

ES Receives Polish Ambassador to Nigeria

A two-man delegation from Poland, led by the Polish Ambassador to Nigeria, Her Excellency, Joanna Tarawska and the Alumni President Polish Institute, Dr. Nghargbu K'tso, last Wednesday, visited the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC) Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, in his office.

Welcoming the team, which came with a Proposal to foster close collaboration in the area of university education, Prof. Rasheed expressed his delight at the visit, stating that NUC is the only agency vested with the authority in the Constitution to direct and regulate universities in Nigeria.

He said the Commission just celebrated its 60th Anniversary with the idea of taking some stocks and charting a way forward into the future. He told the delegation that Nigeria today has 220 Universities which comprised Federal, State and Private with over seventy two (72) thousand academics.

In her remarks, The Polish Ambassador said she has been in Nigeria since 2018 and had

that Academics sent by Poland to Africa could find it easy to adapt.



Executive Secretary NUC, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed receiving a book from the Polish Ambassador to Nigeria, Her Excellency Joanna Tarawska

enjoyed a good cultural tie with Nigeria and many of its citizens.

Her Excellency, Joanna Tarawska said she has been doing everything in her powers to foster a relationship between the Polish Embassy and the Nigerian Universities.

As part of her efforts, she had encouraged Nigeria to establish a division of African Studies so

She pointed out that Bayero University Kano (BUK) was one of the prominent universities in the country that has a long standing ties with Poland, noting that Poland used to have a community of Academics within the Nigerian universities, but due to instability in the system they returned to Poland.

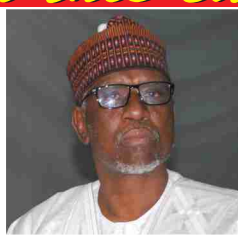
Owing to some fundamental challenges she attributed, made it

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very difficult for Polish students to come to Nigeria to study, but expressed her desire to see universities in the two countries co-operate.

The Polish Ambassador stated that Nigerian degrees received due recognition in Poland and expects the same reciprocation in Nigeria. She explained that Poland has some MoUs at Federal Ministry of Education (FME) awaiting the necessary attention. The ambassador, therefore, encouraged the NUC to

the second time, spoke about the academic cooperation between Nigerian and Polish institutions.

He said they have an alumni association whose role bordered on support to the educational aspiration of the two countries.

He expressed delight that Nigerian Universities have been cooperating with more than 20 Polish Universities, noting that the Polish Government under NABA scholarship scheme offers African students

for 43 years and laboured tirelessly and traversed between the University of Jos (UniJos) and the Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria and the Educational industries, to bring to bear the impact of Polish education on Nigerians and the Nigerian educational system.

The President of the Polish Institute said he was the first black person in the field of Medical Geology, courtesy of the Polish Scientist. He revealed that they have been able to establish the



The meeting in session at the Executive Secretary's Office

reach out to the Federal Ministry of Education (FME) to facilitate the signing of the MOU between both countries.

According to her, she had been able to sign one MOU and such information would be available for further interaction and co-operation between the two countries.

Elaborating on the purpose of the visit, the President of the Polish Alumni, Dr. Nghargbu K'tso, who noted he was in the NUC for

especially sub-Sahara students over 250 scholarships annually, with Nigeria taking more than 100 of this scholarship scheme.

Dr. K'tso said, as of today in Poland, Nigeria has more than 600 students studying at different levels, representing the country very well and also helping to build ties and deepen the relationship.

He said he was a product of Polish astute scholar, a late Scientist, who was in Nigeria

first Centre for Medical Geology research of the world at the Nassarawa State University, Keffi.

He also said they were able to put together the first Institute of European Studies in Africa, with the assistance of the Polish Embassy.

The President stated that they have signed MOUs in the area of mining, geo-sciences, Engineering and Architecture. He further stated with pride that,

Poland as a country has a very deep academic culture with its universities among the top 1000 universities in the World.

He disclosed that university education in Poland could be described as cheap and affordable for Nigerian students willing to study, with the exchange rate of 96 Naira to the Polish currency.

Dr. K'tso explained that if Nigeria could broaden the horizon especially through the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) and other institutions that support training like

assessments.

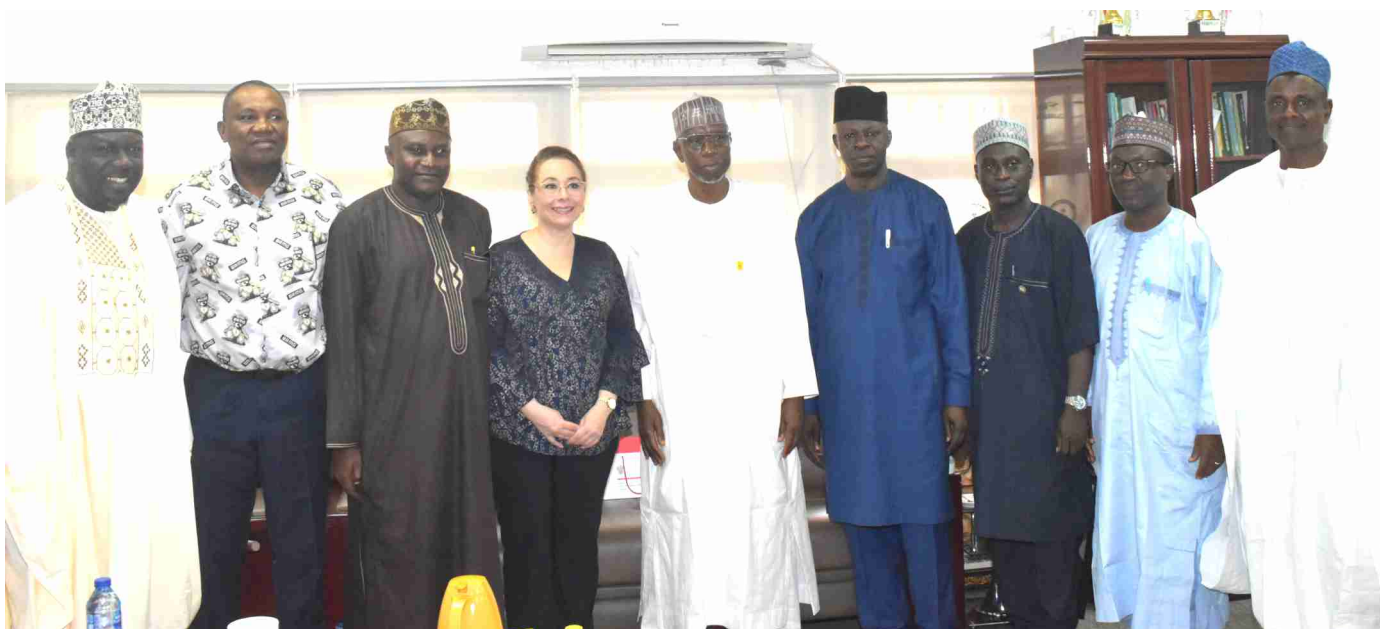
He said NUC had a good working relationship with many Polish scholars and has collaboration with the UNESCO. He pointed out that NUC frown at any university signing MoU without involving the National Universities Commission.

Against this backdrop, NUC scribe stressed that any MoU signed by a Nigerian university with any foreign country without the knowledge of the NUC should be considered

Prof. Rasheed explained that the establishment of Medical Geology without a robust medical programme in the university would not stand as it was a requisite for a university to have medicine programme before venturing into such engagement in Nigeria.

The NUC Scribe requested for a report from the Alumni President of Polish Institute on the kind of MoUs and collaborations that was intended between the two countries.

Prof. Rasheed informed Her



Prof. Rasheed and Amb. Tarawska (5th and 6th left) with some NUC Visiting Professors and members of the NUC Management

Petroleum Training Development Fund (PTDF), Nigeria and its students could just get more value for their money.

He said the Alumni are ready to render any service to help improve the educational sector in the country.

Responding to issues raised, Prof. Rasheed thanked the Ambassador for her brilliance and articulated

illegal, because by law NUC remained the only regulatory body empowered by law to regulate the university system.

He argued that the reason NUC was interested was to ensure Nigerian universities fulfill their obligation as entered into in the MoUs, to avoid universities signing and dumping MoUs afterwards.

Excellency that the NUC launched its committee on Transnational Education which was performed by the Chief of Staff to the President Federal Republic of Nigeria, Prof. Ibrahim Gambari.

He, therefore, promised that a progress report of the Transnational Education (TNE) would be sent to the Chief of Staff to the President of Nigeria

for their notification.

He therefore, expressed his elation that the presence and involvement of the Polish Ambassador to Nigeria will deepen ties for both countries.

At the meeting were the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES), Administration, Mr. Chris Maiykai; Deputy Executive Secretary (DES), Management Support Services, Mr. Sam Onazi; the Directors of Human

Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum and Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu as well as the Ag. Director, Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo.

ES NUC Describes ECAN as Critical Stakeholder

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Prof. Abuabkar Adamu Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, has described the Education Correspondents Association of Nigeria (ECAN), as critical stakeholders and partners with the Commission and education family in the dissemination of accurate and timely information within the education sector in Nigeria.

ECAN is a coalition of reporters covering the activities of the parastatals under the Federal Ministry of Education (FME).

He made the declaration last Tuesday in his keynote address on the Efforts of the NUC in Bridging the Gaps between University and the Industry, at the ECAN's 2022 Retreat on the state of education in Nigeria held at the Merit House, Abuja.

The Executive Secretary commended ECAN for its initiative and continuous role in informing, educating and entertaining the general public as well as holding government and its officials accountable as members of the Fourth Estate of the Realm.

Prof. Rasheed who was

represented by the Director, Academic Planning (DAP), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu, added that ECAN's choice to organise the retreat was a clear demonstration



Prof. Abuabkar Adamu Rasheed
Executive Secretary, NUC

of the critical role of the media in agenda setting and creating awareness on the educational development of Nigeria. He observed that although, he was requested to speak specifically on: NUC's Efforts to Bridge the Gap between Schools and Industry," he had to highlight some of the key deliverables of the Commission to elucidate on its roles.

The Executive Secretary stated that Nigerian Universities like its counterparts in other parts of the world have had a long history of university-industry collaboration

from inception as the relationship enabled the interaction of the academia and the industry for the production of quality and relevant research and innovation for national development and global competitiveness. He explained that the Industry and university collaboration in Europe could be traced to the 1st Industrial Revolution, while in Nigeria the synergy began in the early 70s when the National Science

Foundation (NSF) and the Industry-Universities Cooperative Research Centres Programme (IUCRC), facilitated partnerships between scientific research from both the industry and academia to drive innovation.

The NUC Scribe noted that while universities ensured the production of high-level skilled manpower to man the system, the industry ensured the utilization or

services requiring a workforce with a higher level of skills as well as lack of updated curriculum to meet the needs of the industry.

The Executive Secretary listed other hindrances to include weak synergy between the industry and university; poor funding of universities and research; over dependence on foreign expatriates by government and

and collaboration between the universities and the Industry.

Dwelling specifically on the practical initiatives of NUC in bridging the gap between the university and industry, he enumerated them to include collaboration between NUC and the Nigeria Economic Summit Group (NESG), comprehensive review of the curriculum of Nigerian Universities,



Chairman, Education Correspondents Association of Nigeria (ECAN) Mr. Chris Okwuatu (1st left); Representative of ES, NUC and Director, Academic Planning, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu (3rd left) Registrar, Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN) Prof. Josiah Ajoboye with other dignitaries at the ECAN 2022 Retreat in Abuja

engagement of qualified graduates for some of their operations and application and implementation of research findings, stressing that this synergy was mutually beneficial to the university and the industry in the effective delivery of their mandates.

Prof. Rasheed highlighted some of the challenges that affected university- collaboration over the years, saying that the synergy between Universities and Industry in Nigeria had suffered some setbacks as a result of some factors which included political instability; advent of new and sophisticated technologies; emergence of new working practices and the development of products and

industry; lack of adequate information about the industry needs as well as lack of appropriate infrastructure.

The NUC Scribe in consultation with Board and Management also made giant strides by establishing a whole directorate to drive the process towards an outstanding feat with the industry. The Directorate, according to him, was christened: Directorate of Skills Development and Entrepreneurship at the NUC.

Other efforts of the Commission Prof. Rasheed further highlighted towards addressing the identified challenges included fostering a formidable alliance

Introduction of the Professor of Practice, Students Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES), Teacher Industrial Work Experience Scheme (TIWES) as well as the Nigerian Universities Research and Development Fair (NURESDEF).

The Executive Secretary reiterated that any nation that aspired for greatness, must give high premium to fostering very strong tripartite relationship amongst government, university and industry, explaining that wherever this tripartite relationship was formidable, it often had that positive effect on the University-Industry bit.

He stated that the NUC'S effort at for, as they always get admitted for further studies in the best



Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu
Director, Academic Planning

promoting the university-industry relationship had also led to the signing of an Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the National Universities Commission (NUC) and the Nigeria Economic Summit Group (NESG), with the hope of taking the University-Industry collaboration to the next level. He expressed optimism that the citizenry would begin to see increased impact of this relationship in the foreseeable future in the country.

He called on all stakeholders to join hands together to make Nigeria a better place, saying that this patriotism had been exemplified in the 2022 retreat by ECAN by bringing different stakeholders of the education family together to examine "The State of Education in Nigeria,"

In a goodwill message, the Registrar, Teachers' Registration Council of Nigeria, (TRCN), Prof. Josiah Ajiboye, said that Nigerian graduates were adjudged as one of the best and well-sought

universities around the globe. He emphasised that expectations were very high from the Nigerian populace and that the challenges in the education sector were normal, noting that every country of the world had their own challenges and peculiarities.



Some audience at the event

Prof. Ajiboye said that the United Kingdom had a course to start massive recruitment of Nigerian teachers to fortify and standardize their education sector.

He advised ECAN and other stakeholders at the Retreat to look at the positive efforts of the sector rather than the negatives and stop the usual lamentation, stressing that the education sector in Nigeria was adjudged to be doing well.

He urged the ECAN to sustain the good reportage of the parastatals under the Federal Ministry of Education (FME) and help to identify the positives, cautioning them that if they diminish the image of the country, they would also not be spared in the mess.

The Executive Secretary was accompanied by the Acting Director, Directorate of Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo.

Other stakeholders at the Retreat included the Registrar, Joint

Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Professor Is-haq Oloyede, represented by JAMB's Director of Public Relations Dr. Fabian Benjamin, among others.

JAMB Announces Automation of Curriculum

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has announced the automation of its curriculum, accreditation admission and general administration matters between the board, tertiary institutions and their regulatory agencies, through its Interactive e-Brochure and e-Syllabus System (IBASS).

The JAMB Registrar, Prof. Ishaq Oloyede disclosed this at a meeting with regulatory agencies and tertiary institutions from the north and southern regions at JAMB headquarters in Bwari, last Monday.

According to him, from the 1st of January 2023, the board would not receive any letter from any institution or agency except through IBASS.

Prof. Oloyede noted that IBASS would ensure seamless communication between JAMB, institutions and their regulatory agencies without the use of letter writing.

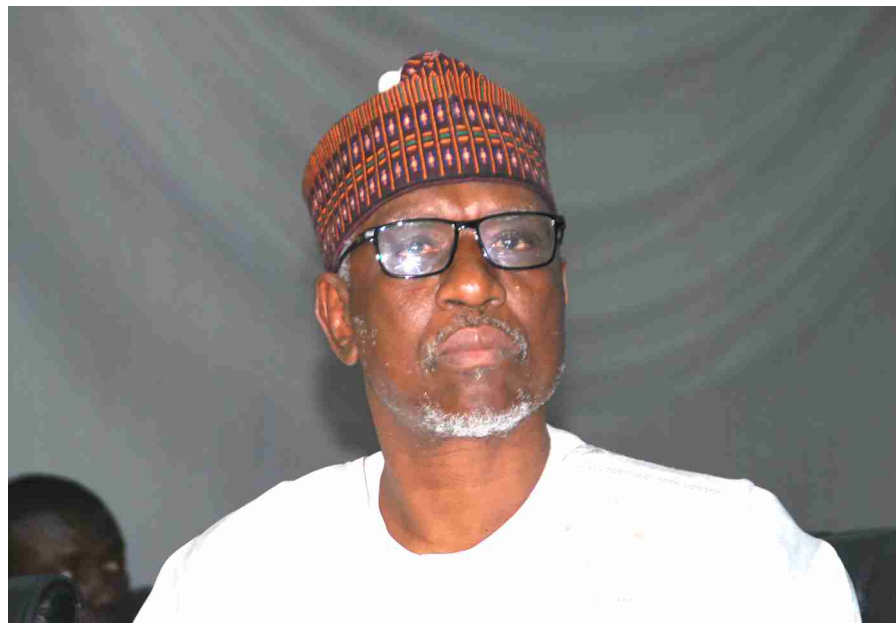
He further stated that the automation of curriculum, accreditation and general administration matters among JAMB, regulatory agencies and institutions would provide personalised services to the institutions and agencies as only JAMB and the institution will be able to see any communication on the platform.

“We discovered that we spend our time attending to letters from some major stakeholders of the board and the major stakeholders are

essentially regulatory agencies –NUC, NBTE and NCCE. Apart from these stakeholders, we also receive from 890 institutions across the country.”

“Essentially, the regulatory agencies appeal to us for

“With this platform if NUC approves admission quota, it would be centralised in such a way that as soon as you see approved, everybody will see it and there is no need to write to JAMB.



Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed
Executive Secretary, NUC

approval of new programmes and accreditation of programmes. And what we receive from institutions is essentially about admission and registration or accreditation of new courses or quota issue,” he said.

The Registrar said the board felt that having been able to augment its communication with over two million students across tertiary institutions in the country through its Central Admission Processing System (CAPS), it could apply same to admission and accreditation matters related to regulatory agencies and tertiary institutions.

“Before now, registrars of institutions had no say and have been complaining that they want to see and know the impact of what they are doing and a platform has been created for them to see even though they may not be able to effect changes, but will see everything,” he said.

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, in his remarks noted that in the last six years, JAMB had built a strong relationship with regulatory agencies and institutions of higher learning in the country.

He further stated that IBASS would revolutionise the admissions process and urged all institutions to “make the best use of the innovation.”

According to the Executive Secretary, National Board for Technological Education (NBTE), Prof. Idris Muhammad Bugaje, IBASS and CAPS are the way to go because the nation requires digitisation of all communications.

The Executive Secretary, National Commission For Colleges of Education (NCCE), Prof. Paulinus Chijioke Okwelle also reiterated JAMB’s optimism that the platform would make the admission process seamless, addressing challenges and improving efficiency.

Meanwhile, IBASS is intended to eliminate letter-writing

National Universities Commission (NUC), the National Board for Technical Education



Prof. Is-haq Oloyede
Registrar, JAMB

between JAMB, tertiary institutions, and their regulatory agencies, which include the

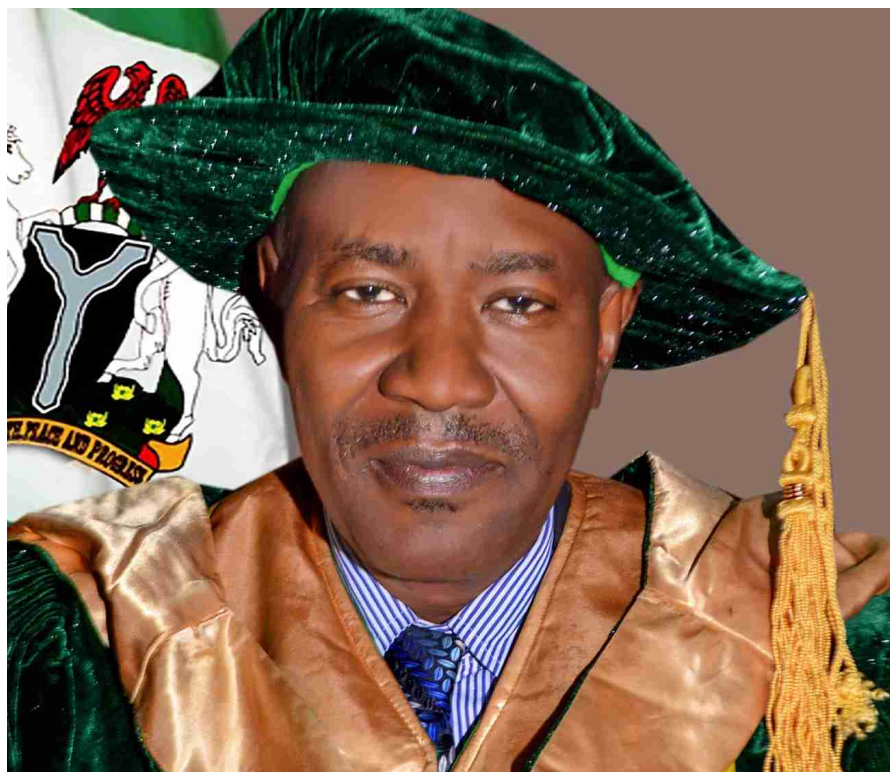
(NBTE), and the National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE).

NUS Best Performing Sector Despite Challenges - Prof Umar Pate

The Vice-Chancellor of Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State, Prof. Umar Pate, has praised the resilience of the Nigerian University System (NUS) as the best-performing sector of all time compared to other sectors in the country that have crumbled under the heavy weight of lack of investment and development in the country.

He made this known while delivering the keynote lecture at the 20th Anniversary of the Adamawa State University in Mubi, Adamawa State, recently.

Prof Pate said, most of Nigeria’s



Prof. Umar Pate
Vice Chancellor, University of Kashere

universities have long outgrown their carrying capacity yet they have continued to maintain standards and produce quality graduates that compete globally in various fields of endeavour.

The Vice-Chancellor said, there are over 2.1 million Nigerian students, spread across over 150 universities in the country, struggling to gain world-class education with inadequate facilities, yet education continues to thrive reasonably well against the decades of little investment and commitment to the development of education.

Prof. Pate said “ADSU’s progress must be viewed in the light of the progress it made in the development of its academic endeavour at both graduate and post-graduate studies, how much partnership it has been able to forge with industries, professional bodies, governments, and how much research grants it has been able to attract.”

He pointed out that, “The capacity of the Nigerian universities to cope with the huge number of students in its campuses, the demand for admission into universities which are far beyond the carrying capacities of universities in the country are issues bedevilling university education in the country.

Prof. Pate challenges that, “The fact that Nigerians go to the university without getting a job, impinges on the validity and credibility of the university system to better their life.”

Speaking on key areas that must be addressed in order to sustain standards in Nigerian universities, Pate said, “Academic and physical development of schools must be looked into, maintenance of quality and standard of teaching must be upheld, universities must be structured to add values to its host communities, students and staff welfare must be given priority, staff and students must have access to the use of ICTs in view of contemporary education challenge and institutions of learning must source funds outside conventional sources and utilise them to further their academic ends.”

The Visitor of the University and Adamawa state Governor, Ahmadu Umaru Fintiri speaking at the occasion said the history of the university is a study of resilience, unparalleled optimism, doggedness and the natural resolve to swim unperturbed against the wind in the unquenchable spirit of stoic Adamawa.

Governor Fintiri, who was represented by the Secretary to the Adamawa State Government, Bashir Ahmed

said, “An ideal university must be, by necessity, productively functional with the capability to contribute significantly to the growth index of growth. This is the path we must continue to chart for Adamawa State University. It is a path that we must all continuously create as an intellectual bank capable of providing solutions to the myriads of developmental challenges through virile scholarship.

“I challenge you to engage in profitable and socially relevant consultancies and be prudent in your resource management.”

The Vice Chancellor of the Adamawa State University, Prof. Kaletapwa Farauta, speaking at the occasion, commended the visionary step of the founder of the university, the former governor of Adamawa state, Boni Haruna and commended the Adamawa State Governor, Ahmadu Umaru Fintiri, for supporting the vision of the university to succeed as an academic institution.

Prof. Kaletapwa said that, in spite of the numerous challenges encountered by the university, the institution is still committed to pursuing its lofty ideals of bringing tertiary education closer to the people and building a workforce to support developmental courses in the state and beyond.



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The attention of the Association of African Universities (AAU), Accra, Ghana, has been drawn to a purported incorporated Association of African Universities-NA, (AAU- NA), by three individuals who have no authorization from the Association of African Universities to represent its interest in the United States of America.

The Association of African Universities (AAU) wishes to inform the public that the only organization approved to represent her in the United States of America, is the North America Office of the Association of African Universities (NAMO)

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Necessary legal actions are being initiated to terminate the illegal incorporation of the 'AAU-NA'. In addition, the Directors and the Board Members of the AAU-NA do not represent the interests of the Association of African Universities and no approval has been given to them to act on behalf of the Association of African Universities.

The Association of African Universities will continue to be committed to its Regional Offices program through its North America Office (NAMO) in North America, the North Africa Office (NARO) and the East Africa Regional Office (EARO)

Yours in the service of higher education in Africa

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FME SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS

- Safe distancing procedures
- Develop and display at schools, simple context-specific reference protocols on day to day actions to be operated in each school.
- Conduct risk assessment with a view to understanding the gaps in the system that can increase the risk of transmission and make recommendations for addressing the gaps
- Safety and hygiene in all stages and phases of the school reopening process, which promotes behaviors that reduce spread, such as school commutes (to and from school traveling), safe distancing, frequent hand washing and the use of facemasks.
- Other guiding frameworks include sensitization and monitoring procedures.
- Ensure adequate Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) facilities across the school premises
- Encouraging the use of open spaces for gathering and promoting outdoor activities.
- There should be regular temperature checks For all the visitors coming into the schools using infrared thermometers.
- Establish a staff/students committee for regular surveillance, monitoring, and enforcement of COVID-19 guidelines.



NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

Approved Open University and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide, is currently the only approved open university in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Seventeen Universities in the NUS, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. University of Lagos, Distance Learning Institute.
3. University of Abuja, Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education.
4. University of Maiduguri, Centre for Distance Learning.
5. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Centre for Distance Learning.
6. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola, Centre for Distance Learning.
7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre.
8. Distance learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.
9. Lagos State University Open and Distance Learning and Research Institute.
10. Joseph Ayo Babalola University Centre for Distance Learning.
11. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Centre for Distance and e-Learning.
12. Federal University of Technology Minna, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
13. Babcock University Ilisan-Remo, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
14. University of Ilorin, Centre for Open and Distance Learning.
15. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti - Open and Distance Learning Centre.
16. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Open and Distance Learning Centre.
17. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Porthacourt, Institute of Distance Education..

Fourteen-Step Process for the Establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria

The National Universities Commission (NUC), wishes to announce to the general public, especially prospective promoters of private universities, the fourteen-step procedure for establishing private universities in Nigeria.

1. Application in writing stating the intent for the establishment of the university
2. Interview of prospective proprietors
3. Collection of application forms
4. Submission of application forms and relevant documents
5. Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
6. Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of the Directorate of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU).

7. Interactive meeting of DEPU with the proposed university
8. First site assessment visit
9. Finalisation of document
10. Second (final) site assessment visit
11. Security screening of proprietors and Board of Trustees
12. Approval by NUC Management
13. Approval by NUC Board
14. Approval by FEC

Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, *mni, MFR, FNAL*
Executive Secretary, NUC
Announcer



LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	21	Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University, Makurdi, Benue State	1988	38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	41	Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	43	Nigerian Army University, Bui	2018
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	44	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otuoke, Benue State	2020
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	45	Federal University of Agriculture, Zuru, Kebbi State	2020
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	46	Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State	2021
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	47	Federal University of Technology Ikot Abasi, Akwa Ibom State	2021
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	48	Federal University of Health Sciences, Azare, Bauchi State	2021
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	49	Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila Orangun, Osun State	2021
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011	50	King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State	2022
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	34	Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State	2011			

STATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt	1979	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	42	Kingsley Ozumba (K.O) Mbadiwe University, Imo State	2016
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	23	Plateau State University, Boko	2005	43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	24	Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State	2008	44	Borno State University	2016
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho	1990	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Alkore	2006	49	University of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Umuagwo, Imo State	2019
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	50	Bamidele Olumula University of Education Science and Technology, Ikere - Ekiti State	2020
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	51	Confluence University of Science and Technology Osara, Kogi State	2020
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	52	University of Delta, Agbor, Delta State	2021
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009	53	University of Science and Technology, Ozo, Delta State	2021
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010	54	Dennis Osadebay University, Asaba, Delta State	2021
15	Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Uli	2000	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010	55	Lagos University of Education, LASUED, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2022
16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011	56	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022
17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012	57	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	38	Technical University, Ibadan	2012	58	Enugu State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022
19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013	59	University of Ilesha, Osun State	2022
20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015			



PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State	1999	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	76	Greenfield University, Kasarami-Kaduna, Kaduna State	2019
2	Madonna University, Okija, Anambra State	1999	39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009	77	Dominion University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2019
3	Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State	1999	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	78	Trinity University, Laloko, Ogun State	2019
4	Bowen University, Iwo, Ogun State	2001	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	79	Westland University, Iwo, Osun State	2019
5	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State	2002	42	Baze University, FCT Abuja	2011	80	Topfaith University, Mkpatak, Akwa-Ibom State	2021
6	Covenant University, Otta, Ogun State	2002	43	Landmark University Omu-Aran., Kwara State	2011	81	Thomas Adewumi University, Oko-Irese, Kwara State	2021
7	Pan-Atlantic University, Lekki-Express Way, Lagos State	2002	44	Glorious Vision University (formerly Samuel Adegboye University), Ogwa, Edo State	2011	82	Maranatha University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State	2003	45	Mcpherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, State	2012	83	Ave-Maria University, Piyanko, Nasarawa State	2021
9	Ajayi Crowther University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	46	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	84	AL-Istiqama University, Sumaila, Kano State	2021
10	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2005	47	Southwestern University Oku Owa, Ogun State	2012	85	Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State	2021
11	Al-Qalam University, Katsina, Katsina State	2005	48	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	86	Havilla University, Nde-Ikom, Cross River State	2021
12	Bells University of Technology, Otta, Ogun State	2005	49	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	87	Claretian University of Nigeria, Nekede, Imo State	2021
13	Bingham University, New-Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	88	Karl-Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State	2021
14	Caritas University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	89	Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State	2021
15	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	90	James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
16	Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State	2005	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu-Itele, Ogun State	2015	91	Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2021
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	54	Kings University Ode-Omu, Osun State	2015	92	Capital City University, Kano, Kano State	2021
18	Kwararafa University, Wukari, Taraba State	2005	55	Michael & Cecilia Ibru University, Owhode, Delta State	2015	93	Ahman Pategi University, Patigi, Kwara State	2021
19	Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State	2005	56	Mountain Top University, Makogi/Oba, Ogun State	2015	94	University of Offa, Offa, Kwara State	2021
20	Renaissance University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwalbom State	2015	95	Mewar University, Masaka, Nasarawa State	2021
21	University of Mkar, Mkar, Benue State	2005	58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015	96	Edusoko University, Bida, Niger State	2021
22	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	59	Edwin Clerk University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015	97	Philomath University, Kuje, Abuja	2021
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015	98	Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021
24	Veritas University, Abuja, FCT 2006	2006	61	Anchor University Ayobo, Lagos State	2015	99	ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021
25	Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State	2007	62	Arthur Jarvis University Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016	100	Pen Resource University, Gombe, Gombe State	2022
26	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja, FCT	2007	63	Clifford University, Owerinta, Abia State	2016	101	Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State	2022
27	Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State	2007	64	Coal City University Enugu, Enugu State	2016	102	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee, Delta State	2022
28	Fountain University, Oshogbo, Osun State	2007	65	Crown-Hill University Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016	103	Khalifa Isiyaku Rabi University, Gadon Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State	2022
29	Obong University. Obong Ntak, Akwa Ibom State	2007	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016	104	Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State	2022
30	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	67	Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016	105	Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State	2022
31	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo State	2007	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016	106	Saisa University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
32	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007	69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017	107	Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State	2022
33	Salem University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2007	70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017	108	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra Stat	2022
34	Afe Babalola University Ado-Ekiti - Ekiti State	2007	71	Precious Cornerstone, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017	109	Newgate University, Minna, Niger State	2022
35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2007	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State	2017	110	European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT	2022
36	Nigerian-Turkish Nile University, FCT Abuja	2009	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017	111	Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu - Osun State	2009	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos	2017			
			75	Skyline University, Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2018			



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PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

The National Universities Commission (NUC) wishes to announce to the general public, especially parents and prospective undergraduates, that the under-listed “Degree Mills” have not been licensed by the Federal Government and have, therefore, been closed down for violating the Education (National Minimum Standards etc.) Act CAP E3 Law of the Federation of Nigeria 2004. The “Universities” are:

- 1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 2) Christians of Charity American University of Science & Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses
- 3) University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses
- 4) University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 5) Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses
- 6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
- 8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
- 9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) Saint Augustine’s University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 14) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 15) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 16) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 17) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- 18) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot Udo Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaize, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure
- 36) Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo
- 37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State

- 38) Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja
- 39) Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State
- 40) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
- 41) Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Abuja.
- 42) Temple University, Abuja
- 43) Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 44) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
- 45) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
- 46) University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 47) Cape Coast University, Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 48) African University Cooperative Development (AUCD), Cotonou, Benin Republic, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 49) Pacific Western University, Denver, Colorado, Owerri Study Centre.
- 50) Evangel University of America & Chudick Management Academic, Lagos
- 51) Enugu State University of Science and Technology (Gboko Campus)
- 52) Career Light Resources Centre, Jos
- 53) University of West Africa, Kwali-Abuja, FCT
- 54) Coastal University, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
- 55) Kaduna Business School, Kaduna
- 56) Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger State
- 57) West African Union University, in Collaboration with International Professional College of Administration, Science and Technology Nigeria, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 58) Gospel Missionary Foundation (GMF), Theological University. 165 Iselo road, Cele bus stop, Egbe-Ikotun, Lagos.

In addition to the closure, the following Degree Mills are currently undergoing further investigations and/or ongoing court actions. The purpose of these actions is to prosecute the proprietors and recover illegal fees and charges on subscribers.

- 1) National University of Nigeria, Keffi, Nasarawa State
- 2) North Central University, Otukpo, Benue State
- 3) Christ Alive Christian Seminary and University, Enugu
- 4) Richmond Open University, Arochuku, Abia State.
- 5) West Coast University, Umuahia.
- 6) Saint Clements University, Iyin Ekiti, Ekiti State
- 7) Volta University College, Aba, Abia State.
- 8) Illegal Satellite Campuses of Ambrose Alli University.
- 9) L.I.F.E Leadership University, Benin City, Edo State.

For the avoidance of doubt, anybody who patronises or obtains any certificate from any of these illegal institutions does so at his or her own risk. Certificates obtained from these sources will not be recognised for the purposes of NYSC, employment, and further studies.

The relevant Law enforcement agencies have also been informed for their further necessary action.

** This list of illegal institutions is not exhaustive.*

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NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
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DAVID	ONWE	EGWURUBE	08 DECEMBER
JIME	ADAMU	MOHAMMED	08 DECEMBER
ADAKU	SHIRLEY	OBIJURU	09 DECEMBER
UGOCHUKWU	ANDREW	EZEoba	09 DECEMBER
MUHAMMAD		AKAWU-DANRANGI	10 DECEMBER
ABDUL-RAHEEM	MUSA	AHMAD	11 DECEMBER
HADIZA	BABA	KAIGAMA	11 DECEMBER

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