Buhari Commissions ABU Business School

—— FG Spends N1.3trn on Education in 4 years

The Federal Government invested about N1.3 trillion so far towards the development of the country’s education sector in the past four years excluding funds spent on overhead and personnel costs, President Muhammadu Buhari said in Zaria last Thursday.

Speaking while commissioning the multi-billion Naira Ahmadu Bello University Business School built by the Central Bank of Nigeria, the president commended CBN for the gesture.

President Buhari also thanked the apex bank for supporting the federal government’s investments in the education sector and other key areas of the economy.

“By this exercise, we are building on the vision of the founder of this great institution, the late and great Sir Ahmadu Bello, the Sardauna of Sokoto, who, as Premier of Northern Region, established this institution almost six decades ago. It is on record that this University...
has made giant contributions towards the development of our nation and we remain grateful to the founder of this vision”, President Buhari said.

He expressed concern over the state of facilities in Nigerian universities due to long years of perennial funding challenges and promised, therefore, that his administration would continue to place premium on education at all levels.

The President assured that government would not rest until it delivered on its commitments on quality education, including investing more resources in the sector and providing a conducive learning environment in the academia.

“It is no longer a secret that the state of facilities in our universities and other institutions of higher learning has not kept pace with the requirements of the ever-growing population of students and other stakeholders or with modern methods of learning.

“This has largely been due to the perennial funding challenges over the years. We are committed and determined to continue to fund our vital institutions, even in the face of limited financial resources”, he said.

In his speech, the CBN Governor, Mr. Godwin Emefiele, said the bank would remain committed to providing funding and infrastructural support to the education sector, saying the bank’s involvement in the sector was based on the conviction that an educated workforce had a critical role to play in the advancement of the Nigerian economy.

Emefiele also said the bank’s analysis of the factors responsible for the growth of successful economies indicated that investment in education sector could play a prominent role in driving innovation and growth in developed and emerging economies.
Giving an overview on the newly commissioned ABU Business School, the governor of the apex bank said the project was conceived to produce a critical mass of skilled professionals that would be able to apply their knowledge towards supporting growth and continued innovation in the country’s financial sector and the economy in general.

“This is against the recognition that the dearth of skilled manpower constituted a binding constraint towards making Nigeria the number one hub for economic activity in Africa. The three first generation federal universities in the country across the six geo-political zones were selected under the first phase of the intervention programme. They are Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria; University of Ibadan; and University of Nigeria, Nsukka”, he said.

In his welcome address, the Vice-Chancellor, Ahmadu Bello University, Prof Ibrahim Garba, expressed ABU’s sincere appreciation and gratitude to the president and CBN for donating the CBN Centre of Excellence.

This, according to him, had given the institution a special opportunity of establishing Ahmadu Bello University Business School, already approved by the National Universities Commission as the first of its kind in Nigeria.

He said the ABU Business School was uniquely established as a faculty comprising the Departments of Economics, Accounting, Banking & Finance, Marketing, Actuarial Science & Insurance and Business Management in addition to hosting the CBN Centre of Excellence which would anchor the University’s postgraduate training through the Collaborative Postgraduate Programme (CPP).
Osinbajo Commissions Solar Hybrid Project 
at Alex Ekwueme Varsity

The Vice-President, Federal Republic of Nigeria, Professor Yemi Osinbajo, GCON, SAN, recently commissioned a 2.8 mega watts installed capacity solar hybrid power project, under the Federal Government’s Energising Education Programme (EEP), at the Alex Ekwueme Federal University Ndufu-Alike Ikwo, (FUNAI), Ebonyi State.

Speaking at the commissioning, the Vice-President said the EEP was a project aimed to provide conducive learning environment in Nigeria universities in the next four years adding that the project would provide sustainable decentralised energy to the entire campus, improve education and create a better university experience for both staff and students.

He explained that the project would serve 7,700 students and 1,819 staff at FUNAI and help them access clean reliable energy from the University’s 2.8MW Solar hybrid power plant as well as improved quality of Research work in the University.

He said “Our young people are willing to learn and they have a great aspiration. It is our duty to aid them to accomplish their goals by providing a conducive learning environment for them. I am glad to be part of this great feat as we commission this 2.8 MW decentralized solar hybrid power plant that will supply 7,700 students and 1,819 staff of Alex Ekwueme Federal University Ndufu Alike Ikwo, with clean, reliable and affordable electric power.”

Professor Osinbajo charged Nigerians to embrace the emerging renewable off-grid energy sector, saying it was poised to generate significant impact for the Nigerian
market, as well as the un-served, underserved communities and higher institutions of learning.

He stated that with the growing solar generation, there was need for more private sector participation in collaboration with the federal government.

In her speech, the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Environment, Odusote Abimbola noted that the EEP project signified the commitment of the federal government to protecting the environment and reversing the harmful effects of climate change, which was already having devastating effects on the environment.

This achievement, Odusote said, was because government agencies worked by collaborating toward a shared goal of mainstreaming renewable clean energy.

The Chief Executive Officer of Rural Electrification Agency (REA), Mrs. Damilola Ogunbiyi, in her remarks, explained that the EEP was a Federal Government’s intervention programme focused on developing off-grid and dedicated independent power plants.

The programme according to her, would undoubtedly improve the quality of Education, research and health care services at the Federal Universities and Teaching Hospital.

She also stated that towards fulfilling one of the cardinal objectives of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations on gender equality, the project was designed in such a way that women played key roles in the implementation of the project.

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Vice President Osinbajo commissioning the Solar Hybride

She said that the Head of the project was a woman and all female Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Students worked on the project.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Chinedu Nwajiuba
appreciated the federal government, REA and all relevant stakeholders for making the project a reality.

The EEP is a federal government initiative under the Rural Electrification Agency aimed at providing an off-grid captive power that was said to be reliable and sustainable across 37 Federal Universities and seven Federal Teaching Hospitals. In addition, the EEP was meant to provide street lighting for illumination and safety as well as serve workshop/training centres for each of the EEP beneficiary institutions.

The Phase one of the EEP cut across nine Federal Universities and one Teaching Hospital located across the six geopolitical zones of the country. The phase one is fully funded by the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN) and will train 180 Female STEM students. Within this phase there are seven solar hybrid projects currently benefitting from funding from the Green Bond issued by the FGN.

The phase of the projects was estimated to benefit 127,000 students and 28,000 staff of universities and 4,700 staff in Teaching Hospitals including Doctors, and power 2,850 streetlight.

The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, was represented at the ceremony by the Deputy Director, Physical Planning Division in the Directorate of Executive Secretary’s Office, Mr. Jide Olukoju.
Medical and Dental Consultants Association of Nigeria (MDCAN) last week visited the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, to solicit the support of the Commission on their call to the federal government to convert the National Hospital into a University of Medical Sciences.

The Chairman of the Association, Dr. Said Amin, who led the team, said that the hospital was established and commissioned for use in 1999 and was designed to provide medical care, research and development of human resource for the health sector.

He stated that NHA currently engaged in Postgraduate Medical Fellowship trainings in many specialties for the West African College of Surgeons (WACS), West African College of Physicians (WACP) and National Postgraduate Medical College of Nigeria (NPMCN).

He noted that it was both unfortunate and surprising that, NHA was not being used to train undergraduate medical students despite the availability of excellent facilities and personnel.

According to the MDCAN President a recent publication aggregated the current number of medical doctors practicing in Nigeria at 35,000, thereby, leaving a huge deficit of 237,000 doctors going by the recommendation of World Health Organization (WHO) of 1 doctor to 600 patients.

He explained that the present ratio stood at 1 doctor: 6,600 patients.

A member of the delegation Dr. Agboghoroma said that some of the available resources in NHA that could support a university system included high level manpower in all specialties of medicine; e-library and internet facilities; 450 hospital bed spaces and full-fledged pathology departments.

Also available, he added were all specialties of surgery; state-of-the-art radiology department/services; National Cancer Centre; National Trauma Centre and Clinical simulation laboratory, among others.

Enumerating the benefits of establishing the proposed university, Dr. Agboghoroma said...
that it would provide opportunity for training more medical doctors and allied health workers locally with greater proficiency in management of prevalent diseases; saving the foreign exchange spent on training Nigerian students in foreign countries and enhance career satisfaction.

In his response, the Executive Secretary informed the team that the idea had been discussed in the Commission with the management acknowledging the need for more investment in medical education in Nigeria.

He said that in line with that, the Commission had in the last two years established two medical universities namely; PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port Harcourt, Rivers State and Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos.

Professor Rasheed described the proposal as welcoming, stating that a committee would be set up to be chaired by Professor Nimi Briggs alongside representatives of MDCAN to write a memo to the Minister of Education to that effect.

The NUC Scribe also discussed the issue of Ph.D versus Fellowship squabble in the medical sciences saying that there was no need for the misunderstanding.

He clarified that Ph.D. was not in any way meant to replace the professional Fellowship programme and explained that Ph.D. was not a new concept in Nigerian medical education as it existed right from the 1960s when the nation produced Ph.D holders at University of Ibadan.

The Executive Secretary further explained that the policy was not meant for all Consultants to possess Ph.D, but only those who were interested in becoming academics.

Professor Rasheed assured that the issue of Ph.D and Fellowship would not in any way deter the career progression of Consultants.
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The Executive Secretary,
National Universities Commission (NUC),
Maitama, Abuja

6th August, 2019

RE: TRANSMISSION OF LETTER OF REQUEST

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Middle East and Gulf Division sent a request received from the Embassy of the Republic of Iraq in Abuja requesting for Institutions in the field of water management, preservation of wetlands and educational centres to visit the areas of marshes in Southern Iraq for the purpose of tourism, educating the local population and creating awareness on the importance of cultural, economic and environmental assets to the advantage of the Iraqi citizens.

2. The Ministry is kindly requesting that the information (as attached) be disseminated to Universities for further necessary actions.

3. Please, accept the best regards of the Permanent Secretary.

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Director, Education Support Services
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The Director, Corporate Communications

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26, Aguiyi Ironsi Street,
Maitama District, Abuja

Dear Sir,

Notification of Federal University Dutse’s membership of United Nation’s Academic Impact (UNAI)

I am directed by the Vice-chancellor Federal University Dutse, Professor Fatima Batul Mukhtar to notify you of the recent admission of the University as a member of the prestigious United Nation Academic Impact (UNAI).

UNAI is a programme of the Outreach Division of the United Nations Department of Global Communications.

As an initiative mandated by the UN General Assembly, (UNGA), UNAI aligns institutions of higher education with the United Nations in supporting and contributing through research and education, to the realization of the Organization’s goals and mandates.

By the latest global recognition, FUD has joined over 1300 academic and research institutions in more than 300 countries across the globe that have memberships of the group.

Please find attached a copy of the membership certificate.

Accept the highest esteem assurances of the Vice – Chancellor.

Mohammed Abubakar
Head, Media & Public Relations
The Executive Secretary
National Universities Commission,
26 Aguiyi Ironsi St,
Maitama, Abuja.

LAUNCHING OF THE 2019 ECOWAS RESEARCH AND INNOVATION SUPPORT PROGRAMME (PARI)

I am directed to inform that the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) Commission is launching the first edition of the Research and Innovation Support Programme (PARI), which is a competitive programme that promotes scientific excellence. The Programme would select the two best research projects submitted within the region with the following specific objectives:

xvii. Financing research on a competitive basis of call for application of research projects contributing to the fight against poverty and having an impact on the development of the region;

xviii. Promote the mobility of researchers through the development of regional projects;

xix. Support research laboratories to strengthen their capacities (equipment and connectivity) and access to scientific information; and

xx. Build the capacity of young researchers to ensure the next generation of scientist of the research institutes within the region.

2. The PARI is also requesting researchers to propose research projects involving other ECOWAS linguistic zone in order to contribute to regional integration of researchers.

Sir Abubakar Tafawa Balewa House, Central Business District, Abuja - Nigeria
P.M.B No. 130, GARKI E-mail: ecowasanationalunit2@gmail.com
3. In addition, the Programme would award grants worth $150,000.00 US dollars in each of the two scientific areas: i. Life Sciences and Earth and ii. Basic Sciences, Technology and Innovation. The disciplines selected were Pharmacopoeia for Life and Earth and Physics for Basic Sciences, Technology and Innovation. The deadline for the submission of the project proposals is on or before 30th August, 2019. Project Proposals must be sent via post to:

PARI PROGRAMME
ECOWAS Commission
101, Yakubu Gowon Crescent, Asokoro District, P.M.B. 401, Abuja, Nigeria.
Annex of River Plaza, 2nd Floor.
Department, Education, Science and Culture
Science and Technology Programme,

4. Kindly find attached the programme application form and the 2019 conditions to apply. The application conditions can also be downloaded from the ECOWAS website: www.ecowas.int via esc.comm.ecowas.int.

5. Consequently, your Commission is kindly requested to forward this information to the relevant stakeholders (Universities and Research Institutes) to enable Nigerians benefit from the programme. For additional information, contact Dr. Roland Kouakou, Head of Division Science and Technology, ECOWAS Commission on email: rkouakou@ecowas.int, eeescdrsi@gmail.com, Mobile: +2347068004476.

6. Please accept, the assurances of the Permanent Secretary’s highest consideration.

F.M. Kaita
for: Permanent Secretary
NOTICE OF VACANCIES AT THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION (ITU)

I am directed to forward the attached notice of vacancies that exist at the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Geneva, Switzerland for the posts specified below to you an request you please bring it to the attention of officers in your organization. Please note that Women are highly encouraged to apply as consideration will be accorded to them for gender balancing.

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2. I also request the application for the vacancies be given urgent attention as the deadline for submission is very near. (Please see column ‘E’ row ‘1’) All candidates are required to complete an on-line application form at the section ‘HOW TO APPLY’ on ITU web site: http://www.itu.int/employment/Recruitment/index.html.

3. Candidates are also required to forward their resume and acknowledgement letters from ITU at the completion of the on-line application, to the office of the Director Spectrum Management Department for record purposes.

4. Please accept the assurances of the Permanent Secretary’s regards.

Engr. Anagonye, Joseph O.
for: Permanent Secretary
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
TRAINING AND STAFF WELFARE DIVISION
ABUJA
P.M.B. NO.130 Garki.
Telegram: Foreign Abuja
Tel. No.: 09-5230874

Ref. No. TSW/IND/34/T
Date: 24th May, 2019

The Executive Secretary,
National University Commission,
No. 26, Aguiyi Ironsi Street,
Maitama District,
Abuja.

INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE FOR INDIAN TECHNICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION (ITEC), TO HOLD IN INDIA.

I am directed to forward herewith, for your information and further action, a letter Ref. No ABUJ/231/1/2019 dated 16th May, 2019, received from the High Commission of India in Abuja, requesting for interested Nigerian’s to participate for the short term courses under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC). The list of available courses scheduled to hold from 16th May, 2019 to 31st March, 2020, in India, is hereby attached.

2. In this regard, your esteemed organization is kindly requested to disseminate the above information to interested candidates and request them to fill the online application form @ www.itecgoi.in and to submit to this Ministry for onward transmission to the Indian appropriate authority.

3. While anticipating your response on this matter, please accept the assurances of the Honourable Minister’s highest consideration.

M. Badamasi
For: Honourable Minister
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The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide, is currently the only approved open university in the Nigerian University System (NUS).

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria Eleven universities in the Nigerian University System, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. Distance Learning Institute, University of Lagos.
3. Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education, University of Abuja.
4. Centre for Distance Learning, University of Maiduguri.
5. Centre for Distance Learning, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife.
6. Centre for Distance Learning, Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola.
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
The National Universities Commission, cognizant of the need to streamline the operations of Part Time and Sandwich programmes in Nigerian universities, had through a publication in the print media, including the Guardian and Sun Newspapers of Monday, 19th March, 2012, placed a moratorium on admission into part-time programmes in Nigerian universities. In the publication, the universities were requested to fully disclose all Part-Time and Sandwich programmes, with respect to enrolment and staffing profile, within four weeks of the publication, and to conduct in-house staff and student audit and forward same to the Commission. As a follow up to this, the Commission vide a letter dated 14 January, 2013, sent a reminder to the universities requesting those that were yet to provide information on their Part-Time and Sandwich programmes as well as affiliation arrangements to do so on or before 15 February, 2013.

2.0. Universities That Made Submission

Based on the submissions received, a total of forty (40) universities indicated that they would run Part-Time and Sandwich programmes as detailed below:

A. Federal Universities
1. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
2. University of Benin, Benin
3. University of Calabar, Calabar
4. University of Lagos
5. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
6. University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt
7. University of Uyo, Uyo
8. University of Abuja, Abuja
9. Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
10. Michael Okpara University, Umudike
11. Modibbo Adamawa University of Technology, Yola
12. University of Agriculture, Markurdi
13. Usman Danfodio University, Sokoto
14. University of Jos, Jos

B. State Universities
1. Ambrose Ali University, Ekpoma, Edo State
2. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago- Iwoye, Ogun State
3. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State
4. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba- Akoko, Ondo State
5. Imo State University, Owerri, Imo State
6. Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun, Ogun State
7. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt
8. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu State
9. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education Education, Port Harcourt
10. Delta State University, Abraka, Delta State
11. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso
12. Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos State
13. Niger Delta University, Amasoma, Bayelsa State
14. Anambra State University, Uli, Anambra State
15. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Eboyi State
16. Cross River State University of Technology, Calabar
17. Abia State University, Uturu, Abia State
18. Osun State University, Osun State
19. Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nasarawa State

C. Private Universities:
1. Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State
2. Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State
3. Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State
4. Lead City university, Ibadan, Oyo State
5. Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State
6. Benson Idahosa University, Benin – City, Edo State
7. Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State
8. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State

3.0. APPROVALS GRANTED TO UNIVERSITIES TO RUN PART–TIME/ SANDWICH PROGRAMMES.

Up to date, a total of thirty six (36) universities forwarded their completed documents, based on the approved format. Following the analysis of the submissions by the Department of Academic Standards and having satisfied the laid down guidelines for running Part – Time programme and Sandwich courses in Nigerian universities, all the thirty six (36) institutions were recommended to the Executive Secretary for approval. Consequent upon Executive Secretary’s approval, letters were communicated to the universities accordingly. The universities are:

A. Federal Universities
1. University of Lagos
2. University of Port Harcourt
3. University of Calabar
4. University of Benin
5. University of Abuja
6. University of Uyo
7. University of Jos
8. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile – Ife
9. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka
GUIDELINES ON PART-TIME AND SANDWICH PROGRAMMES IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

Below are guidelines for conducting Part-time and Sandwich programmes in Nigerian universities. All universities currently operating Part-time programmes are expected to comply with the guidelines on programme by programme basis.

Consequently, universities still interested in running Part-time programmes are advised to forward fresh applications to the NUC on programme by programme basis.

This is, however, subject to the readiness of the university to comply with the following extant guidelines on part-time programmes:

1. The admission and graduation requirements, Staffing, Library and physical facilities requirements must be in line with the Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS) for the various full-time academic programmes;
2. For a programme to be eligible to run on part-time basis, the approved full-time equivalent must be available in the university, must have earned full accreditation and must be run within approved campuses;
3. The enrolment into part-time programmes must not exceed 20% of total students’ population in the programme;
4. The minimum duration of the part-time programmes must be 150% of the approved duration of the Full-Time equivalent;
5. Approval shall not be granted for part-time programmes in Environmental Sciences, Engineering/Technology, Law, Medicine/Medical Sciences, Pharmacy /Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dentistry; and Veterinary Science;
6. All admissions into part-time programmes must be through the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Part-time programmes must be run within approved campuses of universities where the human and material resources for the teaching of the programmes are domiciled, i.e. on the main campus of the university;
7. Part-time programmes shall be subjected to the NUC accreditation assessment upon maturity of the programme;
8. For any programme to be eligible for part-time mode, it must have produced two (2) sets of graduates and satisfied the Resource Verification Requirements.
9. Commencement of a part-time programme MUST be subject to NUC’s approval. Approval of commencement of all part-time programmes must be obtained.

The National Universities Commission shall not hesitate to apply appropriate sanctions on any university which violates any of the stipulated Guidelines on Part-Time and Sandwich Programmes.

Signed
Management

10. Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta
11. Federal University of Technology, Owerri
12. Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto
13. Bayero University, Kano
B. State Universities
1. Ekiti State University, Ado – Ekiti, Ekiti State
2. Cross River State University, Calabar, Cross River State
3. Imo State University, Owerri, Imo State
4. Ignatius Ajuju University of Education, Rivers State
5. Abubakri Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State
6. Ambrose Ali University, Ekpoma, Edo State
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14. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba – Akoko, Ondo State
15. Anambra State University, Uli, Anambra State
16. Osun State University, Osogbo, Osun State
17. Abia State University, Uturu, Abia State
18. Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nasarawa State.

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1. Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State
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6. Benson Idahosa University, Benin – City, Edo State
7. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State
8. Fountain University, Osogbo
9. Crawford University, Ogun State

Dr. Gidado Bello Kumo
Director, Academic Planning
For: Executive Secretary
### LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

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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 SCOPU
7. Interactive meeting of SCOPU 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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Announcer
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. Columbus 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, Ikor Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
28. Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
29. Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
30. Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
31. Acada University, Akinlalale, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
32. Fifom University, Mbaele, 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. Leadeay University, Ughelli, Delta State.
38. Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja.
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.
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-Bom 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.

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, Otupko, Benue State.
3. Christ Alive Christian Seminary and University, Enugu.
4. Richmond Open University, Arochukwu, Abia State.
5. West Coast University, Umuahia.
7. Volta University College, Abb, 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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Wishing You Many happy returns! Best Wishes for the week.

Take Responsibility
Do your bit to move the Commission to greater heights

Dress Well and Earn Respect.

Shun Corruption. It does not pay.