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NUC Hosts 4th Edition of NAE Public Forum on Engineering Education

he Nigerian Academy of Engineering (NAE) last Tuesday, 7th May, 2024. hosted the 4th edition of its Public Forum on Engineering Education

Engineering body noted that as the world transit into the 4th Industrial Revolution, the Engineering profession had a critical role to play, expressing and biological spheres. This, he said, would transform the way people live, work and interact.

He said as the world navigated



L-R: Representative of Honourable Minister of Steel, Jeremiah Eijofor: Representative of Speaker, House of Rep. and Chairman House Committee on Science and Technology, Hon. Inuwa Garba; Representative of the Vice-President, Isa Sadig Wanka; President, Nigerian Academy of Engineering, Prof. Peter Azikiwe Onwualu and Former Vice-Chancellor, UNILAG, Prof. Rahmon Bello

at the National Universities Commission (NUC) Idris Abdulkdair Auditorium, Abuja.

In his goodwill message at the Forum, the Acting Executive Secretary, who extended the NUC's felicitation with the the hope that engineering education would pilot the way.

According to him, the 4th Industrial Revolution would be characterized by the fusion of technologies that blur the lines between the physical, digital,

through the complexities of the modern world, the nation was in dire need of a robust and dynamic engineering education.

He acknowledged that the Academy's engagement and deliberations at the Forum would



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provide a significant platform for thoughtful ideas, invaluable insights and strategies needed to chart a new course towards



Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu DES, Academics, NUC

sustainable development in Nigeria.

He said that in the new journey, the NUC was fully prepared to join the Nigerian Academy of Engineering in partnership and collaborative efforts, with NUC serving as the



Isa Sadiq Wanka Representative of the Vice-President

foremost government agency tasked with overseeing the strategic orderly development of University education in Nigeria.

He reminded the Forum that the Commission was mandated by

law, to set and implement Minimum Academic Standards in the Nigerian University System (NUS), with its other functions including the accreditation of academic programmes, resource verification for new programmes, undertaking inspection and monitoring visits to Universities and other approved degree-awarding Institutions, and processing licences for the establishment of Private Universities.

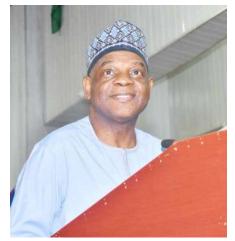
On the strength of this, he noted that the NUC could in collaboration with the Academy, cultivate a learning environment that nurtured creativity, fostered critical thinking, and equipped the country's future engineers with the skills and knowledge necessary to tackle emerging challenges as well as drive sustainable development.

He highlighted that in an effort to improve on the programmes and learning environment of Nigerian Universities, the Commission had already embarked on the development of the Core Curriculum and Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) from the former Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS).

He stated that the review aimed at fostering an environment that, n o t o n l y e n c o u r a g e d innovations, but also cultivated critical thinking and scholarly excellence among students.

The CCMAS, the Acting

Executive Secretary said presented a framework wherein 70 per cent of each programme content was introduced, allowing Universities the flexibility to tailor the remaining 30 per cent to their specific needs, noting that its



Arc. Sonny Echono Executive Secretary, TETFund

implementation commenced in the 2023/2024 Academic Session.

He told the gathering that, as part of NUC's efforts to improve on the quality of education in



Hon. Inuwa Garba Representative of Speaker, House of Rep. and Chairman of House Committee on Science and Technology

Nigeria, it had finalized guidelines on Transnational Education (TNE), thereby opening doors for foreign educational institutions to

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Prof. Peter Azikiwe Onwualu President, NAE

participate in Nigeria's University education landscape.

He added that the new standards being laid out by the Commission was intended to serve as a guiding light towards a future where the quality of teaching, learning, and research in Nigerian Universities would stand out unrivalled.



Prof. Hamisu Mohammed Resource Person

Mr. Maiyaki commended the NAE for its unwavering commitment to advancing engineering excellence and promoting lifelong learning, through this Public Forum, the 4th of which was being held today. He underscored the importance of the Forum which created an opportunity for key stakeholders to interact and share ideas on contemporary engineering issues.

He applauded the NAE, noting that through its Forum, the Academy had re-affirmed its dedication to the pursuit of excellence in engineering education and assured them that NUC would work together with it to empower the next generation of engineers to become catalysts for positive change, driving innovations and shaping a better tomorrow for the nation and the larger world.

In his address, the President of the NAE, Engr. Professor Azikiwe Peter Onwualu noted that in the 13 thematic priority areas crafted by the Honourable Minister of Education, Professor Tahir Mamman, SAN, OON and his team in the Federal Ministry of Education (FME), the Academy had a responsibility to contribute some ideas towards effective implementation of the roadmap.

This, he said, was germane as the Academy believed that if Nigeria get Engineering and technology right, all other sectors would have been taken care of.

He affirmed that whether it be agriculture, water resources, power, energy, oil and gas, health, transportation, communications, blue economy, trade, commerce, industry and manufacturing, their successful development depended on the availability of engineering and technological ideas, tools and



Umar Usman President, National Association of Craftmen

processes, equipment, skills among others, that were required to build facilities and machinery and maintain them for optimum provision of goods and services for the economy.

He, therefore, said, education and training of engineers, technologists, technicians,



Prof. Idris M. Bugaje Executive Secretary, NBTE

artisans, that drove the economy should receive special attention as that would ensure Nigeria had the 13th May, 2024 Vol

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A cross section of the members of Nigerian Academy of Engineering (NAE) at the 4th Public Forum in NUC Abuja

right personnel to drive the fourth industrial revolution.

He decried the current state of Engineering Education in Nigeria, declaring that many scholars and practitioners, especially people from the productive sector of the economy have identified many challenges.

These, he mentioned, included the

theoretical nature of the teaching and learning, engineering graduates that were not ready for industry, inadequate laboratories and workshops, poorly executed industrial training (SWEP and SIWES), poor curriculum, high unemployment rate for engineers, among others.

He, however, said, they were

not in the Public Forum to catalogue the challenges, but to provide innovative and sustainable solutions that included: Outcome Based Engineering Education by Council for Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN); CCMAS coordinated by NUC; Project Based Learning; Upgrading of Engineering Laboratories and Workshops;



Other Stakeholders at the NAE Public Forum

Skills in Higher Education; Supervised Industrial Training Scheme in Engineering (SITSIE); Engineering Finishing Schools; Promotion of start-ups and technology business incubation centres; Innovation hubs and maker spaces; Engineering based innovation hubs; Local content development in oil an gas sector; Promotion of development and deployment of engineering infrastructure.

He said the essence of the Forum was for Engineers in the education sector to rub minds and bring up initiatives that would lead to positive change in engineering education for which experienced resource persons were chosen based on their track records to provide a sector-based road map.

The NAE President expressed hope that the ideas and resolutions that would come out from the forum would provide major inputs for policy formulation, policy adjustment and more importantly policy implementation guidelines for the relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) involved in engineering education.

He said the Academy was willing to advise government on the right steps to take and believed strongly that with Nigeria prioitising and using Engineering and Technology to drive development in all sectors simultaneously, the country would in a short time join the league of developed nations that has the capabilities to solve problems in its food and agriculture, healthcare, communications, transportation, energy and power, commerce and industry, among others.

The Forum later went into technical and plenary sessions with papers presentations entitled: "Towards Effective and Integrated Engineering Education and Training for Sustainable Development; Global Perspectives and Best Practices," by Engr. Professors O.A Olatunbon and M.H Muhammad: "The Future of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET)," by Dr. M.N Yakubu and the "Imperative of the Triple Helix of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)-Industry-Government and Entrepreneurship in the Development of Innovation Hubs and Entrepreneurship Ecosystems in Nigeria," by Engr. Professors Joseph A. Ajienka and Michael O. Faborode.



Some of the Fellows of the Academy at the Public Forum

VC Prime University Abuja Leads Delegation to NUC

delegation from the Prime University, Abuja, led by its Vice-Chancellor, Professor Muhammad A. Mainoma mni, last week Thursday, visited the Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Chris J. Maiyaki, in his office. to brief him on the activities of the private university and its plan to commence postgraduate programmes.

In his remarks, the Vice-Chancellor stated that Prime University successfully commenced academic operations across the three approved faculties and had remained stable since the beginning of the ongoing academic session.

He expressed his delight at the NUC's proactive engagement with universities and for particularly overseeing University education in Nigeria, including programme approvals through the instruments of Resource Verification, Accreditation of Programmes, Inspection and Monitoring, and the establishment of relevant guidelines on different aspects of University education in Nigeria, which, he underscored, had ensured quality standards across board.

Professor Mainoma highlighted Prime University's multi-campus structure, which included the Capital Science Academy and the Nigeria Ghana Academic Campuses.

He said that with 40 academic

staff, over 30 of whom held PhDs, Prime University boasted of a robust faculty, noting that the initial intake of students in approved programmes was few,

While assuring the Commission of the availability of experienced human and material resources necessary for a successful commencement, he affirmed the



The Acting ES, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, receiving a souvenir from the Visiting Vice-Chancellor, Prime University, Abuja, Prof. Muhammed A. Mainoma

attributing this to the timing of their academic activities relative to the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) admission processes.

Despite this challenge, he said Prime University had now been included in the JAMB brochure since the current academic year, signalling increased visibility and potential for attracting students.

The Vice-Chancellor sought NUC's support towards the University's bid to commence postgraduate programmes, stressing its readiness especially in the Social and Management Sciences disciplines, at the Nigerian-Ghana Academic Campus if approved by the NUC.

University's commitment to upholding academic excellence and contributing to Nigeria's educational landscape.

In his remarks, the NUC Acting Executive Secretary, who extended the warm felicitation of NUC said that Nigeria was one of the countries in the world with large population that was highly under subscribed to University education, compared with countries like the United States. China, Russia, Indonesia.

He emphasised the disconnect between Nigeria's population size and University enrollment rates, citing it as a significant challenge that led Nigerians to seeking degrees in neighbouring countries within a short span of six weeks.

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The meeting of the Acting ES and his management team with the Prime University, Abuja delegation in session

On the request for postgraduate approval, Mr.Maiyaki explained that while the NUC generally would not oppose requests that could hasten University growth but would rather ensure that such established procedures were followed in seeking the approval.

He said that the Commission would need to deliberate on the request at the Management Steering Committee (MSC) before taking decision on the matter.

In his intervention, the Acting Director, Directorate of Academic Planning (DAP), Mr. Abubakar Girei, emphasised the importance of ensuring that undergraduate programmes were fully developed before considering requests to start postgraduate programmes.

He cited NUC guidelines, stating that an undergraduate programme must have graduated two sets of students and the programme attained full accreditation status before commencing postgraduate programme of its equivalent.

The Acting Director, Directorate

for the Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Barr. Samuel Adejoh, congratulated the Vice-Chancellor of Prime University, Abuja, on the successful commencement of academic activities.

He acknowledged the costly nature of establishing a University and noted that, by NUC guidelines, Prime University's request for the commencement of postgraduate programmes seemed premature.

While affirming the submission by the Acting Director of Academic Planning, Barr Adejoh suggested that NUC Management could reconsider existing guidelines to see if it could allow new Universities with adequate academic staff and facilities to begin postgraduate programmes.

He proposed that if the Commission approve the request, Resource Verification could be conducted using academics with integrity.

The Deputy Executive Secretary

(Academics), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu, clarified that the VC was aware of the NUC guidelines regarding the request, emphasising the Commission's responsibility to thoroughly review the request to enable it take informed decisions.

The ES reiterated the purpose of reviewing the request and assured that the Management Steering Committee would convene to discuss it, mentioning that the visit of the University team should not be equated to an approval.

He affirmed the NUC's commitment to maintaining the standard of University education in Nigeria while considering special/geniune request due to peculiarities arising from obvious circumstances.

While acknowledging the legitimacy of the request, he assured that the Commission would respond in due course and encouraged Prime University to explore Transnational Education (TNE) in line with the NUC guidelines.

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L-R: The Deputy Executive Secretary, Academics, NUC, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu; Director, Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu; NUC Visiting Professor Yahaya Kuti; Acting Directors of DPA, Alh. Haruna Lawal Ajo and DEPU, Barr. Samuel S. Adejoh

He also suggested Joint-Programme as well as Open and Distance Learning (ODL) as potential avenues, advising the University to study the guidelines and leverage on its provisions.

He promised a fair and timely response and thanked the University delegation for their visit.

At the end, both teams resolved that Prime University, Abuja, should submit a formal letter to the Commission on its request to commence Postgraduate

Programmes.

The NUC Management Steering Committee (MSC) promised to meet to discuss the request from Prime University on the above subject and respond accordingly within a short time.

In the Prime University's team were Professor M.Z Zamuna; Registrar, Mr. Abba R. Tahir; Librarian, Alh. Rilwan. Abdulsalami; Human Resources, Mr. Yusuf Salami; Director, Acdemic Planning, Cross O. Daniel; Legal Adviser, Barr. Chukwuemeka Eze as well as Director, General Studies (GST), Professor Rose-Suliet Anyanwu-Wenzd.

At the meeting were the NUC Director, Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu and Acting Director, Public Affairs (DPA) Alh. Haruna Ajo; NUC Visiting Professor Yahaya Kuta and Deputy Director, in charge of Office of the DES Academics, Dr. Joseph Nte Bisong.



Mr. Maiyaki and Prof. Mainoma (8th and 9th right), with other members of Prime University, Abuja delegation and some members of NUC management team

UNN Inaugurates First Vaccine Research Centre in Enugu

he University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Enugu State, has inaugurated the first Vaccine Research Centre on Tuesday as part of efforts to deepen research, advance healthcare and spearhead the development of vaccines for diseases that disproportionately impact Nigeria and Africa.

The centre, equipped with funding from the United States National Health Institute, and the Bill and Belinda Gates Foundation, according to report released to newsmen, was inaugurated last Tuesday.

The Vice Chancellor, UNN, Professor Charles Igwe, said the inauguration of the centre was quite insightful, especially as it was coming after overcoming challenges like the COVID-19 pandemic and prolonged strikes by the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU).

He appreciated the efforts of Prof Silva Anika and his team in ensuring that the project was realised and promised to ensure that the centre contributed significantly to addressing tropical diseases affecting both humans and animals in Nigeria.

On his part, the Director of the VRC, Prof Anika, listed the centre's multifaceted role in training, research, and vaccine production for various endemic tropical diseases and underscored the importance of establishing

collaborative partnerships with national and international entities to ensure the centre's viability and global impact.

He also shed light on an ongoing research initiative focused on valued at approximately \$1 million USD.

During the tour of the facility, Dr Chinwe Chukwudi, a veterinarian and researcher. showcased the centre's state-of-the-art



Prof. Charles Arinzechukwu Igwe Vice-Chancellor, UNN

diseases like African Trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness), noting that it causes considerable suffering and economic losses.

Anika expressed confidence in translating the research findings into practical programmes that will save lives and enhance livestock health and productivity.

He, however, highlighted the challenges posed by the need for a consistent power supply to operate the centre's equipment,

equipment, which can be used for diagnosing various diseases, including cancer.

The don, who secured the grant for the centre, highlighted ongoing pilot studies on Human African Trypanosomiasis, commonly known as sleeping sickness.

He encouraged medical students to utilise the centre for their studies and underscored the importance of sustainability to ensure the centre's long-term impact.

LASU VC Inaugurates Stem Education Laboratory

he Vice Chancellor, Lagos State University (LASU), Professor Ibiyemi Olatunji-Bello last Monday inaugurated the University's Africa Centre of Excellence for Innovative and Transformative STEM Education (ACEITSE) STEM Education laboratory, at the main campus, Ojo, Lagos.

While inaugurating the laboratory, Professor Olatunji-Bello stated that the project remained critical to the internationalisation of the institution.

The Professor of Physiology, who was visibly elated, described the building as another edifice adorning the landscape of the beautiful main campus.

She applauded the Project's founding father and former Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Emeritus Professor Peter Okebukola, OFR, whose effort, she said, would not go unnoticed.

"As I have always maintained, this Africa Centre of Excellence is very critical to the achievement of our objective of internationalisation and making our University the best in West Africa ", the Vice Chancellor stated.

She was quick to add that as a management, her team was committed to the goals and aspirations of the ACE-impact project, ensuring that the University continued to sustain and improve the academic and administrative performance of the Centre.

She noted that since the establishment of the Centre, in 2018, it had continued to play a key role in capacity building, not only for registered students of the Centre, but, for the other

value for money.

"Indeed, I am pleased with the outcome of the project and the speed of its delivery", she exclaimed.



Prof. Ibiyemi Olatunji-Bello Vice-Chancellor, LASU

students and staff of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor also hailed the leadership of the Centre for its relationship with the University Management which she enthused had reflected in the soaring of the performance of the centre.

"Today as you heard from the Director, our performance in earning is almost 75%.

"This improvement in earnings contributed very significantly to the completion of the building that is being inaugurated today. It is an aesthetically pleasing edifice strategically located beside the LASU-ACEITSE Building and I can say this is

The Vice-Chancellor congratulated the Director/Centre Leader, LASU-ACEITSE, Professor Rasheed Sani and the entire leadership on the great achievement.

She further said that the facility remained an evidence of what the University could achieve if all could run on a common goal and united in purpose.

In his welcome address, the Director/Centre Leader, LASU-ACEITSE, Professor Sanni, appreciated the Vice-Chancellor and the University Management for its unflinching support for the project and the centre.

He thanked, on behalf of the leadership of the Centre, the Vice-

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Prof. Peter A. Okebukola

Chancellor for the success of the project.

Harping on the project, he recalled that it was the Vice-Chancellor's constant support and intervention that ensured the speedy completion of the project and confidently remarked that the performance of the centre had gone up to 75% and promised that the leadership of the centre would continue to work hard to improve its performance.

Professor Sanni appealed for the continued support of the Vice-Chancellor on the centre to record more successes.

The Centre leader also charged the students to make good use of the STEM laboratory and other facilities in the building which, he believed, would enhance their training, equip them for the future as well as their academic pursuit in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics, especially in courses like Biology, Chemistry, Physics and ICT.

In his goodwill message, the Emeritus Professor Peter

Okebukola noted that the laboratory would provide students with hands-on experiences.

The Pioneer Director of the centre applauded the giant strides of Professor Sanni and the centre leadership for bringing the vision to fruition.

On his part, the National Coordinator, ACE Impact Project in Nigeria, Dr. Joshua Attah, who sent his goodwill message through the Deputy Centre Leader, Dr. Hakeem Akintoye, praised the leadership of the Centre for the timely delivery of the project.

He applauded the University Management for its support towards the project and the centre and advised the University Management and the leadership to continue to work together in order to sustain the project, through capacity building at the leadership and implementation levels.

The highpoint of the event was unveiling of the commemorative plaque at the building where the laboratory was housed by the Vice Chancellor, who was flanked by the Principal Officers and other dignitaries. After declaring open the laboratory dignitaries proceeded into the building to see the facility, offices, laboratories and the equipment.

The accompanying principal officers were the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Professor Funsho Omobitan; Deputy Vice Chancellor

(Administration), Professor Adenike Boyo; the Registrar, Mr. Emmanuel. A. Fanu: Bursar. who was represented by the Project Accountant, Mr. Adebisi Yusuf and the University Librarian, Dr. Omawumi Makinde as well as some Deans. Directors, Heads of Department and the Leadership of the Centre.

At the event were other Centre Leaders including the Deputy Centre Leader, Dr. Hakeem Akintoye; Research Coordinator, Professor Micheal Ahove: Deputy Registrar/Centre Secretary, Mr.



Dr. Joshua Attah National Coordinator, ACE Impact Project in Nigeria

Olabode Akinrinmade; Deputy Director, Science, Dr. Muheebat Fashola; Monitoring and Evaluation Officer, Dr. Wusu Adedoja; the Industrial Liaison Officer. Dr. Isaac Bankole: the Project Procurement Officer, Mrs Bosede Agoro; the Project Internal Auditor, Mr. Fatai Lasisi and the Communication Officer, Mr. Gbadegesin Olanrewaju Daud.

Others were the Centre Administrative Officers, Mrs Oruke, Mr. Tonesy and Mrs. Adewusi.



NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION, ABUJA

PUBLIC NOTICE

A REBUTTAL ON KADUNA BUSINESS SCHOOL ENLISTED AS DEGREE MILL IN NUC MONDAY BULLETIN

This is to bring to the notice of the general public that investigations by the National Universities Commission (NUC), have revealed that the Kaduna Business School does not operate a degree mill.

Accordingly, the name of the Kaduna Business School (before now, enlisted as number 55 in the list of degree mills in Monday Bulletin) has been removed from the list of Illegal Universities operating in Nigeria.

Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki Acting Executive Secretary.

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 authourities 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.

 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.

 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 dandestine 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.
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- 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
- 21. Igbinedion University, Okado Centre for Distance Learning
- 22. Federal University Akure, Open and Distance Learning Centre
- 23. Mountain Top University Centre For Open Distance and e-Learning
- 24. University of Port-Harcourt Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning
- 25. University of Calabar Open and Distance Learning Centre
- 26. Covenant University Ota, Centre for Distance e-Learning

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

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- Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
- 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

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LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

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S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	47	Federal University of Technology Ikot Abasi, Akwa Ibom State	2021
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	48	Federal University of Health Sciences, Azare, Bauchi State	2021
3	Obafemi AwolowoUniversity, Ile-Ife	1962	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	49	Federal University of Health Sciences, Ila Orangun, Osun State	2021
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	50	King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State	2022
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	51	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2023
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011	52	Federal University of Transportation, Daura, Katsina State,	2023
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe State	2011	53	African Aviation and Aerospace University, Abuja, FCT	2023
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011	54	National University of Science and Technology, Abuja, FCT	2023
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011	55	Federal University of Agriculture, Bassam-Biri, Bayelsa	2023
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011	56	Federal University of Health Sciences, Kwale, Delta State	2023
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	34	Alex Ekwueme University, Ndufu Alike, Ebonyi State	2011	57	Federal University of Health Sciences, Kastina	2023
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011	58	Federal University of Agriculture, Mubi	2023
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011	59	Federal University of Education, Zaria, Kaduna State	2023
14	Federal University of Tech- nology, Owerri	1980	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012	60	Alvan Ikoku Federal University of Education, Owerri, Imo State	2023
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	38	Federal University, Birnin- Kebbi, Kebbi	2013	61	Federal University of Education, Kano. Kano State	2023
16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013	62	Adeyemi University of Education, Ondo State	2023
17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013			
18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	41	Nigeria Maritine University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018			
19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018			
20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	43	Nigerian Army University, Biu	2018			
21	Joseph Sarwuan Tarka University, Makurdi, Benue State	1988	44	Federal University of Health Sciences, Otukpo, Benue State	2020			
22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	45	Federal University of Agriculture, Zuru, Kebbi State	2020			
23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	46	Federal University of Technology, Babura, Jigawa State	2021			

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	15	Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Uli	2000	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	16	Aliko Dangote University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009	
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010	
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010	
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso	1990	22	University of Cross River State, Calabar	2004	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011	
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012	
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	24	Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State.	2008	38	Technical University, Ibadan	2012	
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013	
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015	
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016	
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	42	Kingsley Ozumba (K.O) Mbadiwe University, Imo State	2016	

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43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016	52	University of Delta, Agbor, Delta State	2021	61	Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education, Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State	2023
44	Borno State University	2016	53	University of Science and Technology, Ozoro, Delta State	2021	62	Kogi State University, Kabba, Kogi State	2023
45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017	54	Dennis Osadebay University, Asaba, Delta State	2021	63	AbdulKadir Kure University, Minna, Niger State	2023
46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017	55	Lagos University of Education, LASUED, Oto/Ijanikin, Lagos State	2022			
47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018	56	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022			
48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019	57	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022			
49	University of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Umuagwo, Imo State	2019	58	State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022			
50	Bamidele Olumulia University of Education Science and Technology, Ikere - Ekiti State	2020	59	University of Ilesa, Osun State	2022			
51	Confluence University of Science and Technology Osara, Kogi State	2020	60	Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Ovo, Ovo 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	28	Fountain University, Oshogbo, Osun State	2007	55	Michael & Cecilia Ibru University, Owhode, Delta State	2015
2	Madonna University, Okija, Anambra State	1999	29	Obong University Obong Ntak, Akwa Ibom State	2007	56	Mountain Top University, Makogi/Oba, Ogun State	2015
3	Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State	1999	30	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, AkwaIbom State	2015
4	Bowen University, Iwo, Osun State	2001	31	Wesley University, Ondo State	2007	58 59	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State Edwin Clark University,	2015
5	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State	2002	32	Western Delta University, Oghara,Delta State	2007	59 60	Kiagbodo, Delta State Hezekiah University, Umudi,	2015 2015
6	Covenant University, Otta, Ogun State	2002	33	Salem University, Lokoja,	2007	61	Imo State Anchor University Ayobo,	2013
7	Pan-Atlantic University, Lekki- Express Way, Lagos State	2002	34	Kogi State Afe Babalola University	2009	62	Lagos State Arthur Jarvis University Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2015
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State	2003	35	Ado-Ekiti - Ekiti State Godfrey Okoye University,	2009	63	Clifford University, Owerrinta, Abia State	2016
9	Ajayi Crowther University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	36	Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State Nigerian-Turkish Nile	2009	64	Coal City University Enugu, Enugu State	2016
10	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2005	37	University, FCT Abuja Oduduwa University,	2009	65	Ojaja University Ilorin, Kwara State	2016
11	Al-Qalam University, Katsina, Katsina State	2005	38	Ipetumodu - Osun State Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
12	Bells University of Technology, Otta, Ogun State	2005	39	Rhema University, Obeama- Asa, Rivers State	2009	67	Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
13	Bingham University, New-Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016
14	Caritas University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	69	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017
15	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	42	Baze University, FCT Abuja	2011	70	Precious Cornerstone, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017
16	Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State	2005	43	Landmark University Omu- Aran, Kwara State	2011	71	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State	2017
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	44	Glorious Vision University (formerly Samuel Adegboyega University), Ogwa, Edo State	2011	72	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017
18	Kwararafa University, Wukari, Taraba State	2005	45	Mcpherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012	73	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos	2017
19	Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State	2005	46	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	74	Skyline University, Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2018
20	Renaissance University, Enugu Enugu State	2005	47	Southwestern University Oku Owa, Ogun State	2012	75	Greenfield University, Kasarami- Kaduna, Kaduna State	2019
21	University of Mkar, Mkar, Benue State	2005	48	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	76	Dominion University, Ibadan, Ovo State	2019
22	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	49	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	77	Trinity University, Laloko, Ogun State	2019
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	78	Westland University, Iwo, Osun State	2019
24	Veritas University, Abuja, FCT	2006	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	79	Topfaith University, Mkpatak Akwa-Ibom State	2021
25	Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State	2007	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	80	Thomas Adewumi University, Oko-Irese, Kwara State	2021
26	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja, FCT	2007	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu- Itele, Ogun State	2015	81	Maranatha University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
27	Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State	2007	54	Kings University Ode-Omu, Osun State	2015	82	Ave-Maria University, Piyanko, Nasarawa State	2021

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83	AL-Istiqama University, Sumaila, Kano State	2021	120	Azman University, Kano, Kano State	2023			
84	Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State	2021	121	Huda University, Gusau, Zamfara State	2023			
85	Havilla University, Nde-Ikom, Cross River State	2021	122	Franco British International University, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023			+
86	Claretian University of Nigeria, Nekede, Imo State	2021	123	Canadian University of Nigeria, Abuja, FCT	2023			
87	Karl-Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State	2021	124	Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT	2023			\vdash
88	Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State	2021	125	Gerar University of Medical Sciences, Imope-Ijebu, Ogun State	2023			+
89	James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021	126	British Canadian University, Obudu, Cross River State	2023			\vdash
90	Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2021	127	Hensard University, Toru-Orua, Bayelsa State	2023			+
91	Capital City University, Kano, Kano State	2021	128	Phoenix University, Agwada, Nasarawa State	2023			\vdash
92	Ahman Pategi University,	2021	129	Wigwe University Isiokpo, Rivers State	2023			+1
93	Patigi, Kwara State University of Offa, Offa,	2021	130	Hillside University of Science and Technology, Okemesi Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023			+-+
94	Kwara State Mewar University, Masaka,	2021	131	University on the Niger, Umunya, Anambra State	2023			+-+
95	Nasarawa State Edusoko University, Bida,	2021	132	Elrazi University of Medical Sciences, Kano, Kano State	2023			+-1
96	Niger State Philomath University,	2021	133	Venite UniversityIloro - Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023			+1
97	Kuje, Abuja Khadija University, Majia,	2021	134	Shanahan University, Onitsha, Anambra State	2023			+-+
98	Jigawa State ANAN University, Kwall,	2021	135	The Duke Medical University Calabar, Cross River State	2023			
99	Plateau State North-Eastern University (Formerly Pen Resource),	2022	136	Mercy Medical University, Iwara, Iwo, Osun State	2023			
100	Gombe, Gombe State Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State	2022	137	Cosmopolitan University, Abuja, FCT	2023			\square
101	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee. Delta State	2022	138	Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2023			\square
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	Saisa University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022		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			\square
107	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra State	2022	144	Jewel University, Gombe, Gombe State	2023			\square
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	148	Erouoounoou, Euo Suuo	2024			++
112	Muhammad Kamalud-Deen University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2023	149	African School of Economics, FCT, Abuja	2024			+
113	Sam Maris University, Supare, Ondo State	2023						+
114	Aletheia University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State	2023						+
115	Lux Mundi University, Umuahia, Abia State Maduka University,Ekwegbe -	2023						+
116	Nsukka, Enugu State	2023						+
117	Peaceland University, Enugu, Enugu State	2023						++
118	Amadeus University, Amizi, Abia State Vision University,	2023						++
119	Ikogbo, Ogun State	2023						

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NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

he 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.
- Christians of Charity American University of Science & 2) Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses 3)
- University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, 4) Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses 5)
- 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
- Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria 16)
- 17)Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria'
- London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria. 18)
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any
- of its campuses in Nigeria 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in 31) Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure
- Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo 36)
- 37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State

- Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja 38)
- Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State 39) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
- 40)
- Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, 41) Abuia.
- 42) Temple University, Abuja
- Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in 43) Nigeria
- 44) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
- University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, 45) Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
- University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in 46) 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
- Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger State 55)
- 56) West African Union University, in Collaboration with International Professional College of Administration, Science and Technology Nigeria, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 57) 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.

- National University of Nigeria, Keffi, Nasarawa State
- North Central University, Otukpo, Benue State
- 2) Christ Alive Christian Seminary and University, Enugu
- 3) 4) Richmond Open University, Arochukwu, Abia State.
- 5) West Coast University, Umuahia.
- Saint Clements University, Iyin Ekiti, Ekiti State 6)
- Volta University College, Aba, Abia State. 7)
- 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.

Mr. Chris J. Maivaki ACTING EXECUTIVE SECRETARY NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION ANNOUNCER

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SILIFAT	OLAYINKA	OLOWU	13 May
CHIDINMA	KALU	IDIKA	14 May
SHATU	MUSA	SULEIMAN	15 May
INIMIBOKENIMI	KINGSFORD	DENNIS	15 May
ARINZE	ANTHONY	NANWENYI	15 May
MOHAMMED	KABIR	YUSUF	15 May
ONOME		OGBAJIBREDE	15 May
EUPHEMIA	MWUESE	IORDYE	15 May
RAMOTU	ATENE	MOHAMMED	16 May
ROSELINE	OJOROMIWA	АУОМОН	17 May
RABIU		IBRAHIM	17 May
RAHAMAT	SALIHU	SANI	18 May

Wishing You Many happy returns!

Best Wishes for the week

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