

FG Approves Over 600 Billion for Projects in Higher Institutions – Echono

The Federal Government has approved the sum of 683 billion as direct disbursement for special projects in the higher institutions of learning across the country. This was made known by the Executive Secretary of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETfund), Arc. Sonny Echono during the Annual Strategic Planning Meeting of TETfund with beneficiary institutions held on Friday 12th January, 2024 at the TETfund auditorium in Abuja.

Arc. Echono told the heads of the beneficiary institutions that President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, had approved the Year 2024 disbursement guidelines in the total sum of N683,429,268, 402.64, saying that from this total, 90.75 % was budgeted for direct disbursement and 8.94 % for some designated special projects.

He stated that a stabilization of 2.27 % was allowed to enable the Fund respond to emerging issues, adding that the estimate was inclusive of the difference between

actual collections and the projections made for November and December 2023 collections, as requested and approved by Mr. President.

direct disbursement and N250 million as zonal intervention.

He added that each Polytechnic



His Excellency Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR
President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, Federal Republic of Nigeria

Based on this approval, he said that each University shall get, for the year 2024 intervention cycle, the total sum of N1,906,944,930.00, noting that this comprised N1,656,944,930.00 as annual

shall get N1,165,355,235.00, comprising of N1,015,355,235.00 as annual direct disbursement and N150 million as zonal intervention.

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shall get N1,398,426,282.00, comprising of N1,248,426,282.00 as annual direct disbursement and N150million as zonal intervention.

The TETfund Executive Secretary explained further that it was pertinent to note that the estimate represented a very significant increase above the last year's intervention and indeed every other year, since inception. This remarkable success, he said, was due to sustained efforts at expanding and increasing the efficiency of collection of the Education Tax, and the gracious concurrence of Mr. President for an increase in the tax from 2.5% to 3.0% in the year 2023.

Arc. Echono expressed gratitude to the Minister of Education Professor



Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki
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Tahir Mamman (SAN), Minister of Finance and coordinating Minister for the Economy, the Chairmen and members of the Senate and House Committees on TETFund and the Chairman, Federal Inland Revenue Services (FIRS) for their unwavering support, towards the sustainably improvement of the collection.

He recalled that at the year 2023



Professor Tahir Mamman
The Honourable Minister of Education

strategic meeting and indeed other workshops organized in the course of the year, pertinent issues and concerns were raised by the stakeholders, necessitating a refocus and provision of some new areas of intervention for the year 2024.

The approved new intervention, reiterated, was in line with the Annual Direct Disbursement, including the establishment of Career Centers/Unit, in all categories of beneficiary institutions, as well as the Institution Based Skills development for Polytechnics. He added that, in response to popular demands from the Colleges of Education, the teaching practice allocation had been greatly enhanced.

For the Special Direct Disbursements, Arc. Echono stated that TETFund had increased the allocation for the Special High Impact Programme (SHIP), and the number of benefitting institutions had also been increased to two per geopolitical zone, per category, giving a total of 36 beneficiary institutions. He listed other areas

of Special Direct Disbursement to include; provision for Hostels, using the Public/Private Partnership arrangement, innovation hubs, Disaster Recovery, Security Infrastructure, and Completion of abandoned projects, among many others.

In a bid to resolve the problems arising from the increase in exchange rates to the benefitting scholars, Arc. Echono said that TETFund had made provisions in the year 2024 intervention to address the shortfall therein, stressing that it had also sustained allocations for research, including the National Research Fund, Research and Innovation Fund, Uptake of research findings to commercialization and supervision of scholars for PHD research.



Arch. Sonny Echono
Executive Secretary, TETFund

He added that the Fund had also made provisions for four central multipurpose laboratories and additional provision for the three agricultural laboratories and demonstration farms initiated in 2023.

Arc. Echono reiterated that TETFund was determined to deepen research, promote innovation and honing of skills in



The Acting ES, NUC, Mr Chris J. Maiyaki and ES, TETFund, Architect Sonny Echono during the meeting

the beneficiary institutions, saying that it would also encourage the discovery and development of creative talents amongst scholars and especially students, as a major pillar of the renewed hope agenda of the present administration. He added that the Fund had sustained the implementation of the ICT road map with the provision for converged services, subscription services for electronic journals and databases, internet access and the Tertiary Education Research and Application Services Platform (TERAS) initiative.

Whilst increasing the ICT Support Intervention to beneficiary institutions as part of TETFund ICT initiatives this year, the Fund sought to deliver online access to a one-stop aggregation of online learning and course certifications from the world's leading providers: Udemy, Udacity and Coursera using AVIS which is an aggregated multi-provider online course learning and certification platform. This, he said, was an initiative by the Fund to sponsor beneficiary

institutions students' access on the course learning/certification platform.

The Executive Secretary assured the participants that the Fund would intensify efforts at automating its processes and to this effect; it was commencing the parallel run for electronic submissions of the Physical Infrastructure Intervention submissions from January 22, 2024. He said that the Fund would equally be expanding access for the diverse student population of the National Open University, by upgrading their study centers to experience centers to facilitate improved access to teaching, learning and research.

Arc. Echono explained further that there would be an upgrade of laboratories, workshops and equipment to Universities, Polytechnics and Colleges of Education (Technical) in the year 2024 intervention. To this end, he noted that the Fund had

empanelled Teams to visit institutions, access their priority needs and make recommendations based on qualitative selection criteria, adding that provision had also been made for the early grade resources centers phase II to Colleges of Education.

He told the heads of institutions that the year 2024, just like the previous year 2023 remained a promising year that had seen tremendous improvement in the collection of education taxes, saying that as the TETFund distributed the year 2024 allocation letters at the meeting, he said that the Fund had kept its promise to constantly improve its operations and reduce processing time. He added that the Fund shall also uphold merit and comparative advantage in citing of critical national infrastructure.

The outgone year 2023, he recalled, was an impactful year that witnessed series of programmes such as the development of the TETFund ICT

roadmap culminating in the deployment of the Beneficiary Identity Management System (BIMS) and launching of the Tertiary Education, Research, Applications & Services (TERAS) platforms. He urged the benefiting institutions to utilize the opportunity to discuss some of the issues affecting their institutions and the Fund's interventions or operations.

Arc. Echono called on all heads of institutions present at the meeting to ensure the smooth, timely, judicious, and effective implementation and utilization of the year 2024 intervention allocation, to make the much-needed impact in their respective tertiary institutions.

He advised them that, in addition to the broad based budget and project monitoring committee stated in their letter of allocation, they should consult widely with the community in the implementation of their TETFund projects, saying that heads of institutions should ensure timely payments to

contractors and vendors when due, as this would enable the proper completion of projects and mitigate the incidence of contractor writing letters of complaints to the Fund.

He used the opportunity to register profound gratitude to President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR, for his commitment to the development of Education in his Renewed Hope agenda and to Prof. Tahir Mamman (SAN), for his leadership, trust and prompt consideration of TETFund's requests, saying that the Education sector shall remain eternally grateful for his eager, dedicated and selfless service as Minister of Education.

He also expressed appreciation to the Heads of regulatory agencies, the National Universities Commission (NUC), National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) and National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE), for their sustained support and indeed to all the staff of the Fund for

keeping faith with its reform measures.

He expressed hope that sustained improvements in performance across all sectors and by all actors in the education family would deliver a robust and functioning system which shall be an enduring legacy of the present Administration.

In his goodwill message, the Ag. ES, NUC, Mr. C. J. Maiyaki thanked the Federal Government for its huge intervention in the university education in particular, and the higher education in general.

He urged the heads of the beneficiary institutions to judiciously utilise the allocations and disbursement in the best interest of the Nigerian University System (NUS) and the country at large.

The Executive Secretary was accompanied by the Head, Special Projects Dr. Abubakar Tanko and other supporting Staff.



L-R: The Acting ES, NUC, Mr Chris J. Maiyaki; ES, TETFund, Architect Sonny Echono and the former Acting Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Education (FME), Alh. Zubairru Abdullahi during the meeting

NPMCN President Leads Mgt. Team to NUC

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, last Thursday received the newly elected top Management of the National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria (NPMCN) led by the President, Doctor Peter Ebeigbe FMCOG, PNMC, in his office.

Receiving the brand new executives of the Postgraduate College, the Acting Executive Secretary congratulated and wished them a successful reign in their tenure as they lead the College.

He also expressed his gratitude for the amicable relationship that had existed between the NUC and the College for many years.

The ES said the relationship was a very valuable one to both parties because their activities complement each other towards elevating medical education and university education in general.

He commended the college in their continued effort at producing the best manpower any society could boast of and developing minimum standards that would ensure quality service delivery in the system.

He reiterated that NUC would remain the gateway to achieving excellent planning and running of any University in Nigeria and the

sole regulatory agency of all university education obtained within the shores of Nigeria.

Mr. Maiyaki said the Commission was very proud of the activities of the College and was certain that the visit was



The Ag, ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki with the President, National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria (NPMCN), Doctor Peter Ebeigbe FMCOG, PNMC, during his visit to the commission

mainly to recreate ways to fine tune the best ways to put together the best curriculum for the Nigerian students.

He stated that since the Commission could not have a critical mass of manpower in the medical field, it was mandatory for it to liaise with the right partners, such as the Medical College, to achieve that mandate.

He said the CCMAS had been activated and in full use by the Universities. By virtue of its dynamic nature, another review would be considered soon in order for the Commission to

keep abreast with best global practices especially in the landscape of medical profession.

The NUC Scribe said now more than ever, the private institutions have begun to outnumber the public institutions which had

made the NUC make policies that would continue to encourage good spirited individuals and corporate organizations to establish standard private universities. The effort would help bridge the gap between demand and supply of quality university education in the country.

Mr. Maiyaki also intimated his guests on the Commission's introduction of its guidelines for transnational education (TNE) that would help to expand access through foreign involvement guided by six competitive models which, he said, was a response to the call for reform in the



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education sector.

He argued that the world had become quite unstable as a result of Covid 19 and there was also the unbalanced ratio of doctor to patient in the access to quality healthcare delivery as well as medical tourism described as brain drain.

He however, emphasised the need to use the smart brains in the Universities to solve the problems

bedeviling the nation's existence.

According to him, aspects such as curriculum, remuneration, equipment, infrastructure and political will to do the right thing at the right time, could form the bases of some quality research that could provide the country with some level of sufficiency.

He said the Commission could not hold any exclusive reserve in respect to the effective and

efficient implementation of the new transnational education guidelines.

He, therefore, called on the College to consider it a duty to approach the Commission on any constructive input in respect to the guidelines.

Earlier, in his remarks, the President of the College, Doctor Ebeigbe thanked the Acting Executive Secretary for his warm reception and said the main



L-R: Director, Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) (Academics), Dr. Noel B Saliu; Director, Director Open Distance and E-Learning, Engineer Kayode Odedina; Director Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahamadu and Ag. Director, Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Lawal Haruna Ajo

purpose of their visit was to forge and strengthen the existing collaboration between the college and the Commission towards the advancement of postgraduate medical education in Nigeria and introduce the new executive members of the College.

He thanked the Commission for its unending support and contributions to the growth and stability of the college and reiterated its commitment to the existing partnership between the two organizations.

The President assured the NUC team that whatever problems that happened in the past had been resolved and pledged the college's full compliance with all directives and guidance that might be given by the Commission.

He said the College promised to be in tandem with the activities of

the Commission and was open to any suggestions, ideas and corrections the Commission deemed fit.

He appreciated the NUC for understanding and handling the College patiently during its challenging times with the establishment of some degree programmes and informed his host that there were graduates already being produced in the respective programmes.

In the delegation of the National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria were the College Vice President, Dr Anthony Ikefuna, Registrar of the College, Dr. Fatiu Arogundade, the College Treasurer, Dr. Innocent Ikem, University of Ibadan (UI), Professor Dabrinsole and another Don, Professor B.B. Shehu.

In the NUC team were the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) (Academics), Dr. Noel B Saliu; Director, Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Director Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahamadu; Director Open Distance and E-Learning, Engineer Kayode Odedina; Acting Directors of Research, Innovation and Information Technology (DRIIT), Mr. Lawal M. Farouk,; Inspection and Monitoring (DIM,) Mrs. Lydia T. Imoroa, Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Mal. Ashafa Ladan; Public Affairs (DPA), Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo; Students (DoS); Ms. Rita Okonjo: Academic Planning (DAP), Malam Abubakar Mohammed. Girei and Accreditation (DA), Engr. Abraham Chundusu.



Mr. Maiyaki and Dr. Ebeigbe (9th and 10th right) in a group photograph with the NPMCN delegation and some members of NUC Management

NUC Interacts with Proposed Akanji Aladikun University, Saki, Oyo State

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, last Wednesday received a delegation and promoters of the proposed Akanji Aladikun University (AAU), Saki, Oyo State, who paid a courtesy visit to the Commission for an interactive session with the Management of the Commission, in fulfillment of one of the 14-step requirements leading to the approval and recognition of the proposed University.

Receiving the delegation, Mr. Maiyaki, stressed that the Commission would continue to ensure that quality was maintained in the establishment of Universities in the country, stating that all private individuals intending to establish a private University must meet all the statutory requirements laid down by the Commission.

Mr. Chris added that the NUC was ready to make things easier for prospective proprietors and would always partner as well as encourage well-meaning Nigerians to invest in the provision of quality University education to do so. He recognised the impact of establishing additional

university would create towards increasing access to university education.

The Acting Executive Secretary informed his guests



The Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki welcoming the proprietor of the proposed Akanji Aladikun University (AAU), Saki, Oyo State University, Dr. Akanji Mustapha Abdul Aziz to the Commission

that the NUC remained the foremost regulatory body for all universities in Nigeria and was saddled with the responsibility to ensure the orderly development of universities across the country, lay down minimum academic standards, grant approval for the take-off of new academic programmes as well as accredit all degree programmes and ensure quality was guaranteed in the system.

He assured the Proprietor of the proposed University of the Commission's support until their dream come to fruition.

In his brief remarks, the

proprietor of the proposed University, Dr. Akanji Mustapha Abdul Aziz, who spoke with the Executive Secretary in French Language, thanked him and the NUC management for the warm reception accorded the delegation and lauded the Commission for its efficient and effective supervision of the university system in Nigeria.

He further noted that the vision for the proposed Akanji Aladikun University was

conceived as a result of the successes recorded in the establishment of a group of schools in some African countries, especially Cote d'Ivoire, where he was based, with success stories in his huge investment in education from basic to higher institutions.

He informed the Acting Executive Secretary that the proposed University had secured a-100 hectares of land with proper documentation and free of any litigation or encumbrances, noting that it would be a conventional University that would be open to all Nigerians, irrespective of their religion or tribal affiliations.

In her remarks, the Director, Establishment of Private Universities, Mrs. Constance N. Goddy-Nnadi said that the Directorate would work with the PIC of the proposed University and assured the delegation that NUC would expect maximum cooperation from them to ensure that the proposed University scaled through the 14-Steps considered as hurdles to cross before NUC would grant them the operational license.

In the proposed University's Planning and Implementation Committee (PIC) included Professor Ganiyat Adeshina Uthman, Alh. Abdulwasi'

Shittu Hamza, Hajia Ademuyiwa Simbiat as well as Mal. AbdulRahman Aderinoye of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund), among others.

At the meeting were the NUC Directors of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Special Projects, Dr. Joshua Atah, Acting Directors of Research, Innovation and Information Technology, Mal Lawal Mohammed Faruk, Public Affairs, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo as well as Human Resources, Mrs. Victoria Omorodion, among others.



Mr. Maiyaki and Dr. Abdul Aziz (7th and 8th left) with other members of the visiting delegation of the proposed Akanji Aladikun University and some members of NUC Management team

Acting ES Receives Pro-Chancellor Skyline University

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, last Wednesday received the Pro-Chancellor of Skyline University, Kano, Mr. Nitin Anand, in his office.

The singular act prompted the Minister of Education to set up a committee that would look into the matter with a view to preventing future occurrences and prosecuting the erring institutions.

advantage of any legal system and always trying to perfect their nefarious activities.

He said in 2019, the Commission saw the need to put together a compendium of full-fledged professors of the Nigerian



The Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, with the Pro-Chancellor of Skyline University, Kano, Mr. Nitin Anand during visit to the Commission

In his welcome remarks, the NUC Scribe commended the utmost commitment the Pro-Chancellor had shown overtime in ensuring that the Commission played its pivotal role of ensuring the smooth running of the University.

He said a visit of such nature always add value to both the Commission and the University because it was an avenue to share information and feel the pulse of that university which could possibly help to nip certain issues in the bud before they go out of hand.

He decried the recent fake certificate saga that had attempted to dent the sterling image of the Nigerian University System (NUS).

The Acting Executive Secretary said it was a wake up call for everyone to be very careful not to fall a victim of the miscreants.

He added that the Commission had never rested on its oars in going after illegal degree mills that were looking for innocent Nigerians to prey on, due to limited access to quality university education.

He, however, urged universities not to allow this isolated case to becloud the rich academic trajectory and reputation that had been enjoyed over the years. He noted that it was a global menace that needed to be handled with seriousness. There were miscreants always waiting to take

University System. It was done to make easy identification and access, as well as to separate the wheat from the chaff.

Unfortunately, he said some media houses wrongly published random names of people and tagged them fake professors, tainting the image of even the hardworking professors in the NUS.

Mr. Maiyaki informed his visitor that the Commission had sent out a very powerful rebuttal because of the gravity of the fake publication.

He also said a directive had been issued by the Commission on the full implementation of the new Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) by

Universities.

He said due to the dynamic nature of the document, full implementation must be done assiduously since any delay might cause it to be ineffective for the system.

He further said the Commission had launched the guidelines for transnational education (TNE) to provide more access to quality University education and improve the frontiers of knowledge to include other universities from outside the country.

university had enjoyed from the Commission.

He said the sole mandate during the establishment of skyline university was to have an institution of international repute without compromising quality in any aspect, but due to the location of the institution, it was a challenge securing a great number of quality academics.

This, he said had made the university to maintain a 75/25% ratio of full time and part time academics, with most of the

He attested to the good quality of graduates the university was able to produce and the number of female students' enrolment especially considering the society where the university was located which did not encourage university education for girls but prioritized marriage after high schools.

He added that state of the art IT infrastructure had been installed which would give the students the best experience they could get anywhere in the world.

He said upholding the tenets of



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The guidelines, he said, was backed by six competitive models of delivery which would ensure accurate and effective delivery of knowledge and that only credit worthy universities would be provided with the opportunity to contribute to this course.

Responding, the Pro-Chancellor, Skyline University Mr. Nitin Anand expressed gratitude for the audience given to him and also the invaluable guidance and support his

visiting coming in from outside the country.

He explained further that it was an aspiration for the university to keep raising its bar from time to time and was presently seeking to be a member of the (ASCSP) the School of Business, other international memberships and especially seek international accreditation, which would earn it an international reputation.

teaching and ensuring only students that had met the bar successfully were graduated by the University.

He alluded to ensuring that every Skyliner was armed with entrepreneurship skills to help them navigate their life after graduation, he said having publications was highly encouraged by the University and it therefore financed all university publications from start to finish.



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Mr. Nitin expressed his delight on how well the university had done in community impact especially with their contributions in areas such as garment production, hospitality, tourism and youth empowerment to equip the youth with skills that could earn them jobs.

He stressed their willingness to be partners in progress with the National Universities Commission in order to keep improving on the delivery of quality university education in Nigeria.

The Director Marketing and Communication of Skyline University, Mr. Abubakar Sadiq Umar accompanied the Pro-Chancellor.

In the NUC team were the Deputy Executive Secretary (DES) (Academics), Dr. Noel B Saliu; Director, Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Director Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahamadu; Director Open Distance and E-Learning,

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Mr. Maiyaki and Mr. Anand (8th and 9th left) in a group photograph with the Skyline University delegation and some members of NUC Management

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NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION, ABUJA



RE: ABOUT 100 FAKE PROFESSORS JUST UNCOVERED IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES – NUC A REBUTTAL

The attention of the National Universities Commission (NUC) has been drawn to news items, circulating on the social media, some national dailies and television stations, to the effect that the Commission has just “discovered over 100 fake Professors in Nigerian Universities”. The NUC wishes to deny these media reports categorically and unequivocally. They are fake, untrue and a figment of the imagination of the author(s), all happening at an unsuitable time, when the nation is awaiting the outcome of the investigation into the fake certificate saga from universities in some neighbouring countries. The Commission therefore finds this development as unfair to all stakeholders.

Specifically, the fake news items have been circulating in two forms – (i) as a link to a 2019 online news item; and (ii) as a separate list of names of the alleged fake Professors in various Nigerian Universities, which was not the case. We consider these unfounded publications as ill-conceived and a ploy by unscrupulous persons to create in plausible a tone, disquiet, panic and provoking outcries at both the national and international levels.

For the avoidance of doubt, the Commission can confirm that it initiated in 2019 a laudable project, with the intent of compiling and publishing a list of full Professors in the Nigerian Universities System (NUS) through the use of an online portal to collate the requisite data. During the exercise, the NUC found anomalies, such as Associate Professors being listed as full Professors. It is essential to also state clearly that the Commission as a responsible Federal Government Agency, does not engage in half-baked exercises capable of tarnishing the image of Nigeria and the NUS. That was why the Commission deemed it necessary to share the collated data with the Nigerian Universities for the purpose of authentication by the competent authorities as to who qualifies to be a full professor. Based on the verified data, the Commission then in a landmark accomplishment, first published the list of full Professors who participated in the exercise in 2019. It was understood that this

would be succeeded by a continuous process of updating the list of full Professors. It is important to state at this point that all the issues pertaining to the 2019 verification of full Professors in Nigerian Universities were concluded in 2019. Since then, the Commission has entrenched a more reliable system of generating the list of full Professors in the NUS. The Commission is also conscious of the fact that some of the academics not captured in the 2019 exercise may now have matured and progressed to become full Professors; this being the reason why it continuously updates the list of full Professors in the NUS.

The National Universities Commission questions the rationale behind recycling this stale 2019 news of an activity it initiated, conducted and laid to rest in the same year. The purpose and objective of resurrecting in 2024 (more than 4 years later) this-no-longer-fresh news, is clearly intended to generate unnecessary controversy at an unsuitable time, whilst lacing it with a false list of fake Professors.

The National Universities Commission owes it a solemn duty to protect and guard the integrity of the many hardworking and committed academics in the NUS, who have earned national and international respect and recognition. Therefore, the Commission has been saddled with the vital and strategic responsibility by its enabling laws, to uphold the sanctity of quality in all aspects of our University Education delivery.

The Commission wishes to use this medium to advise Government officials at all levels, members of the NUS, the international community, and the public, to please disregard these items of fake and stale news which have long been laid to rest in 2019. All information concerning the role of the NUC in the regulation of the NUS can be found on our official website www.nuc.edu.ng. Further enquiries can also be made via the Commission's official email address: info@nuc.edu.ng

Please be assured of our highest considerations, at all times and best wishes for a much more fulfilling and prosperous 2024.

Signed.

Chris J. Maiyaki
Acting Executive Secretary
National Universities Commission



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Federal Secretariat, Phase III, Abuja

Press Release

SUSPENSION OF EVALUATION AND ACCREDITATION OF DEGREE CERTIFICATES FROM THE BENIN AND TOGO REPUBLICS.

The attention of the Federal Ministry of Education has been drawn to the commendable work of investigative journalism that led to the publication by the Daily Nigerian Newspaper dated 30th December 2023 titled "UNDERCOVER: How DAILY NIGERIAN reporter bagged Cotonou varsity degree in 6 weeks, participated in NYSC scheme". This was also carried in various social media.

2. This report lends credence to suspicions that some Nigerians deploy nefarious means and unconscionable methods to get a Degree with the end objective of getting graduate job opportunities for which they are not qualified.

3. The Federal Ministry of Education vehemently decries such acts and with effect from 2nd January 2024 is suspending evaluation and accreditation of degree certificates from Benin and Togo Republics pending the outcome of an investigation that would involve the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Nigeria and the two countries, the ministries responsible for Education in the two countries as well the Department of State Security Services (DSSS), and the National Youths Service Corps (NYSC). The Ministry therefore wish to call on the General Public to support its efforts, show understanding and provide useful information that will assist the Committee in finding lasting solutions in order to prevent further occurrence.

4. The Ministry has also commenced internal administrative processes to determine the culpability or otherwise of her staff for which applicable Public Service Rules would be applied.

5. The issue of degree mills institutions, i.e institutions that exist on paper or operate in clandestine manner outside the control of regulators is a global problem that all countries grapple with. FME has been contending with the problem including illegal institutions located abroad or at home preying on unsuspecting, innocent Nigerians and some desperate Nigerians who deliberately patronize such outlets. Periodically, warnings have been issued by the Ministry and NUC against the resort to such institutions and in some instances, reports made to security agencies to clamp down on the perpetrators. The ministry will continue to review its strategy to plug any loopholes, processes and procedures and deal decisively with any conniving officials.

6. The Ministry had always adopted the global standard for evaluation and accreditation of certificates of all forms which relies on receipt of the list of accredited courses and schools in all countries of the World.

7. The Ministry wishes to assure Nigerians and the general public that, it is already putting in place mechanisms to sanitise the education sector, including dissuading the quest for degree certificates (locally or from foreign countries) through a re-invigorated focus on inclusivity: reliance on all skill sets as directed by President Bola Ahmed Tinubu GCFR.

8. The Federal Ministry of Education is committed to collaborating with stakeholders, including civil society organizations, to consistently enhance the Nigerian education system and we value the public's understanding and patience as we strive to address these issues.

9. The Federal Ministry of Education wishes all Nigerians a happy new year. A year in which we would all work together to strengthen our education sector.

Signed

Mrs. Augustina Obilor-Duru

Acting Director, Press and Public Relations

2nd January, 2023



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	52	Federal University of Transportation, Daura, Katsina State	2023
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	34	Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State	2011	53	African Aviation and Aerospace University, Abuja, FCT	2023
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	University of Cross River State, 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) Mbadiewe 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, Ogbomosho	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	Moshodo 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, Umagwo, Imo State	2019
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	50	Bamidele Olumulia University of Education Science and Technology, Ikere - 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	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	63	Niger State University of Education, Minna, Niger State ★	2023		

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State	1999	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, Osun 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 Adegboyegea 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, Ogun 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, Oko-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 Clark 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	Ojaja University Ilorin, 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	North-Eastern University (Formerly Pen Resource), 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						



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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ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
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ANNOUNCER



This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
PRISCILLIA	IREKPITAN	OKOJIE	30 January
OGBONNA	JOHN	OPARA	31 January
OMOH	BENITA	OKPEKU	31 January
ABDULLAHI		UMAR	31 January
QUEEN	IJEOMA	BARRAH	31 January
VICTOR	EBHODEGHE	IWOBHO	01 February
HADIZA	UMAR	BUHARI	02 February
YAKANUMBU	TATABE	MUSTAPHA	03 February
BABA		SALEH	03 February
MOSES		OMOGO	03 February
FUNMILAYO	OLUSHOLA	KOLADE	04 February
MUHAMMED	RAIYANU	GARBA	04 February
IBRAHIM	DANTSOHO	ABDULLAHI	04 February

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Best Wishes for the week



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