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Council Chair, VC, others eulogise ex-DVCs

By Tajudeen Babamale



■ *Surv. Aluko*



■ *Prof. Egbewole*

It was an outpouring of encomiums last Wednesday (January 29, 2025) as the Chairman of the Governing Council of the University of Ilorin, the Vice Chancellor, Council Members, Principal Officers, Provost and Deans gathered at the Auditorium Basement to celebrate Prof. Olubunmi Abayomi Omotesho and Prof. Sulaiman Folorunsho Ambali, who recently completed their tenures as Deputy Vice Chancellors.

Those that attended the send off programme took turns to eulogise the former Deputy Vice Chancellors on their contributions to the stability of the University.

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UNILORIN TV debuts

The University of Ilorin's highly anticipated television station, *UNILORIN TV*, officially commenced transmission on YouTube last Monday (January 27, 2025), marking a significant milestone in the history of the institution.

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UNILORIN seeks expanded partnership with TotalEnergies on U-INSPIRE scheme

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has called for an enhanced partnership between the institution and TotalEnergies

to strengthen and expand the UNILORIN Innovative Skills and Pioneering Entrepreneurship (U-INSPIRE) scheme.

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Adekilekun canvasses greater PPP initiatives in infrastructural development

By Abubakar Imam

A former Head of the Department of Business Law, University of Ilorin, Prof. Mubarak Tijani Adekilekun, has called for greater Public-Private Partnership (PPP) towards the enhancement of the provision and maintenance of infrastructural facilities across Africa.

Prof. Adekilekun made this appeal last Thursday (January 30, 2025) while delivering the 273rd Inaugural Lecture of the University, titled "Devils and Saints in the Legal Landscape of Public-Private Partnership in Africa", at the University Auditorium.

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■ *Prof. Adekilekun*

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UNILORIN gets 20 new Profs, 31 new Readers

By **Mustafa Abubakar**

The Governing Council of the University of Ilorin has approved the promotion of 51 academic staff to the positions of Professors and Readers in various Faculties of the institution. Of the lots, 20 Readers were promoted to the professorial level while 31 Senior Lecturers were upgraded to the position of Readers.

This followed the recommendation from the Appointments and Promotions Committee of the University as presented to the meeting of the Council held last Monday (January 27, 2025) by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN.

A statement by the Registrar, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfanla, last Friday (January 31, 2025) said that "the Appointments and Promotions Committee (A&PC) at its 186th meeting held on Monday, 27th January, 2025, considered the recommendations from the 2024 promotion exercise for the promotion of some eligible members of academic staff of the University to the positions of Professor and Reader".

The 20 professors, whose approval takes effect from October 1st, 2024 include: Olufunmilayo A. Abiodun and Fausat I. Kolawole, Department of Home Economics and Food Science, Faculty of Agriculture; A.G. Animasawun, Peace and Conflict Studies, Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies, Faculty of Arts; A.S. Afolabi, Department of History and International Studies, Faculty of Arts; E.E. Anyebe, Department of Nursing, Faculty of Clinical Sciences; H. M. Omokanye, Department of Orthorhinolaryngology, Faculty of Clinical Sciences.

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■ **Mr Alfanla**

Engineering and Technology; A. M. Ismail, Department of Business Law, Faculty of Law; and O. A. Iyiola, Department of Zoology, Faculty of Life Sciences.

Also promoted Professors are: Shakirat I. Bello, Department of Clinical Pharmacy and Pharmacy Practice, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences; A. A. Kilishi, Department of Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences; A. Y. Ahmed, Department of Geography and Environmental Management, Faculty of Social Sciences; O. A. Fawole, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences; Nusirat Elelu, Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine; and L. O. Raji, Department of Theriogenology and Production, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.

The 31 new Readers include, Dr S.O. Akanbi, Department of Agricultural Economics and Farm Management, Faculty of Agriculture; Dr A.O. Dauda, Department of Home Economics and Food Science, Faculty of Agriculture; Dr Folusho A. Bankole, Department of Agronomy, Faculty of Agriculture; and Dr A.A. Aliy, Department of Arabic, Faculty of Arts; Dr A. Mahmoud-Mukadam, Department of Arabic, Faculty of Arts; Dr Theresa N. Odeigha, Department of History and International Studies, Faculty of Arts, and Dr T.O. Ayinde, Department of

Physiology, Faculty of Clinical Sciences.

Others are Dr Grace G. Ezeoke, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Faculty of Clinical Sciences; Dr S.O. Onidare, Department of Telecommunication Science, Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences; Dr Eniola K. Ola-Alani, Department of Adult and Primary Education, Faculty of Education; Dr M.A. Lawal, Department of Arts Education, Faculty of Education; Dr S.O. Olatunji, Department of Arts Education, Faculty of Education; Dr A.A. Falade, Department of Educational Technology, Faculty of Education; Dr I. Ologele, Department of Health Promotion and Environmental Health Education, Faculty of Education; and Dr K.O. Afolabi, Department of Science Education, Faculty of Education.

Also promoted Readers are: Dr Khadijat S. Ameen, Department of Science Education, Faculty of Education; Dr Dorcas S. Daramola, Department of Social Science Education, Faculty of Education; Dr M.O. Ibitoye, Department of Biomedical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Technology; Dr A.O. Otuoze, Department of Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Faculty of Engineering and Technology; Dr Taibat R. Adebiyi, Department of Quantity Surveying, Faculty of Environmental Sciences; Dr A.B. Ola, Department of Urban and Regional Planning, Faculty of Environmental Sciences; Dr Khadijat A. Abdulkareem; Department of Plant Biology, Faculty of Life Sciences; Dr T. Garuba, Department of Plant Biology, Faculty of Life Sciences; Dr S. Oyedeji, Department of Plant Biology, Faculty of Life Sciences; and Dr E.O. Dunmade, Department of Industrial Relations and Personnel Management, Faculty of Management Sciences;

Others are, Dr Iyiola T. Akindele, Department of Public Administration, Faculty of Management Sciences; Dr F.U. Attah, Department of Pharmacognosy and Drug Development, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences; Dr O. K. Yusuff, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Physical Sciences; Dr A.I. Abdulrahman, Department of Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences; Dr A. Raji, Department of Sociology, Faculty of Social Sciences; and Dr M. Adam, Department of Veterinary Pathology, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.

2 UNILORIN students win Erasmus mobility grant

Two students of the University of Ilorin have been awarded the Erasmus mobility grant under the KA171 agreement with the Friedrich Schiller University of Jena, Germany.

The students are Khafeelat Ayonke Sadiq of the Department of Adult and Primary Education and Roseline Olufeyisayo Olarinde of the Centre for Cultural Studies and Creative Arts

The duo will embark on their

academic exchange programme at the Friedrich Schiller University of Jena, Germany, commencing on March 1st, 2025.

VC calls for timely completion of postgraduate programmes ... Olaitan urges PG lecturers to be mentors not dictators

By Tajudeen Babamale

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has urged lecturers, supervisors, and administrators of the Institution's postgraduate programmes to ensure that students complete their studies within the stipulated time frame.

This is even as a Professor in the Department of Health Promotion and Environmental Health Education, Faculty of Education, Olukunmi Lanre Olaitan, urged postgraduate teachers, supervisors, and administrators to serve as mentors rather than dictators in guiding postgraduate students.

The duo spoke at the maiden Postgraduate School Lecture and Workshop last Wednesday (January 29, 2025) at the University Auditorium.

Declaring the event open, Prof. Egbewole explained that timely graduation is essential for maintaining the quality and credibility of the University's postgraduate degrees.

While appreciating the efforts and dedication of academic staff in overseeing the postgraduate programmes, the Vice Chancellor stressed the need for a commitment to efficiency in programme



The Vice Chancellor, Prof. Egbewole (5th left) with Principal Officers and other dignitaries at the Lecture last Wednesday

execution to uphold academic standards.

He said, "For any Postgraduate School that is worth its salt, quality assurance is imperative. Therefore, I want to appeal to us that our postgraduate programmes should be such that we will be able to defend the degrees that we are awarding. I plead that time is money. Hence, we must endeavour to put in place time management strategy such that a three-year programme is a three-year programme and an 18-month programme is an 18-month programme and nothing more. That is the only way we can sustain the PG programme".

On efforts to support

postgraduate education, the Vice Chancellor disclosed that the University Administration had pushed for the approval of a Ph.D. supervision allowance, which has now been approved by the Senate. He announced that the implementation of the allowance would commence from the current academic session.

In a lecture delivered at the event, titled "Training the 21st Century Graduate Students: Expectations, Skills, and Flexibilities", Prof. Olaitan, who is a Human Sexuality, Reproductive & Family Health Specialist, urged postgraduate teachers, supervisors, and administrators to serve as mentors rather than authoritarian figures or dictators in guiding postgraduate students.

Prof. Olaitan, who opined that a good supervisor or administrator should act as a catalyst, not a controller, called on postgraduate lecturers to abandon the rigid, authoritarian approach of the pre-21st century, which was didactic, content-focused, and offered limited feedback. Instead, he advocated for a modern, student-centered approach that is collaborative, facilitative, and supportive, with regular feedback and a strong emphasis on skills and competencies.

According to him, the priority in postgraduate education should shift from the lecturer to the student, ensuring that learning outcomes align with students' needs and career aspirations.

Speaking earlier, the Dean of the Postgraduate School, Prof. Bamidele Victor Owoyele, said recent experiences in postgraduate administration, such as programme delays, conflicts between students and supervisors, and the demand for increased responsiveness to student needs, underlined the need for a forum like the workshop.

In spite of the challenges, the Dean said that the Postgraduate School had made remarkable strides over the past few sessions that reaffirm the position of the School as a leading postgraduate institution in the region.



HANDOVER: The new Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega A. Fawole (left), presenting the handover notes to the new Deputy Vice Chancellor (RTI), Prof. Muhtar Etudaiye (right), last Thursday



Governing Council fetes ex-DVCs, Omotesho, Ambali

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In his tribute, the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Surv. Abiodun Jacob Aluko, FCIML, commended the two distinguished academics for their dedication and selfless service to the Institution.

Surv. Aluko also expressed his admiration for the rare gesture of organising a send off programme for the outgoing Deputy Vice Chancellors, stating that it was the first time he had witnessed such a grand recognition in his long years of serving as a Council member in three other universities.

The Council Chairman further noted that the gesture was indicative of the harmonious relationship between the honourees and the Vice Chancellor, saying, "If the honourees were not in good standing with the Vice Chancellor, he would not have come up with the idea of celebrating them. Their competence is unquestionable, and they have served the University meritoriously".

Surv. Aluko stressed the importance of leaving a positive impact in any position of leadership, urging those present to emulate the distinguished careers of Prof. Omotesho and Prof. Ambali.

Also speaking, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, extolled the virtues of the honourees, describing them as uncommon individuals who sacrificed immensely for the University. He praised their unwavering loyalty and dedication, saying, "These gentlemen are wonderful human beings. They have been 101 percent loyal to the Administration".

Prof. Egbewole reflected on his long-standing relationship with Prof. Omotesho, saying, he "will remain my chairman for life. Our paths crossed in 2001 when he was the Chairman of ASUU and I was his Secretary. It was during the turbulent days of the ASUU crisis. Thank God we survived and later became Vice Chancellor and Deputy Vice Chancellor of the same Administration. In all the offices Omotesho

has held, he has led with dignity and related with people in their own right".

On Prof. Ambali, the Vice Chancellor described the immediate past Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services) as a passionate individual, a dedicated aide, and a loyal and committed university administrator. He said that Prof. Ambali does not just complete a task, he goes beyond expectations.

The Chairman of the Committee of Provosts and Deans, Prof. Biodun Sulyman Alabi, commended the two former Deputy Vice Chancellors on their unwavering loyalty and contributions to the stability of the University.

Prof. Alabi, who was represented by the Dean of the Faculty of Communication and Information Sciences (CIS), Prof. Lukman Adeshina Azeez, acknowledged the crucial roles played by the former administrators in ensuring the smooth running of the University. He pointed out that their strong and direct relationship with the Committee of Provost and Deans underlined their deep commitment to the progress of the University.

Other Council members who also paid glowing tributes to the duo were the new Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola, the new Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole; the new Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation), Prof. Muhtar Adeiza Etudaiye; and the Registrar and Secretary to Council, Mr Mansur Alfana.

In his response, Prof. Omotesho expressed gratitude for the opportunity to serve the Institution in various capacities. While noting that March 21st will mark 41 years since he joined the services of the University of Ilorin, he said he never regretted joining the University.

Prof. Omotesho acknowledged the support of the Committee of Provost and Deans, a group he described as the most supportive during his tenure as Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic).

On his part, Prof. Ambali expressed delight at the honour bestowed upon him as he described the Vice Chancellor as a detribalised Nigerian who relates with everyone equally without minding their religion or tribe.

Prof. Ambali also appreciated his wife who made his coming to the University of Ilorin from Ahmadu Bello University possible. In his word, "I want to thank my wife because coming to the University of Ilorin from ABU was a tough decision for me. When I was invited by Prof. Ambali to help set up a Faculty, I categorically said no. The reason was that ABU had become my home, where I was deeply loved and respected. When Zaria heard that I was leaving, they started offering me incentives, but my wife and Prof. S. O. Salami insisted that I must come to Unilorin. When I arrived in Ilorin, things were tough, but my wife endured. Today, it is all history. I thank God for vindicating her choice that I should serve at Unilorin. Since then, I have not regretted working in Ilorin.

Prof. Ambali commended the present University Governing Council for being unique, and a platform where members work as a family.

The external Council members present are Mr Ayobami Oladele Afolabi, Pharm. Rachel Alabi, Mrs Abosedo Olayiwola (Representative of the Federal Ministry of Education), and Hon Akeem Babatunde Idowu.

Others are Prof. Folu Ologe, Prof. Usman Adebimpe Raheem, Prof. Raji Abdulgafar Bello, Prof. Mariam Abdulraheem-Mustapha, Mr Abdulrasheed Dauda Gidado, and Prof. Rasheed Adeoye.

They were joined by the University Bursar, Mr Biodun Lawal and the University Librarian, Prof. Kamaldeen Tunde Omopupa, and members of the Committee of Provost and Deans led by their Chairman and Provost of College of Health Sciences, Prof. Sulyman Biodun Alabi.

Adekilekun canvasses greater PPP initiatives in infrastructural development

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The Inaugural Lecturer, who expressed disappointment in the magnitude of poor and inelegant quality of infrastructures in Africa, despite the abundance of enabling human and material resources, said that it was high time that the partnership between the public and private sectors was improved upon to enhance the quality of life of Africans.

He explained that it is incredible that despite Africa being home to about 30% of global mineral resources, and 12% of the world's oil reserves, about 50% of African citizens still lack access to electricity as 418 million people across the continent have no access to safe and clean water, while 40 billion hours are spent annually by African women and children in search of safe drinking water.

Prof. Adekilekun noted that it is disturbing that more than 60 years after many African countries secured independence from colonialists, only South Africa can be said to be developed while the rest are categorised into the Third World because of their general backwardness in every index of development.

He explained that the adoption of Public-Private Partnership would ensure the introduction of the effective funding principles of the private sector into public administration.

Prof. Adekilekun also noted that doing so would also reduce ineffectiveness and wastages associated with public spending as it would also make up for lack of managerial skills prevalent in the public sector in the continent.

To enhance Private-Public Partnership, Prof. Adekilekun called for the identification and amendment of all potentially conflicting legislative provisions in the national laws. He explained that laws that could hinder the proper execution and implementation of PPP projects should be identified and amended accordingly.

He, however, noted that due to the complex nature of PPP transactions, different laws may be applicable, such as laws regulating tax, insolvency, arbitration, and land acquisition, among others. He, therefore, insisted that potentially conflicting areas of these laws must be identified and amended accordingly.

While acknowledging that normally in every jurisdiction, it is the government ministries, departments and other agencies that are vested with the powers to grant concessions, Prof.



■ The 273rd Inaugural Lecturer, Prof. Adekilekun (left), presenting the lecture notes to the representative of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Fawole last Thursday

Adekilekun said that the law should specifically identify which of the ministries, agencies, and departments is vested with such powers in respect of a specific project. This, according to him, will help to reduce duplication of the same project by different agencies or departments of the government.

Citing South Africa, which operates a federal structure, as an example, Prof. Adekilekun said that the Public Finance Management Act 1999 and the Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003 were made to ensure consistency in financial accountability for both the national and local spheres. He said that the laws spell out the functions and powers of each of the organs of government in relation to the execution of PPP projects.

Prof. Adekilekun also said that contracting authorities should be allowed to reasonably negotiate the terms of the PPP contract if necessary, within the limits or guidelines specified by the law.

The Inaugural lecturer, identified and listed several PPP models and also called for the establishment of a fair, equitable and transparent procedure for all PPP transactions, saying that this is one of the core principles of any model law.

Prof. Adekilekun said that such a model law should provide for a comprehensive procedure for seeking redress through arbitration or a court of law as he noted that due to the fact that PPP disputes are commercial in nature, there should be provisions for an internal mechanism for the settlement of such disputes, and it is only when this fails that a party can go to arbitration or finally to a court of law.

He also called for the provision of adequate and reasonable financial incentives or government guarantees for a prospective private sector participant wherever necessary. He explained that some projects

may involve a very huge amount of money for execution, saying that the private sector may sometimes have to source funds locally and sometimes from international financiers. These financiers may require an undertaking, a guarantee or an assurance from the government of the country where the project is to be executed before funds are made available.

The Inaugural Lecture, which was presided over by the Vice Chancellor, represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole, was attended by many dignitaries including the Talba of Ilorin and former Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Shuaibu Oba AbdulRaheem; the National Secretary of the All Progressives Congress (APC), Senator Bashiru Ajibola; the Spiritual Leader of the Ansarul Islam Society of Nigeria, Shaykh Abdulkadir Muhammad Kamaldeen; two former Grand Kadis of Kwara State, Justice Idris Abdullahi Haroon and Justice Saliu Olohuntoyin Muhammad.

Also in attendance were the Timi of Ede, Oba Munirudeen Lawal; the Olupo of Ajase-Ipo, Oba Ismail; the Olupako of Share, Oba Haruna; the Oba of Agbeku, Alh. AbdulAzeezAgboola; the father of the Inaugural Lecturer, who is also the Grand Mufti of Ede and Waziri Musulumi of Yorubaland, Shaykh Abdullateef Adekilekun, as well as three Senior Advocates of Nigeria, Prof. Yusuf Olaolu Ali, Alhaji Adebayo Adelodun and Alhaji Kehinde Kolawole Eleja; lawyers in both public and private practice; associates of the Inaugural Lecturer; students; families and loved ones, among several others.

UNILORIN TV debuts

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In a warm welcome address to viewers, the Chairman of the UNILORIN TV Committee, Prof. Saudat S. Abdulbaqi, assured the viewers of a rich blend of entertainment and educational programming, promising "undiluted" content that would cater to diverse tastes and interests.

With its debut on YouTube,



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innovations, cultural richness, and community engagement

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UNILORIN seeks expanded partnership with TotalEnergies on U-INSPIRE scheme

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Prof. Egbewole made this appeal last Wednesday (January 29, 2025) while receiving the Processing Geophysicist Manager at TotalEnergies, Dr. Rasaki Salami, a Software Training Expert, who visited him in his office ahead of a training programme for staff and students of the Department of Geophysics.

The Department had in 2024 secured two REVEAL software grants worth \$1.137 million. The grants were facilitated by the Head of the Department, Prof. S. Olatunji, and Dr G. E. Omolaiye, a Senior Research Fellow.

The Vice-Chancellor, who stressed the importance of strengthening industry-academia collaboration to equip students with relevant skills for the workforce, added that the U-INSPIRE initiative was designed to foster industry-academia linkages by exposing students to opportunities in various industries, equipping them with entrepreneurial skills, and providing practical learning experiences.

While acknowledging the past contributions of TotalEnergies to the University, particularly to the Department of Geophysics, Prof. Egbewole expressed confidence that the company would partner with the University on this initiative and further enhance the programme.

The Vice-Chancellor also appreciated the Processing Geophysicist Manager of TotalEnergies for agreeing to the request of the Department of Geophysics to train its staff and students on the usage of the Reveal Software, a multimillion software grant from Shearwater GeoServices (UK) Ltd in a programme named Shearwater-Harvex University Assistant Programme (SHUAP), won by the Geophysics Department recently.

Prof. Egbewole extended an invitation to TotalEnergies to participate in the 50th anniversary celebration of the



■ **Prof. Alafara (left) and Dr Salami (right) during the visit**

University, scheduled to hold later in the year. He expressed hope that TotalEnergies would support the event and contribute to making it a memorable occasion for the institution.

Earlier, the Dean of the Faculty of Physical Sciences, Prof. Baba Alafara, expressed gratitude to the Processing Geophysicist Manager at TotalEnergies, Mr. Salami, for his willingness to volunteer his time and expertise to train staff and students on the effective use of the Reveal Software.

In his remarks, the TotalEnergies official said that as part of its corporate social responsibility, the company actively supports universities by offering training programmes that bridge the gap between academic learning and real-world industry applications.

Recognising that the University of Ilorin had recently acquired the Reveal Software, a tool he has used extensively in his 20 years career, Dr Salami said that he saw an opportunity to contribute by sharing his expertise. He added that his objective was to ensure that Faculty members and students could maximise the software's potential, thereby enhancing their technical skills and preparing them for careers in the geophysics industry.

While stating the importance of exposing students to industry practices

early in their academic journey, the Geophysicist said students gain hands-on experience with industry tools and techniques in many international universities, which make their transition into the workforce smoother. He said providing a similar exposure at Unilorin, students would have an added advantage in securing industry placements and excelling in their careers.

Dr Salami also reflected on his recent collaboration with Unilorin students on undergraduate projects, describing it as an encouraging experience. He expressed satisfaction with the students' enthusiasm and willingness to learn, saying that, it reinforced his belief in the importance of industry-academia engagement.

In an interview with UNILORIN Bulletin on the sidelines of the visit, the Head of the Department of Geophysics, Prof. S. Olatunji, appreciated TotalEnergies and its representative, Dr Salami for the training programme.

Prof. Olatunji facilitated the \$1.137 million REVEAL software grants for the University from Harvex Geosolutions Limited, an Exploration and Production (E&P) services company delivering specialised and cutting-edge geological, geophysical, and oilfield services.

Egbewole tasks SIWES students to be good ambassadors of UNILORIN

By Abubakar Abdulquadri and Bashir Dawodu

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has charged students embarking on their Student Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) globally to represent the "Better by Far" legacy of the University with integrity and diligence.

Prof. Egbewole gave the charge penultimate Friday (January 24, 2025) at the 2024/2025 SIWES Pre-placement Orientation Programme, held at the University Auditorium.

Represented at the event by the Provost, College of Health Sciences, Prof. Abiodun Suleiman Alabi, the Vice Chancellor said, "With an air of both pride and responsibility, I urge you to let your character speak volumes. Show them you are from a university that doesn't just teach but transforms."

The Vice Chancellor emphasised the importance of SIWES in blending theoretical knowledge with practical skills. "Work hard and return as refined students, ready to tackle the future", he advised.

Prof. Egbewole described SIWES as a gateway for students to gain hands-on experience, preparing them for their chosen careers. He called on the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) to extend stipends to supervisors, recognising their critical role in guiding students.

In his remarks, the Director of SIWES, Prof. Rowland Kayode, advised students to be punctual, humble, respectful, and responsible at their Industrial Training (IT) placements. He noted that the University has received positive feedbacks on students' performances in their SIWES placements.

According to Prof. Kayode, approximately 5,000 students from 13 Faculties will undergo industrial training in various parts of the country and abroad, noting that the SIWES Unit is working to secure placements in top industries in Nigeria and abroad.



The Director announced that the Unit has secured over 250 new placements, providing accommodation and a monthly stipend for students. He attributed the successful admission of students to Mrs. Victoria Madedor, Matron of the African Support Bureau for Entrepreneurship Students Club, University of Ilorin.

Prof. Kayode disclosed that currently, 70 students are acquiring practical skills in soilless farming, with 170 vacancies available for related courses. He emphasised the importance of knowledge sharing and technology transfer between the academia and industry.

He called for collaboration between the University and industry stakeholders, pointing out that the SIWES Unit is developing a sub-domain on the University Portal for online registration and other operations.

Prof. Kayode acknowledged the support of the Industrial Training Fund (ITF) and appealed to the Federal Government and ITF to release outstanding students' allowances promptly. He appreciated the support of the University Administration and recognised the contributions of the staff of the Unit.

The Industrial Training Fund Area

Manager, Dr Afeez Oluwatoyin, who was represented at the event by the Head of ITF, Mr. Onipe A. Ibrahim, commended the dedication of the University to the SIWES initiative. He acknowledged the importance of the programme in bridging the gap between theory and practice.

Dr Oluwatoyin told the students, "SIWES gives you access to equipment and tools that may not be within the University", adding, "Use this opportunity to hone your skills and handle real-world challenges."

He stressed the importance of institutional supervision and encouraged students to embrace innovation. "The era of job seeking is over. It's time to create opportunities. Think outside the box and be job creators."

In her goodwill message, the Faculty Representative of Life Sciences, Prof. Suleiman Fauziyat, encouraged the students to stay curious, build good relationships, identify their strengths, and turn their talents to wealth. "Learn, grow, and always strive for excellence", she advised, saying, "The world is waiting for what you have to offer."

Oloyede appointed Radio Frequency Spectrum contest judge

By Mustafa Abubakar

Professor of Wireless Telecommunications at the University of Ilorin, Abdulkarim Oloyede, has been appointed as one of the judges for the upcoming National Radio Frequency Spectrum Sandbox Initiative competition, organised by the Federal Ministry of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy.

This was contained in a letter addressed to Prof. Oloyede by the Permanent Secretary, Federal Ministry of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy, Engr Faruk Yusuf Yabo,

The letter, dated January 27, 2025, stated that the appointment was in recognition of Prof. Oloyede's expertise in the development of the ICT sector, adding that "the Ministry wishes to request you to be part of the expert team that will serve as a Judge for the upcoming national competition".

The Permanent Secretary said, "I write to inform you that the Ministry, as part of its mandate of promoting the development of ICT in the country, is organising a national competition aimed at creating a "Sandbox Project" for the development of Radio Frequency (RF) Spectrum related talents and encouraging locally conceived



Prof. Oloyede

engineering projects and programmes in Nigeria."

Management team reshuffle, good for the system -- Ambali, Omotesho

By Abubakar Imam

The immediate past Deputy Vice Chancellors (Management Services and Academic), Prof. Suleiman Funsho Ambali, and Prof. Abayomi Olubunmi Omotesho, have appraised the recent management reshuffle in which they were replaced after two years in office, saying that it is for the good of the University.

Speaking with *UNILORIN Bulletin* in separate interviews last Tuesday (January 28, 2025), the duo noted that the exercise was done in good faith, pledging to continue to work for the success of the University Administration.

They thanked the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, for the opportunity given them to serve the University as Deputy Vice Chancellors in the last two years.

They also congratulated the two new Deputy Vice Chancellors, Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola and Prof. Muhtar Etudaiye on their elections as Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic) and Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation), respectively.

The duo also rejoiced with their colleague, Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole, on his posting to the Management Services portfolio from his previous position of Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation).

Specifically, Prof. Ambali



■ Prof. Ambali

described Prof. Egbewole, who is also the Secretary-General of the Association of West African Universities (AWAU), as a wonderful and hardworking leader who means well for the University.

He disclosed that he had since returned to his previous position as a lecturer at his Department in the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine.

Prof. Ambali's views were shared by the former Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Omotesho, who said that the changes had been effected to bring fresh ideas and perspectives into the management of the University.

In a telephone chat with *UNILORIN Bulletin*, Prof. Omotesho, who expressed gratitude to the Vice Chancellor for the opportunity given him to serve at that level, described Prof. Egbewole as a complete gentleman who is also very passionate about the development of the University of Ilorin.



■ Prof. Omotesho

He added that the Vice Chancellor is very intelligent and hardworking, which makes him deserving of the nickname, "Mr Efficiency", given to him by his students.

Prof. Omotesho said that he had a "very good chemistry" and a "telepathic relationship" with the Vice Chancellor as he said that, as intellectuals, issues are usually debated as a result of one disagreement or the other but once consensus is reached they are all bought into it.

He added that he never abandoned his primary duties even when serving as Deputy Vice Chancellor, he had continued with teaching, supervision and offering of other services, which he has been doing since he joined the services of the University in March, 1984.

UNILORIN PG graduand wins double NMGS awards

By Festus Ogunyinka

The Vision 1:10:500 of the Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, led Administration is yielding positive results, as an M.Sc. Applied Geophysics graduand of the University, Mr Okekeogugbe Chibuike Nnaemeka, grabs two prestigious awards of the Nigerian Mining and Geosciences Society (NMGS).

The first of the two awards, NMGS/Professor Charles Ofoegbu Prize, is given to the best graduating M.Sc. student in Geophysics from any Nigerian university as measured by the highest CGPA, while the second award, NMGS/Agip Energy Prize, is given for the best M.Sc. Thesis or Dissertation in the area of Mineral Exploration. The two awards are for the 2024/2025 cycle.

Okekeogugbe won the NMGS/Agip Prize award for his Thesis, titled '*Geophysical Investigation of Spodumene and Tantalite Mineralization*



■ Mr Okekeogugbe

Part of Lafiagi Sheet 203 using Magnetic and Radiometric Methods'.

UNILORIN Bulletin learnt that this feat is a testament to the adequate utilisation of the 2024 \$1.5m AspenTech Inc. USA grant won by two lecturers in the Department of Geophysics, University of Ilorin, Professor S. Olatunji and Dr G. E Omolaiye, as Okekeogugbe's research

work benefitted tremendously from softwares provided via the grant.

In a congratulatory letter sent to the awardee and made available to *UNILORIN Bulletin*, the Chairman of the Awards Committee of NMGS, Dr Godwin A. Alo, informed Mr Okekeogugbe that he would receive the awards, along with the cash prizes on February 19, 2025, during the forthcoming 60th Anniversary of NMGS, holding in Abuja between February 16th and 21st.

Okekeogugbe's achievement is not just a flash in the pan. UNILORIN has a well-known reputation as a repository of awards for quality learning, research and extra-curricular activities.

The Vice Chancellor and the entire Management of the University of Ilorin, congratulate Mr Okekeogugbe on making the Institution proud, and wish him more globally acclaimed achievements.

UNILORIN trains IT staff on WordPress, Web development

The Computer Services and Information Technology (COMSIT), University of Ilorin, has organised a training workshop on WordPress and Web development for its IT officers to enhance their digital capabilities.

The week-long training programme, held from Monday, January 20, to Friday, January 24, 2025 at the old Administrative Building of the University, aimed at equipping



participants with the necessary skills to design, develop, and manage websites using WordPress. It also covered essential web development concepts, with expert resource persons empowering participants to create innovative digital solutions.

In his remarks at the training

programme, the Director of COMSIT, Prof. Rasheed Gbenga Jimoh, noted that by enhancing the digital capabilities of its IT officers, the University is poised to improve its online presence, streamline its digital operations, and provide better services to its students, staff, and the wider University community.

Prof. Jimoh submitted that the initiative demonstrated the commitment of the University to staying at the forefront of technological advancements and providing its staff with opportunities for professional growth and development.

Egbewole urges international students to abide by UNILORIN rules

By Bashir Dawodu

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has urged international students to adhere strictly to the Institution's rules and regulations for a smooth academic journey.

Prof. Egbewole made this appeal last Monday (January 27, 2025) during the 12th Orientation Programme for newly admitted international students organised by the Centre for International Education (CIE) at the University Auditorium.

The event was themed "Unilorin Students and Prospects in Internationalisation: Empowering Students to Thrive in a Globalised World."

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented by the Dean of the Postgraduate School, Prof. B. V. Owoyele, highlighted UNILORIN's long standing reputation for discipline and academic excellence, noting that the University has consistently opened its doors to international students.

Pointing out that the University has produced global citizens excelling in various fields across the world, Prof. Egbewole, who also chaired the occasion, commended the CIE for organising the orientation programme to familiarise international students with the University's guidelines.

In her lecture at the event, the Guest Speaker, Prof. Bola Simeon Fayomi of Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU), Ile-Ife, spoke on the benefits of internationalisation in higher education.

She emphasised how cross-cultural knowledge and academic collaborations can enhance educational quality, cultural diversity, global competitiveness, and



institutional rankings.

Prof. Fayomi urged African students to value their potentials, collaborate, and work towards building their nations instead of depending on foreign countries.

In his welcome address, the Director of the Centre for International Education (CIE), Prof. Lateef Ibrahim Onireti, congratulated the new international students on gaining admission to the "Better by Far" University.

He encouraged them to integrate academically and socially into their new environment and challenged all students to think beyond borders.

Prof. Onireti also commended participants of the X-Culture programme for their innovative and collaborative efforts, noting the programme's role in equipping students with international business consulting skills.

On his part, the Ag. Dean of Student

Affairs, Dr. Alex Akanmu, advised the international students to maintain discipline, attend classes, dress appropriately, and adhere to the University's rules and regulations.

Dr. Akanmu stressed the importance of focus and hard work, reminding the students that "the journey may seem long but will be worth it in the end."

In his remarks, the Director of the Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies (CPSS), Prof. Ibrahim Jawondo, appreciated the CIE Director, Prof. Onireti for making use of his knowledge for humanity. "You can't give what you don't have", he said.

Dr. Jawondo advised the newly admitted international students to make sure they know the reason why they came to the University of Ilorin, Nigeria, to study.

Emir of Ilorin hails UNILORIN's CSR endeavours

By Abubakar Imam

and Tajudeen Babamale

The Emir of Ilorin and Chairman, Kwara State Council of Chiefs, Alhaji (Dr) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, CFR, has commended the University of Ilorin for extending its Corporate Social Responsibilities endeavours to its host community.

Alhaji Sulu-Gambari gave this commendation on his palace last Wednesday (January 30, 2025) while receiving the organogram of the Emirate prepared by the Centre for Ilorin Studies (CILS), University of Ilorin.

The royal father explained that the community has benefited extensively from the services of the University since its establishment as he added that Ilorin has not remained the same since the coming of the University about 50 years ago.

The Emir specifically thanked the CILS for coming up with the Emirate organogram, which he explained has become a historical material that would be perpetually useful to the community.

Presenting the item to the Emir, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, said that the effort was

informed by the need to promote knowledge, peace and understanding in the Univers

Speaking earlier, the Director of the CILS, Prof. Issa Olarongbe Sanusi, said that the organogram was prepared based on the support of the Emir and his Baloguns, particularly the Balogun Agba, who is also the Balogun Gambari of Ilorin, Alhaji Muhammad Aliyu Adebayo; and the Balogun Alanamu of Ilorin, Dr Uthman Abubakar Akanbi-Jos.

Prof. Sanusi also thanked all those who supported the project as he expressed his conviction that the material would be useful for the leadership and members of the Emirate Council as well as indigenes of the community.

The event was witnessed by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research, Technology and Innovation), Prof. Muhtar Etudaiye; the Registrar, Mr Mansur Adeleke Alfanla; the University Librarian, Prof. Kamaldeen Tunde Omopupa; and the Bursar, Mr Biodun Lawal.

Also in attendance were Mr AbdulRasheed Gidado Dauda, a member of the University Governing Council; the Director, Centre for Peace and Strategic Studies (CPSS), Prof. AbdulGaniyu Ibrahim Jawondo as well as some staff of the CILS.



Adedimeji is a treasured asset to UNILORIN - Egbewole

By Temitope Omoniyi

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has described the Vice Chancellor of African School of Economics, the Pan-African University of Excellence, Abuja, Prof. Mahfouz Adedimeji, as a treasured asset of the University of Ilorin.

Prof. Egbewole made this submission last Thursday (January 30, 2025) during a visit to Prof. Adedimeji after the maiden Public Lecture of the University delivered by the Managing Director and CEO of Galaxy Backbone Limited, Prof. Ibrahim Adeyanju, at the African School of Economics, Gudu, Abuja.

Prof. Egbewole, who is the Secretary-General of the Association of West African Universities (AWAU), commended his host's efforts to position the new university for excellence in teaching, research and community service while congratulating Prof. Adedimeji on the successful commencement of academic activities.

He assured African School of Economics of the support of the University



of Ilorin, the Consortium of Universities in Kwara State and the Association of West African Universities in achieving its mandate.

Prof. Adedimeji thanked the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin and described his visit as an honour to him and his institution. He noted that his Pan-African

University of Excellence would continue to derive inspiration from the excellence of the University of Ilorin.

Joining the Vice Chancellor of ASE to receive the Unilorin Vice Chancellor were the Registrar of ASE, Mrs Emi-Fowowe Ogunboye and the University Librarian, Dr Anthonia Ejikeme.

Egbewole urges Medical graduates to uphold professionalism

By Bashir Dawodu

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has urged newly inducted medical doctors to uphold professionalism and excellence in their practice.

Prof. Egbewole gave the charge last Thursday (January 30, 2025) at the 39th Induction Ceremony for the 18 Batch B Class of 2022 medical graduates from the College of Health Sciences. The event, held at the University Auditorium Basement, marked the official entry of the graduates into the medical profession.

The Vice Chancellor, who was represented on the occasion by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Management Services), Prof. Adegboyega Adisa Fawole, emphasised that medical professionals should earn respect through their competence rather than demand it.

He also reminded the inductees that their certificates are not just proof of knowledge but also a reflection of their character.

Prof. Egbewole encouraged the new doctors to give back to their alma mater and contribute to the medical field with dedication and integrity. He extended his congratulations to the inductees, their families, and the organising committee for making the event a success.

In his address, the Provost of the College of Health Sciences, Prof. B.S. Alabi, represented by the Dean of the Faculty of Basic Clinical Sciences, Prof. A.A. Akanbi II, commended the graduates for their perseverance despite the challenges they faced during their training.



Principal Officers and other dignitaries with the inductees last Thursday

He advised them to maintain good character, respect colleagues, and handle patients with care and professionalism.

Prof. Alabi also expressed appreciation to the Vice Chancellor for his commitment to improving the College of Health Sciences and creating a conducive learning environment.

In her address, the Registrar of the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN), Dr Fatima Kyari, who was represented by the Deputy Registrar, Dr Enejo Abu, urged the inductees to abide by the ethical codes of the medical profession.

She highlighted the growing role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in healthcare and advised the graduates to learn how to utilise AI responsibly.

Dr Kyari also warned against the rising number of quack doctors and urged

the new medical professionals to distinguish themselves through ethical and professional conduct.

The event was attended by several dignitaries, including the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic), Prof. Moji Taibat Bakare-Odunola; the Deputy Vice Chancellor (RTI), Prof. M. Etudaiye; the Registrar, Mr M.A. Alfanla; the Bursar, Mr Biodun Lawal; the University Librarian, Prof. K.T. Omopupa; the Dean, Faculty of Clinical Sciences, Prof. Lukman Olajide Abdur-Rahman, the Dean, Faculty of Basic Medical Sciences, Prof. M.S. Ajao; the Finance Controller of the College of Health Sciences, Mr Abdulganiyu Olaniyan; the Chairperson of the event, Prof. Aishat O. Bolakale, and the Chairman of the Nigerian Medical Association (NMA), Kwara State branch, Prof. A.O. Afolabi, among others.

UNILORIN SECONDARY SCHOOL

ENTRANCE EXAMINATION TO JSS 1 (UBE 7) 2025/2026 ACADEMIC SESSION

DATE: SATURDAY 24TH MAY, 2025

TIME: 8:00AM PROMPT

CENTRE: UNILORIN SECONDARY SCHOOL, UNIVERSITY OF ILORIN, MINI CAMPUS, ADEWOLE, ILORIN

FORM: APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED ONLINE AT <https://portal.uss.sch.ng/registration.php>

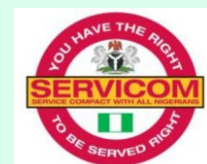
THE RATE OF N5,000.00 ONLY

SUBJECTS: ENGLISH LANGUAGE, MATHEMATICS AND GENERAL PAPER

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IEDPU congratulates Oloyede, two others on Emeritus professorship

By Abubakar Imam

The Ilorin Emirate Descendants Progressive Union (IEDPU) has congratulated a former Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede, CON, on his appointment as an Emeritus Professor by the authorities of the same University.

The Union also congratulated a former Vice Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Minna (FUTMinna), Prof.

Musibau Adewumi Akanji, FNAS; and the Pro-Chancellor and Governing Council Chairman of the Confluence University of Technology, Osara, Kogi State, Prof. Olu Obafemi, FNAL, for earning the prestigious position.

In a statement signed by its National Secretary, Abubakar Imam, on behalf of the National President, Alhaji Abdulmumini Ayo Abdulmalik, the Union described the appointment of the trio as well-deserved, considering their profound resourcefulness and enormous contributions to the development of learning in their various fields.

The Union specifically commended Prof. Oloyede, an Emeritus Professor of Islamic Jurisprudence and



Emeritus Prof. Oloyede



Emeritus Prof. Akanji



Emeritus Prof. Obafemi

Secretary-General of the Nigerian Supreme Council for Islamic Affairs (NSCIA), on his contributions to the development of the University right from his days as a student of the institution through his tenure as a staff and eventually as Vice Chancellor of the University from 2007 to 2012; as well as till date.

The Union recalled that Prof. Oloyede, who is currently the Registrar/Chief Executive of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), has recorded a very outstanding career, which has significantly impacted not only the University but also its host community and humanity at large over the years.

Alhaji Abdulmalik equally

praised Prof. Oloyede, whom he described as a close associate of more than four decades, for the establishment of the Centre for Ilorin Studies (CILS) during his administration at the University, among other worthwhile impacts, which promoted harmonious relationship between the University and Ilorin community.

The President similarly said that the services of Prof. Akanji and Prof. Obafemi at the University remain visible, impactful and enviable within and beyond the shores of the University as he noted, with pride, that it was from Ilorin that the two gentlemen, like Prof. Oloyede, successfully explored and dominated the academic world.



Opinion

Oloyede: Championing war against exam malpractices

By Idris Alooma

The Federal Government recently launched a committee to eradicate examination malpractices, with Emeritus Professor Is-haq Oloyede at the helm. As Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Oloyede has been a vocal advocate for eliminating examination malpractices that have plagued the country's education system for decades.

Examination malpractices in Nigeria date back to 1914, during the Cambridge examination. Various stakeholders, including parents, teachers, and candidates, have contributed to the menace. Prof. Oloyede identifies the proliferation of illegal tutorial centres, or "miracle centres," as a major contributor to examination malpractices. These centres, often owned by influential individuals, compromise the examination process.

Despite challenges, Prof. Oloyede remains committed to

eradicating examination malpractices. As Registrar of JAMB, he introduced measures to prevent exam malpractices, including biometric data. He emphasised the need for collective action, describing examination malpractices as a "national embarrassment."

Prof. Oloyede's appointment as Chairman of the National Committee to Eradicate Examination Malpractice reflects his dedication. The committee comprises key stakeholders from various examination bodies.

The committee, inaugurated at the Conference Hall of the Federal Ministry of Education in Abuja recently, comprises key stakeholders from various examination bodies, including JAMB, WAEC, NECO, and NABTEB. Memberships are also drawn from ANCOSS, and the Nigeria Union of Teachers. Its primary objective is to tackle examination malpractice, a longstanding issue in Nigeria's education system.

The Minister of Education Dr. Maruf Olatunji Alausa, praised Oloyede's

reformist leadership and innovative use of technology. Dr. Alausa emphasised restoring integrity to Nigeria's education system, stating, "This is not a fight against students but a collective effort to secure the future of education in Nigeria."

The committee is expected to submit its report by mid-2025. The government has directed examination bodies to adopt enhanced security measures, including integrating photographs, birth certificates, and National Identification Numbers (NIN), into certificates by June 2025.

Prof. Oloyede's track record in reforming institutions is impressive. As Vice-Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, he laid groundwork for institutional excellence. At JAMB, he revolutionised the admissions process, bringing transparency and technological advancement.

With his leadership, Nigeria can look forward to a credible education system where examination integrity is upheld, and hard work and merit are rewarded.



UNILORIN WEEKLY FINANCIAL DIGEST

FUND SOURCES AND UTILIZATION REPORT FROM 23RD TO 30TH JANUARY 2025

RECEIPTS:		
Academic Transcript		70,500.00
Sundry & Other Fees Student Charges		940,110.00
Sundry Other Incomes		552,000.00
Convocation Souvenir		540,100.00
Treatment of Non University Patients		1,200.00
Income from Fitness Centre		1,000.00
Contractors' Registration Fees		13,000.00
Capitation -NHIS		56,400.00
Staff I.D Cards		7,000.00
CML School Charges		45,000.00
Income from Verification /Screening		280,000.00
Student I.D Cards		1,000.00
CODL Undergraduate Charges		321,400.00
Utility Income		221,500.00
Rent on University Property		170,400.00
Disciplinary Fines		5,000.00
Refund		708,400.00
Electricity Charges from Shop Kiosk		20,000.00
Refund (Salary)		2,095,321.41
Refund of Unspent Staff personal Advance		5,000,000.00
University of Ilorin fees		24,500.00
Others		51,500.00
Undergraduate School Charges		129,836.00
Undergraduate Transcript Payment		849,300.00
Undergraduate International		10,200.00
Undergraduate Convocation Charges		640,800.00
Postgraduate School Charges		12,209,850.00
Postgraduate School Transcript Payment		275,000.00
Postgraduate Application Form		525,000.00
Institute of Education School Charges		1,097,700.00
Remedial Application Form		152,000.00
Remedial School Charges		1,280,200.00
Remedial Acceptance Payment		319,200.00
Ilorin Business School Charges		288,100.00
Ilorin Business Hostel Accommodation		50,400.00
JUPEB School Charges		4,055,600.00
JUPEB Acceptance Payment		20,200.00
Total Receipt for the Period		₦33,028,717.41
PAYMENTS		
PAYMENT TO CONTRACTORS/SUPPLIERS:		
Olmash International Ltd Supply of Burglary proof and Installation of Glass for Peace & Strategic Studies		1,305,007.00
Alifat Nigeria Enterprises Supply of Stationeries and Consumables		2,995,165.00
Sinclair Hospitality Ltd Catering Services		5,328,061.75
Integrated Sunaf Nigeria Limited Supply of Laboratory Consumables		3,402,200.00
Ramoking Solar Investment Ltd Supply and Installation of Solar Power System		10,539,149.50
Monar Tech Computer Supply of Stationeries		567,600.00
Nasat & Sons Nig Ltd Hostel Management		2,838,000.00
Amas Delight Catering Service Hospitality		153,725.00
Ibadan Electricity Distribution Coy Electricity bill for December 2024		150,000,000.00
Rajah Dynamic Printers Ltd Printing of Student File		550,000.00
Julieron Enterprises Supply of CCTV Cameras to TEC		6,018,419.75
Excelture Pharmacy Plus Ltd Supply of Clinical		
Laboratory Equipment and Reagents Unilorin Health Ser		7,271,000.00
OTHER PAYMENTS:		
Various Various i.e DTA, IMPREST, REFUND e.t.c		34,272,042.17
Purchase Advance Various		3,402,400.00
Unilorin Petrol Station Supply of Fuel		1,006,699.00
Unilorin Guest House Catering Services		1,045,000.00
Vigilante Group of Nigeria Salary for January 2025		2,275,000.00
Unilorin Researchers Lodges Hospitality		1,440,000.00
Unilorin Press Printing of Postgraduate Prospectus		1,811,230.00
Nigerian Legion Salary for January 2025		5,298,000.00
Staff Training Learned Conference and Staff		
Development Award (TETFUND)		14,729,950.00
Association of West Africa Universities Subscription		2,826,000.00
Nigerian Legion (Abuja Liaison Office) Salary for		
Jan-25		365,000.00
Total TSA Charges Various		115,455.00
Total payment for the period		₦273,235,104.20

Signed
Abiodun Lawal (FCNA)
Bursar



S/N	Name	Department	Birthday
1	Oyewo, Jacob Oyebisi	Registry	Feb 02
2	Sanusi, Zakariyyah Olatunde	Registry	Feb 02
3	Salawu, Raimi	Security Division	Feb 02
4	Muh'D Bashir, Adesina Salamat Bode	University Guest House	Feb 02
5	Bello, Yekkeen	Arts Education	Feb 02
6	Olaoye, David Olayinka	Registry	Feb 02
7	Jimoh, Yusuf	Unilorin Zoo	Feb 02
8	Annongu, Azor Amos	Animal Production	Feb 02
9	Akogun, Ibrahim Ganiyu Kunle	Directorate Of Corporate Affairs	Feb 02
10	Alabi, Sarah Oluwafunmilayo	Web Support Services	Feb 02
11	Adebiyi, Ganiyu Tayo	Security Division	Feb 02
12	Abubakar, Sidiq Babatunde	Security Division	Feb 02
13	Jimoh, Abdulrahman Toyin	Physical Planning Unit	Feb 02
14	Olarewaju, Akande	Security Division	Feb 02
15	Abdullahi, Adamu Ndaman	Medicine	Feb 02
16	Adeoye, Abdulrasheed Abiodun	Performing Arts	Feb 02
17	Idowu, Anthony Ekundayo	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 02
18	Olanrewaju, Timothy Olusegun	Medicine	Feb 02
19	Abdulraheem, Rasheedat Bolanle	Health Services	Feb 02
20	Suleiman, Yekkeen Alaran	Security Division	Feb 02
21	Mohammed, Iyabo	Security Division	Feb 02
22	Adeyemi-Ale, Olutomi Adeola	Zoology	Feb 02
23	Umar, Abubakar Yaru	Public Administration	Feb 02
24	Attahir, Muhammed Jimu	Security Division	Feb 02
25	Mahamud, Hafeez Owolabi	Computer Engineering	Feb 02
26	Abdulrazaq, Olanrewaju Mutalib	Library	Feb 02
27	Bello, Kabir Olamilekan	Biochemistry	Feb 02
28	Lawal, Olanrewaju Ridwan	Home Economics & Food Science	Feb 02
29	Mohammed, Kafayat Abiola	Registry	Feb 02
30	Kuranga, Fatai Omotosho	Optometry & Vision Science	Feb 02
31	Sa'Adu, Simbiat	Registry	Feb 02
32	Shuaib, Jamiu	Registry	Feb 02
33	Babatunde, Jonathan Adewale	Unilorin Staff School	Feb 03
34	Afolayan, Joel Adeleke	Nursing Science	Feb 03
35	Saliu, Bolanle Kudirat	Microbiology	Feb 03
36	Oyedepo, Adeola Margaret	Computer Base Test	Feb 03
37	Williams, Felicia Esemekiphoraro	Pharm. Microbiology & Biotechnology	Feb 03
38	Ayeni, Timothy	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 03
39	Katibi, Ibraheem Adeola	Medicine	Feb 03
40	Oladipo, Idowu Dauda	Computer Science	Feb 03
41	Ishola, Tajudeen Abiodun	Agricultural & Biosystem Engineering	Feb 03
42	Osemene, Olubunmi Florence	Accounting	Feb 03
43	Sanni, Rasheed Ishola	Works: Mechanical	Feb 03
44	Abdullahi, Fatimoh Bintu	Security Division	Feb 03
45	Kuti, Kareem Babatunde	Registry	Feb 03
46	Mustapha, Faridah Onajomo	Registry	Feb 03
47	Olaoye, Adeleke Temitope	Network Operating Centre	Feb 03
48	Lawal, Abdulrasheed Kayode	Veterinary Public Health & Preventive Medicine	Feb 03
49	Adelabu, Joy Kikelomo	Architecture	Feb 03
50	Osanaie, Peter Adewumi	Statistics	Feb 04
51	Yusuf, Babatunde	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 04
52	Akinyemi, Joshua Kolade	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Feb 04
53	Abdullahi, Mutairu	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 04
54	Olabanji, Victoria Bosede	Centre For International Education	Feb 04
55	Kolawole, Abiola	Registry	Feb 04
56	Omolekan, Olushola Joshua	Business Administration	Feb 04
57	Sideeq, Abubakar Lukman	Veterinary Pathology	Feb 04
58	Abdul, Abdulraheem	Clinical Pharmacy & Pharmacy Practice	Feb 04
59	Nwokeh, Assumpta Ogechi	Registry	Feb 04
60	Omotoso, Asake Abimbola	Agronomy	Feb 04
61	Salami, Bamidele	Registry	Feb 05
62	Bamidele, Folake Florence	Registry	Feb 05
63	Babafemi, Grace Olabisi	Library	Feb 05
64	Yakubu, Aliyu	Unilorin Sugar Research Institute	Feb 05
65	Abdulsalam, Oyeniya Biliamin	Works: Electrical/Telecom	Feb 05
66	Olawale, Abimbola Omotajesi	Registry	Feb 05
67	Falowo, Olushola Naheem	Bursary	Feb 05
68	Kigir, Esther Solomon	Veterinary Anatomy	Feb 05
69	Adeniran, Sunday Adebunmi	Plant Biology	Feb 05
70	Samiru, Sani	Biomedical Engineering	Feb 05
71	Abdulwahab, Kudirat Adenike	Chemistry	Feb 05
72	Jinadu, Ajibola Wasiu	Bursary	Feb 05
73	Ibraheem, Ismail Aremu	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 05
74	Olumoh, Ismail Adebayo	Library	Feb 05
75	Adesina, Adedoyin Victoria	Registry	Feb 05
76	Babatunde, Shola Timothy	English	Feb 06
77	Baba, Dare Abubakar	Health Promotion & Environmental Health Edu	Feb 06
78	Nuhu, Umar	Security Division	Feb 06
79	Olunka, John Alunka	Registry	Feb 06
80	Saheed, Mohammed Tunde	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 06
81	Hanafi, Suleiman Olesin	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 06
82	Ajokpaniovo, Michael	Counsellor Education	Feb 06
83	Lawal-Ibrahim, Falilat Ayo	Nursing Science	Feb 06
84	Ipadeola, Oyedapo Ademuyiwa	Surveying & Geo-Informatics	Feb 06
85	Yusuf, Musiliu Olawale	Works: Works/Maint. Office	Feb 07
86	Ogunbiyi, Olatunde Oyewole	Religions	Feb 07
87	Ajiboye, Taiwo Aye	Computer Engineering	Feb 07
88	Nmom, Ikeola Olufunke	Home Economics & Food Science	Feb 07
89	Malik, Nurudeen Adesola	Geography & Environmental Management	Feb 07
90	Salman, Moradeke Balikis	Registry	Feb 07
91	Omoiya, Maridiyat Omowumi	Unilorin Staff School	Feb 07
92	Salman, Abiola Ramat	Web Support Services	Feb 07
93	Ademola, Olaoluwa John	Zoology	Feb 07
94	Danmaiduka, Salamat Omotayo	Centre For Supportive Services For The Deaf	Feb 07
95	Joel, Janet Funmilayo	Unilorin Staff School	Feb 08
96	Adeyeye, Agnes Omotayo	Religions	Feb 08
97	Dada, Sunday Charles	Registry	Feb 08
98	Akeyede, Moshood Imam	Unilorin Staff School	Feb 08
99	Akindole, Iyiola Tomilayo	Public Administration	Feb 08
100	Owoade, Adetoye Kehinde	Registry	Feb 08
101	Abdullahi, Hafsa Mustapha	Veterinary Microbiology	Feb 08
102	Olaniran, Oyebayo Ridwan	Statistics	Feb 08

The University Board of Health encourages you to visit the University Health Services for medical check-up on your birthday. Thanks



2024/2025 AMENDED ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR UNDERGRADUATES

- 2 Weeks of Registration - For both Fresh & Returning Students
- 1 Week of Late Registration – For both Fresh & Returning Students
- 15 Weeks of Instruction
- 1 Week of Revision for the Harmattan Semester
- 3 Weeks of Harmattan Semester Examinations
- 2 Weeks of Marking and Computation of Results for the Harmattan Semester
- 15 Weeks of Instruction for the Rain Semester
- 3 Weeks of Rain Semester Examinations
- 2 Weeks of Marking and Computation of Results for Rain Semester
- 2 Weeks of End of the Session Break

S/NO.	ACTIVITY	PROPOSED DATES
1.	Commencement of 2024/2025 Academic Session for both New and Returning Students	Monday 14 th October, 2024
2.	Registration of New and Returning Students	Monday 14 th October, 2024
3	End of Registration for New and Returning Students	Friday 25 th October, 2024
4	Commencement of Late Registration for New and Returning Students	Monday 28 th October, 2024
5	End of Late Registration for New and Returning Students	Friday 1 st November, 2024
6	Commencement of Lectures for the Harmattan Semester (New and Returning Students)	Monday 21 st October, 2024
7	Processing of Add and Drop and Additional Credit Units	Monday 4 th - Friday 8 th November, 2024
8	Faculty Board to consider List of Registered Students	Monday 11 th – Wednesday 13 th November, 2024
9	Business Committee of Senate to consider the List of Registered Students	Tuesday 19 th – Thursday 21 st November, 2024
10	Special Senate to consider List of Registered Students	Thursday 28 th November, 2024
11	Matriculation	Tuesday 3 rd December, 2024
12	CBT Continuous Assessment (Harmattan Semester)	Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th December, 2024
13.	End of Harmattan Semester Lectures	Friday 31 st January, 2025
14	Revision	Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th February, 2025
14	Commencement of Harmattan Semester Examinations	Monday 10 th February, 2025
15.	End of Harmattan Semester Examinations	Friday 28 th February, 2025
16	Teaching Practice as by Faculty of Education	As fixed by the Faculty
17.	Commencement of Rain Semester Lectures	Monday 3 rd March, 2025
18.	Faculty Board of Examiners to consider Final Year Results (Presentation I)	Monday 17 th - Wednesday 19 th March, 2025
19.	Business Committee of Senate to consider Final Year Results (Presentation I)	Tuesday 25 th - Thursday 27 th March, 2025
20.	Special Senate to consider Final Year Results (Presentation I)	Thursday 3 rd April, 2025
21.	CBT Continuous Assessment (Rain Semester)	Monday 14 th – Friday 18 th April, 2025
22.	End of Rain Semester Lectures	Friday 13 th June, 2025
23.	Commencement of Rain Semester Examinations	Monday 16 th June, 2025
24.	End of Rain Semester Examinations	Friday 4 th July, 2025
25.	Faculty Board of Examiners to Consider Final Year Results	Monday 21 st - Friday 25 th July, 2025
26.	Business Committee of Senate to Consider Final Year Results	Monday 28 st – Thursday 31 st July, 2025
27.	Senate to Consider Graduating Students’ Results	Thursday 7 th August, 2025
	Faculty Board to consider Goodstanding Results	Monday 25 th – Wednesday 27 th August, 2025
28	Business Committee of Senate to Consider Goodstanding Results	Monday 1 st – Wednesday 3 rd September, 2025
29.	Special Senate to consider Goodstanding Results (End of 2024/25 Academic Session)	Tuesday 9 th September, 2025
30.	Commencement of the 2025/2026 Academic Session	Monday 22 nd September, 2025
31.	Resumption of New Students	Monday 22 nd September, 2025

Note: Wednesdays 4pm – 6pm: Lecture Free for Sports Activities

Signed

M. A. Alfania

Registrar

- At its 304th meeting, the Senate of the University of Ilorin approved the appointment of Prof. Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede, Prof. Olu Obafemi and Prof. Musbau Akanji as Emeritus Professors.
("Oloyede, Obafemi, Akanji Appoints Emeritus Professors", <https://newtelegraphng.com>;
"UNILORIN: Oloyede, Obafemi, Akanji becomes Emeritus Professors", <https://theshieldonlineng.com>;
"Unilorin appoints JAMB Registrar, Oloyede as emeritus professor", <https://gazettengr.com>;
"Unilorin appoints Oloyede, two others as emeritus professors", <https://punching.vom>;
"Oloyede, Obafemi, Akanji become emeritus professors", <https://solaremnes.com>;
"Oloyede, Obafemi, Akanji become Emeritus Professors", <https://www.factualnaija.com>;
"Unilorin Senate approves appointment of Oloyede, Obafemi, Akanji as emeritus professors", <https://dailylinks.ng>;
"Unilorin Confers Emeritus Professors Tittles On Oloyede, 2 others", <https://insiderng.net>;
"Oloyede, Obafemi, Akanji become Emeritus Professors", *Nigerian Tribune*, Saturday, January 25, 2025, p.8)
- The Senate of the University of Ilorin has approved the appointment of two new Deputy Vice Chancellors (DVCs).
("UNILORIN appoints two new DVCs", <https://Nigerianewsdirect.com>;
"UNILORIN gets two new Deputy Vice Chancellors", <https://theeagleonline.com.ng>;
"UNILORIN Senate Elects Two New Deputy Vice Chancellors", <https://thenewspointer.com>;
"Unilorin Senate Elects Deputy V C s", <https://newnigeriannewspapers.ng.worfpres.com>;
"Unilorin gets two new DVCs", <https://www.thegazettenees.com>;
"Unilorin Senate Elects Deputy VCs", *New Nigerian*, Monday, January 28, 2025, p.8)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has said the University has trained 21 students on Artificial Intelligence as part of its commitment to advancing education and innovation.
("UNILORIN trains 21 students on AI, plans to sponsor 500 more", <https://radionigeria.companionfm.blogspot.com>;
"UNILORIN trains 21 students on AI, plans to sponsor 500 more", <https://punching.com>)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has described the theme of this year's International Day of Education that centred on usefulness of Artificial Intelligence AI in the education sector as appropriate and forward looking.
("World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI –VC", *Nigerian Pilot*, Tuesday, January 28, 2025, p.24;
"World Education Day : UNILORIN aligns with global focus on AI - VC", <https://dailylinks.ng>;
"World Education Day: UNILORIN VC Recommits to Equipping Students With Skills to Exploit AI's Potentials", <https://www.thisdaylive.com>;
"Unilorin runs 'SMART' agenda to enhance teaching, learning, research -Egbewole", <https://businessday.ng>;
"World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI –VC", <https://theparrotnews.com>;
"World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI, says Egbewole", <https://choice.ng>;
"WORLD EDUCATION DAY THEME ALIGNS WITH UNILORIN'S EFFORTS ON AI - EGBEWOLE", <https://globalcrownnews.com.ng>;
"World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI, says Egbewole", <https://www.thepointng.com>;
"World Education Day Theme Aligns With UNILORIN 's Efforts On AI-VC", <https://www.tvcnews.tv>;
"World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI -Egbewole", <https://theshieldonlineng.com>;
"Unilorin VC applauds focus on AI in education on international day of education", <https://the national online.ng.net>;
"Revolutionalizing Education Unilorin SMART Agenda and AI Integration", <https://high-profile.com.ng>;
"World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI Egbewole", <https://choicereporters.com>;
"UNILORIN Aligns With Global Education Day Theme Trains Students On AI", <https://solaremnews.wordpress.com>;
"World Education Day theme aligns with UNILORIN's efforts on AI -Egbewole", <https://royalnews.com.ng>)
- In an opinion article, the General Manager of UNILORIN FM 89.3, Mr Idris Alooma, has described a former Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, who is now the Registrar of the Joint Admission And Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, as a vocal advocate of eradication of examination malpractices
("OPINION: Prof. Is-haq Oloyede: A Champion in the Fight Against Examination Malpractice in Nigeria", <https://highprofile.com.ng>;
"Prof. Is-haq Oloyede: A Champion in the Fight Against Examination Malpractice in Nigeria", <https://royalnews.com.ng>;
"Prof. Is-haq Oloyede: A Champion in the Fight Against Examination Malpractice in Nigeria", *The Herald*, Friday, January 31, 2025, p.13)
- The Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, has joined other well-meaning Nigerians to congratulate THISDAY Newspapers on its 30th anniversary.
("UNILORIN VC, Group Congratulates THISDAY at 30", *Thisday*, Saturday, January 25, 2025, p.12;
"Egbewole greets Thisday Newspaper @30", <https://www.unilorin.edu.ng>;
"UNILORIN VC, Group Congratulates THISDAY At 30", <https://www.pressreader.com>;



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UNILORIN @ 50 celebration is for all, says Mokuolu ...as he rolls out anniversary programmes

By Abubakar Imam

The Chairman of the University of Ilorin 50th Anniversary Planning Committee, Prof. Olugbenga Ayodeji Mokuolu, has said that the upcoming Golden Jubilee Celebration of the University is for all those who are connected to the Institution in one way or the other and particularly its alumni.

Prof. Mokuolu, who is a former Director, Centre for International Education (CIE), University of Ilorin, stated this last Wednesday (January 29, 2025) while featuring on 'Table Talk', a current affairs programme of **UNILORIN 89.3 FM**. The programme, which was anchored by the Station's Head of

Programmes, Mr Temitope Olawuyi, extensively discussed the preparations for the celebrations.

The renowned academic, who teaches at the Department of Paediatrics and Child Health, said that the Anniversary is intended to celebrate the remarkable achievements, challenges and aspirations of the University, saying that for the University to have attained the age of 50 and still waxing stronger is a monumental milestone that deserves to be celebrated.

The don said that the major achievements of the University remain its products who are scattered around the world and are dominating their

environment in the field of education, medicine, politics, media and entertainment, to mention a few.

He added that the University, which has been the most preferred Institution of higher learning in Nigeria for the past 14 years, has produced many distinguished Vice Chancellors, leading politicians, exceptional administrators and impactful media and entertainment gurus, saying that all these make the 50th Anniversary of the establishment of the University worthy of being celebrated.

He added that the celebration is practically an alumni event as well as for foundation and former staff of the University as he urged everybody to see the event as the one they must be part of.

The award-winning scholar also explained that the anniversary is also meant to celebrate a catalogue of different achievements of the various Faculties that make up the University.

The former Director of UNILORIN Consultant Services and erstwhile University Researcher of the Year, added that the essence of the Golden Jubilee is to roll out the drums to celebrate all the excellence epitomised by the University and the sustenance of its timeless greatness.

Prof. Mokuolu also gave a clinical breakdown of the events lined up for the celebrations scheduled to commence on

Sunday, November 23, 2025 with an interdenominational church service; and brought to an end with a special Jumaat service and novelty match between the current students and alumni of the University on Friday, November 28, 2025 on the University campus.

The Chairman said that Monday, November 24, 2025 would be for an Anniversary Walk from the University Main Gate into the town for people and passersby to know that the programme has commenced.

He added that Tuesday, November 25, 2025 would witness a Press Briefing by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, as he would also, after the press engagement, lead a courtesy visit, in a convoy of cars, to some dignitaries in town, particularly the Governor of Kwara State, Mallam AbdulRahman AbdulRazaq, CON, and the Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji (Dr) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari, CFR, to show the appreciation of the University for their support and those of the people of the State over the years.

Prof. Mokuolu also explained that the following day, which would be Wednesday, November 26, 2025, would be the Alumni Day and Fund-Raising Ceremony as well as an Anniversary Play to be presented by the Department of the Performing Arts and a Research Fair, which he said is intended to showcase different innovations from the various segments of the University.

Thursday, November 27, 2025, according to the Chairman, would be dedicated to the Anniversary Lecture to be delivered by a globally-renowned scholar. This, he said, would be followed by the launching of the Anniversary Book, which is currently being worked on by a sub-committee headed by the Director of Academic Planning, Prof. AbdulRasheed Abiodun Adeoye. The Anniversary Dinner would also be held on the same date.

Speaking on the anniversary project, Prof. Mokuolu said that funds would be raised towards the building of an "Innovation Hub", which cost he put at N50 billion.

Prof. Mokuolu explained that the Hub is the core project for the anniversary and that the Committee would reach out to

members of the alumni, staff, students as well as other friends of the University from all over the world for support.

He said that reasonable opportunities would be given to everyone to support the project that would be smart and energy friendly and that different aspects of the project would be named after prominent donors as a way of immortalising them and their contributions.

Prof. Mokuolu also said that students will be fully involved in the celebrations as they would have a special event and evening of their own for merrymaking. He said that this arrangement will be fine-tuned and finalised with the leadership of the Students Union.

He also said that leaders and members of the University's host community also have a big role to play in the anniversary celebration, pointing out that people of the immediate environment and people from far and near will be actively involved.

While thanking the Chairman and members of the University Governing Council, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Wahab Olasupo Egbewole, SAN, and the entire University community for the cooperation extended to his Committee so far, Prof. Mokuolu charged the University stakeholders such as the various unions, the host community, alumni and the general public to support the University as it celebrates the milestone.



■ Prof. Mokuolu