the 38th founders' day and 30th convocation ceremonies where the Federal University of Technology, Minna will be graduating 5,049 students for the 2019/2020 academic session. 58 of the graduands will bag first class honours degrees.

The Vice- Chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala fsssn, disclosed this on Wednesday, 26th January 2022 during a press briefing heralding activities for the ceremonies.

Prof. Bala added that 948 students will bag Second class upper division, 2047 Second class lower division, 801 third class and 38 pass degrees.

The VC revealed that there will be conferment of honorary doctorate degrees on four (4) eminent Nigerians in recognition of their contributions to national development. The distinguished Nigerians are Gen. Abdulsalami A. Abubakar, GCFR, Former Head of State and Commander in Chief, Federal Republic of Nigeria; Alhaji Abdul Samad Rabiu, CON, President, Africa Development Bank and Malam Mele Kolo Kyari, Chief Executive Officer and Group Managing Director, NNPC Ltd.

Worthy to note is that 23 projects consisting of building for offices, classrooms, theatres and laboratories will be commissioned by the Executive Secretary TETFund, Prof. Suleiman Elias Bogoro who will lead a highpowered team comprising Management staff of the Fund, some members of the National Assembly as well as the Executive Governor of Niger State, His Excellency, Dr. Abubakar Sani Bello.

Proiects commissioned will enable the university to relocate in a few weeks' time three Schools from the Bosso Campus to the Gidan Kwano campus. These are the School of Life Sciences, the School of Physical Sciences and the Postgraduate Schools.

The Convocation Lecture titled, "Energy Transition and Energy Accessibility - The New Paradigm ", will be delivered by the Group Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (GMD/CEO) of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) Ltd. Malam Mele Kolo Kyari on Monday, 31st January, 2022 at the University Auditorium, Gidan Kwano campus at 4:00pm. Contd on Page 2

Highlight of the convocation ceremonies will be the investiture and concernment of honorary

degree to the University's new Chancellor, His Imperial Majesty, Aladetoyinbo Ogunlade Adelusi Odundun II, Deji and Paramount Ruler of Akure Kingdom.

PROMOTING EXCELLENCE IN FUTMIN: VC AWARDS 424 EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS



VC PRESENTING CERTIFICATE TO ONE OF THE STUDENTS WITH CGPA OF 5.0

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

n an effort to promote hardwork and intellectual acumen among the students of Federal University of Technology, Minna in both academic and extral mural activities, the management of the institution has awarded 424 students of the university whose academic and extra mural performances stood out great exceptionally their in academic pursuits.

The ceremony held on Friday 28th January, 2022, at the University Auditorium, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, Minna.

This is in furtherance of the activities marking the 38th Founders' Day and 30th Convocation Ceremonies of the institution scheduled to hold on Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd February, 2022.

During the ceremony, the Vice Chancellor and the initiator of the Award, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, fsssn highlighted that the Award was instituted to celebrate the heroes of the University and appreciate them for being able to attain such feats despite the rigours and life challenges they might have been encountering in their intellectual sojourn.

"We are aware that some of you are studying under difficult circumstances" the VC added.

Prof. Bala further clarified that this year's award is classified into two (2) categories:

- 1. The scholars; that is the intellectually outstanding students.
- 2. Those that won national and international competitions Laurel awards whose putting were known and endorsed by the institution.

The academically exceptional students shall have a partial scholarship, that is; one third (1/3) of their school fees paid off and issuance of certificate While,

those who had won various Laurel Awards ranging from gold, silver or bronze shall be rewarded with the sum of thirty, twenty and ten thousand naira (#30,000, #20,000 and #10,000) respectively.

To that effect, the Vice-Chancellor admonished the students to continue to do their best while sticking to the rules of the game. He advised further that all the students should identify their talents, build it and nourish it to their advantages and that of their parents and the society in general.

On his part, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Administration and the Chairman University Ceremonies Committee, Prof. Emmanuel Emeka Udensi, fpsn, explained that this is the 2nd time the event is being organized. The first was in 2020 but the subsequent year was interrupted by the Covid 19 pandemic and the present one in 2022.

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He added that the award is part of the Vice-Chancellor's vision and promise fulfilment of encouraging students and staff of the University in both their academic and extra curricular activities while his tenure lasted.

The Dean Students Affairs Dr. Manasseh Auta who gave the vote of thanks, eulogized the Vice - Chancellor for the good initiative he started and maintained up to this year despite the financial challenges of the university. While appreciating other principal officers for their roles and supports to the Vice -Chancellor he also recognised the efforts of the various Dean's, professors and other members of staff for their wisdoms which had translated in to the students performances.

He equally, expressed gratitude to various media houses for the coverage and the entertainment groups ranging from the Choral group, the IBB cultural troupes as well as the Violin player for their talented entertainment.

This year's award featured two students from 100 level who emerged the overall best academically. They are: Korter Richman Oluwadomilola of Electrical Engineering with 5.00 CGPA and Okoh Patrick Joseph of Mechanical Engineering with 5.00 CGPA equally.

The highlights of the event were the presentation of certificate to the exceptionally outstanding students in both academics and extra mural activities, and the talented entertainment by the cultural troupes.

Award of excellence for both exceptionally outstanding students and staff of the institution had been an integral policy of the current Vice Chancellor; Professor Abdullahi Bala, fsssn since he clinch the mantle of leadership of the university in 2017.

INDORAMA AWARDS STUDENTS



THE OFFICIALS OF INDORAMA FERTILIZER AND CHEMICAL LTD. WITH ONE OF THE PRIZE WINNERS AND HER LECTURER DURING THE PRIZE PRESENTATION. Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

ndorama fertilizer and chemical has given cash awards to three outstanding students from the School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, Federal University of Technology Minna.

The brief ceremony took place on Thursday, 27th January 2022, at the Caverton Lecture Theatre Main Campus, Gidan kwano.

In his opening remark, the Dean SAAT. , Prof Job Nmadu said the school has come a long way with Indorama, hence the need to support what SAAT is doing by investing in the students.

He said Indorama will be present-

ing awards to three outstanding students of FUT, Minna and that, the award ceremony is done openly in order to encourage other students.

The award which was presented by the Zonal Marketing Supervisor of Indorama fertilizer and chemical Ltd, Mr Sani Olusiji Philip, in his remark said Indorama came into Nigeria in the year 2012 when the government of Nigeria was privatizing some of its assets. And Indorama petro today, the chemical complex remains the only petro chemical plant in Nigeria.

He said that the essence of the award which is going to be an

annual event is not for show but to encourage the student that hard work pays.

Mr. Philip disclosed that the recipients will receive cash awards of one hundred and fifty thousand naira (150,000) to support their academic pursuit in a little way.

The criteria for the award was students with the highest CGPA at the end of 300level.

Recipients of the awards were Atoshi Lante, Nimat Ibrahim and Happiness Chukwusom from the Departments of Agricultural Economics, Crop Production and Soil Science respectively.

CHANCELLOR'S CUP 2022 FINAL, HILLTOP FOOTBALL TEAM EMERGES VICTORIOUS AGAIN AS ANGELA WINS TEAKWONDO COMPETITION By Abdullahi U. Danbakaba



THE PRO-CHANCELLOR, PROF. OBAFEMI HANDING OVER THE TROPHY TO HILL TOP CAPTAIN . Phot

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

t was a cheerful moment for the Hilltop Model Secondary School, Minna football team following its holistic victory over its opponent, the Abdullahi Dada Secondary School, Maikunkele Football Team at the final match of the third edition of the Chancellor's Cup 2022 Football Competition organised by the Federal University of Technology, Minna in honour of the new Chancellor, His Imperial Majesty, Aladetoyinbo Ogundale Oba Aladelusi, Odundun II, Deji and paramount of Akure Ruler Kingdom.

The final match which was declared opened by a special kick off from the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Council of the University, Prof. Olu Obafemi on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at the University Sports Complex, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano was occasioned by two goals to nil in favour of the defending champion, which ranked it the two times winner of the competition having won the second edition in 2020.

In a related development, Angela Tawo emerged winner in the final segment of the Teakwondo Competition having defeated her opponent, Aniola Paul by 8 points to 3. Both participants came from Kidis Palace Academy Minna.

Addressing the gathering shortly after the match, the Pro-Chancellor expressed his delight over the astonishing displays by the participants and the resilient characters of the audience.

Prof. Obafemi congratulated the Vice-Chancellor and his Management team for bringing the series of Competitions into play. In his words, "sport it self has its character. If a progressive and dynamic University like this will give a spake to sport, it is also an important way of motivation."

The Pro-Chancellor who also congratulated the participants,

further attested that the University as a centre of academic excellent can also excel beyond initiating such an exemplary activities as demonstrated by the University in its efforts to marge the towns and the gowns.

Earlier in his brief address, the Vice-chancellor of the University, Prof. Abdullahi Bala FSSSN expressed his appreciation to the Chairman, University Sport Committee, Prof. Rashid Ojutiku and other members of the committee for the successful organization of the Competition.

Highlights of the event include Presentations of Trophies and Medals to the overall winners, as well as 2nd and 3rd positions in the two categories of the competitions.

38TH FOUNDERS' DAY AND 30TH CONVOCATION CEREMONIES

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abdullahi Bala, **fsssn**, on behalf of Council, Senate, Staff and Students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna, cordially invites the general public to the University's 38th Founders' Day and 30th Convocation Ceremonies for the investiture of the Chancellor, His Imperial Majesty Aladetoyinbo Ogunlade Adelusi, Odundun II, Deji and Paramount Ruler of Akure Kingdom and conferment of various categories of Degrees, Diplomas and award of prizes. The University will also award honorary Doctorate Degrees (Honoris Causa) to the following distinguished Nigerians:

- i. General Abdulsalami Abubakar, GCFR, Former Head of State, Federal Republic of Nigeria.
- ii. Alhaji Abdul Samad Rabiu, CON Founder and Chairman, BUA Group.
- iii. Dr. Akinwumi Adesina, CON President, African Development Bank.
- iv. Mal. Mele Kolo Kyari Group Managing Director NNPC Ltd.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Wednesday, 26th January, 2022 Vice-Chancellor's Press Briefing

Vice-Chancellor's Press Briefing **Venue**: Senate Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano **Time**: 2:30 p.m.

Thursday, 27th January, 2022

Chancellor's Football and Taekwondo Competitions **Venue:** University Sports Complex, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano **Time:** 4:00 p.m.

Friday, 28th January, 2022

Founders' Day Vice-Chancellor's Students Award Ceremony **Venue**: University Auditorium, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano **Time**: 10:00 a.m.

Monday, 31st January, 2022

- 1. Commissioning of Projects Venue: Project Sites Time: 10:00 a.m.
- Exhibition
 Venue: Dr. Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Main Campus
 Time: 9:00 am. 5:00 p.m. daily
- Convocation Lecture
 Lecturer: Mal. Mele Kolo Kyari, Group Managing Director, NNPC Ltd.
 Topic: Energy Transition and Its Implications on Nigeria's Oil and Gas Industry.
 Venue: University Auditorium, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano
 Time: 4:00 pm

Tuesday, 1st February, 2022

- Chancellor's investiture and Conferment of First Degrees and award of prizes Venue: Dr. Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Main Campus Time: 11:00 a.m.
 Commissioning of Decisions
- Commissioning of Projects
 Venue: Project Sites
 Time: 1:00 p.m.

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Wednesday, 2nd February, 2022

- 1. Commissioning of Projects Venue: Project Sites Time: 10:00 a.m.
- Conferment of Postgraduate Diplomas, Higher Degrees and Honorary Degrees
 Venue: Dr. Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Main Campus Time: 12:00 noon.

INFORMATION TO GRADUANDS

- i. All payments are to be made into the Federal University of Technology, Minna TSA Account (No. 0190472161017) with the Central Bank of Nigeria. For details visit: <u>www.futminna.edu.ng</u>
- ii. Graduands must be physically present at the ceremony to receive their certificates and prizes as the case may be.
- Graduands are expected to present the following items to enable them collect their original certificates immediately after the Convocation Ceremony: The original statement of results earlier issued to them by the University. Final year clearance form duly signed by all concerned. Final year identity card or letter of identification from Student Affairs Division.
- iv. Invitation cards, Academic gowns and Order of Proceedings are to be collected from Secretaries of the respective Schools of the Graduands from Wednesday, 26th January, 2022.
- v. Issued Academic Gowns must be returned to the School Secretaries immediately after the ceremony before the collection of original certificates.
- vi. There will be a surcharge for any damaged Academic Gown.
- vii. COVID-19 Protocols will be strictly adhered to.

SECURITY

Graduands and the general public should please note the following:

- 1. University Security personnel will direct guests to the designated parking lots.
- 2. Luggage and bags are not allowed into the Convocation Square Arena.
- 3. Photographers, hawkers and vendors of any item are to pay the sum of N500.00 (five hundred Naira) only for registration. Also, they are to note that they will not be allowed into the convocation square.

NOTE:

Graduands will not be allowed into the Convocation Square after 10:30 a.m.

While hoping for a successful and memorable occasion, we wish you safe journey throughout the ceremony.

Signed,

Mr. Amos N. Kolo, Registrar/Secretary to Council.

COUNSELLING TIPS

To achieve and sustain the SUCCESS STORY of your life endeavor, you must have faith in your God's given idea, even if everyone tells you they are wrong. Cultivate the habit of listening to all men but must filter all you hears on a screen of truth and take only the good that comes through.

Guidance and Counselling Unit,

Students' Affairs Division.

MONEY MATTER

	Weekly Financial Digest for 17	run January - 23rd Janua	-
- T	RECEIPTS		N
	Transcript		836,040.00
	Collection of Certificate		624,000.00
	Clearance Fees		141,000.00
	Semesterial Result		300.00
5	Purchase of Academic Gown		76,000.00
6	Prepaid Meter		70,500.00
7	Turnitin		500.00
8	Verification of Result		25,000.00
9	Replacement of i.D. Card		4,500.00
10	Commercial Activities Shop		55,000.00
11	Motorcycle		1,000.00
12	Hostel Fees		1,360,000.00
13	Post UTME Fees		102,000.00
14	Registration Fees Pre-degree		707,500.00
15	Post-graduate School Fees		4,906,750.00
16	Sales of Forms Pre-degree		105,000.00
17	Under-graduate School Fees		578,600.00
18	Codel Registration		44,600.00
	TOTAL		9,638,290.00
19	Contractors/Suppliers		
	(i) Staff		
	(a) Advance		7,096,200.00
	(b) Refund /Payment to Staff		15,710,905.40
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers		
	(a) Afrium Comp. Nig. Ltd.	- Renovation	3,560,466.24
	(b) Dinya Eng. Nig. Ltd.	- Construction	8,416,072.21
	(c) HCI Health Care Ltd.	- Subscription	5,199,300.00
	(d) Doko Int. Hotel Ltd	- Hotel Bill	16,515.00
	(e) Surryded Nig. Ltd.	- Supply	363,780.00
	(f) Harriya Nig. Ltd.	- Supply	582,000.00
	(g) International Health Mgt service LTD	- Subscription	4,787,100.00
	(h) Capital Express Assurance LTD	- Insurance	8,261,250.00
	(i) Enssence Global Consultant LTD	- Insurance	1,101,500.00
	(j) Honest modern NIG Ent	- Supply	1,159,849.75
	(k) Gboyex Global resources LTD	- Printing	752,500.00
	(I) Doko Int Hotel LTD	- Hotel Bill	1,836,210.00
	(m) Gboyex Global resources LTD	- Renovation	832,119.87
		- Renovation - Supply	<u>832,119.87</u> 303,902.50