

## Minister Seeks N74b Supplementary Budget to Complete National Library

The Honourable Minister of Education Mallam Adamu Adamu has called on the National Assembly to initiate a supplementary budget of seventy four billion naira for the completion of the National Library.

Speaking during the 2019 budget defense of the Federal Ministry of Education at the Senate Committee on Tertiary Education and TETFund, he said that the National Library should be a source of pride and not a project to be abandoned.

He called on the Senate Committee Chairman and his members to be the vanguard for the completion of the project and to draw the attention of government to it.

According to the Minister, the construction of the National

Library started in 2006 with an initial completion period of 22 months but was yet to be completed due to inadequate budgetary provisions over the

naira was proposed, stating “this amount is grossly inadequate to complete the complex.”

He said that other challenging



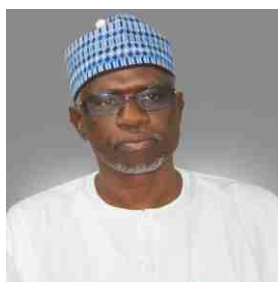
Senate committee Chairman on Tertiary Education and TETFund, Senator Jibrin Barau and Hon. Minister of Education, Mal. Adamu Adamu

years.

He revealed that in 2017, the sum of 475 Million naira was appropriated to the complex while in 2018, 566.9 Million

factors facing the education sector included salary shortfall, promotion arrears and earned academic allowances, adding that the major cause of dispute between the staff union and

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government was the recurring shortfall in salaries, promotion arrears and huge backlog of unpaid earned academic allowance for both teaching and non-teaching staff of our tertiary institutions.

He believed that the problems could be addressed through adequate provisions in the recurrent budget while noting that plans steps were underway to minimize incidence and ensure effective governance and prudent management of resources in the education sector.

Mallam Adamu Adamu drew the attention of the Senators on the need to revitalise the decaying infrastructure in the tertiary institutions.

He said that most of the tertiary institutions were in deplorable condition with huge shortage in terms of facilities, poor maintenance culture and absence of modern equipment for teaching and learning.

He added that the immediate needs of these institutions (universities, polytechnics and colleges of education) had been articulated by all stakeholders and they would all benefit from the government's desire for

improvement in funding for education sector.

children, youth and adult literacy, Science, Technology,



Senator Clifford Odiah and Senator Jibrin Barau during the 2019 Budget defence

The Minister said that the main thrust of Nigerians Education Policy was the provision of qualitative and inclusive education to all its citizens as encapsulated in the Education For Change: A Ministerial Strategic Plan document.

He said towards this, efforts shall be intensified to improve access and quality of teaching and learning in the nation's school system. It would also strengthen institutions within the sector to render their services more responsively in line with the aspirations of all Nigerians.

The Ministry's interventions targeted 10 thematic areas that includes: out of school

Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and Technical, Vocational Education and Training (TVET); Teacher Education, Capacity Building and Professional Development. Others are Curriculum and Policy Matters; Tertiary Education, Education Data Planning; Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Education as well as Library Services in Education.

The Minister listed the key projects and programmes to be implemented in the 2019 fiscal year to include: conduct of verification exercise to ascertain the number of out-of- school children on state by state basis (and to disaggregate same to Local Government Areas);



reactivation of vocational training for out- of- school children; establishment of learner-friendly mass literacy centres; construction and rehabilitation of classrooms, laboratories and other infrastructure and provision of instructional materials, especially curricular and copies of minimum standard to enhance access and quality at all levels.

He mentioned other target areas to include scaling up of public private partnership in education; developing and installation of ICT software and latest technology in

and distribution of mobile devices (tablets) to 776 LGAs, to enhance data collection and procurement of equipment and teaching aids for TVET.

Giving an overview of the education sector in 2018, the Honourable Minister said that it was a trying period for the education sector due to the strike action embarked upon by various staff unions in all the tiers of Nigeria's tertiary education sector.

Within the period, the Minister highlighted that the Ministry also engaged State Governors under the auspices of the

Nigerian education sector.

He said that some of the successes recorded included, extracting a commitment from the State Governors to allocate not less than 15% of their annual budget to the education sector; the adoption of a deadline of December, 2019, as timeline to ensure that only qualified teachers were engaged in classrooms across the country.

Malam Adamu Adamu revealed that a proposal was before the National Assembly to extend the retirement age of primary and secondary school teachers from 60 – 65 years. There was also the proposed upscaling of tenure of



L-R: Representative of the ES, NUC, DES, Barr. Victor Onouha; DFA, Mr. Sam Onazi and DCC, Mr. Ibrahim Usman Yakasai at the Hearing

schools to fast track examinations and result processing as well as facilitating learning; procuring

National Economic Council (NEC) with the view to securing their active participation in reversing the fortunes of the

service from 35 – 40 years. In addition, was an enhanced remuneration package for teachers to ensure that the nation





attracted and retained the best brains in its educational system. In the proposal was also the need to liaise with the state governments, through a robust platform to ensure proper data gathering and sharing to improve educational planning and reporting.

The Education Minister explained that the education

The Minister also noted that the Ministry had proposed additional disbursement of N70bn to bring the total allocation to the sector to the sum of N115bn, compared to the N102bn, appropriated in 2018.

He asserted that the current envelope allocation of N45bn was a total departure and

proposed was N621bn, out of which N540bn was for Personnel Cost and Overhead of N34bn, bringing the total recurrent to 573.2 billion naira and Capital expenditure of N47.3bn.

For the universities, the proposed Personnel Cost was N260bn, Overhead Cost of N5bn, totaling N 2 6 5 b n a s R e c u r r e n t Expenditures, while Capital



L-R: Perm Sec. FME, Arch. Sunny Echono; Registrar, JAMB, Prof. Ishaq Oloyede, DG NBTE, Dr. Mas'ud Kazaure; ES, NCCE Prof. Bappa Aliyu Muhammadu and DG, National Library, Prof. L.O. Aina

sector needed more funding to achieve meaningful impact in the nation's developmental drive. He said additional funds when approved shall be applied substantially to the provision of infrastructure, recruitment and training of teachers and provision of learning materials. He stated that focus shall be placed on the adoption of ICT and digital learning as well as TVET.

negative variance of N57bn to the 2018 appropriation of N102bn. He, however, assured the distinguished Senators that if the sum of 115 billion naira would be approved in 2019, meaningful impact would be achieved in all tiers of the education system.

Giving a breakdown of the 2019 appropriation bill for the education sector, the Minister explained that the total amount

expenditure was allocated N6.11bn, bringing the total projection to N271bn.

He expressed confidence that the implementation of the 2019 budget as proposed in the budget proposal for the education sector would give a new leap to the sector. This, according to him, would facilitate the achievement of the objectives of moving the education sector to greater heights.

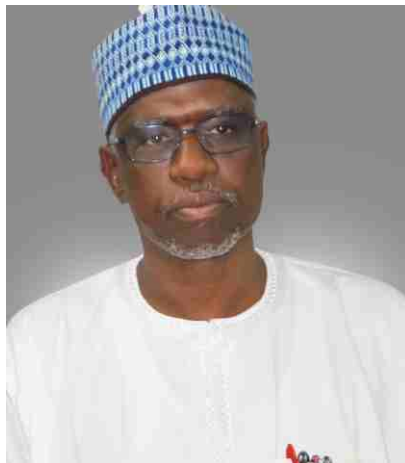


## .....Rasheed Defends NUC 2019 Budget

In his presentation on the Budget of the NUC, the Executive Secretary, Prof. Abubakar Adamu Rasheed represented by the DES, Barr. Victor Onuoha reviewed the Capital Budget performance of NUC between 2015-2018, Internally Generated Revenue (IGR) and 2019 Budget.

He said that the 2015 capital expenditure appropriated was 140 million naira and the total release was 70 million naira and actual drawn and utilised was 70 million naira while percentage of implementation was 50%.

Speaking on the 2017 budget performance, he revealed that 1.7 billion naira was appropriated, while 881



**Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed**  
Executive Secretary, NUC

million naira was released and “about the same amount was

actual drawn and utilised was 586 million naira. The percentage released and utilisation is 50%.

He also gave the summary of 2019 Budget Proposal where the breakdown showed that about N1,560,792,178.38 was proposed for personnel cost and N737,540,848.90 for overhead. The capital grant proposal is N1,426,591,159.74.

Prof. Rasheed said that, the commission was projecting an internally generated revenue of N79,687,500.00 for 2019.



**Cross section of Stakeholders at the Hearing**

For 2016 about 1.3 billion naira was appropriated mainly for Nigerian Research and Education Network (NgREN) projects, out of which 500 million naira was released and 378 million naira was drawn and utilised, percentage level of implementation was 48%, he said.

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The breakdown of 2018 performance capital report showed that 1.4 billion naira was appropriated for various projects. Total release was about 586 million naira, while

He solicited for the cooperation of the senate towards the achievement of the commission's goals and the advancement of Nigerian University System.

The DES was accompanied by DFA, Mr. Sam Onazi and DCC, Mal. Ibrahim Usman Yakasai



# Varsity Libraries, Hub of Academic Institutions

## — Prof Rasheed

The libraries remained the hub upon which the Nigerian University System (NUS) thrive and revolve as academic institutions. The Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Professor Abubakar Adamu Rasheed, mni, MFR, FNAL, has said.

Speaking at the 103rd Bi-annual conference and Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Association of University Libraries of Nigerian Universities (AULNU), the executive secretary, whose address was read by the Deputy Executive Secretary, Barr. Victor Onuoha, challenged universities' Librarians to articulate the challenges facing the libraries in their universities, with a view to providing solutions to same.

Professor Rasheed said that NUC was ready to always partner with the University Libraries to meet the objectives and aspirations to which AULNU was formed. He noted that such regular meetings would afford them opportunity to compare notes on ways to drive their libraries and wished the members fruitful deliberations.

In his welcome address, the Chairman of AULNU, Dr. O.O. Adedeji, said that university libraries support the system and that librarians are involved in the generation, management

that the general situation of Nigerian Universities Libraries remained precarious and was of serious concern.

He said how long the University



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed with the Chairman, AULNU, Dr. Okanlawon O. Adedeji

and dissemination of knowledge. This, he said, make the library an education development, all over the world, with Nigeria as no exception.

He lamented that University Libraries in Nigeria have been at the receiving ends in all the circumstances affecting the NUS, as according to him, most of the available libraries were in a state of doldrums. For this reason, it was imperative to state

Libraries would endure issues like low funding with serious impact on collection development: non subscription to good quality e-databases: non functional e-library facilities and services grossly

inadequate bandwidth: poor library infrastructure as well as inadequate quality library staff could hardly be imagined.

According to Dr. Adedeji, these







scenarios call for self examination and systemic analysis of the entire Nigerian University Libraries System vis-à-vis the operational environment, with the hope of

complete without a library.

He described it as the engine of a university system. A University Library, he said, was established, maintained and

functions performed by a University Library to include: procuring comprehensive range of documents including books, menu scripts, journals, magazines, news papers, etc, of



DES, NUC, Barr. Victor Onouha (3rd L); AULNU Chairman, Dr. O.O. Adedeji (4th L); Librarian, UniJos, Dr. Steven Akintunde; (1st L) Reps. of FCT Minister, Mrs. Sarah Jugai (4th R); Reps. of CEO, National Library, Mr. Paul Mamman (3rd R); Speaker, Mr. Owen Iyoha (2nd L); LOC Chairperson, Dr. R.I. Echezona (1st R)

identifying the inherent and common problems and the associated challenges.

He, however, commended NUC for ensuring standard and effective regulations of Nigerian Universities and the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFUND) for the release of Library interventions, but argued that AULNU was disturbed by the systematic yearly reductions of the allocations to libraries.

The Registrar and Chief Executive, National Library of Nigeria, Professor Lenrie Aina, in his Keynote Address titled “Repositioning the Nigerian University Libraries for Global Best Practices” said that a university can never be

administered by a university to meet the needs of its students and members of the academic staff, and therefore, a subsystem of a university system.

He stressed that for the Libraries to effectively operate in line with a university system as a subsystem and meet up with global best practices of academic libraries, they must perform some definite functions. He added that the primary function of a University Library was to bring together information or knowledge to those who were in need of information services that supported and enhanced teaching, learning and research.

Professor Aina listed the universally recognized basic

various subjects; organizing huge collection of documents kept in different sections on the basics of their categorizations like textbook section, reference section, journal section, thesis section; keeping the users updated with the library



Mrs. Sarah Jugai  
Reps. of FCT Minister

activities with the help of display of new arrivals, book exhibitions,



information bulletins about new library services and providing reverence services in order to establish contact



**Dr. O.O. Adedeji**  
addressing the audience

between the right reader and the right documents in a personal way.

trained staff; proliferated use of the internet and lack of sponsorship.

According to Professor Aina, to reposition the Nigerian University Libraries simply required taking measures that would transform them from their state of challenges into effective service delivery institutions. He posited that solving the issue demand on the librarians to adopt best practices in order to promote optimum utilization of the library facilities and services.

He further advocated that the following scenarios must naturally play out: new

traditional resources and new modes of study, including ICT-based and distance learning structures.

He argued that for academic libraries in Nigeria to flourish, they must focus on deployment of e-infrastructure, which remained the basis for global best practices in any information service delivery outfit. He advised the academic library administrators in the Nigerian Universities to deploy e-infrastructure that would provide effective learning and research environment as well as users empowerment with information competences.

The Minister of Federal Capital



**Dr. Adedeji presenting a plaque to Prof. Rasheed (5th and 6th L) in a group photograph with oth delegation**

He also enumerated some of the challenges facing the present day university library system as poor/inadequate funding; poor infrastructure; absence of digital and e-libraries; lack of properly re-

publication and scholarly communication; more intensive use and delivery of digital resources; serving increasingly heterogeneous students population; continuing high demand from students for

Territory (FCT), Mallam Muhammed Bello, represented by Mrs. Sarah Jugai, said that universities through the centuries had been the stronghold and repository of knowledge.





He distilled the library as the most important structure in the university system, noting that had a major role to play in the Nigerian Education Sector considering the declining reading culture in Nigeria. The e-library, the latest development, he said was the most welcomed because it encouraged the youths to be interested in reading.

The Minister stated that library facilities exist in Abuja for the residence of the city and urged the participants and first-time visitors to the city to explore the

available through, open access, open data, open source and open standard.

Other roles of Librarians included being custodians of institutions as intellectual knowledge through institutional repositories; playing important role as information manager; managing the collection, storage, sharing and dissemination of institutions research content and exposing content globally to increase visibility of users and their institutions.

urged his colleagues to rise up to their responsibilities, noting that academic qualification must be considered before appointing a Librarian because the job imposes certain challenges.

According to him, as a University Librarian, there were obstacles to navigate and bureaucratic bottlenecks to overcome like having to fight for the release of funds to get things done. He said that a new librarian must be willing to seek counsel from past University Librarians on the job. Dr Akintunde said every librarian must review his/her vision and



Cross section of participants

FCT archive, which was built in 1995.

General Manager of Eko Connect Research and Education Initiative, Mr. Owen Iyoha, made a short presentation and spoke on "Open Science for Sustainability: Role of Librarians and NRENs". He said that the role of a Librarian was to make information

He also noted that the NREN support Librarians in digitalising their content such as DOI publishing, providing hosted cloud service as well as training and capacity building for Librarians.

The University of Jos Librarian, Dr. Stephen Akintunde, stated that getting appointment as a Librarian was like navigating in the deep ocean. He therefore

mission statements, identifying methods, scan his/her environment and he/she must be ICT compliant.

He argued that the Librarian must also embark on formal and informal trainings for staff, become digitally savvy and be willing to get involved in AULNU affairs.

The Chairman, Local Organizing





Committee (LOC), Dr. Ifeoma Echezoba, in a vote of thanks appreciated all the invited guests and the sponsors, for making the event worthwhile. She prayed for journey mercies as each of them departs to their respective locations.

After the conference the leadership of AULNU, led by the Chairman Dr. Okanlawon O. Adedeji, which came to present the report of its Communiqué to the NUC Executive Secretary, informed him that the meeting considered several issues relating to repositioning of Nigerian University Libraries for global best practices.

He stressed that papers were presented on key issues bordering on Open Education Resources (OER) that targeted (open data, open science, open humanities) infrastructure as well as start up in library administration. He also told the executive secretary that the team came to present to him a copy of the Communiqué, with a view to also seeking his intervention on ones relevant to the NUC, as the University regulator.

Dr. Okanlawon, therefore urged Professor Rasheed to intervene in resolving some of the identified issues that continue to hinder

development of University libraries in the country.

He thanked the Executive Secretary for NUC's support and assistance towards the successful hosting of the Conference and for the

The high point of the event was the presentation of a plaque to the Executive Secretary for his meritorious service to the association and the University System at large.



Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar A. Rasheed receiving a plaque from the Chairman, AULNU, Dr. Okanlawon O. Adedeji

opportunity to interact with him.

Receiving a copy of the communiqué, Professor Rasheed assured them that the Commission would look at the issues raised and requiring its intervention and would act on it appropriately.

He advised them to ensure that recommendations from the meeting were duly implemented to commence the much needed reforms of the library system.

Present at the meeting were the NUC Deputy Executive Secretary, Barrister Victor Onuoha; Directors of Research, Innovation and Information Technology, Dr. Suleiman Ramon-Yusuf and Inspection and Monitoring, Mr. Boniface C. Odum. At the meeting was also the Deputy Director, Learning Resources, Dr. Margaret Mani Ekenna.

In the AULNU team include the Public Relations Officer, Dr. Jibril A. I Hassan and the Librarian of the Federal University, Otuoke, Professor Felicia E Etim.





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## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

### Approved Open Universities and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

**T**he 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





## NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

### RE: MORATORIUM ON PART-TIME PROGRAMMES

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 parttime 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, 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, Ebonyi 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, Umuaya, 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





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 Ajuru University of Education, Rivers State
5. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State
6. Ambrose Ali University, Ekpoma, Edo State
7. Enugu State University of Science & Technology, Enugu State
8. Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun, Ogun State
9. Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt
10. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State
11. Benue State University, Makurdi, Benue State
12. Niger Delta University, Yenagoa, Bayelsa State
13. Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos State
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.

**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. Wesley University of Science and Technology, Ondo, Ondo State
8. Fountain University, Osogbo

**Dr. Gidado Kumo**

Director, Academic Planning

For: Executive Secretary

## **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 parttime 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**



# LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

## FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	University of Ibadan, Ibadan	1948	16	Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola	1981	31	Federal University, Wukari, Taraba State	2011
2	University of Nigeria, Nsukka	1960	17	Federal University of Technology, Minna	1982	32	Federal University, Dutsin-Ma, Katsina State	2011
3	Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife	1962	18	Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna	1985	33	Federal University, Dutse, Jigawa State	2011
4	Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria	1962	19	University of Abuja, Abuja	1988	34	Federal University, Ndufu-Alike, Ebonyi State	2011
5	University of Lagos, Lagos	1962	20	Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi	1988	35	Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2011
6	University of Benin, Benin City	1970	21	University of Agriculture, Makurdi	1988	36	Federal University, Otuoke, Bayelsa	2011
7	Bayero University, Kano	1975	22	Federal University of Agriculture, Abeokuta	1988	37	The Nigeria Police Academy, Wudil, Kano State	2012
8	University of Calabar, Calabar	1975	23	University of Uyo, Uyo	1991	38	Federal University, Birnin-Kebbi, Kebbi	2013
9	University of Ilorin, Ilorin	1975	24	Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka	1992	39	Federal University, Gusau, Zamfara	2013
10	University of Jos, Jos	1975	25	Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike	1992	40	Federal University, Gashua, Yobe	2013
11	University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri	1975	26	National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos	2002	41	Nigeria Maritime University Okerenkoko, Delta State	2018
12	Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto	1975	27	Fed. Univ. of Petroleum Resources, Effurun	2007	42	Air Force Institute of Technology, Kaduna	2018
13	University of Port-Harcourt, Port-Harcourt	1975	28	Federal University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2011	43	Nigerian Army University, Biu	2018
14	Federal University of Technology, Owerri	1980	29	Federal University, Lafia, Nasarawa State	2011			
15	Federal University of Technology, Akure	1981	30	Federal University, Kashere, Gombe 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	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	38	The Technical University, Ibadan.	2012
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	24	Ondo State University of Technology, Okiti Pupa.	2008	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomosho	1990	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	42	Eastern Palm University, Ogboko	2016
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	44	Borno State University	2016
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019
15	Odumegwu Ojukwu University Uli	2000	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009			
16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009			
17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010			





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### PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan Remo	1999	27	Salem University, Lokoja	2007	53	Hallmark University, Ijebu, Itele, Ogun State	2015
2	Madonna University, Okija	1999	28	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007	54	Kings University, Ode Omu, Osun State	2015
3	Igbinedion University, Okada	1999	29	Veritas University, Abuja	2007	55	Michael and Cecilia Ibru Uni., Owode, Delta State	2015
4	Bowen University, Iwo	2001	30	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo	2007	56	Mountain Top University, Ogun State	2015
5	Covenant University, Ota	2002	31	Western Delta University, Oghara, Delta State	2007	57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwa Ibom State	2015
6	Pan-Atlantic University, Lagos	2002	32	The Achievers University, Owo	2007	58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015
7	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City	2002	33	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja	2007	59	Edwin Clark University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola	2003	34	Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State	2009	60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015
9	Redeemers University, Ede, Osun State	2005	35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2009	61	Anchor University, Ayobo, Lagos State	2016
10	Ajayi Crowther University, Oyo	2005	36	Nile University of Nigeria, Abuja	2009	62	Arthur Jarvis University, Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016
11	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin	2005	37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu, Osun State	2009	63	Clifford University, Owerri, Abia State	2016
12	Caritas University, Amorji-Nke, Enugu	2005	38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009	64	Coal City University, Enugu, Enugu State	2016
13	Bingham University, Auta-Balefi, Karu, Nasarawa State	2005	39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009	65	Crown Hill University, Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016
14	Al-Qalam University, Katsina	2005	40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009	66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
15	Renaissance University, Enugu	2005	41	Adeleke University, Ede, Osun State	2011	67	Koladai University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
16	Bells University of Tech, Ota, Ogun State	2005	42	Baze University, Abuja	2011	68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005	43	Landmark University, Omu-Aran, Kwara State	2011	69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017
18	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005	44	Samuel Adegboyega University, Ogwa, Edo State	2011	70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017
19	Kwararafa University, Wukari (formerly Wukari Jubilee Uni.)	2005	45	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012	71	Precious Cornerstone University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017
20	Crescent University, Abeokuta	2005	46	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012	72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Portharcourt, Rivers State	2017
21	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005	47	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012	73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017
22	University of Mkar, Mkar	2005	48	McPherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, Ogun State	2012	74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2017
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006	49	Southwestern University, Okun Owa, Ogun State	2012	75	Skyline University, Nigeria Kano State	2018
24	Caleb University, Lagos	2007	50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015	76	Greenfield University, Kasarami Kaduna State	2019
25	Fountain University, Osogbo	2007	51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015	77	Dominion University, Ibadan Oyo State	2019
26	Obong University, Obong Ntak	2007	52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015	78	Trinity University, Laloko Ogun State	2019
						79	Westland University, Iwo Osun State	2019





## List of Universities with Approved Postgraduate Programmes

The National Universities Commission (NUC) has observed with great concern that some Nigerian universities are running unapproved postgraduate programmes, leading to the award of Masters and PhD degrees. The Commission has also observed that some Parastatals and Institutes are awarding these same Postgraduate degrees, either on their own or through unapproved affiliations with Nigerian and foreign Universities. Such practices are not only unethical, but also antithetical to time-tested quality assurance best practices. The qualifications/awards resulting therefrom are not recognized. The Commission hereby notifies the general public that only the following universities have approval to offer postgraduate programmes at the Masters' and Ph.D levels in Nigeria, as of 30th July, 2012:

### Federal Universities :

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| 1. Abubakar Tafawa Balewa University, Bauchi         | 16. University of Benin, Benin City                    |
| 2. Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria                    | 17. University of Calabar, Calabar                     |
| 3. Bayero University, Kano                           | 18. University of Ibadan, Ibadan                       |
| 4. Federal University of Technology, Akure           | 19. University of Ilorin, Ilorin                       |
| 5. Federal University of Technology, Minna           | 20. University of Jos, Jos                             |
| 6. Federal University of Technology, Owerri          | 21. University of Lagos, Akoka                         |
| 7. Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike | 22. University of Maiduguri, Maiduguri                 |
| 8. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola      | 23. University of Nigeria, Nsukka                      |
| 9. National Open University of Nigeria, Lagos.       | 24. University of Port Harcourt, Port Harcourt         |
| 10. Nigerian Defence Academy, Kaduna                 | 25. University of Uyo, Uyo                             |
| 11. Nnamdi Azikiwe University, Awka                  | 26. Usmanu Danfodiyo University, Sokoto                |
| 12. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife              | 27. Federal University, Lafia                          |
| 13. University of Abuja, Gwagwalada                  | 28. Federal University, Dutse                          |
| 14. University of Agriculture, Abeokuta              | 29. Federal University of Petroleum Resources, Effurun |
| 15. University of Agriculture, Makurdi               |  |

### State Universities :

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| 1. Abia State University, Uturu                             | 15. Lagos State University, Ojo.                                     |
| 2. Adamawa State University, Mubi                           | 16. Nasarawa State University, Keffi                                 |
| 3. Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba-Akoko                | 17. Niger-Delta University, Wilberforce Island                       |
| 4. Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma                          | 18. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye                           |
| 5. Anambra State University, Uli                            | 19. Rivers State University of Science and Technology, Port Harcourt |
| 6. Benue State University, Makurdi                          | 20. Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina                          |
| 7. Cross River University of Technology, Calabar            | 21. Gombe State University, Gombe                                    |
| 8. Delta State University, Abraka                           | 22. Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai                              |
| 9. Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki                       | 23. Kano State University of Science and Technology, Wudil           |
| 10. Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti                       | 24. Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero         |
| 11. Enugu State University of Science and Technology, Enugu | 25. Kwara State University Malete                                    |
| 12. Imo State University, Owerri                            | 26. Bauchi State University, Gadau                                   |
| 13. Kogi State University, Anyigba                          | 27. Yobe State University, Damaturu                                  |
| 14. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso      | 28. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni              |

### Private Universities :

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| 1. African University of Science and Technology, Abuja | 11. Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State |
| 2. American University of Nigeria, Yola                | 12. Nigerian Turkish Nile University, Abuja                   |
| 3. Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo                    | 13. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti, Ekiti State           |
| 4. Benson Idahosa University, Benin City               | 14. Lead City University, Ibadan, (MSc. only)                 |
| 5. Bowen University, Iwo                               | 15. University of Mkar, Mkar (MSc. only)                      |
| 6. Covenant University, Ota                            | 16. Madonna University Okija                                  |
| 7. Igbinedion University, Okada                        | 17. Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin (MSc. only)                  |
| 8. Pan-African University, Lekki                       | 18. Godfrey Okoye University, Uguwuomu-Nike, Enugu State      |
| 9. Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State             | 19. Adeleke University, Ede                                   |
| 10. Caleb University, Lagos                            |   |

Employers of labour, educational institutions and other stakeholders are to note that only certificates issued by these universities, for their approved programmes, are valid for employment, further studies and other purposes. When in doubt about the status of any programme or certificate, the National Universities Commission should be contacted through [webmaster@nuc.edu.ng](mailto:webmaster@nuc.edu.ng) and the following telephone numbers: 08027455412, 07054407741, 08067787753, 07039254081 and 07082024412 (FAX). Further information can also be obtained from the Commission's website: [www.nuc.edu.ng](http://www.nuc.edu.ng)

**Signed:**  
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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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Executive Secretary, NUC  
Announcer







## 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 CAPE 3 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, Mbaize, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegebe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure

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

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

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

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

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

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

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## This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
ABUBAKAR	TAKUMA	USMAN	1 April
JOYCE	RAYMOND	IDIO	2 April
ONYEMAUCHE	DONATUS	MADUKA	2 April
ESTHER	INIOBONG	EYO	4 April
ROSELINE	NGOZI	ODUEKA	5 April
EMMANUEL	OLAYINKA	ALAKIJA	5 April
CHINYERE		EZEKWESILI	6 April

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



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It Does not Pay***

*Courtesy: Anti-corruption and Transparency Division*



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