

FUTMINNA QUALITY RESEARCH, INNOVATION ATTRACTED OUR PROFESSORIAL CHAIR ENDOWMENT - NCC

By: Aliyu I Jidda



Engr. Prof. Abraham Usman making his presentation during the meeting at VC's Conference Room, Main Campus.

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

The Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) Board of Trustees Chairman, Mr. G.T. Mohammed has disclosed that the long standing years of quality researches, innovation and academic excellence were what made the Federal University of Technology, Minna to be chosen among a few other institutions for the Professorial Chair Endowment established by the Commission.

The Board Chairman said this much on Thursday, August 10, 2023, when the NCC Board of Trustees met with the University Management at the Vice-Chancellor's conference room, in the Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, Minna.

Mr. Mohammed added that the essence of the

Professorial Chair was to further enhance research activities to boost the growth of ICT for sustainable economy and social development, while supporting capacity building in the academia.

He said that to guide the implementation of this initiative, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the University and the Commission, adding that in order to ensure a successful implementation of the Endowment Fund, the MoU established a Board of Trustees with membership drawn from the Commission and the University.

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The BoT Chairman expressed hope that the Professorial Chair Programme will benefit the University, the Commission, the industry and the society at large.

Mr. Mohammed re -emphasized that the objective of these efforts was to ensure that the outcomes of the research are capable of improving the telecoms industry, and that, considering the pedree of FUT, Minna, they were assured that the University will dedicate the required human and material resources to the programme.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Vice-Chancellor Federal University of Technology, Minna Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, welcomed the Board of Trustees to the campus and extended the appreciation of the entire university community to the NCC for the long standing relationship and the series of research grants the Commission had offered researchers of the institution.

He also appreciated the Commission for endowing the Professorial Chair in the University.

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Dean, Postgraduate School, Prof. Oladiran Kamardeen Abubakre, noted that it was the first

Professorial Chair to be endowed in the University in recent times. He therefore assured the Commission of the commitment of the University to make the project a fruitful one.

The Professorial Chair occupant, Prof. Abraham Usman, gave a presentation on his work plan for the project, the milestones and deliverables, monitoring, evaluation and reporting strategies among others. He assured the BoT members that with the feats already achieved, the programme promises to attain success.

The Director of Entrepreneurship Centre of the University, Dr. Caroline Alenoghena also contributed to the discussion where she spoke on issues relating to commercialization and selection process which she said had already been strengthened.

Dr. Alenoghena added that University is much positioned for commercialization as it by had already patented some of the prototypes that came out of researches.

She stated that the University already has an Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Office, with officers stationed in it for commercialization processes.

2023 ANUPA WORKSHOP: PROJECT IMAGE OF UNIVERSITY IN GOOD LIGHT, VC TELLS PARTICIPANTS

By Abdullahi Danbakaba



VC's Rep. Prof. Uno E. Uno declaring the training open at Senate Chamber, Main Campus.

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A cross section of participants at the training

In furtherance of its efforts to ensure professionalism among University Administrative Staff, the Association of Nigerian University Professional Administrators (ANUPA), Federal University of Technology Minna, Chapter has organized a two day in-house training workshop for its members in the University with the view to improving their performances and ensuring effective service delivery.

Declaring the ceremony open on August 9, 2023 at the Senate Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, admonished the participants to always project the image of the University in positive direction through exhibition of high level of professionalism acquired during the training.

Represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administrative), Prof. Uno Essang Uno, the Vice-Chancellor who testified to the aptness of the programme said that his management team has a very high regard for the training and retraining of staff because of its importance in exposing the participants to updated knowledge and skills needed to ensure effective service delivery in University System.

Prof. Kuta further expressed his appreciation to the organizers, adding that Management would continue to support in-house staff trainings in order to achieve the best.

Earlier in his remark, the Chapter Chairman of the Association, Alhaji (Dr) Muhammad Babajiya disclosed that the mandate of ANUPA is training

and retaining of members across Nigerian Universities through capacity building programmes that guarantee productivity and effectiveness.

He noted that the training was tailored at addressing the challenges faced by Administrators in the University while discharging their statutory responsibilities and ensuring improved performances in service delivery.

The resource persons at the training were Hajiya A.S. D Usman who presented a paper on "University Administrative Structure and Relevance of the Registry in the 21st Century University System"; Dr. Abdullahi Garba who spoke on "Repositioning the University Registry to meet the Contemporary Challenge and Prospects, " and Prof. Adamu Kabiru whose presentation was on "Managing Service Delivery : Linking Strategies to Operations in the University System. " Mr. Eli U. Gbadafu's paper was on "Team Work and Delegation of Authority in the University Environment ", while Alhaji (Dr.) Muhammad Babajiya Bida's presentation was on "Minutes and Report Writing: The University Environment in Focus. "

At the end of the training certificates of attendance were presented to the participants drawn from Administrative Assistants to Senior Assistant Registrars in the University.

NANS PRESIDENT VISITS FUTMINNA

• OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH STUDENTS' UNION CORDIAL, WE'RE UPGRADING HOSTELS - VC

By: Aliyu I Jidda



VC's Rep. Prof Uno E. Uno, Registrar, Mr. Amos Kolo and NANS EXCOs during the visit at Council Chamber, Main Campus

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta has underscored the cordial relationship between the Management and Students' Union in the University.

Prof. Kuta stated this on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 when he received the President of the National Association of Nigerian Students (NANS), Comr. Usman Umar Barambu along with other officials of the Association who paid him a courtesy visit at the main campus, Gidan Kwano, Minna.

Represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration), Prof. Uno Essang Uno, the Vice-Chancellor pointed out that the Management and the Students' Union work hand-in-hand.

"Nothing is done in secret without bringing it to the Union for discussion as far it is a matter concerning students,," said the Vice-Chancellor, adding that FUT, Minna students are disciplined and matured in their conducts, as the institution does not have the issues of riots, cultism and other vices.

On the issue of school fees, he said the Management was concerned about the hard times in the country and it would not increase school fees until the Federal Government so directs.

The Vice-Chancellor said that the University does not discriminate in its admission process, adding that all qualified UTME candidates who applied to FUT, Minna last year were admitted.

Responding to the Students' request for more hostels, the VC explained that the University was building more hostels and is inviting investors to partake in hostel construction in the University. He added that the University had equally provided buses, just as it had invited private concerns to partake in providing transportation services hiring so as to ease the problems of transportation.

On the request for SUG Secretariat, the VC assured that the Management would consider it within the shortest possible time.

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The VC, however, eulogized the NANS president for reaching out to the institution and speak the truth.

Speaking earlier, the NANS President, Comrade Barambu said that they came to pay a courtesy call on the Management to discuss the issues of admission, SUG Secretariat, Buses and to plead on the issue of school fees increment.

The President disclosed that they were informed that FUT, Minna Students' Union does not have a Secretariat to run its programmes, a situation that necessitated their request that the Management should provide a piece of land for the building of a Secretariat.

Comrade Barambu also informed the Management that President Bola Ahmed Tinubu has approved the provision of buses to the various institutions and had cautioned on the continuous increment of school fees.

The NANS President had also requested that the Students' Union should be carried along in matters relating to students affairs as such would assist in halting all protests.

He commended the Management for maintaining a cordial relationship with the Students' Union.

AMBASSADOR GANA SPONSORS FUTMINNA GOLF COMPETITION

- Donate Kits

His Excellency Ambassador John Alhassan Gana (Tukura Agaie), a member of the Board of Trustees of Federal University of Technology Minna Golf Club, has instituted a 10-week golf tournament for students/caddies of FUTMinna Golf Club.

The tournament which will be for 10 consecutive weeks, commenced on Saturday, 5th August, 2023. The essence of the competition is to create awareness and promote golfing among FUTMinna students/caddies of the Club.

The prize for the 1st placed is ₦5,000:00, while the 1st runner up and 2nd runner up winnings are ₦3,000:00 and ₦2,000:00 respectively for male category and ₦3,000 for lady category.

The inaugural tournament held on Saturday, August 5, 2023 was won by

Abdulrahman Suleiman a caddy of the Club, while the first and second runners up winners were Aaron Weng Adams Weng of Department of Urban and Regional Department and Obasanjo Moses Alabi of Department of Animal Production. Faith Innocent of Department of Building Technology won the ladies' category.

In addition, to the sponsorship the Ambassador donated 2 complete sets of golf equipment to the FUTMinna golf club to facilitate the competition. The Vice Captain Prof. J. O. Oyero on behalf of the Captain, Prof. A. O. Osunde received the donated items and appreciated the sponsor for the laudable and visionary gesture.

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2023/2024 REGISTRATION/PRE-ADMISSION SCREENING EXERCISE (2023 UTME & DE)

This is to inform all candidates who have applied for admission into the Federal University of Technology (FUT), Minna for the 2023/2024 academic session that the Registration/University's Pre-Admission Screening Exercise (UPASE), commenced on **Monday, 17th July, 2023** and will end midnight of **Sunday, 27th August, 2023**.

Candidates are advised to visit FUT, Minna website www.futminna.edu.ng for details on the procedure for on-line registration, requirements for the screening exercise, procedure for payment and other general information.

Candidates are to pay a non-refundable fee of **Two thousand Naira (₦2,000) only** through **REMITA** platform.

1. ELIGIBILITY

- (i) Only UTME and DE candidates who selected Federal University of Technology, Minna as first choice during **2023 JAMB** are eligible for the screening exercise.
- (ii) UTME candidates **MUST** have a minimum score of 150, except for those courses for which higher cut-off marks have been indicated on the University website.
- (iii) Candidates **MUST** meet the minimum UTME scores for their chosen courses and have the right UTME subject combinations as prescribed in the 2023 JAMB Brochure.
- (iv) Candidates who do not meet any of the above requirements will be allowed to change to any other course whose requirements they met.
- (v) All candidates must possess a minimum of five 'O' Level credits including Mathematics and English Language in subjects relevant to their proposed courses at not more than two sittings. In addition, Direct Entry candidates must possess a minimum of **Lower Credit** at National Diploma and/or Higher National Diploma level(s) or **Merit** at NCE level.
- (vi) Only 'O' level result print-out(s) downloaded directly from the website(s) of the National Examining Bodies (WAEC/NECO/NABTEB) or photocopies of original certificate(s) will be accepted for verification.

CANDIDATES ARE TO ENSURE THAT THEIR 'O' LEVEL RESULTS ARE UPLOADED ON THE JAMB WEBSITE – CAPS.

All enquiries should be directed to the following: infoupase@futminna.edu.ng or call **08028949142** and **09023418632**.

NOTICE FROM E-LIBRARY UNIT

This is to inform the University community, especially 100-level student advisers, that the University E-library unit provides two hours of Internet connectivity on desktops for students that want to access their online courses from 9am-4pm of Mondays - Fridays. There is also wireless connectivity for students with laptops and Android devices.

In addition, the E-library provides access to electronic information resources through its subscribed database ProQuest for the students that can aid the understanding of their courses.

The Library Open Access Catalogue can also be accessed via <https://opae.futminna.edu.ng:8054> for the print books. Staff and students can view the availability of the print books for consultation and loaning.

NOTE: The E-library is on the second floor of the IBB Library Complex, Gidan Kwano Campus.

SALES OF ADMISSION FORMS FOR FUT MINNA STAFF SCHOOL, 2023/2024

The University community and the general public are hereby informed that, FUT Minna Staff School, has commenced its sales of admission forms into primary One and Nursery One at the rate of Two Thousand, Two Hundred Naira Only (N2,200). The forms are obtainable at School premises after payment into Micro Finance Bank, FUT, Minna.

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**Guidance and Counselling Unit,
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MONEY MATTER

Weekly Financial Digest for 30th July -6th August 2023

| N/S | RECEIPTS | N |
|-----|--|----------------------|
| | DETAIL | AMOUNT |
| 1 | ACCEPTANCE FEES | 140,000.00 |
| 2 | TRANSCRIPT | 783,740.00 |
| 3 | CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE) | 1,667,100.00 |
| 4 | CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE) | 154,000.00 |
| 5 | POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES | 15,848,360.00 |
| 6 | POSTGRADUATE FORMS | 30,000.00 |
| 7 | TURNITIN UNDER GRADUATE | 32,500.00 |
| 8 | TURNITIN POST GRADUATE | 30,000.00 |
| 9 | CLEARANCE FEES | 1,305,000.00 |
| 10 | UNDERGRADUATE FEES | 7,982,200.00 |
| 11 | REGISTRATION FEES PRE-DEGREE | 937,250.00 |
| 12 | HOSTEL FEES | 470,000.00 |
| 13 | VERIFICATION OF RESULT | 100,000.00 |
| 14 | POST UTME | 1,370,000.00 |
| 15 | SEMESTERIAL RESULT | 450.00 |
| 16 | PURCHASE OF ACADEMIC GOWN | 190,000.00 |
| 17 | CODEL REGISTRATION | 44,600.00 |
| 18 | PREPAID METER | 66,000.00 |
| 19 | COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES SHOP | 167,000.00 |
| 20 | MOTORCYCLE REG | 55,000.00 |
| 21 | TENDER FEES | 80,000.00 |
| 22 | TRICYCLE REG | 14,000.00 |
| 23 | SUNDRY OTHER INCOME | 10,000.00 |
| | TOTAL | 31,477,200.00 |
| | PAYMENTS | |
| 24 | (ii) Contractors/Suppliers | |
| | (i) Staff | |
| | (a) Refund | 7,764,365.10 |
| | (b) Advance | 1,889,273.68 |
| | (ii) Contractors/Suppliers | |
| | (b) Abuja Electricity Dis. Company Plc - Electricity Bill | 7,520,223.17 |
| | Ali-Mud Itergrated services LTD - Subscription | 2,374,425.00 |
| | Salsak Services LTD - Subscription | 747,000.00 |
| | Brizelane Koncept LTD - Supply | 2,979,362.50 |
| | AKAMS Associate - Renovation | |
| | - - | 747,727.00 |

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| | First Hasiya Investment LTD - | - Renovation | 775,828.57 |
| | Honest Proof Engineering LTD | - Renovation | 748,463.37 |
| | Sanjir Excellent Production - - | - Renovation - | 682,982.00 |
| | FUX Engineering Construction | - Renovation | 895,256.77 |
| | DHL INT'L NIG LTD service | - Courier Ser- vice | 1,089,666.17 |
| | DHL INT'L NIG LTD service | - Courier Ser- vice | 797,069.50 |
| | Leah Eyagi Yisa | - Refreshment | 1,703,700.00 |
| | Leah Eyagi Yisa | - Refreshment | 731,700.00 |
| | TOTAL PAYMENTS | | ₦31,447,042.83 |