

VC ADVISES NEW STUDENTS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF AVAILABLE RESOURCES

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VC's Rep. Prof. Abdullahi Mohammed and Dean, Students' Affairs, Dr. Bashir O. Ganiyu, (Standing; 6th & 7th from left) in a group photograph with other officials of the University during the orientation programme. **Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa**

The Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, has called on the fresh students of the institution to make good use of the available human and material resources abundant in the university while their study lasts.

The Vice Chancellor made the call on Thursday, 13th July, 2023 during the Orientation Programme organized by the Students' Affairs Division for the new students of the institution held at the Suleimanu Kumo Convocation Square, Main Campus.

Represented by the Director, Academic

Planning Unit, Prof. Abdullahi Mohammed, the don pointed out that this is a time for the fresher to make friends that would be useful to them in life.

Speaking further, Prof. Kuta who said that in the Webometric ranking, FUT, Minna is ranked the 9th in Nigeria, 67th in Africa and 2,353rd in the World for the year 2022, emphasized that degrees are awarded based on learning and character. As such, he advised the students to live above board and be sincere in all their dealings and endeavours.

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Speaking earlier in his welcome address, the Dean Students Affairs Division, Dr. Bashir O. Ganiyu said that the 2022/2023 fresh students Orientation is so memorable to him as it is a year in which the fresh students were used as the pilot for the commencement of the e- teaching and e- learning programmes. This feat, he said- will not have come at any better time than now, especially with the university share determination for the attainment of global recognition and competitiveness.

He noted that the University is aware of the teething challenges of accommodation among students and assured that the Management is working at its best to increase the number of hostels accommodation in the university.

The President, Student Union, Comrade Busari Ibrahim Olamide who spoke at the orientation programme, admonished the students to respect the Code of Conduct of the institution, use their Identity Card and utilize the abundant resources of the school for their development, " Always refer your problems to the appropriate authority" he reiterated.

In his vote of thanks, the Deputy Dean Students' Affairs Division, Dr. Charles S. Tukura appreciated the University Management for supporting the organization of the orientation and all the officers that attended the programme.

PROF. OMITOYIN MAKES CASE FOR INCLUSION OF BLUE GROWTH CONCEPTS IN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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VC's Rep. Prof. Abdullahi Mohammed and President, ANIFS, Prof. Bamidele O. Omitoyin (Standing; 10th & 11th from left) in a group photograph with other officials and participants after the opening ceremony. *Photo Credit: Lekan Oshindare*

The President, Association of Nigeria Fisheries Scientists (ANIFS), Prof. Bamidele O. Omitoyin has advocated for the inclusion of the blue growth concept; an integral part of sustainable development goals and its principle in the developmental policies of Nigeria for sustainable fish production and to ensure rapid economic turnaround for the country.

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Prof. Omitoyin made the assertion while delivering his welcome address at the 4th Annual National Conference of the Association of Nigerian Fisheries Scientists held from 12th to 14th July, 2023 at Caverton Lecture Theater, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano

According to him, blue economy encapsulated the three pillars of sustainable; economic, environmental and social sustainability. Which can be articulated by harnessing the power of aquatic ecosystems towards improving the social and economic well-being of the Nigerian and global population while promoting the environmental sustainability of these resources.

Speaking on the Theme: "Blue Economy for Sustainable Development of Aquaculture and Fisheries", the President said that Nigeria has an extensive network of inland and coastal resources which is an essential part of the growth and must position herself to be part of the benefits of the blue growth initiatives.

Adding that the theme of this year's conference could not have come at a better time than now when Nigeria needs to unlock the huge economic potentials of her naturally endowed renewable fisheries resources which if properly utilized, will be the major non-crude oil-based contributors to the national economy.

According to him, Fish and other aquatic foods play a multiple role in generating income, contributing about 40% to protein intake and generation of employment to millions of Nigerians. The current trend is very gloomy, for instance, as part of the gross domestic product (GDP) of the agricultural sector, fisheries was the only sub-sector out of four that contracted in the third quarter of 2020. Growth in this sector has witnessed a downward trend since 2015 from 316,727MT to 216,000MT in 2020. Though analysis of the global trade in fish and fishery products as at 2019 was valued at 406 billion dollars annually, but Nigeria could only boast of less than 1% of this trade flow, with the array of aquatic resources in the country when compared with other global players in fisheries and

aquaculture especially from Africa, Nigeria will be grossly underperforming if she could not harness anything less experiences this global trade.

The Vice-Chancellor Federal University of Technology, Minna Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta while declaring the conference open applauded the School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology for its laudable activities especially the Department of Water Resources and Aquatic Animals.

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the Director Academic Planning Unit, Prof. Abdullahi Muhammad said he was particularly happy that FUT, Minna got the privilege of hosting the Conference. He therefore called on the participants and students to take good advantage of scholars from other institutions by tapping from their wealth of experiences as the conference would address some of the goals in the Millennium Development Goal (MDG).

In his keynote address, Prof. Abdullahi Shauibu Akpai of Department of Biology, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, enumerated the relevance of Fisheries and Aquatic foods to the global populace, as well as the importance and timeliness of the Conference in the current economic situation of the country.

During the opening session, the former Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Administration, Prof. Suleiman Sadiku, Dean SAAT, Prof. J. Tsado represented by Dr. N. Y. Bello, Former Dean, SAAT, Prof. S. L. Lamai and the Provost, Federal College of Education, Kontogora represented by Alhaji Danwake Jibrin gave their good will messages

in his Vote of Thanks, the Chairman Local Organizing Committee and HOD WAFT, Prof. Gabriel Gana Bake appreciated the Vice-Chancellor and his management team for all their supports towards the actualization of the conference. He equally thanked all the Executives of ANIFS, his colleagues and senior staff in SAAT for their support which made the conference a huge success.

VC RECEIVES FUTMINNA IGBO STAFF ASSOCIATION



VC Prof. Kuta (6th from left) pose for a snapshot with members of Igbo Association of FUTMinna.

The Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta has assured the Igbo Staff Association of the University of an enabling environment to ease their work in the institution.

The VC gave the assurance when he received the Association on Monday 10th July, 2023 in his Conference Room, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

While welcoming the delegation, Prof. Kuta requested for a minute silence in honour of late Dr. Stella Nwokajiro. He then noted that he considered the Association as partners in progress rather than an alien group because they have made a mark in the progress of the

institution. Adding that, they are the only community that engage themselves in a corporate social responsibility.

Prof. Kuta then thanked them for the strong relationship that they both enjoyed.

Speaking earlier, the Chairman, of the delegation, Prof. Ikechukwu A. Diugwu of the Department of Project Management congratulated the VC on his appointment as the eight (8th) substantive Vice-Chancellor of the university and pledged their unalloyed supports for the success of his tenure.

DR. FATIMAH WINS PROF AJIBERO'S AWARD



Dr Fatimah presenting her award to VC Prof. Kuta.

Dr. Fatimah Jibril Abduldayan, CLN, a lecturer in the Department of Library and Information Science, Federal University of technology, Minna has won Prof. M. I. Ajibero's Award for the best PhD thesis in Nigerian Library Schools.

This was made known to Campus News when the award winner presented the award to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta in his office on Monday, July 10, 2023.

The award, in recognition of her significant contribution to the Library Information Science (LIS) sector by advancing the profession and extending frontier of knowledge through research, "**Computer Based Data Management Model for Chemistry Research in Federal Universities of Technology in Nigeria**" in the year 2021 was conferred on her on Wednesday, July 5, 2023 during the Nigerian Library Association (NLA) Annual National Conference/AGM, held from 2nd – 6th July, 2023 at the International Culture and Event Centre (the Dome) Akure, Ondo State.

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.

QUALITY ASSURANCE AND PRODUCTIVITY (QAP) CORNER

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION AND SCHOOL GOVERNANCE

Some of the associated corrupt practices in Departmental administration and School governance are:

- ◆ Inability to hold regular Department and School meetings.
- ◆ Distribution of teaching load and other assignments on the basis of friendship and patronage.
- ◆ Resort to vendetta in the allocation of courses and other workload.
- ◆ Falsification of records.
- ◆ Deliberate failure to keep records.

Preventive actions by the University

- ◆ Maintenance of transparent and open-door policy.
- ◆ Submission of monthly minutes of Departmental and School meetings to the office of Vice-Chancellor.
- ◆ Exhibition of discipline and fairness on the part of leadership.
- ◆ Staff should be ICT compliant and properly oriented.
- ◆ Assigning competent persons of integrity to keep records.
- ◆ Provision of backups for records.

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.

INTERACTIVE SESSION

This is to inform the University Community that the Access Pension Limited will hold an interactive session/sensitization forum for clients in the University as follows:

Date: **Thursday, July 20, 2023**

Time: **10:00am**

Venue: **Caverton Lecture Theatre, SAAT, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano**

CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has on behalf of the Management, Staff, Students and the entire members of the University Community, condoled Mukhtar Shehu over the death of his Father who died on Friday, June 9, 2023.



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Which will take place as follows

DAY 1 WALIMAT

DATE: Tuesday 18th July, 2023 **TIME:** 2:00pm

VENUE: Area 1 Behind Tunga Muhabat Old NNPC Mega Filling Station Albishiri Bida Road.

DAY 2 WEDDING DINNER

DATE: Thursday 20th July, 2023

VENUE: Shaniba After Fed Poly Bida Bida-Doko Road

TIME: 2:00pm

NUPE DAY

DATE: Thursday 20th July, 2023 **TIME:** 7:00pm

VENUE: Area 1 Back of Access Bank Bida

DAY 3 WEDDING FATIHA

DATE: Friday 21st July, 2023

VENUE: Emi Shaba Etsu Nupe Zukogi Etsusaba Bida

TIME: 11:00am

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COUNSELLING TIPS

Rather than shouting on your clients (students, staff or visitors), on account of not being clear of their expression; politely ask simple questions such as "please what exactly are you saying?" "Can you repeat yourself please?" At the end, you both part happily.

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

MONEY MATTER

Weekly Financial Digest for 2nd July - 9th July 2023		
N/S	RECEIPTS	N
	DETAIL	AMOUNT
1	ACCEPTANCE FEES (PG)	3,100,000.00
2	TRANSCRIPT	457,150.00
3	CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE)	699,000.00
4	CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE)	128,000.00
5	POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES	7,172,650.00
6	POSTGRADUATE FORMS	315,000.00
7	TURNITIN(PG)	56,000.00
8	TURNITIN (UNDERGRAUATE)	57,500.00
9	UNDERGRADUATE FEES	81,472,100.00
10	CLEARANCE FEES	1,872,000.00
11	SALE OF FORMS (PRE-DEGREE)	168,000.00
12	SEMESTERIAL RESULT	4,300.00
13	HOSTEL FEES	4,585,000.00
14	VERIFICATION OF RESULT	75,000.00
15	PURCHASE OF ACADEMIC GOWN	228,000.00
16	CODEL REGISTRATION	61,350.00
17	PREPAID METER	83,000.00
18	COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES(SHOP)	350,000.00
19	INTER-UNIVERSITY TRANSFER	41,500.00
20	MOTORCYCLE REG.	55,000.00
21	TRICYCLE REG.	28,000.00
22	SUNDRY OTHER INCOME	41,500.00
23	WASCAL TURNITIN	18,000.00
	TOTAL	₦101,068,050.00
	PAYMENTS	
24	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(i) Staff	
	(a) Refund	15,521,632.00
	(b) Advance	1,132,900.00
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) Alifloameen Nig. Ltd. - Supply	7,594,875.00
	(b) Chelsea Hotel Ltd. - Hotel Bill	221,898.75
	(c) Chelsea Hotel Ltd. - Hotel Bill	228,537.05
	(d) Jaykim Properties & Co - Supply	840,650.00
	(e) Leah Eyagi Yisa - Refreshment	525,700.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	₦26,066,192.80