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EARTH DAM PROJECT: FUTMINNA SEEKS COOPERATION FROM VILLAGERS

The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji, *FNSBMB, FAS*, has solicited for cooperation from the ten different villages within the University land to support the contractor handling the earth dam to ensure prompt completion.

The Vice-Chancellor made the appeal during a stakeholder's and security meeting with the villagers on Wednesday, March 21, 2017 at the project site, Main Campus.



Garatu village head, Alh Garatu flanked by Arc. Alhassan (8th & 9th from right) in a group photograph with some staff of the University and other villagers after the stakeholder's meeting

The VC who was represented by the acting Director, Physical Planning and Development Unit, Arc. Idris

SALES OF ONLINE POSTGRADUATE APPLICATION FORMS

The general public is hereby informed that the sales of Postgraduate application forms for admission into the 2017/2018 academic session has commenced.

All applications for postgraduate programmes are online through the University Website: www.futminna.edu.ng

University charges an application fee of N10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Naira) only, payable online via the Interswitch platform with use of Master or Verve card through the School portal. Note that applicants will pay additional N250.00 bank charges.

Completed application forms must be submitted online

Alhassan said that the earth dam project was important to the University and advised the villagers to be the trustees of the project by providing the much needed support and cooperation to the contractor.

Prof. Akanji said the project was geared at addressing the challenge of water scarcity in the University, adding that at the end of the project the various communities within the University would also benefit from the project.

He admonished the villagers to steer clear of the demarcated areas while noting that farming and grazing of animals within the project site would not be tolerated.

"I want you all to see the earth dam project as your own by protecting it", the VC stated.

In his response, the Garatu village head, Alhaji Abdull Garatu who spoke through an interpreter commended the University Management for coming to address them and for siting the project within their communities.

Alhaji Garatu noted that the earth dam project would address the challenge of poor water supply facing the communities and appealed to the University Management to provide temporary source of water for them since the river that was the only source of water supply to the communities has been taken over for the project.

The Village head appealed to the contractor to assist the communities by employing some of their youths to work at the site and assured them of the communities support towards ensuring that the project is completed on time.

through the University portal latest Sunday, July 23, 2017. All necessary instructions on filling the forms must be adhered to: failure to do so is sufficient ground to disqualify an applicant.

All applicants must possess the basic entry requirements in addition to five O' level credits including English and Mathematics.

Interested applicants should visit the Federal University of Technology, Minna website: www.futminna.edu.ng for further details on entry requirements, purchase, filling and submission of the online forms.

AL-HALAL RENOVATES BLOCK OF CLASSROOMS

As part of its corporate social responsibility and commitment to enhance the standard of learning at public primary schools, Al-Halal Cooperative Multipurpose Society of the Federal University of Technology, Minna has renovated a block of two



Prof. Akanji, Al-Halal members, staff of the school and other dignitaries at the event in a group photograph.

classrooms and office at the Gidan Kwano Community Primary School, Minna.

In his address during the inauguration of the project on Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at the school premises, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Musbau Adewumi Akanji *FNSBMB, FAS*, commended members of the Cooperative Society for their intervention in the school, adding that the project would make teaching and learning conducive for teachers and pupils of the school.

Prof. Akanji disclosed that teaching in primary school is the most difficult job to do while stating that teachers of primary schools are well remunerated in advanced societies, followed by secondary school teachers before university lecturers.

The VC said the University Management had assisted the school in the past through provision of furniture for pupils to learn after they discovered that the pupils were sitting on the floor and frowned at the deplorable conditions in which pupils study in the country. He, however, called on government at various levels to invest massively in primary education.

He congratulated Al-Halal and Niger State Universal Basic Education Board (NSUBEB) for the collaboration which made the project see the light of day and urged other cooperative societies in the University to emulate the gesture.

Speaking before inaugurating the project, the Chairman, NSUBEB, Alh. Alhassan Niwuro represented by the Vice-Chairman and Permanent Member 1, Alhaji Nasiru Ndafogi expressed joy at the successful completion of the project on record time and applauded Al-Halal for coming to the aid of the school through the project.

The Chairman assured the community that NSUBEB

would rebuild all damaged structures in the school within ten months through the Federal Government special intervention for primary schools.

Delivering his speech at the event, the President, Al-Halal Cooperative Multipurpose Society, Dr. Adamu Kabiru said the project was geared at giving back to the society, with the aim of enhancing the standard of teaching and learning in primary schools within Minna.

Dr. Kabiru disclosed that every financial year, 2.5% of profit the Cooperative makes is allocated to education fund which is used to support education, specifically at the primary level, adding that Bosso Primary School had also benefited from this gesture through provision of instructional materials.

The President thanked NSUBEB for the opportunity granted Al-Halal to contribute its quota to educational development and for providing counterpart funding of the project.

Speaking earlier, the Permanent Secretary/Secretary NSUBEB, Hajiya Salamatu Abubakar praised Al-Halal for renovating the classrooms for the school and urged the school authority to put the project into proper use.

In his remarks, the Dagacin Gidan Kwano, Alhaji Abdulmalik Mohammad thanked Al-Halal and NSUBEB for renovating the classrooms.

In his vote of thanks, the Headmaster of the school, Mallam Abdullahi Abubakar expressed happiness over the gesture, saying that it would make teaching and learning effective for staff and pupils of the school.

APPOINTMENTS

(i) Appointment

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointment of the following as **Coordinators at the Centre for Disaster Risk Management and Development Studies (CDRM&DS)** for a period of one year each with effect from March 10, 2017 respectively.

1. Dr. Ojoye Samsideen, Department of Geography - Coordinator, Climate Change Unit.
2. Dr. John Jiya Musa, Department of Agricultural and Bioresources Engineering - Coordinator, Information and Advocacy Unit.
3. Dr. O. P. Umeugochukwu, Department of Soil Science and Land Management - Coordinator, Research Unit.

(ii) Renewal

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the renewal of contract appointment of the following staff of the University Security Services for a period of two (2) years each:

1. Yusuf Shaba, effective from May 14, 2017.
2. Simon Jatau, effective from May 14, 2017 **Contd. from page 4.**

FUTMINNA TO PARTICIPATE IN 2017 NUGA PRELIMINARIES

Barring any last minute change of plans, athletes and officials of the Federal University of Technology, Minna will participate in the forthcoming Nigerian Universities Games Association (NUGA) Preliminaries slated to hold at the Federal University Dutse, Jigawa State from April 2nd - 8th, 2017.



Mr. Saidu

According to a statement released by the University Chief Sports Officer, Mr. Saidu Bala Musa disclosed that the University Sports Committee has concluded all arrangements concerning athletes' registration for the NUGA preliminaries as stipulated by NUGA laws for participation.

"I will like to inform you that a member of the sports committee and an IT staff are presently at the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi for verification of our athletes' names submitted for the Games" the University Chief Sports Officer stated.

Mr. Musa stated that the University coaches and coordinators put into cognizance the staggered order of resumption released by the University Management, adding that the University would execute the NUGA preliminaries with mostly 400 level students on Industrial Attachment, postgraduate students and some 500 level students who have indicated interest to be part of the event.

"Some 500 level students have contacted us on their availability for the games and we have also made arrangements on how to transport them back to Minna from Dutse two days before they start their examination on April 7, 2017 since some games may have been concluded before then", he revealed.

The University Chief Sports Officer noted that by the staggered order of resumption, 100, 200 and 300 levels students are available for selection for the preliminaries but would not be eligible to participate in the main NUGA

because they will be writing their first semester examination during that period.

On camping arrangements for athletes, he disclosed that there would be no closed camp for athletes due to paucity of time while noting that the athletes have been training on individual basis during the mid-semester break and that the coaches would key into their training schedules as soon as they resume back to school.

He further expressed appreciation to the University Management for their continuous support to the development of sports in the University through regular financial support for participation in sporting events and upgrading of the University sporting facilities at both campuses.

The University's hockey, scramble and High jump teams (male and female) as well as Pole Vault (male) have been granted automatic qualification for the main NUGA.

The 25th edition of the NUGA Games will hold at the Federal University of Agriculture, Makurdi, Benue State from April 19th to 30th, 2017.

In a related development, the Zone A executives of the Nigerian Universities Games Association (NUGA) Council has appointed Prof. Abdulmojeed Ijaiya as member, Technical Study Committee, Mr. Sa'idu Bala Musa and Dr. Ladi Bello of the Federal University of Technology, Minna as lawn tennis and squash coordinators ahead of the 2017 NUGA Preliminaries to be hosted by the Federal University Dutse, Jigawa State.

Prof. Ijaiya is the Chairman, University Sports Committee and a lecturer in the department of Animal Production Technology, Mr. Musa is a staff of the Students Affairs Division and the University Chief Sports Officer while Dr. Bello is a staff of the department of Crop Production.

The appointments was announced alongside 11 other coordinators during a meeting with the council members and officials of the host university held recently at the Federal University Dutse, Jigawa state.

It was also agreed at the meeting that coordinators for handball, table tennis and swimming would be sourced from Kano State Sports Commission before the commencement of the event.

The race for the 25th edition of the Nigerian Universities Games Association (NUGA) will see 19 universities from the zone compete for tickets at the preliminaries billed to take place from April 2 to April 8, 2017.

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3. Esther Bulus, effective from May 18, 2017.
4. Mohammed Kolo, effective from June 1, 2017.
5. Aliyu Ahmadu, effective from June 17, 2017.
6. Martha N. Kolo, effective from June 24, 2017.
7. Halimat Talatu Suleiman effective from June 22, 2017.

(iii) Sabbatical

The Vice-Chancellor has approved Sabbatical for **Dr. Daniel N. Tsado**, Department of Animal Production tenable at the Ibrahim Badamasi Babangida University (IBBU), Lapai for a period of one year with effect from October 1, 2017.

ADAPTI TRAINING - 2017

This is to inform all nominees for Advanced Digital Appreciation Programme for Tertiary Institutions (ADAPTI) Training for 2017 that the 5-day training will commence on Monday 27, - Friday, March 31, 2017 by 9:00am at the SNEPCO Hall, Gidan Kwano.

Staff are advised to come with their Laptops.

SALES OF COMMODITY BY SSANU WELFARE

This is to inform all financial members of Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), FUT, Minna Branch that there will be sales of consumable items.

1. Bags of rice (50kg) N19,000.00
2. Bags of rice (25kg) N9,500.00
3. Semolina N3,600.00
4. Sphaggetti N4,250.00
5. Indomie N2,100.00
6. Soya Oil N3,900.00
7. Kings Oil N4,200.00 5ltrs.
8. Red Oil N3,000.00 4ltrs.

Interested members are to book with the followings on or before Friday, March 31, 2017.

1. Usman Abubakar Degri, FUTMIN Ventures Ltd, Bosso Campus **08036657700.**
2. Lydia Jiya, Academic Office, Gidan Kwano **07034949558.**
3. Mal. Aminu Ibrahim, ADO, Gidan Kwano **08060395240.**

Note that any items purchase shall be deducted within the period of three (3) months.

Money Matters

Weekly Financial Digest (Monday, March 13 - Friday, March 17, 2017)

N	RECEIPTS	N
1	Clearance Fees	6,000.00
2	Collection of Certificate	378,250.00
3	Academic Transcript Fees	360,000.00
4	Restitution Fees	431,600.00
5	Commercial Activities	23,800.00
6	Replacement of I.D. Card	2,000.00
7	Turnitin	2,000.00
8	Semesterial Result	1,300.00
9	Purchase of Academic Gown	60,000.00
10	Farm Land	29,500.00
11	Campus Radio	105,000.00
12	Post Graduate School Fees	448,900.00
13	Verification/Confirmation of Certificate	2,000.00
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	1,850,350.00
	PAYMENTS	
14	(i) Staff	
	(a) Refund	3,088,914.80
	(b) Advances	3,865,850.00
	(ii) Contractors/Suppliers	
	(a) Doko Int'l Hotel - Hotel Bill	254,070.00
	(b) " " "	170,495.00
	(c) " " "	216,750.00
	(d) " " "	144,660.00
	(e) " " "	56,135.00
	(f) Marvelous Olaitan Printing - Supply	524,128.00
	(g) Sarkin Pawa - Repair	140,500.00
	(h) " " "	146,500.00
	(i) Oladejo O. - Newspaper Supply	7,000.00
	(j) NTA Minna - Live Coverage	2,000,000.00
	(k) Usioboh Goddy O. - Retainership Fees	75,000.00
	TOTAL PAYMENTS	10,690,002.80

WEDDING CEREMONY

Mallam Muhammad AliHamdullah, the Manager, University Guest House cordially invites the University community and the general public to the Wedding Fatiha of his daughters, **Sakinat Muhammad Ali, Saadatu Muhammad Ali and Bilkisu Muhammad Ali**, which will insha-Allah take place as follows:

Wedding Fatiha:

Date: Saturday, April 1, 2017

Time: 11:00am prompt

Venue: Mundadu Quarters, Gidau Goburawa Area, Sharada Phase III, Kano, Kano State.