

2023 International Literacy Day: HME Briefs Press

The Honorable Minister of Education (HME), Professor Tahir Mamman last week Thursday, briefed the press on the occasion of the 2023 International Literacy Day, organized by the Federal Ministry of Education (FME), in Abuja.

The Minister noted that 8th of September was set aside every year by UNESCO to raise awareness and concern for Literacy challenges within communities and among nations. He added that the event was organized annually as a platform to promote Mass Literacy and as an opportunity to recognize certain individuals, government functionaries, the organized private sector and Non-Governmental Organizations for their outstanding contributions to Mass Literacy delivery and the development of Non-Formal Education (NFE) in Nigeria.

Professor Mamman told the press that all over the world, government at levels marked the day with activities designed to sensitize and mobilize the general

public towards achieving Education for All, specifically achieving the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals and the UN's 2030 Agenda for sustainable Development.

and filed with enthusiasm to pilot the mandate entrusted on him by President Bola Ahmad Tinubu, GCFR, in his vision of "Renewed Hope" which according to him, cut across all sectors and human



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The HME added that this event marked his first outing as Minister of Education since his appointment a few weeks ago, saying that he was very excited

endeavour including Mass Literacy, Adult and Non-Formal Education which offered people a second chance, sometimes even a third and fourth.

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Professor Mamman explained further that the platform of Mass Literacy provided everyone with the hope to live and to change unacceptable circumstances and situations, while it proved an alternative means of access to learning through further training and lifelong learning.

“The theme of the 2023 International Literacy Day; “Promoting literacy for a world in transition: Building the foundation



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Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education

for sustainable and peaceful societies” is a most fitting conjecture that accurately describes the world we live in today: effectively exploring the patterns of transformation and adjustment that has characterised education globally as a result of its ever-increasing scope and paradigm. specifically, it awakens our consciousness to the need to continually make required adjustments in our approach to literacy delivery with a view to meeting the current global trends.” The Minister explained.

Professor Mamman said that the



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Ministry would continue to leverage on the existing progress and transformation in the development of literacy while setting the stage for lifelong learning of the Nigerian adults and youths. He added that the Ministry would also continue to rethink the fundamental importance of functional literacy as a necessary panacea that would help build resilience and ensure quality, equitable and inclusive education for all.

The Minister commended the Director General of UNESCO, Audrey Azoulay and her staff for their continued support in coordinating wide-ranging technical and financial assistance of the UN system, donor countries and the private sector, in country-level implementation of initiatives and programmes aimed at reducing the scourge of illiteracy worldwide.

He urged all stakeholders, including the Press, to make a difference by completing government’s efforts in the fight against illiteracy in human’s various schedules, homes,

families and immediate communities.

In her message, the Director General of UNESCO, Audrey Azoulay, said that Literacy was indeed much more than merely learning letters and words, adding that it transformed the drops of ink on paper into windows on the world; it was the key that opened the door to knowledge, emancipation and imagination.

She said that beyond the benefits of the individual, society as a whole benefited from progress in literacy, saying that it was a passport to communication with others, thereby strengthening understanding within and between peoples and by extension, it enabled everyone to integrate into society and strengthens participation in civic life.



Ms. Audrey Azoulay
Director, General of UNESCO

Azoulay explained that, in the space of 40 years, significant progress had been made: 3.6 billion people had learned to read and write, raising the global literacy rate from 68% in 1979 to 86% in 2020.

She said that UNESCO supported literacy efforts in countries all over the world, with a particular attention to crisis situations, where the fundamental right to learn to read and write was under threat. He cited Afghanistan as example, where UNESCO had led a major literacy campaign benefiting 1.2 million young Afghan men and

women since 2008. She further explained that if literacy was a victory for humanity, it was a fragile one, saying that there was always the possibility of a relapse. She called on the stakeholders to make this year's International Literacy Day a reminder of an opportunity to honour all those who were

dedicated to making universal literacy a reality, not just a goal.

The National Universities Commission (NUC), was represented at the event by the Ag. Director, Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo.

FG Inaugurates Committee on Education Roadmap

The Federal Government through the Federal Ministry of Education, has inaugurated an eight-man committee to drive and actualize set objectives in the education sector.

Inaugurating the Committee, last week in Abuja, the Honourable Minister of Education, Professor Tahir Mamman tasked the members to develop ways that would help the Ministry turn around the fortunes of the country.

He said that the event marked a pivotal moment in the nation's pursuit of educational excellence and societal development, while highlighting the urgency of their mission, he emphasised the need for clear direction to transform Nigeria's fortunes.

The Minister inform the members of the Committee

that "I must confess that your assignment is not going to be an easy one because Nigerians are looking

to galvanise the needed changes to make Nigeria hold her head high in the comity of Nations.



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forward to the administration of His Excellency, President Bola Ahmed Tinubu to do a quick turn-around in all sectors of the economy, with education being the fulcrum

"Mr. President has clearly laid out his vision for his administration and it is anchored on "improving the lives of Nigerians in a manner that not just reflects our

humanity but encourages compassion towards one another and duly rewards our collective efforts to resolve the social ills that seek to divide us”.

“On education specifically, our president has declared his commitment and as a priority, among other missions, to see about 10.5 Million Nigerian Out of School Children retrained with skills that will make them stand on their own. We will, therefore, need a clear road map and framework that will guide the ministry achieve these goals.

“To achieve this vision, we must necessarily harness our human resources. But before we harness our human resources, we need to be sure of what we need to do to fill in the gaps that have, over the years, inexplicably pulled us back,” he said.

Professor Maman further highlighted some issues that the Committee would need to look at, saying it was important that the curriculum, from basic to tertiary level meet the demands of the current realities and needs of the society. He also charged them to occupy their thoughts with the issues of Financial



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Autonomy in Tertiary Institutions, access and equity, research and innovation as well as the government-industry-academic and the global competitiveness of the educational system should not escape their scrutiny.



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“One thing I must not fail to add is that we must have an education system that embraces technology and move into a digital future where our education responds to the demands of

the society. We need to move away from education for its sake but to education for the development not only of the individual but most importantly for the society we live.”

Responding, the chairman of the committee, Dr Nuru Yakubu who was ably represented by Professor Ernest Ojukwu pledged to duly take up the responsibility and undertake the assignment meticulously in the best interest of education sector and the country as a whole. He, on behalf of the members of the Committee, thanked the Federal Government, through the Honourable Minister of Education for finding them worthy to deliver the daunting task.

Members of the Committee included; Dr. Nuru Yakubu, Chairman, Prof. Ernest Ojukwu, member, Prof. Sa’ad Umar, member, Shulamite Paul (Ms), member, Dr. Garba Ibrahim, member, Hajia Hindatu Abdullahi, member, Prof. Ismail Junaidu, member and Mr. Joseph Achede, Secretary.

NUC Receives World Bank Technical Support Mission on SPESSE

The Ag. Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC) Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki last week Thursday welcomed the newly-appointed Task Team Leader (TTL) of the Sustainable Procurement, Environmental and Social Standards Enhancement Project (SPESSE) by the World Bank (WB) Mr. Christopher John Nweje and his deputy Michael Ilesanmi to NUC.

Accompanying the new TTL and his deputy were the six center leaders of SPESSE from the University of Lagos, Federal University of Technology, Owerri, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, University of Benin, Benin City, Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi and Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University of Agriculture, Makurdi. Others included the implementing agencies from the Federal Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Women Affairs, Ministry of Environment and Bureau of Public Procurement.

Addressing his guests, the Ag. Executive Secretary noted that the SPESSE project should be commended considering the achievement recorded and progress made so far, since inception, stressing that kudos must be given to the WB, implementing agencies as well as the beneficiary universities.

He appreciated the immediate past Executive Secretary of the NUC, Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, for the role he played in identifying the gaps and the needs of the universities.



The Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki with Task Team Leader of the Sustainable Procurement, Environmental and Social Standards Enhancement Project (SPESSE), Mr. Christopher John Nweje

Mr. Maiyaki emphasized that the SPESSE project development objective was to develop sustainable capacity in managing procurement, environment and social safeguards in the public sector.

He added that SPESSE was conceived on the need to bridge the gap between insufficient supply of quality professionals in the procurement, environment and social sectors and the lack of academic curriculum in these sectors in the Nigerian education system.

He explained that project of this nature had its success and challenges and expressed hope that the newly appointed TTL would pull his weight and make a success during his own tenure.

He said that in the past, foreigners were usually appointed as the TTL, but expressed happiness that Nigerians were now in charge, stressing that this was the Local content Nigeria desired as a nation.

The Ag. Executive Secretary further explained that NUC was glad with the appreciable pace and tempo of the project implementation, adding that the Commission was always willing to lend its support and maximum cooperation.



L-R: The Deputy Executive Secretary (Academics), Dr. N. B. Saliu; Director, Open and Distance Learning, Engr. Kayode Odedina; Federal Ministry of Finance Official, Babatunde Adebayo and Director, Office of the Executive Secretary, Mr John Mairafi

He stressed the need to scale up steps in the areas where more actions should be deployed.

Responding, the Task Team Leader, Mr. Nweje thanked the Ag Executive Secretary for the warm reception accorded the delegation and expressed concern about the slow pace of the project.

He said that the project was very much behind schedule, that progress needed to be made so as not to lose the loan facilities being provided by the WB.

Mr. Nweje argued on the need to make serious progress and maximize the project, stressing that results were really needed,

the reason he said, the WB sent him so that the access to loan facility would not be cancelled.

He added that it was very important for Nigeria to showcase what it had achieved in procurement, environment and the social standard sectors for the world to see.



The meeting in session

The TTL further explained that the WB need pools of expertise and knowledgeable people to make a success of the project, apart from the financial support the WB gave, it was also interested in knowledge impact.

He stressed that the Bank was interested in seeing things move in the right trajectory because results were very important, saying that if the project was successful it would become a win win situation for the agencies and universities involved, and by extension, an excellent image for Nigeria.

He advocated for the team leaders of the six universities to showcase themselves and avail themselves of this opportunity and feel proud of the project because there was need for the right frame work and capacity to make the project work.

Members of the NUC Management team at the Meeting including Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) Academic, Dr. Noel Saliu; Directors of Executive Secretary's Office, (DESO) Mr. John Ahmadu Mairafi; Open Distance and E-learning (DODeL) Engr. Kayode Odedina.

Others were Ag. Directors, Directorate of Students Support (DSS), Mrs. Rita Okonjo; Directorate of Accreditation (DA), Arc. Samuel Ikanni; Directorate of Finance and Account, Mrs. Hauwa Amos and Deputy Director Information in the Directorate of Public Affairs (DPA), Mrs. Offiong Edor.

In the team included the Project Coordinator, National Universities Commission (NUC), Dr. Joshua Atah;

Universities Team Leaders; University of Lagos (UNILAG) Prof. James Akanmu; Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria (ABU) Prof. Yunusa Bello; University of Benin (UNIBEN) Prof. Christopher Iziyon; Federal University of Technology, Owerri (FUTO) Prof. Gloria Chukwudebe; Abubakar Tawafa Balewa University (ATBU) Prof. Ibrahim Garuba and Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University of Agriculture (ISTUA), Prof. Lami Nnamonu.

Implementing Agencies; Federal Ministry of Finance (FMF), Ohaeri Stephen and Babatunde Adebayo; Ministry of Environment, Mrs Odetoro; Ministry of Women Affairs (MWA) Benjamin Okwesa and from the World Bank; Dr. Daniel Rikichi Kajang, among others.



Mr. Maiyaki and Mr. Nweje (11th and 12th left), Dr. Saliu (10th right) in a group photograph with NUC Management and the SPESSE team

Be Good Ambassadors of Nigeria - Ag. ES Charges Youths

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki has charged Nigerian youth to be good ambassadors of Nigeria at all times, saying that the future of the country lied in the hands of the youth and therefore urged them to always be ready to leave their comfort zones and make sacrifice to build a peaceful country where everyone would have a sense of belonging.

Mr. Maiyaki made the call last Monday at a meeting with some representatives of the Plateau Youth Council (PYC) when they paid him a courtesy visit in his office. He commended the delegates for their unalloyed patriotism and informed them that the National Universities Commission was the only approved regulatory body that ensured the orderly development of quality University education in Nigeria.

He explained that NUC started in 1962 as a modest advisory unit in the then cabinet office and had metamorphosed to a body established by law that ensured all the 265 Universities under its wings were flying in conformity with the laid down minimum academic standards.

Other functions of the Commission according to him, included advising the Federal government on the necessity to establish a tertiary institution, processing applications for the establishment of private universities and resource verification visits before any academic programme would be established as well as accreditation visits from time to time to keep their quality in check.

The Ag. Executive Secretary expressed his delight for being a son of the plateau where he spent 31 years of his existence working with illustrious sons of the State and

charged the PYC to continue to stand strong in their beliefs to pursue greatness in their undertaking and try their best to restore the state to its former glory.

He said the people of Plateau State were known to be very decent,



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
The Acting Executive Secretary, NUC

peaceful, hardworking and well meaning Nigerians who had over the years lost out on so many development opportunities due to the instability and misunderstandings that had sprung among indigents in the state.

Mr. Maiyaki alluded that the visit would be the beginning of many things that would happen between NUC and PYC and noted that the Council was an umbrella of all the youth in Plateau that fostered unity irrespective of political affiliations, religious inclination or cultural creed.

He expressed the hope that the visit would be used to remind everyone of the onerous task of nation building and regaining Plateau people's unique space in the hearts of Nigerians, "everyone wanted to

go to the Plateau" due to the amazing weather, agricultural endowments and abundant mineral resources, he said.

He thereafter assured them that whenever the opportunity for any youth betterment presented itself,

special consideration would be given to the promising youth of plateau State and all other deserving youths of other states in the country.

In his remarks, the leader of the delegation and General Secretary of the Association, Comrade B.B Gaknung expressed his profound gratitude for the warm reception accorded them and congratulated the Acting Executive Secretary for attaining this eminent feat which he said was an indication of his utmost dedication to his job.

He added that the job was an indication that Plateau State still boasted of outstanding personalities who were still making a good name for their state despite the challenges of miscreants that were bent on making a bad name for the people of Plateau.



The meeting in session with Plateau Youth Council delegation

He reminded the Ag. Executive Secretary of the teeming youth that had their hopes still high despite all the distractions and trials in the polity, by staying steadfast and seeking available opportunities to be great in Nigeria and had remained ever dedicated, upright and seeking to grow through legal routes.

He also decried the abundance of youth that had almost or already given up on ever getting opportunities to study and earn degrees that might offer them a chance at excelling in the country where there were no available job opportunities, stressing that these categories of youth were the main source of concern for the council at present.

He appealed to the NUC Scribe to

look into the situation of the Nigerian youth especially those of the Plateau extraction and provide them with scholarships, jobs and admission opportunities to restore their hope in the country and save them from falling into unwanted crimes just to make it in life or being used as thugs or miscreants by some politicians for their selfish gains.

He said the Federal Government had sustained the hope of the youth through its recent appointments and prayed that the Commission in due time would provide Nigerian youth and especially the Plateau youth with some respite so they could contribute their abundant intellectual and physical resources to the betterment of the country and the state in particular.

Mr. Gaknung reinstated the commitment of the Plateau youth as well as all Nigerian youth in ensuring they build very dependable, youth-ecosystem that the older generation would be proud to hand over the reigns of the country to the promising youth.

Among the delegation from PYC were Jeph Mangai, Auditor General, Simon Peter Yilbem, Delegate, Peter Davou, Financial Secretary, Noel Mandung, delegate and Matur Bwehmana Vivian, a personal assistant to the General Secretary.

Some Members of the NUC management were in attendance with Ag. Executive Secretary during the visit.



Group photograph



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

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

All our stakeholders are directed to note that the so-called 'Association of African Universities-NA'(AAU-NA), has been illegally incorporated without due authorization and do not represent the interests of the Association of African Universities. "NAMO" is not equivalent with "AAU-NA".

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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

Open Universities in Nigeria

List of approved Open Universities in Nigeria, Five Open Universities currently operating in the NUS are as follows:

1. The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide
2. Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT
3. Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State
4. West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State
5. Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Twenty 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.
18. Usmanu Danfodio University Centre for Open and Distance Education (CODE), Sokoto
19. Enugu State University of Science and Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre, Agbani
20. University of Benin Centre for Distance Learning, Edo State

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

Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
Acting 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					

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	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	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, Owerinta, 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			

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
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 State	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, Birnin 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						



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List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
FATIMA	SHELLENG	MANU	11 September
ABUBAKAR	MUHAMMAD	GIREI	13 September
ILIYASU		MUSA	13 September
OLUWATOYIN	JANE	OLORUNFEMI	14 September
EMEKA	UCHECHUKWU	OKORONKWO	14 September
VICTORIA	UGBEDEOJO	IKANNI	15 September
MUKTAR	MASHI	ABDULQADIR	16 September
DANIEL		SANUSI	17 September
EZINNE	KINGSELY	UKOHA	17 September

Wishing You Many happy returns!
Best Wishes for the week



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