

## NUC, MDGIF, Interact on Energy Solution for NUS

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, has said the interaction with the management of Midstream & Downstream Infrastructure Fund (MDGIF) would afford the NUC the opportunity to rub minds with them on the importance of proffering energy solution to Nigerian Universities which, according to him, was an important missing link in the University system.

Professor Rasheed stated this last week Friday at an interaction meeting with a delegation led by the Executive Director, Midstream & Downstream Infrastructure Fund (MDGIF), Alh Mansur Kuliya, which came to discuss alternative energy supplies issues in Nigerian Universities.

He added that energy constituted a critical component of running a University and that to live in uncertainty of having constant light was something we had forcefully embraced in the nation's University campuses over the past three

decades.

The Executive Secretary told the delegation that in the 70's when

being the RED intervention for alternative power (solar) besides two aborted attempts to have gas plants in Obafemi Awolowo



Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed  
Executive Secretary, NUC

he was a student, it was rare for light to be taken, adding that today one could not guarantee when light could be available in a semester. He said that so many initiatives and experiments had been undertaken over the past few years with the most recent one

University (OAU), Ife and University of Lagos (UNILAG). They were the only ones with the proposed gas power plant, stressing that the other Universities involved were solar driven but that they were very unreliable.

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The NUC scribe said that government had spent billions of naira to put power in the nation's Universities' Campuses but that it had compounded the problem. He cited the example of the Bayero University Kano (BUK) which installed one centralized solar plant of 3.6 KVA and made it an integrated one with diesel, National grid and solar power with 2160 batteries. He said the Vice-Chancellor informed him that he needed N900m to replace the batteries for optimal usage.

Professor Rasheed explained further that despite the huge amount of money spent on the project; this infrastructure did not guarantee the University light for 24hours, not even for 14hrs, as the Institution was buying one truck a week of 40,000 liters which,

them that everybody stayed indoors at night because there was no light for them to study



Alh. Mansur Kuliya  
The Executive Director, Midstream & Downstream Infrastructure Fund (MDGIF),

while they could be attacked under the influence of darkness. He also noted that darkness was a precursor for crime, lamenting that most university campuses were in darkness but that to

The NUC Scribe said that it was on this premise that the ED MDGIF Alh. Mansur Kuliya approached him with a proposal to invite some Vice-Chancellors of some Universities to explore the possibility of getting this form of energy to the Universities. He recounted that both teams agreed to bring the consultants to come and interface with the Vice-Chancellors to explore the possibility of migrating to this form of energy.

Professor Rasheed told the visitors that the role of NUC was to mediate and ensure smooth and speedy take-off of the project, explaining that the pilot scheme would comprise the first six and the other seven generation universities along with some selected institutions that had



L-R: The Deputy Executive Secretary (Administration), National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Mayaiki; Professor Rasheed; Alh. Kuliya and the Project Consultant, Complete Energy Solutions, Engr. Kayode Akiode

according to him, was unsustainable, adding that the last two trucks were bought for N39m.

Professor Rasheed recounted an incidence that happened two years ago when the World Bank sent a team to one of the Universities for an assessment where the team came back to complain that students told

change the narrative required money as energy could not be accessed free. According to him, nothing is for free anymore in government circle, stressing that to have an acceptable, affordable and reliable access to electricity in our campuses, the gas powered energy system might be the answer.

distinguished themselves.

In his remarks, Alhaji Mansur Kuliya, expressed delight for the warm reception accorded them and congratulated the Executive Secretary on the giant strides recorded in the Nigerian University System (NUS). He told the NUC management that the Petroleum Industrial Act (PIA) of



2021 Section 52 established the Midstream & Downstream Gas Infrastructure Fund.

Alh. Kuliya said MDGIF was established to open gas industries and infrastructure, adding that since the advent of Crude Oil in Nigeria, investment was done mainly on hydrocarbons. He said the gas reserve in Nigeria was enough to cater for the energy needs of the country and Africa at

management that with this investment, Universities would be able to generate 24hrs reliable electricity. He said if the project was properly implemented in two years, Nigerian Universities would be able to generate enough electricity to meet the needs of the university system.

In his remarks, the Project Consultant, Complete Energy Solutions, Engr. Kayode Akiode

collapse, adding that the plant could be installed in six months. He told the Vice-Chancellors that there would be initial cost, but added that if the private sector was involved things would work better. He cited the case of the GSM revolution, assuring that quality of education would improve once there is an improvement in the electricity supply.



Some of the Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities at the presentation by the Executive Director, Midstream & Downstream Infrastructure Fund (MDGIF)

large.

The Executive Director, MDGIF highlighted the major mandates of the Fund to include; encouraging private investment in the gas sector; reducing gas flaring to the barest minimum and generating revenue from reduced gas flaring which accounts for loss of revenue to the tune of \$5bn.

Alh kuliya highlighted the case of BUK where the University spent millions of naira monthly and still could not generate 24hrs electricity, assuring the NUC

said that seeing the loophole in the electricity problems in the universities, the company had come up with more affordable ways which would provide 24hours uninterrupted power supply. He said a typical gas plant could run for six months with less noise and emission without putting it off, saying that it is cheaper than diesel and there is flexibility of choosing source.

Engr. Akiode explained further that institutions would be saved from the stress of National grid

At the meeting were the NUC Deputy Executive Secretary (DES), (Administration), Mr. Chris Maiyaki; the Directors of: Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu, as well as the Acting Directors of Research, Innovation and Information Technology (DRIIT), Mal. Lawal Mohammed Faruk and Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo.

## NOUN Governing Council Visits NUC

A high-powered delegation from the National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN) led by the Chairman of the Governing Council, Professor Emeritus Peter Okebukola, OFR, last Friday, 24th March, 2023, visited the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission

activities.

The NUC Scribe also said that the NOUN Council Chairman had done a lot in revitalizing higher education which had been identified as critical and crucial in the efforts towards finding solutions to the challenge

schedules thereby using the platform to actualize their dreams. He cited the former President Olusegun Obasanjo GCFR, who took a Masters and PhD degrees from the University as one of the beneficiaries of the intellectual advancement through the medium.



The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL and the Chairman of the Governing Council, National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), Professor Emeritus Peter Okebukola, OFR during the visit of the NOUN Council to the Commission

(NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, in his office.

Receiving the team, Professor Rasheed expressed his elation to host such delegation, stating that the name of Professor Okebukola resonates in higher education ecosystem due to his contribution and support to the entire Nigerian University System (NUS).

He said Professor Okebukola left NUC as the Executive Secretary more than two decades ago but had remained very apt and relevant to the system. He therefore thanked God Almighty for sparing his life and encouraged him to continue to intervene in the quality assurance

bedeviling the nation.

Talking about NOUN, he said, the Council was blessed with erudite and experienced Council members as well as a determined Vice-Chancellor. The University, according to him, had been the largest institution with campuses all over the country, adding that it produced graduates up to PhD levels that represented divergent disciplines.

The Executive Secretary said that the University had also created enabling ground and opportunity for personalities and intellectuals to further their education in spite of their tight

The NUC Scribe recognized the harmonious working relationship between the University Council led by Professor Emeritus Peter Okebukola and the management of the University headed by the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Olufemi Peters. He described both as highly competent Council and Management members.

Harping on Corona Pandemic, the Executive Secretary said it had changed the narrative of how universities were run including mode of course delivery and processes, adding that this had forced universities to borrow a leaf from the workings and model operation of NOUN. He opined



that online delivery mode was seen as a strong option where professors could share knowledge besides being physically present at the lecture hall.

150 years of its existence. This, he continued, attested to her academic substance and administrative prowess, stressing that her appointment

Learning (ODL) institution in Africa and the largest standing dedicated Open Distance Education (ODE) University in the world. He informed the



The meeting of the Executive Secretary with the NOUN Council delegation in session

Professor Rasheed also welcomed the guest lecturer and current Vice-Chancellor University of South Africa (UNISA) Professor Edith Dinong Phasunam, describing her as an erudite Scholar and an astute

would inspire other women in Africa while her invitation to be NOUN'S guest lecturer would also have a positive impact on women particularly in NOUN.

delegation that NUC regulated, advised and coordinated activities of the Nigerian University System (NUS) as well as processed applications for the establishment of new universities in Nigeria.



L-R: Professor Rasheed, Vice-Chancellor University of South Africa (UNISA) Professor Edith Dinong Phasunam and Professor Okebukola

administrator. He stated that she became the first female Vice-Chancellor of the University after

The Executive Secretary explained that UNISA was said to be the largest Open Distance

He added that currently, Nigeria has 222 universities comprising of 50 federal, 61 states and 111

privately-owned universities, adding that, however, the total enrolment of all of them accounted for only 2.5% of the 200 million populations.

Professor Rasheed further stated that Nigeria needed more universities considering the population and the eligible candidates who applied for university education on yearly basis but could not get the admission due to space. He, therefore, encouraged corporate organizations and wealthy Nigerians and those in the diaspora who wished to give back to the society to invest in higher education by establishing universities.

The NUC Scribe mentioned that NOUN created a huge opportunity for those wishing to actualize their dreams in earning a degree to do so while combining it with their career or business, adding that NOUN had the largest graduates cutting across several disciplines.

He expressed NUC's satisfaction with activities of NOUN and commended Professor Okebukola and his team for the milestone recorded in the institution.

In her remarks, the guest lecturer and first female Vice-Chancellor of UNISA appreciated the Executive Secretary and his management for the warm reception accorded them at such a short notice.

She said her University would be willing to partner with Nigerian universities and foster collaboration in a number of programmes and projects particularly in research and innovation. She particularly mentioned that NOUN and UNISA could collaborate on social justice, African education, African heritage and knowledge system to reclaim the African esteemed position in the comity of nations.

Professor Phasunam encouraged NUC to take up the Challenge by facilitating the process making the universities to research and translate such works of great leaders into fruition thereby reclaiming the African knowledge system.

In the attendance included the Pro-Chancellor from NOUN, Emeritus Professor Peter Okebukola, Vice-Chancellor, NOUN, Professor Olufemi Peters, Professor, Jimi Adeshina, UNISA, Mrs. Amina Yusuf, NOUN Council member, Hon. Abubakar M., Mr. Oladapo Ajani, Registrar, NOUN, Ms Pilgina Lessa, Deputy Director, NOUN, as well as Mr. Emeka Don-Onu, Chief Protocol, NOUN, among others.

In the NUC attendance included the Deputy Executive Secretary, Administration, Mr. Chris Maiyaki, who delivered the vote of thanks on behalf of the NUC, as well as other NUC management members.



Professor Rasheed, (3<sup>rs</sup> left), Professor Okebukola (5<sup>th</sup> left) and Deputy Executive Secretary (Administration) NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki (1<sup>st</sup> left) in a group photograph with the NOUN Council delegation and other members of NUC Management



## ES Tasks NINLAN Mgt. to Pursue Postgraduate Varsity

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, FNAL, has advised the management of National Institute for Nigerian Languages (NINLAN), to pursue

support the universities and the Industry.

The Executive Secretary argued that he would not support the idea of NINLAN becoming a University, as he believed that if somebody from the West could

that Institute and the same could be said of the Arabic Language Village in Borno State where Arabic Language was the official language.

He said there were about one million Nigerians who speak the



The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed mni, MFR, FNAL and the Chairman, Governing Council of the National Institute for Nigerian Languages (NINLAN), Professor Francis Egbokhare

a Postgraduate university and avoid being in competition with anyone as there were already a good number of existing universities awarding degrees in such areas across the country.

He made the plea last Monday when he received in audience, the Chairman, Governing Council of the Professor Francis Egbokhare alongside the Executive Director in his office.

Professor Rasheed suggested that they could offer courses in Nigerian Languages which, according to him, would be more attractive, if well managed.

He added that such arrangement could produce manpower to

speak the Yoruba language why would such individual go to a university to study it, stressing that the same thing applied to other languages. He said the reason for citing NINLAN in Abia was just for geo-political reason whereby all the six regions must be represented since the country already had the French Language village in Badagry, Arabic Language Village in Ngala Borno State and the Nigerian Mathematical Centre in Abuja.

Professor Rasheed noted that the French Village was cited at Badagry very close to Benin Republic whose citizen spoke the French Language which was of good benefit to the students in

Arabic dialect especially in the Shua-Arab area of Borno State, adding that the Mathematical Centre was established to promote the teaching of Mathematics.

Professor Rasheed explained further that if NINLAN insisted on becoming a university the stumbling block was the renaming of the structures, a Senate must be in place like what was obtainable in the university. He stated that the law could be applied when renaming as most of the structures have to be changed, explaining that in such a situation the NINLAN structure might be lost to gain a university.

In his remarks, Chairman, Governing Council of NINLAN,

Professor Francis Egbokhare, said that the Institute wanted to align itself to the Nigerian universities by becoming a degree awarding

interested in becoming a university. Members of the committee included the Deputy Executive Secretary

Secretary (Academics), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu; Directors of: Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs.



The meeting of the Executive Secretary with the NINLAN delegation in session

institution with the idea of making its products job creators, adding that this was the more reason why the management was clamouring for the Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS).

Professor Egbokhare believed that job opportunities were many for NINLAN graduates and he also agreed with the Executive Secretary that converting NINLAN to a postgraduate school would be more attractive and structural changes would be done in view of what the Executive Secretary said.

He explained that they were working hard to actualize the NINLAN mandate, arguing that using Nigerian Languages to teach in the universities was still a big challenge but that a strong NINLAN would actualize this policy.

A standing committee was put together by Professor Rasheed to discuss the issue of having a Senate and the position of a Vice-Chancellor since the Institute was

(Academics), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu; Director Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi; Director Human Resources, Mr. Boniface Odum as well as the Executive Director NINLAN, Professor Obiajulu Emejulu.

In the NINLAN delegation was

Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi; Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum.

Others were the Ag. Directors of: Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Mr. Ashafa Ladan; Public Affairs



L-R: The NUC Deputy Executive Secretary (Academics), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu; the Directors of: Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi and the Ag. Director, Public Affairs (DPA), Mal. Haruna Lawal Ajo

the Executive Director, Prof. Obiajulu Emejulu.

Those at the meeting were the NUC Deputy Executive

(DPA), Mal. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Students (DoS), Mrs. Rita Okonjo as well as NUC Visiting Professor Adeboja Ekanola.



## NUC Mgt. Meets with NOVENA University

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL and his management, last week Friday, met with the Vice-Chancellor of Novena University, Ogume, Delta

the NUC staff and management on the case of its Nursing Programme. He informed the university that NUC had no reason to interfere in the daily workings of the universities in Nigeria except when it had to do with regulatory issues.

admonished them not to be too eager about success but rather to try and build a good reputation for the Institution.

On this ground, the Executive Secretary stated that the result of the Nursing Programme would be cancelled while



L-R: The Vice-Chancellor of Novena University, Ogume, Delta State, Professor Godwin Nduka; The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL and the Director Academic Planning (DAP) of the University, Professor Albert Osakwe

State, Professor Godwin Nduka, in his office.

At the meeting, Professor Rasheed expressed dismay on some unsavoury activities of the University which tend to impinge on the regulatory functions of the Commission.

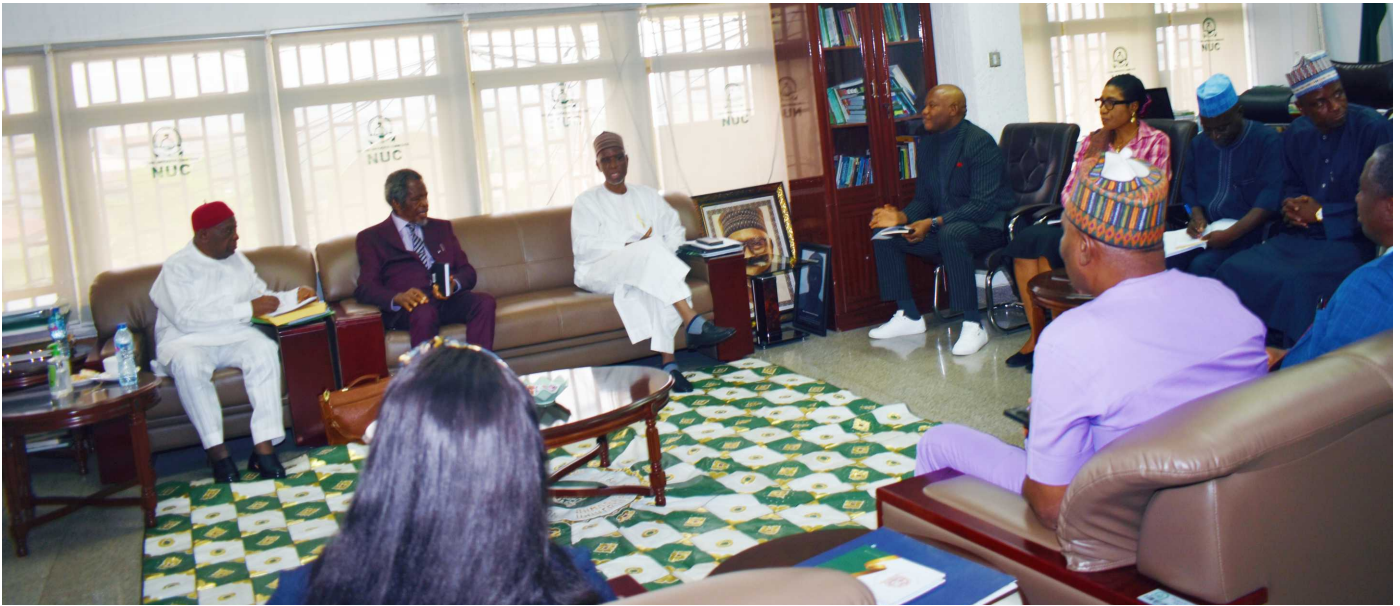
He said that the University performed generally well in the last Accreditation exercise but wondered why the university's management's tried to influence

Prof. Rasheed said that there were laid down criteria for any programme such as the Nursing Programme to earn Full Accreditation or any other status which the University was already aware of.

He, therefore, expressed the Commission's displeasure with the Novena University management's contention and attempt to influence the accreditation result, but

another team would be sent to re-accredit the Programme.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Godwin Nduka apologized to the Executive Secretary and acknowledged the important role that the NUC played in university education in Nigeria. He assured the Executive Secretary that such an incident would not repeat itself again.



The meeting of the Executive Secretary and his Management with the NOVENA University delegation

In the Vice-Chancellor's entourage was the Director Academic Planning (DAP), Professor Albert Osakwe, among others.

At the meeting included the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) Academics, Dr. Noel

Biodun Saliu; Director of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi; Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum; the Ag.

Directors of: Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Mr. Ashafa Ladan; Public Affairs (DPA), Mr. Haruna Lawal Ajo; as well as Students, (DoS), Mrs. Rita Okonjo and NUC Visiting Professor, Adebola Ekanola.



L-R: The Ag. Directors of: Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Mr. Ashafa Ladan; Students, (DoS), Ms. Rita Okonjo; Director, Human Resources (DHR), Mr. Boniface Odum; Ag. Director, Public Affairs (DPA), Mr. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Professors Nduka, Rasheed and Osakwe; NUC Director, Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) Academics, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu; Director, Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi and NUC Visiting Professor, Adebola Ekanola.



## *Photo Gallery of newly Appointed Vice-Chancellors on visit last week at the Commission*



L-R: New female Vice-Chancellor, Fountain University, Osogbo, Professor Olayinka Ramota Karim with the ES, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL and the University Registrar, Mr. Sheriff Adenekan during her familiarisation visit to NUC



The ES, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed with the New female Vice-Chancellor, Bauchi State University, Gadau, Professor Fatima Tahil during her familiarisation visit to NUC



Newly Appointed Vice-Chancellor, Plateau State University, Bokkos, Professor Bernard Matur with the ES, NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL during his familiarisation visit to NUC



The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, with the New Vice-Chancellor, Ekiti State University, Professor Raphael Ayantunji Adeleke



The new Vice-Chancellor, Plateau State University, Bokkos, Professor Matur (fourth left) and Professor Rasheed (fifth left) pose for photograph along with other Principal Officers of PLASU and the Director, Executive Secretary Office (second right), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu



The Newly Appointed female Vice-Chancellor, Fountain University, Osogbo, Professor Karim (fourth left) and Professor Rasheed (fifth Left) with the University Registrar and some members of NUC Management



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Yours in the service of higher education in Africa

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## 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, Biu	2018
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	44	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, 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, Ijagan	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, Ogbomoso	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, Aliero	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 Olumulia 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, Ozoro, 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	Aliko Dangote 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 Ilesa, Osun State	2022
20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015	60	Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Oyo, Oyo State	2022
						61	Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education, Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State	2023





## 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 Adegboyegea University), Ogwa, Edo State	2011	82	Maranatha University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State	2003	45	Mepherston 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 Rabiu 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	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			



# NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

## *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 Udoso 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, Mbaise, 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, Arochukwu, 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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# This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
ESTHER	INIOBONG	EYO	04 April
ROSELINE	NGOZI	ODUEKA	05 April
EMMANUEL	OLAYINKA	ALAKIJA	05 April
CHINYERE		EZEKWESILI	06 April
TEMITOPE	CHRISTIANA	OLAOYE	09 April



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*Best Wishes for the week*



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