

## NCPWD Canvasses Provision for Physically Challenged in Nigerian Varsities

A delegation from the National Commission for Persons with Disabilities (NCPWD), led by its Executive Secretary, Mr. James David Lulu, last Tuesday, visited the Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, in his office.

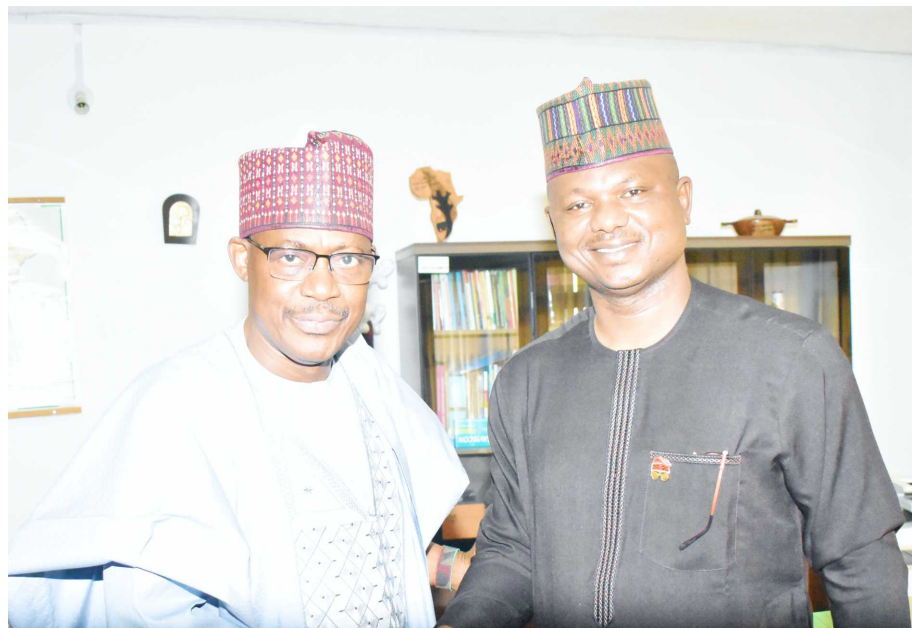
The aim of the visit was to discuss critical matters affecting persons with disabilities in the Nigerian Universities.

In his speech, the Executive Secretary, NCPWD, Mr. Lulu thanked the Acting Executive Secretary for the opportunity to discuss the issues and recounted a personal experience of discrimination he suffered in the hands of a University Management while on admission to study during his undergraduate days.

He recalled his rejection from the course admitted into when the University observed that he was physically challenged and preferred to offer him Special Education to study, which he

described, as a common experience of persons with disabilities in Nigerian Universities.

needs of persons with disabilities due to lack of consultation with them in the review process.



The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki with the Executive Secretary, National Commission for Persons With Disabilities (NCPWD), Mr. James David Lulu during their visit to the Commission

To stem the tide, Mr. Lulu informed Mr. Maiyaki that there was now an existing law in the country barring discrimination against persons with disabilities.

He expressed dismay that the just re-engineered University Curriculum did not factor in the

He therefore requested for collaboration with the NUC to address the observed gaps.

He informed the NUC team that NCPWD is currently working with 13 Universities in Nigeria on the possibilities of incorporating their needs into their curriculum,

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stating that a Sign Language programme had commenced at Federal University Lafia (FULafia) and hoped that other Universities would soon integrate relevant programmes that would address the needs of people with disabilities.

The NCPWD Executive Secretary appealed to the NUC to champion its demand by introducing some

discriminatory practices remained the major challenge of persons with disability, noting that keeping to the tenets of the circular would reduce the suffering among them.

He appealed to Nigerian universities in particular, to empathise with persons with disability both, in admission and recruitment exercises.

Resource Verification exercise to new programmes, inspection and monitoring of Universities, issuance of license for Establishment of Private Universities and drafting of curriculum, among others.

He explained that from time to time, the Commission participates in policy formation and formulation for University



The Meeting of the Acting Executive Secretary with the NCPWD delegation in session

courses that would further address issues of persons with disabilities in the General Studies (GST) programmes of Nigerian Universities.

On employment, he said that there was already an existing Circular from the Office of the Head of Civil Service of the Federation (OHCSF) directing government establishments to give 5% slot to persons with disability during recruitment exercise.

He however, lamented that this had not been honoured by most establishments, stating that this

Receiving the team, the Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Maiyaki gave a rundown on the establishment of the NUC as a regulatory agency saddled with the responsibility to regulate University education in Nigeria.

He informed the team that Nigeria has 260 Universities as at date, comprising 51 Federal, 62 State and 147 Private Universities and still counting.

He highlighted some of the major functions of the NUC to include: accreditation of academic programmes, conduct of

education in Nigeria, outlining some of the Commission's recent achievements to include, curriculum re-engineering, the consummation of Guidelines on Transnational Education (TNE), E-Learning as well as Private Open University.

The NUC, he said, have also deepened research culture and strengthened entrepreneurship studies in the Nigerian universities.

While reacting to the issues on persons with disabilities, the Acting Executive Secretary

disclosed that the Nigerian University System (NUS) had been responsive and responsible to persons with disabilities as the NUC itself, through its Directorate of Students (DoS), had paid regular visits to the universities to access the status of Student Support Facilities and Services.

Through this process, the Commission had always recommended that Universities should redesign their programmes and physical facilities to accommodate persons with disabilities.

He likened the visit of the NCPWD team to the 'biblical transfiguration', noting that it was of special significance to the NUC as the management attached great value to people with disabilities and frowned at any form of discrimination against them.

He promised that the Commission would discuss the issues raised on the already re-engineered Curriculum to see how to capture the needs of NCPWD.

He also informed the team that the NUC had planned to organize a colloquium of stakeholders to discuss key issues affecting university education in Nigeria, and promised to invite the Disability Commission to participate actively and make presentations.

He congratulated the Executive Secretary of NCPWD for giving the Commission credible leadership and expressed deep appreciation on the team's visit.

He pledged to ensure that the collaboration become more viable as the NUC totally subscribed to the mandate and mission of the NCPWD and requested the management to do a formal proposal to the NUC on the areas of interventions.

Contributing, NUC Visiting Professor Yahaya M. Kuta commended the resilience of the Executive Secretary, NCPWD, to have also enrolled in a PhD programme despite the challenges and discrimination.

He stated that the NUS and the nation at large would continue to respect everybody at different strata and restated NUC's readiness to promote inclusiveness and to leverage on the gains already made by the NCPWD.

In the NCPWD delegation were: Assistant Director Training, Mr. Gurumyen L. Carolus, and NCPWD Sign Language Interpreter, Mr. Timothy Tinat.

At the meeting were the Acting Director of Students (DoS), Ms. Rita Okonjo; Deputy Director in the DES (Admin) Office, Ms. Chinyere Ekechukwu; ACPO DES (Admin) Office, Mr. Efe Ehiogha.



Mr. Maiyaki 4th left; NUC Acting Director of Students, Ms. Rita Nneka Okonjo, Deputy Director in the Deputy Executive Secretary, Administration's Office, Ms. Chinyere Ekechukwu extreme right, in a group photograph with other members of the visiting NCPWD delegation

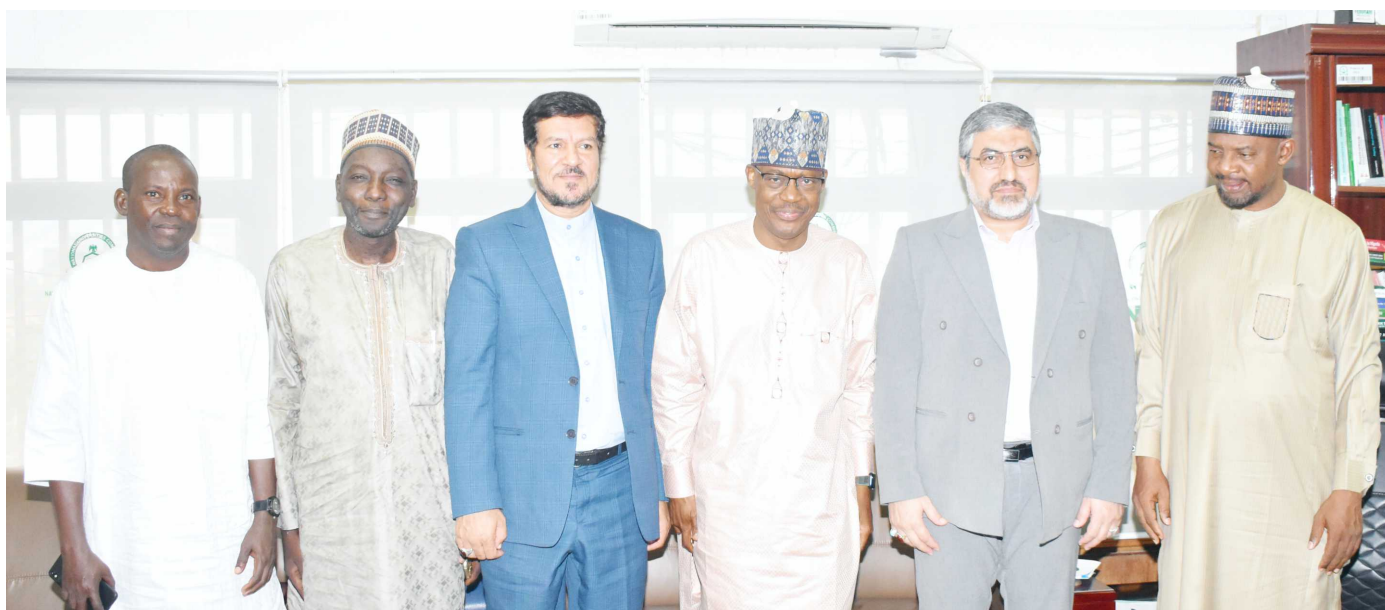
## Al-Mustafa International Varsity Seeks Branch Campus in Nigeria

The Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, last Wednesday, received a delegation from Al-Mustafa International University, situated in Qom, Iran, led by its Coordinator, Mr. Mostafa Kayedian seeking National

coordinated university education in Nigeria.

He informed the team that NUC boasts of 260 Universities as at date, under its strict supervision, comprising 51 Federal, 62 State and 147 Private Universities.

Academic Standards (BMAS) christened Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) to suit the current times and also threw open its doors to the international community to foster more meaningful and easier transnational relationships by



The Leader of the proposed Al-Mustafa International Varsity Branch Campus Nigeria, Mr. Mostafa Kayedian and the Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, (3rd and 4th Left), respectively, in a group photograph with other members of the visiting team at the Commission.

Universities Commission (NUC's) approval for the establishment of a branch campus in Nigeria.

Welcoming the delegation, the Acting Executive Secretary, gave a brief history of the Commission from its humble beginnings in 1962 as a department in the then Cabinet Office of the then Colonial Government to now being a Grade A Parastatal, charged by law to ensure the orderly development of a well-

He commended the past and present leadership of Iran and Nigeria for maintaining a cordial diplomatic relationship spanning to almost 80 years. He said the Nigerian University System (NUS) always seek to keep up with the ever evolving times which results in constant fine-tuning of the Commission's quality assurance mechanisms.

He said just this year, the Commission reviewed its Benchmark Minimum

developing the guidelines for transnational education between Nigeria and other nations.

He said NUC frowned upon any illegal degree awarding institution and would not spare its rod in prosecuting any institution that could not follow due process and abide by the Commission's extant laws before venturing into any business of awarding degrees to unsuspecting members of its public.



The meeting of the Acting Executive Secretary with the visiting team in session

Mr. Maiykai commended the delegation for seeking counsel from the right place and promised to proffer all the necessary assistance needed to aid them achieve their mission in Nigeria.

He said NUC was ever ready to work with anyone interested in adding value to the NUS because the Commission believed in

expansion and provision of access and equity to the teeming Nigerian youths, who showed desire more than ever to obtain higher education which would boost their chances for better opportunities at home and abroad.

He said as a people, the quality of the citizen's life was strongly

Education he said, have a multiplier effect on the things that people do, describing it as one tangible asset that could be easily passed down from one generation to another.

He therefore, charged the team to ensure that their aim was not for profit but for posterity as that remained the focus of any



The Proposed Al-Mustafa International Varsity Branch Campus Nigeria Legal Consultant, Barrister M.S Garba, explaining some points at the meeting

harnessing potential mutually beneficial collaborations and partnerships, especially those that demonstrated capacity for

dependant on the investments made in education and the exposure that the people receive.

serious minded government.

He expressed optimism that the University had satisfactorily

been approved by the approving body for higher education in Iran which would give the Commission the confidence to engage and ensure both countries benefits from this mutual partnership.

The leader of the delegation and the Coordinator of the proposed branch campus, Mr. Mostafa Kayedian thanked the Acting Executive Secretary and his team for granting them audience to discuss and seek guidance in providing Nigerians access to quality University education through its branch campus proposed to be established in Kano State in Nigeria.

He informed the NUC team that the University would be a conventional university that could provide university education up to PhD level with a blend of online learning.

The leader of the delegation added that Al-Mustafa University has programmes in mostly the arts and humanity discipline and some in the medical sciences.

He also disclosed that the University presently has branch campuses in over 70 countries and awards scholarship to deserving students in these programmes. He assured the Acting Executive Secretary and his team that he would provide higher education particularly suited for the Nigerian students in order to contribute to the growth of credible higher education in Nigeria.

In the visitors' delegation were the University's Legal Consultant, Barrister M.S Garba and the Personal

Assistant to the Coordinator. Mr. Mustapha Bashir.

At the meeting were the NUC Deputy Executive Secretary DES (Academics), Dr. Noel B Saliu; Directors of, Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Open Distance and E-Learning (DODEL), Engineer Kayode Odedina; Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi; Acting Directors of, Research, Innovation and Information Technology (DRIIT), Mal. Farouk Lawan; Finance and Accounts (DFA), Mrs. Hauwa Amos and NUC Visiting Professor B.B Shehu.



Mr. Maiyaki 6th left; NUC Deputy Executive Secretary, Academics, Dr.Noel Biodun Saliu (4th from right); Coordinator of the proposed University, Mr. Kayedian, 5th left, in a group photograph with other members of the visiting team and some members of the NUC Management.

## Acting ES Receives Delegation from Kwo Chiefdom

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris Jibreel Maiyaki, last Monday, received a delegation from his clan Kwo-Kingdom, led by His Royal Highness, Longkwo of Kwo Chiefdom and the Chief custodian of the Kingdom, Longkwo Miskoom, Col. (Rtd) Fidelis Attahiru, in his office.

Welcoming the guests, Mr. Maiyaki, who doubled also as the Waziri of the Kwo Chiefdom, said that he was very proud of the new King for bringing his wealth of experience to transform and restore dignity to his clan, after barely reigning over his subjects in the last two years.

He noted with pride that the King had been able to build trust and confidence within the time frame of his custodianship of the Chiefdom leading to consensus building among the subjects.

He described the emergence of HRH as the best thing to the Kwo Clan, stating that the Chiefdom had been managed under him with greater probity, accountability and transparency as well as merit in all his dealings and engagements with the subjects.

He extolled the virtues of the Longkwo of Kwo Chiefdom and the custodian of their heritage, whom, he regarded as God-sent to his People, who also came as a messiah to improve the fortunes of his community.

He said the King had a typical tenacious spirit and had kept faith with the well-structured history and heritage of the people of Kwo-Chiefdom with simplicity and candour.

He thanked the King for deeming it fit to come to see and identify with his subject and son as well as the Commission in its entirety and congratulated him for holding his position with an indelible charisma and respectability.

privileged to work with.

He said he was a man with humane disposition and compassionate heart, who carried everyone along in his administration, whether low or mighty in the course of his service as



His Royal Highness, Longkwo of Kwo Chiefdom, Longkwo Miskoom, Fidelis Attahiru with the Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC) and Waziri of Kwo-Chiefdom, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki during their visit to the Commission

Mr. Maiyaki shared God's kindness with HRH, especially for gracing and enabling him occupy the position of an Acting Executive Secretary, following the exit of his principal, Professor Abubakar Rasheed, who decided to step down as the Chief Executive despite having three years left in his tenure.

He recounted that it came as a huge surprise when the out-gone Executive Secretary informed him of his decision to step down from service as the Chief Executive of the NUC in order to pursue his passion of teaching in the classroom.

While describing the decision as uncommon, he told the King that Professor Rasheed was one of the finest and pleasant Executive Secretary whom he had been

ES of the NUC and nation in general.

He also expressed pride in identifying with the long-cherished tradition and heritage of the Kwo-Chiefdom and pledged to do his best to support the growth of the community.

He prayed that God would sustain HRH to keep leading his people aright and also expressed optimism that the Kwo-Chiefdom would find its rightful place in the comity of Chifdoms in the Plateau and nation at large.

In his prayer of admonition, HRH described the Acting Executive Secretary as a great gift to the Kwo-Chiefdom and prayed for God to take control of his steps and decisions much more while in office.



The meeting of the Acting Executive Secretary with his kinsmen in session during their courtesy visit to the Commission

He stated that in the last Council meeting held in his Chiefdom that Mr. Maiyaki had been designated as an Ambassador of the Kwo-Chiefdom and prayed that he would continue to shine forth as a light of the people.

The Royal Father pledged to ensure that the Chiefdom during his time achieved improved industrial development and enhanced projects such as good medical services while also lifting many of the subjects out of the poverty bracket.

He also urged him and other well-meaning sons and daughters to rally

round him to be able to fulfil and sustain the envisaged activities and programmes.

Earlier, while briefing the Acting Executive Secretary on the mission of the delegation and reason for the courtesy visit, the National President of the Kwo-Chiefdom, Dr. Albert Alkali, expressed delight at the warm reception accorded them, saying they came to felicitate with their own for his new position.

He particularly thanked Mr. Maiyaki for being a true representation of the Kingdom and

lauded him for the way he had steered the ship of NUC, both in the past and his present assignment.

Others who contributed noted that the Acting Executive has been a man that they were sure would not disappoint the Chiefdom.

In the delegation included: Miskoom Theodore Bala Maiyaki, SAN; Chairman, Gudo Central, Miskoom Alex Bala; and Chairman, Nyanya Branch (Gudo), Miskoom Fidelis Sallah.



Mr. Maiyaki (front row standing 7th left); His Royal Highness, Longkwo of Kwo Chiefdom, Longkwo Miskoom, Col. (Rtd) Fidelis Attahiru, 8th left, in a group photograph with the leadership of the Kwo Chiefdom, who visited him in the Commission and some members of the NUC Management.

# NUC Staff Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd Elects New Excos

The National Universities Commission (NUC) Staff Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd, last Thursday, elected a new set of Executives that would manage the affairs of the Cooperative in the next two years in line with the provisions of the Society's Constitution.

In a keenly contested and well-coordinated election headed by the Chairman of the Electoral Committee, Barrister Oriabure Iyayi, the outcome was a close contest for some, while few others won through landslides.

Other members of the Electoral Committee were Barr. Chibuzor Chizoba Ebigbo; Ms. Nosayaba Naomi Ehigie and Zainab Ibrahim.

The Chief Returning Officer for the election was, Mr. Nasiru Tanko Eplong, supported by another Electoral Officer, Mr. Jafar Mohammed Kukawa.

The voting exercise was conducted at the Professor Idris Abdulkadir Auditorium of the NUC, Abuja, with accreditation and voting going on simultaneously in a seamless manner.

The participation of the Cooperators was very encouraging, with almost 80 percent of the qualified members involved in the voting, signifying the level of interest and searchlight placed on those vying to manage the affairs of the Cooperative Society.

Among those on hand to cast their votes for their preferred candidates were the NUC Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, and the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES), Academics, Dr. Noel B. Saliu, who were both visibly seen to have exercised their voting rights.

The decorum exhibited by the

members was outstanding during and after the election.

Some other Directors and Acting Directors also participated actively in the election, which showed the level of awareness and publicity it received across the staff members.



Mr. Maiyaki, leading by example in casting his vote for preferred candidates during the Cooperative Society Ltd. polls

Meanwhile, the contestants for the position of the President were the immediate past General Secretary of the Cooperative, Barrister Aaron Kajang Zamani and Dr. Jimoh Ajani; Vice-Presidential candidates were: Mrs. Ofure Agbonzeroh; Mr. Valentine Nkesitah; Mrs. Oluwatomi Julius and Mrs. Aminat Jimoh.

In the General Secretary's race were Mr Felix Udey; Mrs. Uchenna Obidigbo and Mr. Tanko Mohammed Abubakar, while for Financial Secretary were: Mr. David Egwurube, Mal. Abdul-Azeez Atiku and Mrs Rosemary Alu.

Those who vied to become Treasurer were Mr. Chigbogu Etu; Mr. Aboh Peter Aboh and Mrs. Anthonia Bawa. The Internal Auditor's position had Ms. Ladi Sale Kyone and Mr. Bluejack Minasigha as the contenders, while only Mrs Ramat A. Jibril presented herself for the post of

Assistant Treasurer.

The same scenario played out for the position of Assistant Secretary, which had only Mr. Jude Akubue as the sole contestant, while those who vied for the available post of Assistant Internal Auditor were Mr. Solomon Ochala and Mr. Daniel F. Ucha.

At the end of the rigorous accreditation exercise, a total of 337 persons who were eligible members registered and casted their vote.

### ...The election results

At the end of the exercise, the Chief Returning Officer for the election,

Mr. Nasiru Tanko Eplong announced the results which saw Barrister Aaron emerging as the President-elect of the Cooperative Society Ltd, with 224 votes, defeating his co-contestant, Dr. Jimoh Ajani with a wide margin, who polled 113.

Mrs Ofure Agbonzeroh was produced as the new Vice-President with a total of 125 votes, while her closest rival was Mrs. Aminat Jimoh who got 102 votes, the other two contestants, Mr. Valentine Nkesitah and Mrs. Oluwatomi Julius polled, 54 and 60 respectively.

The new General Secretary, Mr. Felix Udey, who garnered 143 votes to defeat two other opponents, Mr Tanko Mohammed Abubakar and Mrs Uchenna Obidigbo, who polled 99 and 98, respectively.

The post of Treasurer was clinched by Mr. Chigbogu Etu who topped the others with 220, while Mr Peter Aboh garnered 94 and Mrs. Anthonia Bawa with 14 votes.

It was quite an interesting contest for the position of Financial Secretary, being a close call between Mr. David Egwurube and Mrs. Rosemary Alu, which took the last minute for the emergence of Mrs. Alu with 119 votes against 118 for Mr. Egwurube, while the other contestant, Mallam Atiku polled 95 votes.

It was also a close one for the position of Internal Auditor, with the emergence of Ms. Ladi Sale Kyone, who got 183 votes to win marginally against Mr. Bluejack Minasigha, who polled 151.

For Assistant Internal Auditor, Mr Solomon Ochala emerged victorious with a total of 249 against Mr. Daniel Ucha, who scored 83.

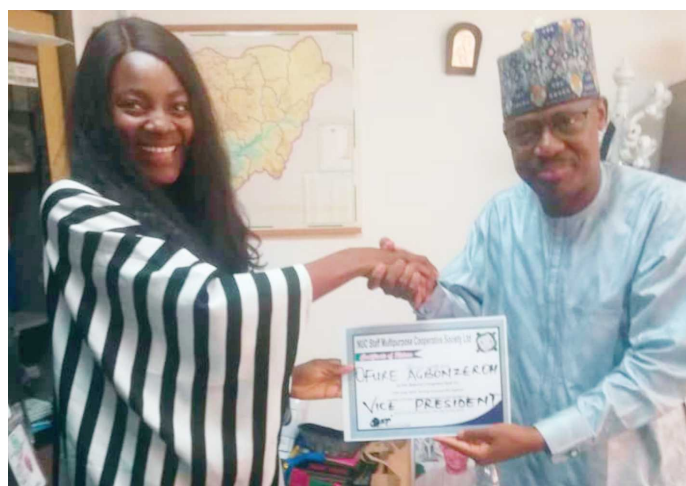
The two positions of Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary was clinched by Mrs. Ramat Jibril and Mr. Jude Akubue, who both emerged unopposed with a total of 335 and 320 votes respectively, with other votes recorded as invalid.

The highlight of the event was the presentation of certificate of return to all the elected officers by the Acting Executive Secretary, Mr. Maiyaki and Deputy Executive Secretary Academics, Dr. Saliu.

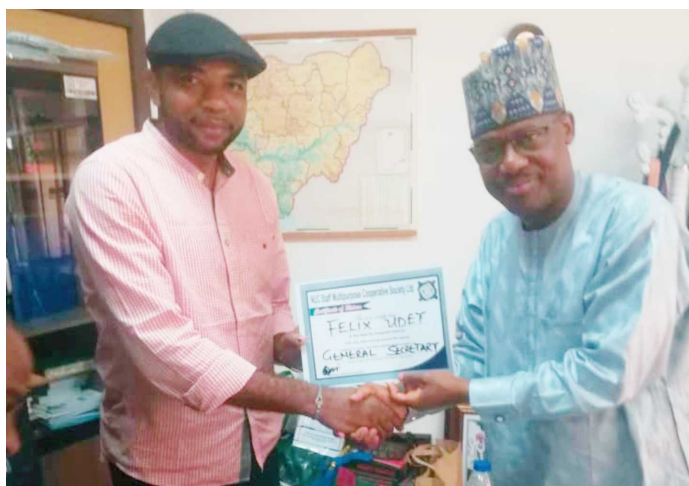
*Monday Bulletin wishes the new Executives success in their new assignment.*



The Acting ES, NUC, presenting the certificate of return to the New President, NUC Staff Multipurpose Cooperative Society Ltd, Barr. Aaron Kajang Zamani



... Presenting the certificate of return to the Vice-President elect, Mrs. Ofure Agbonzeroh



... Presenting the certificate of return to the new General Secretary, Mr. Felix Udey



The Deputy Executive Secretary (Academics), Dr. Noel Saliu Presenting the certificate of return to the new Treasurer Chigbogu Etu



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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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## 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	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	21	Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University, Makurdi, Benue State	1988	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	41	Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	43	Nigerian Army University, Biu	2018
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	44	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State	2020
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	45	Federal University of Agriculture, Zuru, Kebbi State	2020
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	46	Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State	2021
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	47	Federal University of Technology Ikot Abasi, Akwa Ibom State	2021
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	48	Federal University of Health Sciences, Azare, Bauchi State	2021
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	49	Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila Orangun, Osun State	2021
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	50	King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State	2022
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	51	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2023
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011			
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	34	Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State	2011			
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011			
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011			
18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012			
19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013			

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



56	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022	60	Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Oyo, Oyo State	2022		
57	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	61	Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State	2023		
58	Enugu State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022	62	Kogi State University, Kabba, Kogi State	2023		
59	University of Ilesa, Osun State	2022					

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

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97	Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021	134	Shanahan University, Onitsha, Anambra State	2023			
98	ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021	135	The Duke Medical University Calabar, Cross River State	2023			
99	Pen Resource University, Gombe, Gombe State	2022	136	Mercy Medical University, Iwara, Iwo, Osun State	2023			
100	Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State	2022	137	Cosmopolitan University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
101	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee, Delta State	2022	138	Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2023			
102	Khalifa Isiyaku Rabiu University, Gadon Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State	2022	139	West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2023			
103	Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State	2022	140	Amaj University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
104	Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State	2022	141	Prime University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
105	Saia University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	142	El-Amin University, Niger State	2023			
106	Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State	2022	143	College of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023			
107	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra Stat	2022	144	Jewel University, Gombe, Gombe State	2023			
108	Newgate University, Minna, Niger State	2022	145	Nigerian University of Technology and Management, Apapa , Lagos State	2023			
109	European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT	2022	146	Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
110	Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	147	Al-Bayan University, Ankpa, Kogi State	2023			
111	Rayhaan University, Birmin Kebbi, Kebbi State	2023						
112	Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2023						
113	Sam Maris University, Supare, Ondo State	2023						
114	Aletheia University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State	2023						
115	Lux Mundi University, Umuahia, Abia State	2023						
116	Maduka University, Ekwegbe - Nsukka, Enugu State	2023						
117	Peaceland University, Enugu, Enugu State	2023						
118	Amadeus University, Amizi, Abia State	2023						
119	Vision University, Ikogbo, Ogun State	2023						
120	Azman University, Kano, Kano State	2023						
121	Huda University, Gusau, Zamfara State	2023						
122	Franco British International University, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023						
123	Canadian University of Nigeria, Abuja, FCT	2023						
124	Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT	2023						
125	Gerar University of Medical Sciences, Imope-Ijebu, Ogun State	2023						
126	British Canadian University, Obudu, Cross River State	2023						
127	Hensard University, Toru-Orua, Bayelsa State	2023						
128	Phoenix University, Agwada, Nasarawa State	2023						
129	Wigwe University, Isiokpo, Rivers State	2023						
130	Hillside University of Science and Technology, Okemesi Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023						
131	University on the Niger, Umunya, Anambra State	2023						
132	Elrazi University of Medical Sciences, Kano, Kano State	2023						
133	Venite University Iloro - Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023						



# 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 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, 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
HUSSAINI	MU'AZU	17 July
CHRISTIANA	OLUFUNKE	17 July
NSIKAK	ISONG	17 July
IHEOMA	ONYEGBULE	19 July
CHIAMAKA	LOIS	22 July
FATIMA	UMAR	22 July



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