

## PMB Commends FUTO on Actualisation of College of Medicine

The Commander-in-Chief, Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria and Visitor to Federal University of Technology Owerri (FUTO), President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, has commended the Governing Council/Management, Senate, staff and students of the University for meeting the conditions/guidelines for the commencement of Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (M.B.B.S.) degrees and assured them of the support of the federal government in the establishment of full-fledged Federal Teaching Hospital in Imo state.

The President gave the commendation last Saturday at the 33rd convocation ceremony of FUTO during which he charged the nation's universities to redesign their curricula and programmes by infusing relevant training and vocations that are relevant to solve specific societal problems.

Represented at the event by the Minister of State for Education,

Chukwuemeka Nwajiuba noted that the redesign would enable the nation's graduates to remain relevant to the economy and

research funds under the National Research Fund (NRF) scheme to the tune of N8b.



Muhammad Buhari  
President and Commander-In-Chief, Federal Republic of Nigeria

competitive in the world.

He also directed the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFUND) to increase

President Buhari who stressed the importance of universities of technology in the country said that they should take the lead in championing research, adding

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that the federal government was committed to promoting researches that were relevant in transforming the nation's fortunes and boosting national



Hon. Chukwemeka Nwajiuba  
Rep. of the Visitor and Minister of State for  
development, Education

In his words: “Our universities parade finest and smartest scholars who can change the narrative and place our country on the front burner of innovators in the global arena and I encourage our scholars to collaborate with research institutes in the country for effective research output”.

The Visitor congratulated the governing council, management, staff, and students of FUTO on the approval by the National Universities Commission (NUC) for the establishment of a college of medicine in the institution even as he congratulated the Vice Chancellor, Professor Nnenna Oti on her emergence as the first female Vice- Chancellor and the 8<sup>th</sup> substantive Vice- Chancellor

of the 41-year-old nation's premier university of technology and wished her success in her tenure.

The president also noted other recent giant strides recorded by the university, especially in the areas of academic prowess, teaching, learning, research, infrastructure coupled with the relationship between the management and the unions.

“Worthy of mention is the selection of FUTO for the establishment of the Centre of Excellence in Local Materials Substitutions (CoLMas) by the Nigeria Content Development and Monitoring Board (NCDMB) with an aim of creating a suitable environment that would bring together the academia in FUTO and stakeholders in the oil and gas industry to locally solve the challenges of the oil and gas sector,” he said.

Earlier, the president had stated the federal government's commitment towards providing adequate jobs and ensuring safety of lives and property for the citizenry as well as providing enabling environment for private sector to thrive.

He said “in spite of the economic down turn that has befallen not just Nigeria but the entire global community; we are determined to continue providing opportunities to ensure our young ones develop their skills and talents.”

He assured the graduands that the Federal Government (FG) had great and formidable plans

for the young ones, hence urged them not to be filled with 'fear of the unknown'.

Hon. Nwajiuba, having appreciated the Imo State Government led by Governor Hope Uzodinma for its commendable role in the recent recovery of some of the University lands from grabbers and speculators, said the Buhari-led government was prepared to lifting the Nigeria's economy from foreign-based to self-reliant.

He said FUTO had continued to write her name in gold by ensuring well-tested individuals were always awarded with the various degrees of the University, thus urged the Management to keep it up.



Prof. Nnenna Oti  
VC FUT, Owerri

Also speaking, the Governor of Imo state, Senator Hope Uzodinma, represented by his Deputy, Prof. Placid Njoku,



stated the readiness of the state to cooperate with the university in many projects and programmes for its greater impact and the good of the people, like in Information and Communication Technology (ICT), Oil and Gas, Waste Management, Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, Environment



The best female graduating student Samtochi Stella Amuche receiving a hand shake from the Pro-chancellor, Sen. Jack Tilleey Gyado

Management, and equipment fabrication etc. and assured that the state government was committed to the recovery of all FUTO lands encroached upon by land grabbers. He advised the graduands against the abuse of dangerous drugs that have kept the youth mentally deranged.

In his own speech, the FUTO Governing Council Chairman, Senator Jack Tilleey Gyad, assured that the council would take up issues of dearth of infrastructural facilities, crippling paucity of funds, manpower trainings as well as closer interface with intervention agencies, staff, and students' welfare.

Senator Gyado also solicited the valued assistance of the President, through the Minister for Education, to kindly consider the payment of N3 billion promised FUTO as relocation grant since the university relocated from Lake

Nwaebere Campus in 1993.

Earlier, in her address, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oti said that her vision for the institution was to lead the specific and technological transformation of the nation through excellence in teaching, research, innovation

and community service as well as producing world-class graduates, patents and indigenous solutions to local, national and global problems facing the world.



The graduating students in procession

She said acknowledging the fact that federal university students don't pay tuition fees, rather, a token for 'municipal services', it had become imperative for FUTO under her reign to think

outside the box on how best to fund the developmental strides of the University. She, therefore, solicited for supports from well-spirited individuals and corporate bodies domiciled in Nigeria and beyond.

She disclosed that an overall total of 4,412 graduands were sent forth to the wider society at the 33rd Convocation Ceremony, in which 380 were postgraduate graduands.

The Vice-Chancellor equally disclosed that the Best Graduating Student was Osuigwe Chisom Henry of the Department of Electrical & Electronic Engineering (EEE) who graduated with an intimidating Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 4.96.

She also used the forum to commend a young female student, Somtochi Stella Amuche who broke the jinx by defying all odds to finish with first-class from Engineering, thereby

becoming the first female student to do so, describing her as a perfect definition of beauty with brain.

The Vice Chancellor also used

the avenue to outline the names of some members of Staff and Management who had won remarkable laurels for the University.

At the Convocation were Vice-Chancellors from sister universities, Members of the

National and State Assemblies, Captains of Industry, Lord spiritual and temporal as well as traditional rulers, friends and relatives of the graduating students



Rep. of the Visitor and Minister of State for Education, Hon. Chukwuemeka Nwajibu (7th left) in a group photograph with other principal officers of the University

## 20 Graduates with First Class at SAU Combined Convocations

Twenty students of the Samuel Adegboyega University (SAU), Ogwa, Edo State, last weekend, graduated with First Class degrees in the 2019/ 2020 and 2020/2021 academic sessions.

In his good will message at the Institution's 6th and 7th combined convocations for the conferment of, first degrees and presentation of prizes to the graduands, held at the University's Convocation Ground, the Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, stated that the world of today was a knowledge-based economy, where advancements were based principally on knowledge-intensive activities and where there were huge dependence on human capital and intellectual property for the generation of information and innovative ideas.

On this premise, he advised the

graduates never to stop learning and thinking of how to add value



Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed  
Executive Secretary, NUC





to their world. He added that by virtue of the training, they had been released as great ambassadors of their alma mater and the nation at large and wished them well in their future endeavours.

Represented by the Acting Director, Inspection and Monitoring, Mrs. Lydia Imorua, the Executive Secretary remarked that the last 10 years since Samuel Adegboyega University was licensed, it had gone through its own trying moments, explaining that the early years of a university was teething and commended the University for being steadfast and for tackling its fair share of the teething challenges.

He noted with pride that from its initial low student enrolment, to sourcing adequate qualified faculty, and the never-ending challenge of inadequate funding, to mention just a few, SAU had continued to grow in leaps and bounds.

He commended the vision and dedication of the founding fathers, the Apostolic Church of Nigeria, the efforts of the Board of Trustees, Governing Council, and the commitment of the University Management under the leadership of the Vice-Chancellor, for the successes recorded so far.

He reminded the University that convocation was an exciting time, not only in the life of the graduating students, but across the entire university, that marked an ending and a beginning of a new era. He added that it was an end to years of sacrifice in a bid to mould or become the perfect student and a

beginning of a new life for a new set of graduates, as they navigate the world, armed with the knowledge they have acquired.

He similarly commended the University for creating the ambience for academic productivity and international recognition, and for sustaining the university tradition and culture, based on merit in order



Mrs. Lydia Imorua  
Rep. of the Visitor and Director, Inspection and Monitoring

to strengthen its capacity for development and research capabilities.

Prof. Rasheed congratulated the parents and guardians of the graduating students for choosing to give their children and wards access to the best form of education available in Nigeria today, stressing that it must be a proud moment for them seeing their sacrifices come to fruition.

To the graduating students, the Executive Secretary congratulated them for

successfully completing their studies in the University and for achieving various feats. He reminded them they have their destiny in their hands and admonished them to chase their dreams without stopping.

According to him, “The provision or quality education to our teeming youths in this country is a service which requires innovations, as well as

long term investments in infrastructure and other facilities, to enable a conducive learning environment in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.”

“Universities must, therefore, be creative in offering sustainable and cost effective solutions to the myriad of challenges confronting University Education in Nigeria, including most especially the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic that is ravaging the world.”

He assured that NUC would continue to provide the required support, while monitoring the

activities of universities to ensure that students and their sponsors get good value for their investments.

In his speech, the Chairman, Board of Trustees (BoT), Prof. Samson A. Fatokun recalled that



Prof. Peter Okebukola  
Pro-Chancellor and Chairman  
of the University Council

the sixth convocation was postponed due to Covid-19, though the University had the capacity to host it online, but had to respect the preference of parents and students to celebrate it along with the seventh edition.

He stated that the University had, in the last 10 years witnessed good progress, evident in some laudable achievements such as consistent record of accreditation with 18 programmes in undergraduate category, to the approval of 13 programmes at the postgraduate levels across three colleges, SAU, he said, had continued to produce well-trained graduates ready for the labour market. He added that a matching record of excellent academic enterprise had been achieved consistently, with seven graduating sets that have been and being celebrated by the university

from 2015 till date.

He also mentioned that SAU had continued to advance on its programmes with the establishment of the College of Law that had earned approval from the NUC, while approval for its commencement of 11 programmes from its existing accredited courses was granted in 2020. The University, he said, had also introduced blended learning platform for online teaching, which kept the students busy during the Covid-19 pandemic between March and October, 2020.

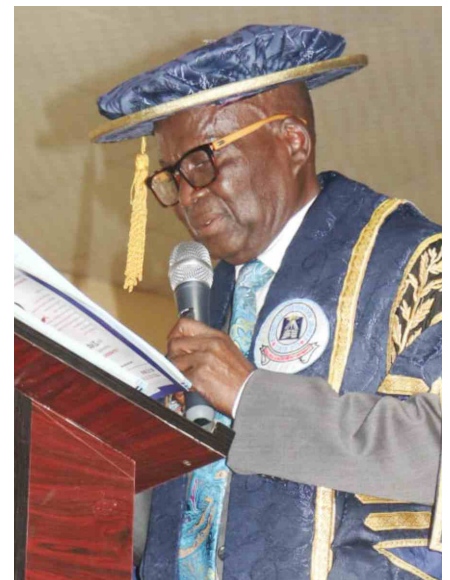
The institution had also made steady progress in staff development through local and overseas training, with a number of staff participating in several NUC capacity building programmes for Directors of Academic Planning and the Module 2 of the Virtual Institute for Capacity in Higher Education, anchored by its Pro-Chancellor, Prof Peter Okebukola.

He commended the management and staff for successfully organizing a legacy Public Lecture for immediate past Executive Secretary of NUC, Emeritus Prof. Julius Amioba Okojie, OON, in July 2021 and the third Inaugural Lecture delivered by Prof. Ezekiel ShegunAsemah on 24th September, 2021, and several other conferences within the year.

In his remarks, the Pro-Chancellor, Prof. Peter

Okebukola, paid tributes to the pioneer Board of Trustees and Governing Council led by the Overseer (Dr.) Ebenezer Olusola Okebukola, JP and Elder (Dr.) Bisi Ogunjobi, OON, respectively, both who laid the foundation upon which God was helping the university team to build. He noted that the University was blessed with Prof. A. Babatunde Idowu, the Vice-Chancellor, describing him as a man of integrity and impeccable character and always willing to serve and learn. He also thanked God for the convocation lecturer, Prof. Charles Ayo, who was one of Africa's best in Computer Science.

He applauded the Ogwa kingdom, the host of the University and especially, the King, His Royal Highness, Zaiki Victor Agbonmhenre Ehizojie II and all sons and daughters of the community have remained



Pastor Dr E.S Awojide  
Chancellor .

committed to human capital development.



He congratulated the graduating students who were wearing happy faces for the day, reminding them



Prof Babatunde Idowu  
Vice-Chancellor of the University

that they had gone through the crucible of quality training at SAU to be conferred with their various degrees. He prayed that the achievements would just be a stepping stone to a giant leap to greater heights. He similarly applauded the staff, parents, family and friends for the quality of education given to those who were graduating and said the God of heaven would reward them for their efforts.

Prof Okebukola noted that the University have done well in the last 10 years graduating 573 students, who were easily among the best in Nigeria, projecting that by 20th anniversary, several SAU graduates would be found among the top management staff of UN organisations, leaders of industry and the private sector in Nigeria and in 30 years, the Vice-Chancellors of top federal and state universities in Nigeria.

He disclosed that since the inauguration of his Council, God had helped them to develop a four-year strategic plan on which the activities of Council would be based and measured. He said the key strategic goals in the plan included significant improvement in enrolment; significant improvement in the quality of delivery of the curriculum and the number and quality of facilities; establishment of a Distance Learning Centre; and increase in the number of academic programmes in response to national and global demands. He added that the strategic plan included training the students in the way of the Lord and in sounds the Apostolic Church doctrines so that when they graduate, they would not depart from it.

He appreciated the entire membership of LAWNA territory for generously supporting the University with funds to mitigate its challenges, assuring the NUC that with the soon to be launched Core Curriculum and Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) in the 17 disciplines of the Nigerian University System (NUS), SAU would show leadership in the process of preparing students for the effective delivery of the CCMAS.

In his Convocation Address, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Idowu, highlighted some of the accomplishments to include the inauguration of the new board of trustees and governing council

led by Prof Okebukola and other distinguished Nigerians.

He said one of the major successes was the introduction of new academic programmes since the university's last convocation in 2019, with all of the programmes earning Full accreditation status and making it comparable to other universities in the country.

On scholarship awards, he noted that the founder, The Apostolic Church Nigeria, LAWNA Territory, had approved tuition free scholarship for some of the undergraduate programmes in the University, commencing from 2021/2022 academic session. Some of them were 100 per cent tuition free while some were 50 percent. He listed some of the programmes to include



Pastor Prof. Samson Fatokun  
Chairman, Board of Trustees,

Bachelor of Arts Degrees in Philosophy, Religious Studies, Bachelor of Science Degrees in

Statistics, Physics and Mathematics.

On its Corporate Responsibility,



Cross section of graduands

the University had the core mandate of commitment to serving humanity, care for people, and improvement in annual scholarship programme for indigene of the host community, despite limited resources. He stated that about 20 indigent students who were natives of Ogwa in the COMMUNITY School sponsored for their WAEC in 2020 and 2020. Besides, the University had strengthened capacity by sending some lecturers to teach in the Community Secondary School through its volunteer scheme, while some students and pupils were given free school uniforms tagged "Uniform the Child".

On the graduate output, the Vice-Chancellor highlighted that a total of 101 students graduated in the 2019/2020 session, with 31 in the College of Basic and Applied Sciences; 11 in Humanities and 59 in the College of Management and

Social Sciences. Out of these, six (5.9%) made First Class; 45 (44.6%) with Second Class Upper Division and nine

(8.9%) with Third Class. For the 2020/2021 session, 41 were in the College of Basic and Applied Sciences; nine in Humanities and 57 in the College of Management and Social Sciences. Out of these,



More graduands

14 (13.1%) made First Class; 47 (44.6%) with Second Class Upper Division and 42 (39.2%), Second Class Lower Division and four (3.7%) with

Third Class.

He noted that SAU had been doing well in Research and Innovation, as the University through its Department of Biological Sciences and Chemical Sciences had embarked upon research improving the preparation and presentation of some staple foods in the community by experimenting on a more refined technique of producing fufu or emah by adding proteins in the process.

He acknowledged that the University had been contending with inadequate funding needed for expansion of its programmes and activities and appealed to well-meaning friends to assist and support it for more meaningful progress.

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temporal as well as traditional rulers, friends and relatives of the graduating students.



# Dr. Ramon-Yusuf Bows out of NUC

The Deputy Executive Secretary (DES), Academics, National Universities Commission (NUC), Dr. Suleiman Babatunde Ramon-Yusuf has bowed out of the National Universities Commission (NUC), after successfully transferring his services to the Veterinary Department of the University of Abuja to continue as an academic.

At a brief ceremony hosted by his colleagues and staff of the NUC at the Commission's Idris Abdulkadir Auditorium, Abuja, the Executive Secretary, Prof. Adamu Abubakar Rasheed, MFR, FNAL, in his remarks, said he was glad to be present at the send-forth programme because of his respect for the person of Dr. Ramon-Yusuf. He described the former DES as a nice, very good, committed, disciplined and an extremely intelligent man, who NUC sees as great pillar and a strategic adviser. He added that the celebrant was someone not difficult to understand when you draw close to him, as he always wanted the right things to be done in the right way.

He explained that the outgoing DES was like a goalkeeper in his own right for the Commission and a world class one which NUC had lost, both as a 'goalkeeper and striker'. He also described him also as a no nonsense man, who does not compromise, saying NUC would miss his direct services but would gain from him

indirectly since he was still in the system now as an external member of the Strategy Advisory Committee (SRADVCOM). He said as human beings there would always be times for agreement and disagreement, reminding



Dr. Suleiman Ramon-Yusuf  
DES, NUC

the celebrant that the fact that nearly all the Directors were available at the event was a testimony of the respect they all accord him. He noted that Dr. Ramon-Yusuf was one man that was a repository of knowledge that concerned NUC in general whether within or outside of the NUC-wide activity.

He particularly recounted that the DES Academics was a crusader of e-learning system and symbolized that in NUC and even beyond the shores of Nigeria with his vast knowledge

of ICT. He stated that the relationship between NUC and the University of London on Open Distance and E-learning platform was facilitated by him. He said the NUC appreciated the services rendered by him in the course of his duties and would

continue to call on people like him into the services of the Commission.

In his remarks, the Deputy Executive Secretary, Administration (NUC), Mr. Chris Maiyaki said Dr. Suleiman Ramon-Yusuf was leaving NUC as a fulfilled man. He recalled that he came in from the Nigerian University System (NUS) and applied himself fully throughout his trajectory of service at the NUC and the system. He stated that if there was any institutional authority to

look back on, Dr. Ramon-Yusuf was one to focus on with pride. He said life was such that no could control as the DES was incidentally finding himself back to where he started it all.

He noted that time would not allow him to catalogue the several achievements of Dr. Ramon-Yusuf, pointing out however, that he had lived a very productive and impactful life and work ethics in the NUC and NUS. He said he drew so many inspirations and the

character and was one with qualitative service and very particular about no one undermining the role of NUC in the NUS. He said jocularly that the fear of the DES was the beginning of wisdom as even beyond the shores of the Commission that he left functionality and a qualitative service.

He said Dr. Ramon-Yusuf was just changing roles momentarily “like footballers,” to University

He said the celebrant as a student then, he visualized as a genius, with knack for neatness and much disciplined student, which he had carried up till date.

Similarly the Directors of: Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU), Mrs. Constance Goddy-Nnadi; Accreditation (DA), Dr. Mrs. Maryam Sali; Executive Secretary’s Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi; and former DES Administration, Mr. Akingbode



The celebrant in a group photograph 6th left with Prof. Rasheed 7th left and other members of the Commission

lessons of consistency, saying that anyone who had known him could revere him as someone who was [passionate and disciplined with his works. He said the former Deputy Executive Secretary, Academics, was never economical with his candour both at the management meetings and in the discharge of his assignments within the NUS as a courageous officer.

He said Dr. Ramon-Yusuf was not lacking in purpose and strength of

of Abuja and prayed for good health and wished him well as he moves to continue his career.

In a goodwill message, NUC Director, Academic Planning (DAP), Dr. Noel Saliu, recounted his first journey with the former DES Academics, as far back as 1976, as a form one student in Government Secondary School Okene, and endeared him as a friend since then before their parts crossed once more in the Commission.

Agbaoye, would be remembered for his wise strands, influence on the job, hard work, teachable abilities, commitment and integrity, to the delivery of his duties.

Many others that spoke, including the Deputy Director, e-learning in the Directorate of Open Distance and E-learning (DODEL), Mrs. Hadiza Ramallan, unanimously described him as someone very smart, tough and yet frank and



straightforward no matter whose ox is gored. They all prayed for his good health and God's protection as he leaves the Commission.

In his response, the former DES Academics, who was visibly overjoyed and overwhelmed with emotions, thanked the staff for their generosity and considering it appropriate to celebrate his little efforts in the NUC, praying that the goodwill they had shown him

will continue to follow them in their own time.

He recalled that God had helped him work with Prof Rasheed who was a humane man and made impressions that influenced him to become changed considerably and more tolerant of people.

Dr. Ramon-Yusuf described his journey as very good and

pleasant with fond memories that could hardly be erased, acknowledging that God had also been kind to him. He said he was only moving back to his original calling as a teacher and urged all staff of the Commission to carry themselves high as NUC was an extremely reputable and descent oragnisation to work for.



The celebrant in a group photograph 6th left with Prof. Rasheed 7th left and other members of the Commission

## *...His Profile*

Dr. Ramon-Yusuf holds the degrees of Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), Master of Science (Environmental Toxicology), Master of Business Administration (MBA) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Environmental Toxicology and has received extensive specialized training in the areas of Quality Assurance; Open Distance and E-learning in many parts of the world including the UNESCO International Institute

for Educational Planning (IIEP), in Paris and the Institute for Socio-Cultural Studies (ISOS) of the University of Kassel, Witzenhausen, Germany where he participated in the University Staff Development (UNISTAFF) programme in 2002 and earned a Postgraduate Certificate in Quality Assurance and Curriculum Development.

He began his career in NUC in 1997 as Assistant Chief Academic Planning Officer and Programme Officer for Veterinary Medicine, after switching his services from the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria, Nigeria, where he earlier worked from 1987 till the transfer.

In the course of his career in the Commission, he had traversed all the technical departments-

Academic planning, (Academic Planning & Research) Quality Assurance, Inspection & Monitoring; Open and Distance Education; and Research & Innovation. His work experience covers the entire gamut of the Commission's mandate as he rose steadily through the ranks culminating in his promotion to the rank of Deputy Director and Head, undergraduate Quality Assurance Division in the Department of Quality Assurance in 2005.

Following the creation of the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Division in the Commission in the wake of the Education sector reforms in 2007, Dr. Ramon-Yusuf was deployed to set up the new Division which was charged with the responsibility for Quality Assurance of Open & Distance Learning and Cross-border Higher Education provisions. In this capacity, he initiated, organized and coordinated the development of "Guidelines for Open and Distance Learning in Nigerian Universities" and "Guidelines for cross-border provision of university education in Nigeria".

Having brought his vast knowledge and wealth of experience to bear in the discharge of his duties especially in ODL, the aftermath of the

upgrading of the erstwhile ODL division to a full-fledged Department of Open and Distance Education by the Board of the Commission on 26th July 2011 gave him the edge to be appointed Acting Director on 1st August 2011, a position he held until his appointment as substantive pioneer Director, Open and Distance Education on 24th October 2013. Dr. Ramon-Yusuf was re-assigned to the Department of Research and Innovation as its Director on 29th October, 2014.

Following the upgrade of the erstwhile Department of Information and Communication Technology (DICT) with the Department of Research and Innovation to an enlarged amalgam - the Directorate of Research, Innovation & Information Technology (DRI&IT) in 2017, Dr. Ramon-Yusuf served as the Director of the new Directorate, a position he occupied until this new appointment.

The former DES, a leading expert on Quality Assurance in Higher Education in Africa, has published articles, monographs, book chapters and presented several papers on Quality Assurance and Open Distance and e-learning

(ODeL) and also has many published in a number of scientific publications in peer-reviewed journals in his core area of environmental reproductive toxicology especially on the effects of pre-natal exposure to pesticide combinations on the development of unborn fetuses and their post-partum reproductive development and performance.

At the conclusion of the first tenure of the present Executive Secretary, Prof Rasheed, on August 3rd, 2021, he was Acting Executive Secretary of the Commission between the period until the 26th of August, 2021, when the Executive Secretary was re-appointed.

He is a member of many Professional Associations including, Nigerian Veterinary Medical Association; Individual member of the African Council for Distance Education (ACDE), the International Council for Distance Education (ICDE) and Society of Research Administrators International (SRAI).

Dr. Ramon-Yusuf, who was born in Lagos, Nigeria on 8th November, 1961 is married and blessed with a daughter and a son.



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The Vice-Chancellors,  
All Nigerian Universities

## DOCTOR OF PHARMACY (PHARM. D) PROGRAMME IN NIGERIAN UNIVERSITIES

The attention of the National Universities Commission has been drawn to the anomaly identified with the Bachelor of Pharmacy (B. Pharm) and Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm. D) programmes in some Nigerian Universities.

The Executive Secretary has therefore directed that I convey to the Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities as follows:

1. The B. Pharm and Pharm. D are two separate degrees programmes awarded in the Nigerian University System. The duration for the award of the B. Pharm degree is 5 academic sessions and 6 academic sessions for Pharm.D through the UTME entry mode. Prior to 2015, Universities have been awarding the B. Pharm which is still obtainable and approved by the NUC. However, in a bid to expand the Pharmacy profession to incorporate pharmaceutical care and accommodate clinical demand within the Nigerian educational system, the Pharm. D programme was introduced.
2. The Philosophy behind the establishment of Pharm.D programme in Nigerian Universities is

*“to provide students with a broad balanced foundation in all the areas of Pharmaceutical Knowledge to further equip them with the ability to apply Pharmaceutical knowledge in health care delivery system; acquire professional skills to identify and resolve drug related problems and to impact to the students, a comprehensive knowledge of Pathophysiology, Therapeutics, Pharmacokinetics and Toxicology among several other aims and objectives”.*

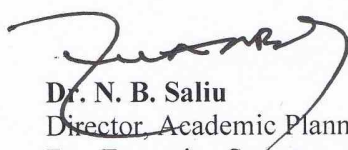
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3. To this end, it is necessary to clarify to all Nigerian Universities that;
- i. B. Pharm and Pharm. D are the two distinct degrees awarded under the Pharmacy discipline and not to be interchanged;
  - ii. B. Pharm and Pharm. D are both undergraduate programmes;
  - iii. B. Pharm does not serve as a bridge to the award of Pharm. D;
  - iv. Conversion programmes or top-up aimed at upgrading B. Pharm to Pharm.D is not approved by the Commission; and
4. In view of the foregoing and for the avoidance of doubts, it is illegal for any University to run conversion programmes from B. Pharm to Pharm. D.
5. The table below shows the Universities the National Universities Commission has granted approval to run the Pharm D. program.

S/N	UNIVERSITY	YEAR OF ESTABLISHMENT
1	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti	2019
2	Bauchi State University, Gadau, Bauchi State	2020
3	Bayero University Kano, Kano State	2015
4	Federal University Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2019
5	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2019
5	University of Benin, Benin City, Edo State	2019
6	University of Calabar, Cross River State	2020
8	University of Ibadan, Ibadan, Oyo State	2019
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin, Kwara State	2019
10	University of Jos, Plateau State	2018
11	University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Enugu State	2018
12	University of Uyo, Akwa Ibom State	2020

Please accept the assurances of the Executive Secretary's best regards.

  
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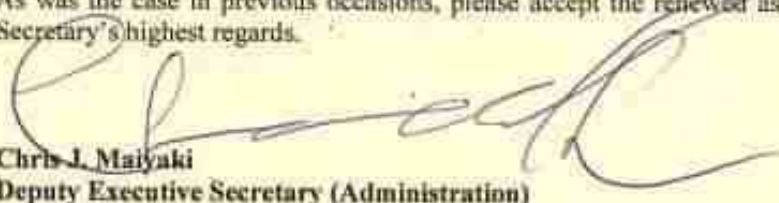
**RE: SECOND WAVE OF COVID-19: STAY-AT-HOME DIRECTIVE TO GL 12 OFFICERS AND BELOW**

I write at the behest of the Executive Secretary to inform the Vice-Chancellors of all Nigerian Universities, that the Federal Government has, vide the attached Circular HCSF/3065/Vol.1/47 and dated 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2020, issued by the Office of the Head of the Civil Service of the Federation, directed that Officers on Grade Level 12 and below should stay at home for a period of five weeks, effective from Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020.

Vice-Chancellors are to please note that the directive is part of the measures approved by Mr. President to mitigate the second wave of Coronavirus (COVID-19) infections in the country. The affected Officers are expected to perform their duties from home while those on GL 13 and above should strictly adhere to the extant preventive measures including maintenance of physical distancing, regular washing of hands and/or sanitizing of hands, wearing of face masks and reducing the number of visitors to offices. A copy of the Circular is attached for proper guidance and for Vice-Chancellors to ensure full compliance with the directives of the Federal Government, as appropriate.

I am to add that, in line with the directives of the Presidential Task Force (PTF) on COVID-19 on Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2020, all academic activities, involving large crowds (e.g. classrooms, hostel accommodation, conferences and seminars), should be suspended whilst the Universities remain closed during this intervening period, pending further directives by the Federal Government on the reopening of schools.

As was the case in previous occasions, please accept the renewed assurances of the Executive Secretary's highest regards.

  
Chris J. Maiyaki  
Deputy Executive Secretary (Administration)  
For: Executive Secretary



## FME SAFETY GUIDELINES ON SCHOOL RE-OPENING

- Safe distancing procedures
- Develop and display at schools, simple context-specific reference protocols on day to day actions to be operated in each school.
- Conduct risk assessment with a view to understanding the gaps in the system that can increase the risk of transmission and make recommendations for addressing the gaps
- Safety and hygiene in all stages and phases of the school reopening process, which promotes behaviors that reduce spread, such as school commutes (to and from school traveling), safe distancing, frequent hand washing and the use of facemasks.
- Other guiding frameworks include sensitization and monitoring procedures.
- Ensure adequate Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) facilities across the school premises
- Encouraging the use of open spaces for gathering and promoting outdoor activities.
- There should be regular temperature checks For all the visitors coming into the schools using infrared thermometers.
- Establish a staff/students committee for regular surveillance, monitoring, and enforcement of COVID-19 guidelines.





## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

# Approved Open University and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

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

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Fourteen 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. 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.

### 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

**Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed**, *mni, MFR, FNAL*  
Executive Secretary, NUC  
Announcer



## FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

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

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





# LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

## PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan Remo	1999	35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2009	70	Spiritana University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017
2	Madonna University, Okija	1999	36	Nile University of Nigeria, Abuja	2009	71	Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017
3	Igbinedion University, Okada	1999	37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State	2009	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Portharcourt, River State	2017
4	Bowen University, Iwo	2001	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017
5	Covenant University, Ota	2002	39	Rhema University, Aba	2009	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2017
6	Pan-Atlantic University, Lagos	2002	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	75	Skyline University, Nigeria Kano State	2018
7	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City	2002	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	76	Greenfield University, Kasarami Kaduna State	2019
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola	2003	42	Baze University, Abuja	2011	77	Dominion University, Ibadan Oyo State	2019
9	Redeemers University, Ede, Osun State	2005	43	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011	78	Trinity University, Laloko Ogun State	2019
10	Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo	2005	44	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011	79	Westland University, Iwo Osun State	2019
11	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin	2005	45	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	80	Topfaith University, Mkpatak, Akwa Ibom State	2021
12	Caritas University, Amorji-Nke, Enugu	2005	46	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	81	Thomas Adewumi University, Oko Irese, Kwara State	2021
13	Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	47	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	82	Maranatha University, Mgbidi, Imo State	2021
14	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005	48	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012	83	Ave-Maria University, Piyanko, Nasarawa State	2021
15	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005	49	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012	84	Al-Istqama University, Sumaila, Kano State	2021
16	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005	50	Augustine, University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	85	Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State	2021
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	86	Havilla University, Nde-Ikom, Cross River State	2021
18	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	87	Claretian University, Nekede, Imo State	2021
19	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State	2015	88	Karl Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State	2021
20	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005	54	Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State	2015	89	Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State	2021
21	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	55	Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owrode, Delta State	2015	90	James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
22	University of Mkar, Mkar, Benue State	2005	56	Mountain Top University, Ogun State	2015	91	Maryam Abacha American University Of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2021
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State	2015	92	Capital City University, Kano, Kano State	2021
24	Caleb University, Lagos	2007	58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015	93	Ahman Pategi University, Patigi, Kwara State	2021
25	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007	59	Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015	94	University Of Offa, Offa, Kwara State.	2021
26	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007	60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015	95	Mewar International University Nigeria, Masaka, Nasarawa State	2021
27	Salem University, Lokoja	2007	61	Anchor University, Ayobo, Lagos State	2016	96	Edusoko University, Bida, Niger State	2021
28	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	62	Arthur Jarvis University, Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016	97	Philomath University, Kuje, Abuja	2021
29	Veritas University, Abuja	2007	63	Clifford University, Owerri, Abia State	2016	98	Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021
30	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo	2007	64	Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State	2016	99	Anan University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021
31	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007	65	Crown Hill University, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016			
32	The Achievers University, Owo	2007	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016			
33	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja	2007	67	Koladaisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016			
34	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2009	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016			
			69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017			



# NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

## *PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT*

### List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY  
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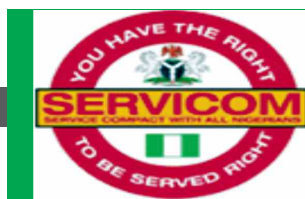


# This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
ROTIMI	OLUMIDE	MAJEKODUNMI	06 December
BONIFACE	CHEKWUBECHUKWU	ODUM	08 December
DAVID	ONWE	EGWURUBE	08 December
JIME	ADAMU	MOHAMMED	08 December
ADAKU	SHIRLEY	OBIJURU	09 December
UGOCHUKWU	ANDREW	EZEOPA	09 December
MUHAMMAD	AKAWU-DANRANGI		10 December
ABDUL-RAHEEM	MUSA	AHMAD	11 December
GABRIEL	ITIYEMEKA	ODAMA	11 December
RASHEED	ADENIYI	MUSTAPHA	12 December
IZEHIUWA		ASABOR	12 December
GARBA		ABDULLAHI	12 December
OGHOGHO	HAUWA	SULEIMAN-ILEMONO	12 December

*Wishing You Many happy returns!*  
*Best Wishes for the week*



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 DO YOUR BIT TO MOVE THE  
 COMMISSION TO GREATER HEIGHTS

*Dress Well and Earn  
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 Courtesy: Directorate of Human Resources

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