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GLOBAL INTERACTS WITH **FUTMINNA**

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Interactive session in progress.

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based United Kingdom Assurance Agency (QAA) Global has commenced a two-day interactive session with management, staff and students of the Federal University of Technology, Minna.

The interaction which commenced on Thursday, June 8, 2023 at the Vice-Chancellor's Conference Room, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano was part of the ongoing accreditation process by the Agency to evaluate the University's performance in terms of its operational quality with a view to ensuring effective service delivery.

During the first session of the interaction which was held virtually through the zoom platform, the representatives of the QAA Global, Dr. Roshani Swift and Dr. Sue Song Ghosh and the top management staff of the University lead by Prof Faruk Adamu Kuta discussed a wide range of issues, including curriculum development, funding, infrastructure, staff strength and students' welfare among others.

Highlighting some points at the occasion, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta stated that the institution has a the multi-dimensional approach to development of policy framework.

He further explained that various stakeholders and statutory bodies are involved in policy formulation, with a view to ensuring that the University's policies stand the test of time, stressing that in policy formulation, the University takes into cognisance the students, the staff and the host community.

"There is no policy that exists in the University that does not put into consideration the interests of student the staff and the University community. What are the interest of the students, viz a viz the academic activities that the University is undertaking.

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Like wise, the staff of the university, their interests will also be considered. What are the expectations of the staff from the students, and what are expectations of students from the staff? Like wise the community where the university is situated. The policy will also look at the interests of the community in relation to the university," the Vice-Chancellor further elaborated.

The coordinator of the interaction, Prof. Abdulsalami Kovo said that the University had submitted all the necessary documents to the Agency

Students cutting across all levels and programmes as well as alumni members also had interactive sessions with the Agency.

VC ADVOCATES KNOWLEDGE SHARING AMONG COLLEAGUES AS ADAPTI TRAINING CLOSES IN FUTMINNA RV Abdullahi Danbakaba

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The Vice-Chancellor Prof Faruk Adamu Kuta addressing participants at the closing session of the training.

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he Vice-Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta has urged participants to disseminate the knowledge gained at the training with colleagues in their respective Departments and Units.

Prof. Kuta gave the advice today Friday, June 9, 2023 when formally declaring the five-day intensive training on Advanced Digital Empowerment Programme for Tertiary Institutions (ADAPTI) organised by the National Communications Commission (NCC) for the staff of Federal University of Technology, Minna.

The training which is said to be the 9th edition in the series conveyed by the Digital Bridge Institute (DBI), Abuja, a subsidiary of the NCC commenced on Monday, June 5, 2023 at the NCC Mini-ICT Square, Main Campus, Gidan Kwano.

Earlier while declaring the programme open, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, commended the DBI for the achievements, adding that, all the breakthroughs that had been recorded as a result of research in university, would not have been completed without the mention of DBI.

The Vice-Chancellor who acknowledged that he had also benefited from the training a couple of years ago, advised the participants to exhibit high sense of commitment to the training with the view to achieving maximum benefits at the end of the exercise.

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The VC highlighted that a lot of benefits had accrued to the university community through the training. He then used the avenue to sincerely appreciate NCC and DBI for the annual opportunities given to FUT, Minna to undertake the training.

In his address at the occasion, the Director, Information Technology Services (ITS), Engr. Dr. Bala Salihu appreciated the Vice-Chancellor for his prompt and worthwhile supports without which the training would not have come to reality. He noted that this year FUT, Minna participants are having the training with a new curriculum which means a new value had been added to make the training a complete empowerment program.

The Director noted that the new Digital Skills, Cyber Security and Emerging Technologies was first launched in FUT, Minna.

Equally, the National Coordinator, ADAPTI, Mr.

Chukwuemeka Nzeih thanked the Vice Chancellor and his management Team for the hospitality and sustained relationship that exist between the University and ADAPTI, assuring that, the University will continue to enjoyed speedy and prompt attention in terms of nomination for the annual workshops. He specially, thanked the Vice Chancellor for being able to attend both the opening and closing sessions of the training despite his tie schedules.

Mr. Nzeih also eulogized the participants for their zeals, unity and cooperation that made his job easier while the training unfolded.

The highlight of the occasion was the issuance of certificate of participation to participants by the Vice-Chancellor and other officers of the university.

AL-HALAL DECLARES N16 MILLION PROFIT, RENEW EXCO TENURE

.VC COMMENDS SOCIETY'S TRANSPARENCY

By Aliyu Jidda Ibrahim



L-R: Mustapha Alhassan (Secretary), Dr Usman Abubakar (Chairman), Prof. Uno Essang Uno (DVC Admin) and Mal Kudu Muhammed during Al-halal AGM.

Al-halal Cooperative Multipurpose Society Limited (ACMS), Federal University Technology, Minna has declared a profit of sixteen million, two hundred and twentyeight thousand, six hundred and twenty-nine naira and a dividend of N17:11 per share of N1,000:00 in the year-ended December 31, 2022.

This is as against the previous profit of thirty -four million, two hundred and fifty-six thousand, eight hundred and forty-six naira (N34,256,846.00) and a dividend N37.88:00 for the previous year.

The President of the Society, Dr. Abubakar Usman stated this on Saturday, 3 June, 2023 in his address at the 18th Annual General Meeting of the Society held at the CPES, Hall Bosso Campus.

Dr. Usman, however, attributed the decline in dividend to the prolonged strike action embarked upon by Nigerian universities, which made the Society have just six months of business operations.

The President also disclosed that as at December 2022, the Society had a capital base of nine hundred and ninety million, three hundred and sixty five thousand, three hundred and three naira, twelve kobo (N994,365,303.12) as against eight hundred and sixty seven thousand, three hundred and eighty eight thousand, two hundred and thirty seven naira (N867,388,237.00) in the year ended December, 2021.

Giving a goodwill message at the occasion,

the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Prof. Faruk Adamu Kuta commended the Society for consistently having smooth operation.

The Vice-Chancellor who was represented by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration) Prof. Uno Essang Uno said he was happy with the calibre of people running the Society's affairs as they had been doing it peacefully and transparently, adding that Management had never received adverse report on them from members.

He noted that they are always forthcoming in the declaration and payment of dividends to members without delay and described ACMS as a progressive Society.

During the AGM, members, by majority voice vote, renewed the tenure of the Executive Council by two years and also elected new members into the Credit and Supervisory Committees.

There were goodwill messages from the Registrar of the University, Mr. Amos Nmadu Kolo who was represented by the Deputy Registrar, (Staff Training), Mall. Danladi Mallam of Registry; the University Bursar, Mrs. Hadiza Goje represented by Deputy Bursar, Mal. Mohammed Kudu Ahmed and Niger State Director of Cooperative Societies who was represented by Mall. Aliyu Zarumai.

Hajiya Maryam Haruna, FCA presented the auditor's from Haruna Yahaya presented the auditor's report.

APPOINTMENTS

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the appointments of the under listed:

S/ N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	POSITION	DURATION
1	Dr. Ganiyu Bashir Olanrewaju	Quantity Surveying	Dean of Students Affairs	June 6, 2023 to June 5, 2024
2	Dr. Saidu Charles Tukura	Educational Technology	Deputy Dean, Students Affairs	June 6, 2023 to June 5, 2024

RETIREMENT

The Vice-Chancellor has approved the mandatory retirement of Prof. Eli Kolo Tsado, Department of Crop Production, from the service of the University with effect from November 4, 2023.

DR IDRIS NOW MEMBER STEERING COMMITTEE **DMS SOLUTION**

The Head, Department of Cyber Security Science, Federal University of Technology, Minna, Dr. Ismaila Idris has been appointed member of the Steering Committee for the Device Management System (DMS) Solution.

This was contained in a letter dated 12th May 2023 and signed by the Honourable Minister of Communications and Digital Economy, Prof. Isah Ali Ibrahim Pantami.

The source indicated that the Steering Committee follows approval by the Federal Executive Council (FEC) on 10th May 2023.

"The DMS Solutions offers many benefits to stakeholders including the capability to address the proliferation of fake, counterfeit, substandard and cloned mobile devices as well as theft of mobile devices in the telecommunications industry in Nigeria." It added.

CALL FOR MEMORANDA

In line with the Terms of Reference of the Committee to Review the Conditions of Service of Senior Staff and Scheme of Service of the University set up by the Governing Council, the Chairman of the Committee, Prof. Uno E. Uno, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Administration), wishes to invite staff of the University to submit memoranda or proposals containing recommendations for the review of the Conditions of Service for Senior Staff, 2016 and the Scheme of Service of the University, 2017.

All memoranda or proposals are to be submitted to the Committee Secretary at the Deputy Registrar (Establishment's) office, Senate Building, Gidan Kwano not later than Friday, 9th June, 2023. Soft copies should be electronically sent to cos2023@futminna.edu.ng

SABBATICAL

The Vice-Chancellor has approved Sabbatical for the underlisted:

- Prof. Jiya Elisha Zhiri, Department of Animal Production, tenable at Raw Material 1. Research and Development Council, Federal Ministry of Science and Technology, Abuja, for a period of one (1) year with effect from April 5, 2023 to April 4, 2024.
- 2. Abubakar Saddig Mohammed, Department of Telecommunication Engineering, tenable at Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto for a period of one (1) year with effect from June 1, 2023 to May 31 2024.

SALES OF ADMISSION FORMS FOR FUT STAFF **CHOOL, 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.

The sales will commence on Monday, June 5, 2023.

NOTICE FROM FUTMINNA COMMITTEE ON COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

The following decisions were taken at the meeting held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023 between the Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman and members of the University Committee on Commercial Activities within the campuses:

- 1. That no staff should personally be engaged in the operations of commercial motorcycle/tricycle within the campuses.
- 2. All commercial vehicle operators who are duly registered under Bosso Campus Bus Park will not be allowed to operate any shuttle services within Gidan Kwano Campus.
- 3. Henceforth any commercial vehicle operator who wish to operate within Gidan Kwano Campus should register with the Committee.
- 4. Note that any operator who flouts the orders would be sanctioned appropriately

WEDDING CEREMONY

In the Medical Medical

Date: Saturday, June 24, 2023

Time: 10:00am

Venue: First Baptist Church, Ayegunle Gbede, Ijumu LGA, Kogi State. **Reception** follows immediately at Model Primary School Open Field.



QUALITY ASSURANCE AND PRODUCTIVITY (QAP) CORNER

TEACHING, LEARNING SERVICES AND FACILITIES

Some of the associated corrupt practices in teaching, learning services and provision of facilities are:

- Delay in take-off of lectures and non-completion of syllabus by lecturers.
- Non-adherence to students/lecturer ratio results in over-crowding of classes.
- Lack of commitment to work by the lecturers.
- Sales of lecture notes, hand-outs and text-books.
- Non-provision of adequate and appropriate practical apparatus.
- Late opening and early closing of library.
- Stealing and mutilation of library books.
- Inadequate/irrelevant (outdated) textbooks.
- Inadequate reading tables and chairs.

Preventive measures:

- Teaching and learning facilities should be provided adequately with conducive environment.
- Avoid excessive workload on lecturers.
- Strict adherence to students/lecturer ratio.
- Early commencement of lectures on resumption.
- Occasional unscheduled visits to classes by University leadership or his representative based on developed time-table at the beginning of each semester.
- Provision of current and adequate books, learning materials and teaching aids.
- Lecturers should be monitored by their Heads of Departments and Deans.
- Course outlines should be monitored to ensure delivery on contents.
- The Library should be adequately stocked and accessible by students.
- Provision for well stocked e-library to assist students in learning and projects writing.
- Library materials should be well monitored and CCTV Cameras should be installed.
- Issues relating to the quality of lectures offered and absenteeism should always be sanctioned by the management.

COUNSELLING TIPS

Don't be lousy when are becoming relevant in your life endeavours. Coins always make sound but Currency notes are always silent. So when your value increases, keep yourself calm and silent.

Guidance and Counselling Unit, Students' Affairs Division.

MONEY MATTER

Weekly Financial Digest for 29th May - 4th June 2023

N/S	RECEIPTS	И
S/N	DETAIL	AMOUNT
1	ACCEPTANCE FEES	280,000.00
2	TRANSCRIPT	593,360.00
3	CERTIFICATE (UNDER GRADUATE)	111,000.00
4	CERTIFICATE (POST GRADUATE)	77,000.00
5	POST GRADUATE SCHOOL FEES	5,273,750.00
6	POSTGRADUATE FORMS	420,000.00
7	TURNITIN PG	48,000.00
8	TURNITIN UNDERGRAUATE	10,000.00
9	CLEARANCE FEES	12,000.00
10	UNDERGRADUATE FEES	122,695,200.00
11	VERIFICATION OF RESULT	5,000.00
12	CODeL REGISTRATION	287,175.00
13	SALE OF FORMS PRE-DEGREE	126,000.00
14	SEMESTERIAL RESULT	2,100.00
15	HOSTEL FEES	28,735,000.00
16	PREPAID METER	59,000.00
17	COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES SHOP	689,000.00
18	TRICYCLE REG	112,000.00
19	MOTORCYCLE REG	77,000.00
20	HUAWEI TRAINING	2,000.00
	TOTAL	159,614,585.00