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TETFUND RATES FUTMINNA RESEARCH, PROJECT EXECUTION

HIGH ON,

By Aliyu Ibrahim Jidda



Seated; DVC, Administration Prof. Uno E. Uno (M) to his (R), the Team Lead, Prof. Ediga Agbo and Director, DRID, Prof Moses Olutoye while to his (L) are Prof. Suleiman Abdul and Mrs. Ubaidah Sanusi pose for a photograph with the Researchers.

Photo Credit:* Oshindare Lekan

he Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) Monitoring and Verification team has commended the Federal University of Technology, Minna for keeping up to the project execution policy as required by the Fund.

Leader of the team, by Prof. Ediga Agbo gave the commendation on Friday, June 23, 2023 during an exit meeting at the University's Senate Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

Prof. Agbo commended the University Management for the high rating the institution scored in terms of execution of all

the 12 projects the Monitoring and Verification assessed.

He pointed out that, the receipts and evidences of all the purchases made were also presented to the team on demand, adding that while some of the receipts had reached their colleagues at TETFund Office, others are with the Director of Research, Innovation and Development.

He added that the scenario shows that the Principal Researchers are carrying others along in project execution.

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Prof. Agbo observed further that some of the staff were practically enthusiastic with what they do, have shown commitment to their jobs, adding that his team appreciates seeing such commitment.

He noted that most of the projects had potentials for patents and advised researchers to patent before publishing and that they should always acknowledge TETFund which is the Chief Financier of the projects when writing their journal papers.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta who was

the by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Administration, Prof. Uno Essang Uno expressed Management appreciation to TETFund for her interventions in the development of the Institution.

He commended the team for the through work done and assured that the Management would addressed all the issues raised accordingly.

VC INAUGAURATES FUTMINNA ADVANCEMENT BOARD

Board Chair Targets N100m Endowment Fund, Donates N1m

By Aliyu Ibrahim Jidda



Front Row; The Board Chairman, Mukhtar Mohammed and VC, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta (3rd &4th from L) pose for a snap shot with other members of the Board immediately after the inauguration at Senate Chamber. *Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa*

he Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta, has inaugurated the University Advancement Board with a call on its members to intensify efforts on how to garner resources for running the institution. The inauguration took place on Monday, June 19, 2023 at the Senate Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

Prof. Kuta who is also a member of the Board pointed out that a university belongs to its alumni, adding that majority of the renowned universities in the world are assisted by their alumni and Advancement Offices.

Expressing happiness for inaugurating the Board, he explained further that resources for running the University were becoming increasingly scarce and as such, University is in dire need of assistance, adding that he had taken it upon himself to tour the country 'cap in hand' in search of financial assistance for the institution.

The Vice-Chancellor therefore called on the Board members to explore all avenues of impacting on the finances of the University.

In his remarks, the Chairman of the Advancement Board, Mukhtar Mohammed, promised to do much for the University by God's grace.

He emphasized that one goal they aim to achieve within the first year is to have a 100-million naira endowment fund for the institution.

The Chairman immediately commenced the endowment fund donation with a personal pledge of one million naira and assured that there are lots of alumni out there that are doing well whom they will have to reach out to for support.

Mohammed expressed optimism that the endowment fund of 100 million was attainable within the first year.

Earlier, the National President the University Alumni Association, Alh. Abubakar Kimpa Isah, who was represented by the Alumni Relations Officer of Postgraduate School, Mr. Jimoh Yakubu, rolled out some of the proposed projects of the Association to include: plantation project, investment opportunities, launching of endowment funds and hostel projects.

"As a supportive stakeholder in the Federal University of Technology, Minna, the Alumni will jointly work with the school in general and the Advancement Office in particular to execute these laudable projects and deliver on your mandate," he assured.

Making a PowerPoint presentation, Director of the University Advancement Office Prof. Idris Abdullahi marshalled out achievements Advancements of the Office as well as its future projections.

He pointed out that with the realization that it is not easy to fund the university system now, there is always the need to augment whatever funding the University needs so as to bridge the gap between funds from government the internally generated revenue of the University.

He therefore added that the Advancement office will serve as a catalyst for searching for support for the University, among other things.

The full list of Advancement Board members follows: Muktar Muhammed, is as Chairman; Prof. Faruk A. Kuta , Vice Chancellor; Prof. Uno Essan Uno. DVC (Admin); Mr. Amos N. Kolo, Registrar; Mrs Hadiza Goje- Bursar; Prof. O.K Abubakre-Dean PG School; Prof. I. N. Abdullahi, Director Advancement Office and Prof. M.G.M Kolo, Senate Representative.

Others are Dr. Haruna Ibrahim, University Congregation Representative; Mohammed S. Ademola, University Alumni Association Representative; Ramatu U. Bello, University Alumni Association Representative; Prof. Isreal K. Olayemi, Director, Collaboration Affiliation and Linkages; Prof A.Y. Kabiru; SERVICOM Unit; Barr. E.P. Hussaini -Legal Prof. Abdulkadir, Unit; Muktar Representative and Prof. Abubakar N. Saidu, VC Representative. Mr. Zaccheaus Kolo is to serve as Secretary.

SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

By Zainab Lawal



VC, FUTMinna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta presents signed MoU to Prof. Ebenezer J. Ekefan, representative of VC, JOSTUM Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

he Federal University of Technology, Minna has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with now known as Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University (formerly Federal University of Agriculture), Makurdi, Benue State.

The Vice-Chancellor, FUT, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta who signed the document on behalf of the University, on Monday, June 19, 2023 at the Main Campus, Gidan Kwano assured that the institution would pursue the MoU seriously, noting that it has capable and energetic personnel that would ensure the success of the collaboration.

Prof. Kuta added that the University Management was determined to lead by example on procurement matters, which is an area of concern for Vice-Chancellors in the country hence, his interest in the training procurement.

Centre Leader, Centre for Innovation in Procurement, Environmental and Social Standards (CIPESS), Sarwuan Joseph Tarka University, Makurdi, Prof. Ebenezer Ekefan, who represented the Vice-Chancellor of the institution, Engr. Isaac Nathaniel Professor Otodo at the occasion, said CIPESS came into being as a result of the skill gap in the area of procurement, environmental and social standards.

The MoU is aimed at enhancing sustainable human capacity development in procurement, environmental and social standards in the public and private sectors in Nigeria and its regions to support governance, sustainability and environmental and social standards and management through training, professionalisation research.

It also covers the provision of training halls as CIPESS trainings; physical venue for marketing of CIPESS courses; exchange information and teaching materials; strengthening human capacity development through internship to bridge the gap between theory and practice; and collaboration in strengthening of procurement, environmental and standards and other requirements which will enhance and further the objectives of the MoU.

WE'LL UPHOLD REFRESHER TRAINING FOR STAFF, VC ASSURES

By Aliyu Ibrahim Jidda



The VC, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta (7^{th} from L) flanked to his left by DVC, Administration, Prof. Uno. Essang Uno and to his right Registrar, Mr Amos Nmadu Kolo with facilitators and participants Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

he Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta has assured that he will keep up with refresher training of staff across the university community.

The Vice-Chancellor gave the assurance on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 while declaring open a 2-Day workshop organised for Heads of Department, Examination Officers and Level Advisers of various Schools and Departments across the University, at the Senate Chamber, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

Prof. Kuta assured that the training will be a continuous practice so as to carry along the new and young people that are given responsibilities.

He explained further that some students of the University had been suffering due to avoidable human errors in results computations.

He therefore called on the trainees to be focused and concentrate on the teachings during the workshop.

The Lead Facilitator, Prof. Jehoshaphat Dukiya, said that the workshop would have held earlier but for the disruptions occasion by COVID-19 and ASUU strike.

He noted that the training had become necessary as there are now many people have newly assumed positions of responsibility such as head of departments, level advisers and examination officers across the University, coupled with the fact that the University examination software had been updated.

Prof. Dukiya therefore implored the trainees to be patient with the training so as to have a seamless result processing modality.

During the 2-day workshop participants went through training on Students Guidance Techniques jointly facilitated by the Quality Assurance and Productivity (QAP) and Assurance Counselling Units of the University; Result Processing Software, facilitated the Information and Technology Services (ITS) of the institution; Handling Students Cases facilitated by Prof. Dukiya and e-Results and Course Registration Software, facilitated by the ITS personnel.

FUTEC, PROVAREX, CADEmit TRAIN STUDENTS ON ENTREPRENEURIAL SKILLS

By Abdullahi U. Danbakaba



The Facilitators and Participants in a group photograph.

Photo Credit: Elijah Yisa

he Federal University of Technology, Minna Entrepreneurship Centre (FUTEC) in partnership with Provarex and CADEmit has organized a 6-week intensive training for the students of the University, with the view to inculcating in them the entrepreneurial skills needed to transform technological ideas into innovative and viable business ventures.

The training which commenced on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 at the Entrepreneurship Centre, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano was geared towards offering participants the opportunity to explore potentials in developing business ideas, incubation, hackathons, product prototyping and demonstration, as well as pitching, among others.

Delivering a welcome address at the opening ceremony, the Director, Entrepreneurship Centre, Engr. Dr. Caroline O. Alenoghena admonished participants to always explore the immediate environment for possible

discoveries of business ideas, adding that business projects which are started locally and properly nourished often become greater enterprises over time.

Dr. Alenoghena who stressed the need for the participants to exhibit maximum commitment and seriousness to the training also expressed the Centre's determination to reach out to potential investors for funding of their projects.

"We will support you to grow. We will give you all the necessary protections. We will give the technical support and mentorship," she assured.

The Director also urged that investments be channeled towards projects rather than individuals.

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Also speaking at the ceremony, the Director, Information Technology Services, (ITS) Dr. Bala Salihu highlighted problem identification, proffering solution, developing methodology of application in solving the identified problems and most importantly, sustainability of approach as the major determinants for a successful business project.

Dr. Salihu further advised the participants to work unrelentingly to ensure that maximum benefit is achieved at the end of the training.

Introducing an outline of activities for the training, one of the resource persons and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Provarex, Mr. Alabi Abdulaziz stated that entrepreneurial experts who had worked through the part and gained wealth of experience are deployed to ensure that the desired objectives are achieved at the end of the programme.



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TOOTH DISCOLORATION

INTRODUCTION; This refers to the staining or darkening of a tooth or teeth, which means there are changes in the color. They are common occurences and many are preventable and can be treated. They may appear yellowish or less bright and/or sometimes develop white or dark flecks on the teeth.

TYPES OF DISCOLORATION

- 1. Extrinsic discoloration; This type of changes affect the outer part of the teeth (enamel) Here, you find mostly food, beverages and tobacco being the main causative factors.
- 2. Intrinsic discoloration; This type of discoloration starts from the inside of the tooth which is the inner dentine layer. This is mainly caused by dental trauma or an injury to the tooth. Others may include medications, tooth decay, genetics or fluorosis. It is more resistant to the tooth-whitening products and often appears greyish in color.
- 3. Age-related discoloration; These changes make the enamel of the teeth to become more brittle and wear away resulting to a yellowish appearance of the teeth (dentine layer coloration). This discoloration is usually uniform though it could be caused by both extrinsic and intrinsic factors.

CAUSES OF DISCOLORATION

They could be avoidable and unavoidable causes. The following are the avoidable ones.

- 1. Dark colored food and beverages like coffee, tea, berries, red wine, soy sauce to mention a few. These items can stain teeth over a period of time.
- 2. Smoking and other forms of tobacco; It has been shown that tooth discoloration is far more common among smokers when compared to non -smokers.
- 3. Poor oral hygiene; Deposits of plague and calculus over time can cause tooth discoloration.
- 4 Excessive fluoride; This gives a whitish coloration or patches of white or brown speckles on the teeth surface. The condition is called fluorosis.

The Unavoidable tooth discoloration causes include;

- **Aging;** With age, the tooth enamel wears away gradually exposing the underlying dentine which has a yellowish coloration. Subsequently the teeth may appear more discolored in elderly people.
- Dental Trauma; Road traffic accidents, sports or any form of injuries can cause tooth discoloration. Most cases are limited to the teeth that received the impact.
- Genetics; Different individuals present with various natural tooth color, translucency and brightness.
- Dental Treatments; Dental amalgam fillings give a greyish coloration to the teeth and sometimes Root canal treatments can also cause tooth discoloration.
- Certain Treatments and medications; Chemotherapy and radiation therapy for head and neck can cause tooth discoloration. Some anti-hypertensives and anti-histamines drugs can result to teeth discoloration. Some antibiotics like tetracycline taken by pregnant mothers or in childhood may result to deeply stained teeth.

TREATMENT AND CARE OF DISCOLORED TEETH

- **1. Teeth Whitening;** Whitening the teeth professionally works best for extrinsic stains which is on the surface and sometimes removes deep discoloration depending on the causative factors.
- **2. Dental Restoration;** Composite facings may be used to conceal discolored teeth but may need some touch-ups every 5-7 years.
- **3. Dental Crowns;** A crown is a tooth-shaped cap that fits over the tooth. It could be done with porcelain or a combination of two materials. It could be metal or gold bonded it helps to improve the appearance and function of the tooth.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

- **1.** Brush teeth twice daily with a medium texture brush and a fluoride toothpaste
- 2. Floss in between teeth after every meal.
- **3.** Quit smoking and avoid tobacco products.
- **4.** Limit foods and drinks that stain teeth and drink plenty, also rinse after such beverages that cause tooth discoloration.
- **5.** Visit your dentist twice yearly for routine cleaning and check-up.

RETIREMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the voluntary retirement of Alhassan Idris Malagi, University Security Services, from the service of the University with effect from 25th January, 2023.

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

he University community and the general public are hereby informed that, FUT Staff School, Minna 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 and payment into Micro Finance Bank, FUT, Minna.

NOTICE OF MEETING

This is to inform and invite all Executive and Clerical cadres (HND, ND and NCE holders) within the University that the maiden meeting of the Association is scheduled to hold on Tuesday, July 4, 2023 by 12:00pm at the Senate Chamber, Gidan Kwano Campus.

CONDOLENCE

The Registrar has on behalf of the Management, Staff, Students and the entire members of the University Community, condoled Ibrahim Salihu Ibrahim over the death of his Father (**Late Salihu Ibrahim Pelemi** of University Library Services) who died on Thursday, June 15, 2023.

COUNSELLING TIPS

Set achievable goals for your life and purse them. Your time on earth is limited. Don't waste it living for some one else's life.

Guidance and Counselling Unit, Students' Affairs Division.

MONEY MATTER

	Weekly Financial Digest for 12th June - 18th June 2023			
N/S	RECEI	PTS	И	
1	ACCEPTANCE FEES		60,000.00	
2	TRANSCRIPT		859,720.00	
3	CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE)		119,000.00	
4	CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE)		128,000.00	
5	POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES		4,752,500.00	
6	POSTGRADUATE FORMS		375,000.00	
7	TURNITIN PG		42,000.00	
8	TURNITIN UNDERGRAUATE		5,000.00	
9	UNDERGRADUATE FEES		69,706,900.00	
10	CODeL REGISTRATION		44,600.00	
11	SALE OF FORMS PRE-DEGREE		91,000.00	
12	SEMESTERIAL RESULT		3,000.00	
13	HOSTEL FEES		11,800,000.00	
14	PREPAID METER		59,000.00	
15	COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES SHOP		105,000.00	
16	TRICYCLE REG		14,000.00	
17	MOTORCYCLE REG		44,000.00	
18	SIWES LOG BOOK		21,000.00	
19	ITS DIPLOMA CERTIFICATE		3,500.00	
20	INTER-UNIV-TRANSFER		20,000.00	
21	SUNDRY OTHER INCOME		48,500.00	
	TOTAL		88,301,720.00	
	PAYMENTS			
22	(i) Staff			
	(a) Refund		23,083,760.44	
	(b) Advance			
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers			
	(a) Anmtex Global Int. Ltd.	- Supply	4,703,684.00	
	(b) HDA Audit	- Audit Fee	499,520.00	
	(c) NIPOST	- Courier Services	73,928.75	
	(d) Abuja Electricity Company Plc	- Electricity Bill	7,520,223.17	
	(e) Guddel Investment Ltd.	- Hostel Bill	473,825.00	
	(f) Brize Lane Concept Ltd.	- Printing	510,625.00	
	(g) Brize lane Concept Ltd.	- Repairs	1,021,250.00	
	(h) Leah Eyagi Yisa	- Refreshment	912,020.00	
	(i) Ama Energy & Eng. Ltd.	- Supply	20,347,600.00	
	(j) Fredlink Integrated Ser. Ltd.	- Supply	31,781,300.00	
	(k) Brize Lane Concept Ltd.	- Supply	29,237,598.00	

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TOTAL PAYMENTS		205,695,770.86
(aii) Jumbo Esther Nkereuwem	- Refreshment	58,150.00
(z) Leah Eyagi Yisa	- Refreshment	444,800.00
(y) Jaykims Properties	- Supply	927,188.00
(x) Doko Int. Ltd.	- Hotel Bill	94,609.00
(w) Chelsea Hotel Ltd.	- Hotel Bill	161,915.00
(v) Chelsea Hotel Ltd.	- Hotel Bill	78,490.00
(u) Murmed Nig. Ltd.	- Renovation	12,203,631.13
(t) Michindo Ventures	- Renovation	13,715,081.13
(s) Honest Proof Engr. Ltd.	- Renovation	14,220,804.1
(r) Akarus Assoc. Nig. Ltd.	- Renovation	14,206,813.00
(p) Simbest Scientific & Chemicals	-Supply	681,039.50
(p) Leah Eyagi Yisa	- Refreshment	71,200.00
(o) Leah Eyagi Yisa	- Refreshment	467,100.00
(n) Leah Eyagi Yisa	- Refreshment	1,086,000.00
(m) Ibironke Tech. Ltd.	- Renovation	10,103,736.88
(I) Fux Engr. & Construction Ltd	- Renovation	17,009,878.73