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No Admission for Candidates less than 18 years- HME

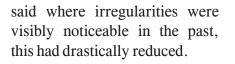
he Honourable Minister of Education (HME), Professor Tahir Mamman, SAN, OON, last Monday hinted that the Federal Government would review age requirement for admission into tertiary institutions in the country.

The Minister who pegged 18 years as benchmark for admission into universities, advised parents not to push their under-age wards to higher education, especially university education, below the age of 18.

Speaking on the sidelines to newsmen after monitoring the ongoing Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination, (UTME), in some of the centres in Abuja, Professor Mamman, expressed sadness with the age of some candidates that applied to write the examination, noting that they were still far below required age to seek admission into universities.

He, however, applauded the conduct of the examination, describing it as peaceful just as he





seamless.

"As we know, this examination is going on throughout the country.



Professor Tahir Mamman The Honourable Minister of Education

He said: "The examination process is seamless. The environment is comfortable for students.

That's how it should be, especially with the use of technology in our affairs and the educational system. It makes life easy for everybody and this edition

It is being monitored everywhere seamlessly and from the report I got, the malpractice level is very low, just a 100 out of 1.2m. It has gone, believe that. It is the use of technology that has made that happen, so this is interesting.

"The other thing which we noticed is the age of those who



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Professor Ishaq Oloyede Registrar / Chief Executive Officer, JAMB

have applied to go to the university. Some of them are really too young. We are going to look at it because they are too young to understand what the university education is all about.

"That's the stage when students migrate from a controlled environment where they are in charge of their own affairs. So if they are too young, they won't be able to manage properly.

"We are going to look at that. 18 is the entry age for university. But you will see students, 15, 16, going to the examination. It is not good for us. Parents should be encouraged not to push their wards, children too much."

He hinted that beneficiaries of

the Federal Government students loan will cut across both higher education and skill acquisition, saying it was important that "students who are not being able to proceed to tertiary education, at least should be able to have a meaningful life even after secondary school, even primary school actually."

According to him, the percentage of admission out of the registered number of candidates that applied, is "about 20 percentuniversities, polytechnics and colleges of education."

Asked to explained where the other 80 percent will go, he said: "They are our children, our wards living with us. This is why the issue of skills acquisition is very important because any student who is not able to proceed to tertiary education, should be able to have a meaningful life after secondary school or even primary education."



Students writing the UTME in one of the centres

He spoke further:" The only solution to that is skills; by talking skills right from the time they entered school, for the primary school. Somebody should finish with one skill or another. That is part of the assumption of the 6-3-3-4 system.

"It is assumed that by the time a student finishes up to JSS level, he would have acquired some skills.

If he does not proceed to senior secondary level, he would have acquired some skills that will help him navigate life and cease to be a burden on parents and society. 'That is why skill is just the most important thing for us now. We are going to drive through the education sector for both public and private sectors, to empower the young ones.

"Tertiary education is encouraged but not every child needs to go to the university or polytechnic. It is mandatory and government is in support and there is a constitutional requirement to educate every Nigerian child up to that level of education. But with the introduction of the Student Loan Scheme, access will not be a problem. "Parents will now be supported both for tertiary and even the skills we are talking about. That is one of the most important policies government has been able to provide."

Meanwhile, the UTME conducted by the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), headed by the Registrar and Chief Executive Officer, Professor Ishaq Oloyede, is going on throughout the Federation and would run from Friday 19th of April to Sunday 28th of April, 2024.

NUC, COREN Resolve to Give Engineering Prog. New Lease

The Acting Executive Secretary, National Universities Commission (NUC), Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, has reiterated the need to foster synergy between the NUC and the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN), noting that doing so would give both Engineering Curriculum and Practice a new lease in the country.

He made the remarks last Monday when he received in audience, the leadership of the Council for the Regulation of Engineering in Nigeria (COREN) led by the President, Engr. Professor Sadiq Z. Abubakar, in the Commission, which came to foster and set the stage for close collaborations in the area of Engineering in



The Acting Executive Secretary, NUC, Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki, handing over the Guideline on Transnational Education Policy in Nigeria as souvenir to the President, COREN, Prof.Sadiq Z. Abubakar

Nigeria.

He stressed the importance of the visit, highlighting it as a significant opportunity for collaboration between one of the leading professional bodies and the NUC on critical issues in order to engage in constructive dialogue and explore avenues of



The meeting of the Acting ES and his management team with the visiting COREN delegation in session

collaboration that would benefit the Nigerian Universities.

Mr. Maiyaki gave an overview of the evolution of university education in Nigeria, highlighting that the NUC was established in 1962 as an administrative Unit in the then Cabinet Office and later gained statutory status in 1974.

He said the history of university education in Nigeria could be traced back to 1948 with the establishment of University College, Ibadan and subsequently, the first indigenous university, the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN), which was founded in 1960; followed by Ahmadu Bello University (ABU), Zaria; University of Lagos (UNILAG): and Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU), Ile-Ife, in 1962, with the establishment of the University of Benin (UNIBEN) in 1970, completing the circle of the First-Generation universities.

According to him, the growing demand for university education led to the establishment of Second-Generation universities in the mid-70s, followed by the establishment of States and Private Universities, enabling the Nigerian University System (NUS) to have a total of 274 universities, comprising 62 Federal, 63 States and 149 Private universities.

The Acting Executive Secretary told the COREN delegation that the existing number of universities in Nigeria fell short of accommodating Nigerian population, with over 2 million individuals annually seeking university education, while Nigerian universities could only cater for between 500,000 and 700,000 students.

He stated that the NUC remained committed to the processing and approval of the establishment of additional universities in Nigeria so as to increase access and meet the growing demands for university education.

This, according to him, was because the present 149 Private universities could only accommodate 10 percent of Nigeria University population and most often these private institutions needed time to mature and expand their capacity.

Mr Maiyaki disclosed that the NUC remained the flagship government agency mandated by law to oversee the systematic development of university education in Nigeria, explaining that the Commission executed its responsibilities through the instrumentality of Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS).

He also outlined several key activities undertaken by the NUC to include; Accrediting Academic Programmes,

Conducting Resource Verification for new academic programmes, Inspecting and Monitoring of Universities as well as Licensing and approving the Establishment of Private Universities.

While appreciating COREN for the visit, he however noted NUC's concern regarding the increasing number of professional bodies in Nigeria and underscored the importance of bodies like it to collaborate with the Commission to refine regulations and create a mutually beneficial outcome.

He also emphasised the necessity of redefining laws governing professional bodies and wished the new COREN Management harmony and wisdom in advancing Engineering Practice in Nigeria to greater heights.

Responding to some issues, the Acting ES expressed the Commission's enthusiasm for the potential opportunities presented by the proposed collaboration between NUC and COREN to address challenges in the Engineering profession.

He also assured the meeting that the NUC intends to revive its quarterly meetings with all Professional bodies, to discuss critical matters on the role of professional bodies in Nigerian Universities.

Earlier, in his remarks, President of the Council, Engr. Professor Abubakar, gave kudos to the Acting Executive Secretary and the entire NUC Management for the warm reception even at short notice.

He highlighted COREN's pioneering role in accreditation since 1972, which, he said, preceded the NUC, explaining that their continuous enhancement of accreditation processes aligned with NUC's Benchmark Minimum Academic Standards (BMAS).

He pledged COREN's commitment to fostering the development of globally competitive engineers and also acknowledged NUC's efforts in upholding quality across all programmes within Nigerian Universities.

While acknowledging the achievements of Nigerian Engineers worldwide, he lamented the declining standards, attributing it to inadequate infrastructure caused by high students enrolment in the discipline.

Engr. Professor Abubakar highlighted the Council's specific concerns regarding the Engineering profession across Nigerian Universities and proposed a collaborative forum between both agencies to address these issues with the aim of reinvigorating their partnership



L-R: The NUC Deputy Executive Secretary, Academics, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu; Director, Executive Secretary's Office (DESO), Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu; Acting Directors of Skills Development and Entrepreneurship(DSDE), Mr. Ashafa Ladan; Academic Planning (DAP), Mr. Abubakar Girei and Open and Distance and e-learning, Mrs Hadiza Ramallan



The meeting of the NUC management team with the COREN delegation on-going

efforts.

He further informed the NUC that their regulatory activities extended beyond universities to include Polytechnics and Technical Colleges, stressing one of their successful achievements as the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) for joint accreditation of institutions under its jurisdiction.

The President proposed the establishment of a joint committee comprising representatives from both the NUC and COREN to formulate a comprehensive Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) facilitating collaborative accreditation exercises.

He announced Nigeria's membership in the International Engineers Alliance (IEA), an organization dedicated to advancing engineering globally. He highlighted Nigeria's admission to the Washington Accord for engineering in June 2023, enabling Nigeriantrained engineers to practice in developed countries across the globe.

The COREN President noted IEA's development of pedagogy for Engineering Education and emphasized their involvement in the formulation of the Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS).

He also briefed the meeting about the existence of subprofessional bodies in engineering attempting to pass legislation through the National Assembly to regulate the profession, potentially resulting in duplicated functions.

He argued that the primary aim of these professional bodies was accreditation, stressing that the collaborative efforts of NUC and COREN would effectively address and prevent this proliferation and empower the National Assembly to legislate on the burdens of proliferation of professional bodies on Nigerian Universities being advanced by the NUC.

In his contribution, Chairman, Evaluation and Accreditation of COREN, Engr. Professor John A. Olorunmaiye, shared the Council's plan to activate the Supervised Industrial Training Scheme in Engineering (SITSIE), also known as Engineering Residency.

This one-year programme, he said, was designed for technology transfer and experience development, which aimed to provide final clearance for engineering students to participate in the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC).

Based on this, both the SITSIE and NYSC years would count as

valuable experience for engineering personnel.

Engr. Professor Olorunmaiye emphasised the necessity of legislative support for the implementation of this scheme, involving the NUC, Industrial Training Fund (ITF), and the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund) and called for the relevant agencies to convene for discussions on the matter.

Both parties agreed that COREN should present a formal report to the Commission on areas of collaborations.

The meeting also resolved that the NUC and COREN would jointly make a case to the National Assembly on the proliferation of professional bodies in the Engineering discipline.

It was further agreed that COREN would submit its observations and

inputs to enrich the Core Curriculum Minimum Academic Standards (CCMAS) to the NUC.

At the end, a joint Technical Committee, of the NUC and COREN, Chaired by NUC Deputy Executive Secretary, (Academics), Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu was constituted.

In the membership from NUC included: Acting Directors of Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (DSDE), Mr. Ashafa Ladan; Academic Planning (DAP), Mr. Abubakar Girei; Accreditation (DA), Engr. Abraham Chundusu; Deputy Director, Legal Services, Barr. Pascal Eruaga and Deputy Director, Quality Framework in the Directorate of Academic Planning (DAP), Mrs. Justina Emerole as member/Secretary. The COREN has in the team, Engr. Professor Adisa A. Bello; Registrar, Engr. Professor J. A. Olorunmaiye; Engr. Professor Baba El-Yakubu; Engr. John Joshua; Engr. Precious Onuoha and Engr. Ahmed A.S.Y. Kutigi as Assistant Secretary.

Meanwhile in the COREN delegation were the EEDA, Abdullahi M. Jega; CSU, Engr. Tech Andrew Onyilo; Head of Corporate Services, Opungwa Hanna; PRO, Mrs. Faith Odeh and SEO, Mr. Johnson Abalaka.

Also in attendance were NUC Director, Executive Secretary's Office DESO, Mr. John Mairafi Ahmadu; Deputy Director, DODel, Mrs. Hadiza Ramalan; Dr. Ayuba Mohammed, Rep. DRIIT.



Mr. Maiyaki and Prof. Abubakar (8th and 9th right) with members of the visiting COREN delegation and some members of NUC management

Igbinedion Varsity VC Emerges IEPN's First Chairman

The Vice-Chancelor, Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State and an Environmental Expert, Professor Lawrence Ikechukwu Ezemonye has emerged the First President and Chairman of the Governing Council of the Institute of Environmental Practitioners of Nigeria (IEPN).

While relishing this in his acceptance speech, Professor Ezemonye said that his coming on board as IEPN President and Chairman, Governing Council marked the beginning of a new era in Environmental Governance and Ecosystem Management in Nigeria.

"It is with great joy and gratitude to Almighty God that I stand to respond and formally accept the responsibility of shepherding this significant Institute saddled with the responsibility of regulating the activities of its members in the protection of the Nigerian environment.

Professor Ezemonye remarked that it was not an easy task going through the process of signing the Institute of Environmental Practitioners of Nigeria Establishment Act into Law.

He said: "This new dawn which is heralded by the inauguration of the Institute of Environmental Practitioners of Nigeria (IEPN) is driven strongly by the passion for corporate environmental stewardship and justice. "The mission of the Institute is very clear, interrogating ecological evaluations, ecological integrity, environmental management, restoration, remediation, sustainability projects in the country.

The Professor of Ecotoxicology and Environmental Forensics, however, expressed appreciation



Prof. Lawrence Ikechukwu Ezemonye Vice-Chancelor, Igbinedion University

protection, sustainability and stewardship as the Nigerian environment is in dire need of our intervention."

The President and Chairman of Governing Council of the Institute of Environmental Practitioners of Nigeria, Professor Ezemonye commended the Federal Government for signing the IEPN Act into Law.

He also hailed Ex-President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, and the First Lady of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Her Excellency, Senator Oluremi Tinubu for their contributions towards environmental to other stakeholders for their roles in driving sanity and sanctity in the practice of environmental protection, conservation, remediation, and restoration of the Nigerian environment.

In his brief remarks, the Minister of Environment, Malam Balarabe Lawal, represented by the Director Pollution Control and Environmental Health in the Ministry, Dr. Olubunmi Olusanya, assured that his ministry would unlock all the potential in the environment sector and regulate environmental professionalism.

ADB Set to Begin Pan-African University Phase 2 Projects in Nigeria

delegation from the African Development Bank (AFDB) group its Chief Education Analyst, led by Dr. Keiko Takei, which also had a Professor from the University of Ibadan last Friday visited the National Universities Commission He expressed confidence that the Project which had helped to reshape and redefine some African institution's capacities to compete favourably with their counterparts at the global arena would, no doubt, be a valueaddition to the University of expediting growth.

By fostering the establishment of top-tier academic institutions and nurturing advanced research capabilities, this initiative was poised to redefine the landscape of higher education in Africa.



The NUC Deputy Executive Secretary Academics, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu with the Leader of the AFDB and Chief Education Analyst, Dr. Keiko Takei at the meeting

(NUC) and were received by the Deputy Executive Secretary DES, Academics, Dr. Noel Biodun Saliu.

The visit was sequel the planned kick-starting of the second phase of the Pan-African University Project at the University of Ibadan.

Receiving the team, the Deputy Executive Secretary, Academics described the PAU Project as a novel one, which had already impacted the Universities that benefited during the first phase and urged the University of Ibadan to make meaningful use of the project to improve on their existing research capabilities.

Ibadan and others benefiting from the phase 2 programme.

In his brief remark, the leader of the delegation, Dr. Takei thanked Dr Saliu for the opportunity to interact with the NUC on what the AFDB had been doing not only in Nigeria, but the entire African universities landscape.

It is noteworthy that the Pan-African University Project remained a beacon of support for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) across the continent, aligning with Africa's overarching goal of enhancing its global competitiveness and

Central to the AFDB's mission was the facilitation of mobility among African researchers, educators, and scholars. Through collaborative exchange programmes and robust engagements with peers from both African and international institutions, the project endeavours to cultivate a dynamic ecosystem of knowledge-sharing and innovation.

In addition, the Pan-African University Project was meant to ensure accessibility to education by instituting a fellowship programme, providing vital financial assistance to all enrolled students during its initial five



The meeting of the DES, Academics with the AFDB delegation in session

years.

This crucial endeavour, not only expanded educational opportunities but also served as a catalyst for socioeconomic development across the continent.

Undoubtedly, the impact of this project extended far beyond academia, as it played a pivotal role in shaping the next generation of African leaders and innovators.

Dr. Takei highlighted that by nurturing high-level human capital, the Pan-African University Project remained an indispensable agent of transformation, driving Africa towards a future defined by prosperity and excellence. In the AFDB delegation were its Consultant on the Project, Michel Corbin Guedegbe; Innovation Technology Coordinator, Henriette Christensen; Social Development Coordinator, Gregory Osubor; AFDB Consultant 2 and Professor from Technical University of Kenya, Jason Mochache and Climate Change Coordinator, Gerald Njume.



Drs. Noel Saliu and Takei (4th and 5th right) in a group photograph with other members of the AFDB delegation

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INTER-MINISTERIAL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE ON DEGREE CERTIFICATE MILLS

Federal Ministry of Education Federal Secretariat, Phase 3, Abuja. 11th March, 2024

CALL FOR MEMORANDA FROM THE PUBLIC

1. Following the recent publication of allegations of certificate racketeering involving some foreign institutions, especially in Cotonou, Benin Republic and other countries, the Federal Ministry of Education has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Committee to investigate the allegations with a view to providing lasting solutions to the problem. The Committee was inaugurated by the Honourable Minister of Education on Tuesday, 9th January, 2024 with the following Terms of Reference:

- I. Examine the veracity of the allegations of degree certificate racketeering within both foreign and local private universities in Nigeria;
- ii. Review the role of any MDA or its officials (including identifying such officials) in the facilitation of the recognition and procurement of the fake certificate in question;
- iii. Review existing policies and procedures related to accreditation and certification to identify weaknesses contributing to the issue;
- iv. Examine the rules, procedures and processes for recognition and accreditation of foreign universities and programmes by the Federal Ministry of Education;
- v. Establish if unapproved foreign institutions (Degree Mills) exist or not in Nigeria in whatever form with their identities and locations if any;
- vi. Make appropriate recommendations for review of any rules, procedures, and processes to prevent re-occurrence and sanctions for identified erring officials;
- vii. Make other recommendations that will strengthen the system of recognition, accreditations and quality assurance of degrees in Nigeria;
- viii. Examine the extant rules, procedures and processes for granting provisional licenses to new universities by the National Universities Commission (NUC);
- ix. Examine the procedures and processes for periodic accreditation of programmes in the universities by NUC and examine their effectiveness in quality assurance of the programmes;
- x. Without prejudice to the periodic accreditation exercise of the NUC, examine whether or not Private Universities established in the last 15 years have in place prescribed facilities, appropriate management structure, adequate funding of programmes, requisite staff (nature of staff-full-time, contract, adjunct, visiting, other types).

2. Memoranda from the general public are, therefore, solicited to provide information to the Committee to help it make appropriate recommendations to address the menace in line with its Terms of Reference and any other information that will be useful to the Committee. Submission should be forwarded in soft copy to the Committee's email: <u>fakecertcommittee@education.gov.ng not later than 25th March, 2024.</u>

3. Thank you.

Prof. J.D. Amin Committee Chairman

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NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION, ABUJA



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signed.

Chris J. Maiyaki Acting Executive Secretary National Universities Commission



FEDERAL MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Federal Secretariat, Phase III, Abuja

Press Release <u>SUSPENSION OF EVALUATION AND ACCREDITATION OF</u> <u>DEGREE CERTIFICATES FROM THE BENIN AND TOGO</u> <u>REPUBLICS.</u>

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Signed Mrs. Augustina Obilor-Duru Acting Director, Press and Public Relations 2nd January, 2023





NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION Approved Open University and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

Open Universities in Nigeria

List of approved Open Universities in Nigeria, Five Open Universities currently operating in the NUS are as follows:

- 1. The National Open University of Nigeria (NOUN), which has 72 study/resource centres nationwide
- 2. Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT
- 3. Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State
- 4. West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State
- 5. Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, FCT

List of approved Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria, Twenty Universities in the NUS, currently have the approval of the National Universities Commission to operate distance learning centres as follows:

- 1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
- 2. University of Lagos, Distance Learning Institute.
- 3. University of Abuja, Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education.
- 4. University of Maiduguri, Centre for Distance Learning.
- 5. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Centre for Distance Learning.
- 6. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola, Centre for Distance Learning.
- 7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre.
- 8. Distance learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.
- 9. Lagos State University Open and Distance Learning and Research Institute.
- 10. Joseph Ayo Babalola University Centre for Distance Learning.
- 11. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Centre for Distance and e-Learning.
- 12. Federal University of Technology Minna, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
- 13. Babcock University Ilisan-Remo, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
- 14. University of Ilorin, Centre for Open and Distance Learning.
- 15. Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti Open and Distance Learning Centre.
- 16. Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye, Open and Distance Learning Centre.
- 17. Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Porthacourt, Institute of Distance Education.
- 18. Usmanu Danfodio University Centre for Open and Distance Education (CODE), Sokoto
- 19. Enugu State University of Science and Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre, Agbani
- 20. University of Benin Centre for Distance Learning, Edo State
- 21. Igbinedion University, Okado Centre for Distance Learning
- 22. Federal University Akure, Open and Distance Learning Centre
- 23. Mountain Top University Centre For Open Distance and e-Learning
- 24. University of Port-Harcourt Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning
- 25. University of Calabar Open and Distance Learning Centre
- 26. Covenant University Ota, Centre for Distance e-Learning

Fourteen-Step Process for the Establishment of Private Universities in Nigeria

The National Universities Commission (NUC), wishes to announce to the general public, especially prospective promoters of private universities, the fourteen-step procedure for establishing private universities in Nigeria.

- 1. Application in writing stating the intent for the establishment of the university
- 2. Interview of prospective proprietors
- 3. Collection of application forms
- 4. Submission of application forms and relevant documents
- Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
- Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of the Directorate of Establishment of Private Universities (DEPU).

7. Interactive meeting of DEPU with the proposed university

- 8. First site assessment visit
- 9. Finalisation of document
- 10. Second (final) site assessment visit
- 11. Security screening of proprietors and Board of Trustees
- 12. Approval by NUC Management
- Approval by NUC Board
 Approval by FEC
- 14. Approvar by TEC

Mr. Chris J. Maiyaki

Acting Executive Secretary, NUC Announcer

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LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

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

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.	
1	Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt	1979	15	Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Uli	2000	29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006	
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980	16	Aliko Dangote University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000	30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006	
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981	17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000	31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008	
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982	18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002	32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009	
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982	19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002	33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009	
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982	20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004	34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010	
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983	21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004	35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010	
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso	1990	22	University of Cross River State, Calabar	2004	36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011	
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992	23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005	37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012	
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992	24	Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State.	2008	38	Technical University, Ibadan	2012	
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992	25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005	39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013	
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999	26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005	40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015	
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999	27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006	41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016	
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000	28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006	42	Kingsley Ozumba (K.O) Mbadiwe University, Imo State	2016	

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43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016	52	University of Delta, Agbor, Delta State	2021	61	Sa'adatu Rimi University of Education, Kumbotso, Kano, Kano State	2023
44	Borno State University	2016	53	University of Science and Technology, Ozoro, Delta State	2021	62	Kogi State University, Kabba, Kogi State	2023
45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017	54	Dennis Osadebay University, Asaba, Delta State	2021	63	AbdulKadir Kure University, Minna, Niger State	2023
46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017	55	Lagos University of Education, LASUED, Oto/Ijanikin, Lagos State	2022			
47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018	56	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022			
48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019	57	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022			
49	University of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Umuagwo, Imo State	2019	58	State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022			
50	Bamidele Olumulia University of Education Science and Technology, Ikere - Ekiti State	2020	59	University of Ilesa, Osun State	2022			
51	Confluence University of Science and Technology Osara, Kogi State	2020	60	Emmanuel Alayande University of Education, Oyo, Oyo State	2022			

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

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

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83	AL-Istiqama University, Sumaila, Kano State	2021	120	Azman University, Kano, Kano State	2023			
84	Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State	2021	121	Huda University, Gusau, Zamfara State	2023			
85	Havilla University, Nde-Ikom, Cross River State	2021	122	Franco British International University, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023			
86	Claretian University of Nigeria, Nekede, Imo State	2021	123	Canadian University of Nigeria, Abuja, FCT	2023			
87	Karl-Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State	2021	124	Miva Open University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
88	Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State	2021	125	Gerar University of Medical Sciences, Imope-Ijebu, Ogun State	2023			
89	James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021	126	British Canadian University, Obudu, Cross River State	2023			
90	Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2021	127	Hensard University, Toru-Orua, Bayelsa State	2023			
91	Capital City University, Kano, Kano State	2021	128	Phoenix University, Agwada, Nasarawa State	2023			
92	Ahman Pategi University, Patigi, Kwara State	2021	129	Wigwe University Isiokpo, Rivers State	2023			
93	University of Offa, Offa, Kwara State	2021	130	Hillside University of Science and Technology, Okemesi Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023			
94	Kwara State Mewar University, Masaka, Nasarawa State	2021	131	University on the Niger, Umunya, Anambra State	2023			
95	Edusoko University, Bida, Niger State	2021	132	Elrazi University of Medical Sciences, Kano, Kano State	2023			
96	Philomath University,	2021	133	Venite UniversityIloro - Ekiti, Ekiti State	2023			
97	Kuje, Abuja Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021	134	Shanahan University, Onitsha, Anambra State	2023			
98	ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021	135	The Duke Medical University Calabar, Cross River State	2023			
99	North-Eastern University (Formerly Pen Resource), Gombe, Gombe State	2022	136	Mercy Medical University, Iwara, Iwo, Osun State	2023			
100	Al-Ansar University Majduguri	2022	137	Cosmopolitan University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
101	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee. Delta State	2022	138	Iconic Open University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2023			
102	Khalifa Isiyaku Rabiu University, Gadon \Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State	2022	139	West Midland Open University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2023			
103	Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State	2022	140	Amaj University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
104	Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State	2022	141	Prime University, Abuja, FCT	2023			
105	Saisa University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	142	El-Amin University, Niger State	2023			
106	Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State	2022	143	College of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Kaduna, Kaduna State	2023			
107	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra State	2022	144	Jewel University, Gombe, Gombe State	2023			
108	Newgate University, Minna, Niger State	2022	145	Nigerian University of Technology and Management, Apapa, Lagos State	2023			
109	European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT	2022	146	1100ju, 101	2023			
110	Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022	147	Al-Bayan University, Ankpa, Kogi State	2023			
111	Rayhaan University, Birnin Kebbi, Kebbi State Muhammad Kamalud-Deen	2023	148	Lighthouse University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2024			
112	University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2023	149	African School of Economics, FCT, Abuja	2024			
113	Sam Maris University, Supare, Ondo State Aletheia University,	2023						
114	Ago-Iwoye, Ogun State Lux Mundi University,	2023						
115	Umuahia, Abia State Maduka University, Ekwegbe -	2023						
116	Nsukka, Enugu State Peaceland University,	2023						
117	Amadeus University,	2023						
118	Amadeus University, Amizi, Abia State Vision University,	2023						
119	Ikogbo, Ogun State	2023						



NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

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

- 1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- Christians of Charity American University of Science & 2) Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses 3)
- University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, 4) Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses 5)
- 6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
- 7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
- 8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
- 9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
- 10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
- 11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
- 12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
- 13) Saint Augustine's University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
- 14)The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 15)Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
- Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria 16)
- 17)Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria'
- London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria. 18)
- 19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
- 22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
- 24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
- 26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
- 27) Atlas University, Ikot Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any
- of its campuses in Nigeria 28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in 31) Nigeria.
- 32) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
- 33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
- 34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
- 35) Open International University, Akure
- Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo 36)

37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State

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

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

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

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

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

* This list of illegal institutions is not exhaustive.

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CONSTANCE	NKEMJIKA	GODDY-NNADI	22 April
OGE	EUPHRASIA	OKAFOR	22 April
SA'ID	ADAMU	SA'ID	22 April
USMAN	KAITAFI	AHMED	22 April
PAMELA	AZUKA	AZUBUIKE	24 April
PETER	SEGUN	LEO	24 April
ADAMU		ISAH	25 April
KALTUME	GIWA-AMU	UMMA	26 April
OLUCHI	LOVETH	AHUCHAOGU	26 April
EUCHARIA		CHINYEAKAOCHU	26 April
CATHERINE	AMAUCHE	OKOLI	27 April
OLUFUNKE	ADEBOLA	AKANDE	27 April
ENO	NDAEYO	UDOFA	27 April
EMMANUEL	AMAOBICHUKWU	EKUMAIBE	27 April

Wishing You Many happy returns!

Best Wishes for the week







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