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FG Approves N470bn for University Revitalisation, Upward Review of Lecturers' Salaries

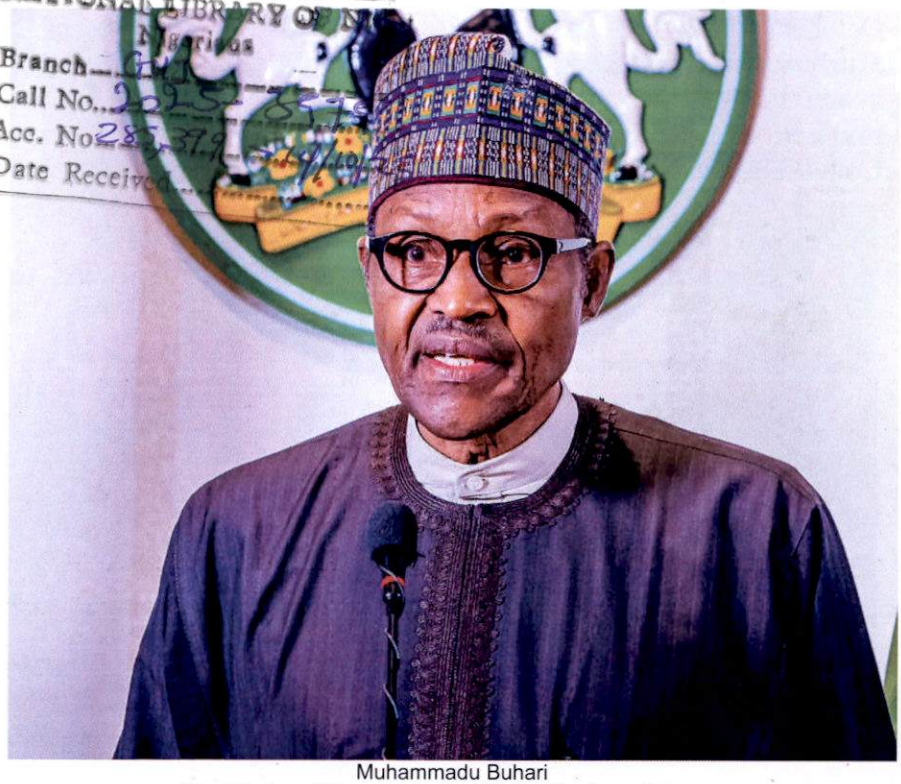
In a drive to fulfill some of its promises to the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU), the Federal Government of Nigeria has approved the sum of N470 billion as special funds in the 2023 budget for university revitalisation and upward review of lecturers' salaries.

The Honourable Minister of Finance, Budget and National Planning, Mrs. Zainab Ahmed, disclosed this last week Thursday, 20 October, 2022, explaining that N300 billion is for university revitalisation while N170 billion is for an upward review of university lecturers' salaries.

Earlier, during a budget presentation to a joint session of the National Assembly, President Muhammadu Buhari (PMB) had disclosed that the Government included N470 billion for revitalization and salary enhancements in the tertiary institutions in the 2023 budget.

President Buhari said his government noted "with dismay the crisis that has paralysed activities in the public universities in the country."

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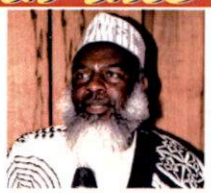
He stated that he "expected the staff of these institutions to show a better appreciation of the current state of affairs in the country. In the determined effort to resolve the issue, we have provided a total of N470.0 billion in the 2023 budget from our constrained resources, for revitalization and salary enhancements in the tertiary institutions."

President Buhari also said it is instructive to note that the government alone cannot provide the resources required for

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funding tertiary education.

"In most countries, the cost of education is jointly shared between the government and the people, especially at the tertiary level. It is imperative therefore, that we introduce a more sustainable model of funding tertiary education."

He added that "the government remains committed to the implementation of agreements reached with staff unions within available resources. This is why we have remained resolute that we will not sign any agreement that we would be unable to implement.

Individual institutions would be encouraged to keep faith with any agreement reached in due course to ensure stability in the educational sector."

ABUAD Graduates 1,673 at 10th Convocation Ceremony

Afe Babalola University, Ado-Ekiti (ABUAD) last Saturday 22nd October, 2022, graduated 1,673 students for the 2021/2022 academic session, which also marked the successive 10th Convocation ceremony and 12th Founder's Day celebrations of the University.



Fmr. President, Olusegun Obasanjo (4th left) supervising the cutting of the birthday cake presented by the founder and Chancellor of ABUAD, Aare Afe Babalola, in honour of the birthday celebration of Chief Mike Ozekhome, SAN, while other guests watch

The University produced about 122 students with first class honours across different programmes of the University.

Out of the number that graduated, 1,418 were undergraduate students, 255 finished from the postgraduate school of the institution.

In her convocation speech, the Vice-chancellor of ABUAD, Prof. Smaranda Olarinde noted that in the last twelve years of its existence, the university has delivered on its core mandates of teaching, research and community service evident in the ranking of the institution as the best in the country, in line with the vision of the founder, Aare Afe Babalola.

According to her, "at ABUAD, we are resolute and remained determined in our quest to avail the next generation of Nigerians of functional and qualitative education wherein they can be national and global citizens of high impact, well prepared for the contemporary challenges," the VC said.

Prof. Olarinde recounted that the10th convocation and 12th-anniversary ceremonies of the university kick-started with a convocation lecture titled, "The Place of Education in a crisis-ridden Nigeria" delivered by human rights lawyer, Chief Mike Ozekhome, SAN.

The VC disclosed that the Convocation lecturer, Chief Ozekhome, alongside the former governor of Ekiti State and Social Democratic Party governorship candidate in last June 18 poll, Chief Segun Oni and the Shehu of Borno, Dr. Abubakar Garba El-Kanemi were being conferred with the institution's honorary degrees for their immense contributions to the society and the education development in the country.

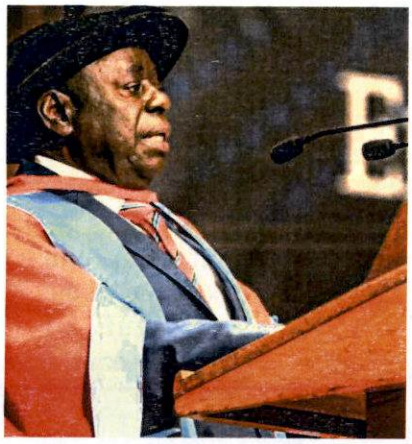
Giving details of the choices of the individuals for the award, she said, "Following the wide publicity that Aare Afe Babalola was going to establish a university in Ibadan, Engr Segun Oni who was then the governor of Ekiti State, a patriotic and highly gifted leader, raced to Ibadan, fervently pleading that Afe Babalola should site the university in Ekiti in order to enhance and speed up the development of Ekiti State. As a major stakeholder in the Ekiti project, Afe Babalola got persuaded, particularly because of the Ile labo simi Oko(East or West, Home is the best) belief and then decided to locate the university in Ado-Ekiti.

"Shehu of Borno is deserving of the award on account of his unbending commitment for quality and functional education, one of Nigeria's foremost traditional rulers and with a passionate pursuit of peace in a theatre of war.

"Also, Chief Ozekhome, an advocate of good governance and the continued survival of Nigeria, a defender of the poor, the repressed, the ignored and the marginalized members of the society, is being honoured for his contributions to the enthronement, democracy, good governance and rule of law."

Prof. Olarinde noted that the first Prof. Emeritus in Esan Owolabi would be unveiled in the 12-year history of the university on Friday as the professor of engineering, being the pioneer provost of the college of engineering, "where he laid a solid foundation for Engineering education in our university, on the one hand, and his distinguished and commendable contributions had made in engineering in the various universities he had worked on the other hand".

While celebrating the current graduands, Prof. Olarinde commended the graduates in achieving the aim of attaining a university education. She noted that graduating during a worldwide pandemic, against all odds, was an especially remarkable achievement, as it testified to the tenacity and



Ààre Afe Babalola SAN, CON, OFR, Founder and Chancellor

dedication of the students, and their parents, guardians, and mentors, who have supported them all the way. She urged them to uphold the name of the Institution and contribute to society in their chosen work areas.

Welcoming the guests, the Founder and Chancellor, Ààre Afe Babalola SAN, CON, OFR, DLitt, LLD London, thanked the God Almighty for his grace for the University to have come thus far. He stated that ABUAD was still in its formative years by its status, but had already made giant strides with Times Higher Education (THE), an international ranking institution, listing it as the number 34th private university in Nigeria in 2021, among over 200 others.

The Chancellor and Founder congratulated the distinguished honorary awardees that included the Shehu of Borno, Dr. Abubakar Garba El-Kanemi; legal luminary and high Chief Mike Ozekhome, SAN, as well as former Governor of Ekiti State, Engr. Segun Oni, whose proven lifetime contributions to the society had earned them a decoration with honourary doctorate degrees of Afe Babalola University.

He disclosed that specifically Chief Ozekhome was awarded the LL.D Doctorate degree (Honoris Causa) along with former Governor of Ekiti State, Chief Segun Oni and the Shehu of Borno, Alhaji Garba Elkanemi.

While congratulating the parents for their faith in the University as a choice for their children, Ààre Afe Babalola also paid special tribute to the graduating students, describing them as ambassadors of Afeism which stood for Determination, Industry, Character and Integrity.

To the eminent award recipients, he noted that, they had contributed immensely to education as a catalyst to national development. "Conventionally, the award of a Doctorate Degree of a good University is prized-higher than an academic degree", he elucidated.

Speaking at the event, the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Afe Babalola University, Prof. Tunde Adeniran, KJW, OFR, FCPA maintained that the vision and mission of the University were on course. He charged the graduating students to uphold the virtues of hard work and integrity which they had been imbibed with and aim to become better than the Chancellor as he hard always advocated wherever they find

themselves in life.

He reiterated that the University were awarding degrees to a total of 1,673 graduating students, consisting of 122 First Class, 563 Second Class Upper, 473 Second Class Lower and 60 Third Class degree holders, as well as 255 postgraduate degree awardees.

The Convocation was the hall mark of the events line up for the occasion, commencing with a press conference followed by inductions galore and tour of some faculties. Other notable activities included games, Convocation lecture, commissioning of several remarkable projects, entertainment & drama presentations and culminating with the founder's dinner as well as Awards night.

Earlier, Dr Mike Ozekhome, SAN, CON, OFR, FCIArb, LL.M, Ph.D, LL.D, D.LITT, had delivered the 10th Convocation lecture of ABUAD.

In his highly applauded and well researched 83 page lecture, Ozekhome spoke passionately on "THE PLACE OF EDUCATION IN A CRISIS-RIDDEN NIGERIA".
Shortly after the Convocation lecture, the Founder and Chancellor of ABUAD, Aare Afe Babalola, SAN, CON, OFR, LL.D, surprised Dr. Mike Ozekhome, his wife, Lady (Barr.) Josephine as well as his sons, Barristers Oshomha and Osilama, and the mammoth crowd of friends, well-wishers, students, staff of ABUAD and traditional rulers present, with a well decorated birthday cake.
The cutting of the cake and rendition of songs were led and supervised by former Nigerian President, Olusegun Obasanjo, GCFR.

Former President Olusegun Obasanjo, who also attended the convocation, was full of apologies at the convocation ceremony in Afe Babalola University after "bad roads" caused him to arrive late to the event.

Chief Obasanjo, who was President between 1999 and 2007, expressed displeasure at the deplorable condition of the roads in the country, describing it as an impediment to the movements of citizens in the pursuit of their businesses.

"Kindly accept my apologies for coming late to this ceremony," said Mr. Obasanjo, 85, who travelled to the event from his home in Abeokuta, about 300 kilometres away.

"I thought if I leave Abeokuta at 4.30 a.m. that I will get to ABUAD at 10 a.m. But when we got to the middle of the journey, the conditions of our roads were bad.
"We started asking which way was the best route to take to get to Ado-Ekiti. It was tough before we could get here, kindly pardon me."

In his speech, the former President praised the university's founder, Afe Babalola, for replicating and surpassing in ABUAD, what he did at the University of Lagos when he appointed him the Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of Governing Council.

Meanwhile, Chief Afe Babalola served as the Pro-chancellor of the University of Lagos between 2000 and 2007.

The convocation was attended by imminent personalities from all works of life, vice chancellors from other universities, spiritual and traditional rulers, revered friends of the University.



Cross section of graduands

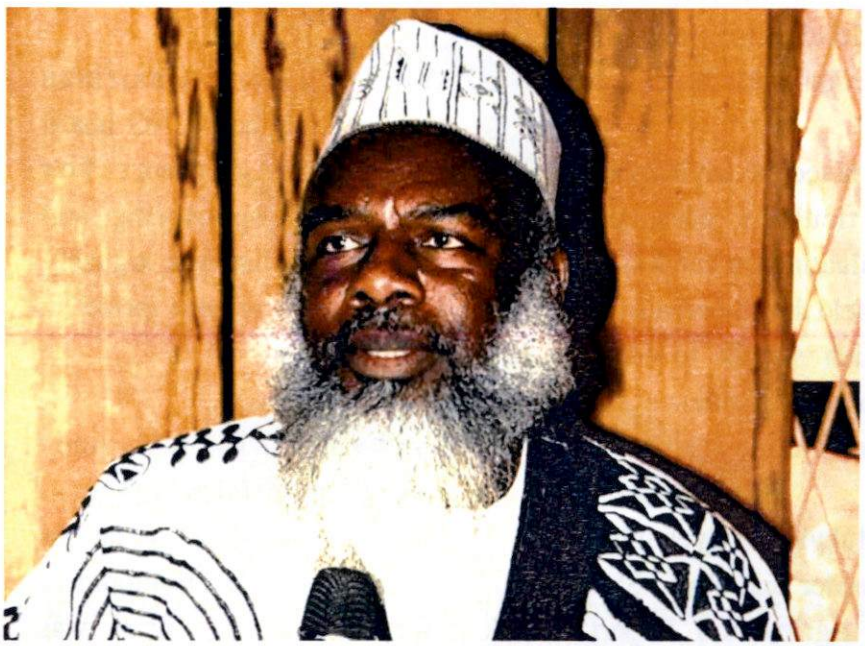
NUC Visiting Prof. Ado Garki Named Among Winners of NLNG's Scientific Prize Award

A former Vice-Chancellor, Al-qalam University, Katsina and Visiting Professor in the National Universities Commission (NUC), Shehu Ado Garki, who is a seasoned agricultural expert, renowned academic, and consummate researcher, was among those, whose joint work was selected by the Panel of Judges for the Nigeria Prize for Science as outstanding scientific works which earned them the Nigeria Liquefied Natural Gas Ltd. (NLNG) 100,000 dollars prize.

Prof. Barth Nnaji, a former Minister of Power and Chairperson of the Advisory Board for the NLNG Prize made the announcement at a news conference on the 2022 edition of the event organised by NLNG, with the theme, "Innovations in Sustainable Food Security," last Wednesday, 19th October, 2022, in Lagos.

According to him, the panel of judges for the Nigeria Prize for Science received 107 entries from scientists worldwide for the 2022 edition.

The panel of judges led by Prof. Christian Agbo, from the Department of Agriculture, University of Nigeria Nsukka (UNN) reached the decision on the winning entries.



Prof. Shehu Ado Garki
Vice-Chancellor, Al-qalam University, Katsina and Visiting Professor NUC

Other members on the panel were Ms. Funke Opeke, the Chief Executive Officer of MainOne and Prof. Mohammed Magaji, from the Department of Agronomy, Usman Danfodiyo University, Sokoto.

Prof. Nnaji said that one of the outstanding works was on: "Gains in Grain Yield of Released Maize (Zea Mays L.): Cultivars under Drought and Well-Watered Conditions," jointly presented by Muhydideen Oyekunle and Shehu Ado Garki.

He said, that the second one was on: "Development of Process Plant for Plantain Flour," also by Prof. Sesan Ayodeji and Emmanuel Olatomilola.

According to him, the two groups will split the 100,000 dollars grand prize.

On the judges' report, the Chairman said that, the works addressed food security which was a key component of the national agenda.

He added that the works were in

line with goal two of the Sustainable Development Goals which sought sustainable solutions to end hunger in all its forms by 2030 and to achieve food security.

Prof. Nnaji further said that the choice of the judges reflected a multi-disciplinary approach relevant to the theme in focus.

He noted the advisory board was particularly pleased that in evaluating the entries, the judges upheld the objectives of the prize which sought to identify and promote excellence in utilising scientific knowledge.

"Muhyideen Oyekunle, a Maize Breeder and Prof. Shehu Ado, an Agricultural Expert's work on: "Gains in Grain Yield of Released Maize (Zea Mays L.) Cultivars under Drought and Well Watered Conditions" provides us with a unique opportunity.

"The maize seeds they selected courtesy of a breeding programme have been tested to be high yielding and water stress tolerant.

"Prof. Sesan Ayodeji, from Federal University of Technology, Akure (FUTA) and his colleague, Mr Emmanuel Olatomilola's work on "Development of Process Plant for Plantain Flour" is important for reducing spoilage of farm products and package for distribution as well as value addition for farm products, "he said.

The Advisory Chairman commended the NLNG board and management for instituting, sponsoring and sustaining what was arguably the biggest science prize in Africa.

In his remarks, Mr. Andy Odeh, NLNG's General Manager, External Relations and Sustainable Development said, the science prize was growing in strength as the 2022 verdict depicted.

Mr. Odeh said that the advisory board and NLNG were working behind the scenes to review the prize for bigger impact and inclusiveness for the good of society.

He said that science could provide solutions to most of the country's challenges and urged relevant stakeholders and the public to continue to support NLNG through the Nigeria Prize for Science.

He noted that stakeholders could do this by making scientific breakthroughs the biggest enabler of development in Nigeria, adding that industry and public investors should consider the commercial value of the winning works.

The General Manager commended the winners for the big feat and called on all past winners of the prize to synergise and become a think-tank that could generate and sustain the flow of ideas, innovation and scientific advice to the public and private sectors.

He further stated that this would make scientific ideas and innovations beneficial to the people, thereby helping to build a better Nigeria in line with the vision of the organisation.

Mr. Odeh added that the winning works had the potential to significantly impact the country's food security positively through a stable, efficient and sufficient system of food production.

... As Former President Obasanjo Harps on Agric. Innovation for Survival, Dev. @ NLNG Gala Night

In a related development, Former President Olusegun Obasanjo has said innovation in agriculture is key to human survival and development.

Chief Obasanjo said this at the Grand Award Night for the 2022 Nigeria Prize for Literature, Science and Literary Criticism, organised by the Nigeria LNG Limited (NLNG) on Friday, 21 October, 2022, in Lagos.

He emphasised the need to encourage innovations in food security, eradication of hunger and poverty, secure raw materials for domestic and foreign exchange so as to see the nation develop.

"Way back when humans were primarily hunters, they saw the need to cultivate and grow plants and livestock for sustenance, and then as exchange for other goods.

"With increased success, cottage industries bloomed and that principle of survival has still not changed after millions of years," Obasanjo said.

He expressed delight at NLNG's choice of science prize theme, 'Innovations in Food Security,' describing it as appropriate.

"As a farmer, I am really impressed with NLNG's choice of this year's science prize theme being 'Innovations in food security.

"In my view, agriculture is the most ancient and proven industry for mankind. What I am saying is that agriculture is synonymous with human survival and development.

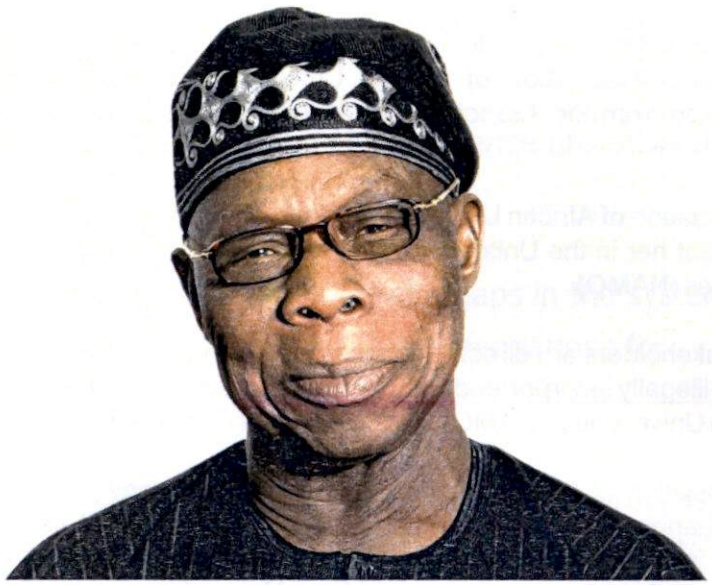
"We need to encourage innovations in food security, eradicate hunger and poverty, secure raw materials for domestic and foreign exchange, and we will see the nation develop," Obasanjo added.

The Former President lauded the Board of Directors and Management of NLNG for the achievements recorded by the company over the years as a corporate entity, contributing to nation-building since May 1989.

"I have had the joy of witnessing NLNG's coming-of-age story; in your maturity, you seek to pull our nation to the height you have attained.

"I enjoin all stakeholders to support NLNG in all its aspirations to help in building a better Nigeria," the former president said.

He hailed the NLNG for its vision to be a globally competitive LNG company helping to build a better Nigeria.



Chief Olusegun Obasanjo
Fmr President of Nigeria

"NLNG helps in Nigeria's development, particularly, through its flagship, corporate social responsibility initiative – the 'Nigeria Prize for Literature, the Nigeria Prize for Science and the 'Nigeria Prize for Literary Criticism.'

"We can adopt world-class best practices and leap with giant strides into the future.

"We can collaborate on exchange of ideas and invest in research and development.

"We can focus on the education and mental development of our people so that we position the nation for the direction it should go," Obasanjo explained.

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The Association of African Universities (AAU) wishes to inform the public that the only organization approved to represent her in the United States of America, is the North America Office of the Association of African Universities (NAMO)

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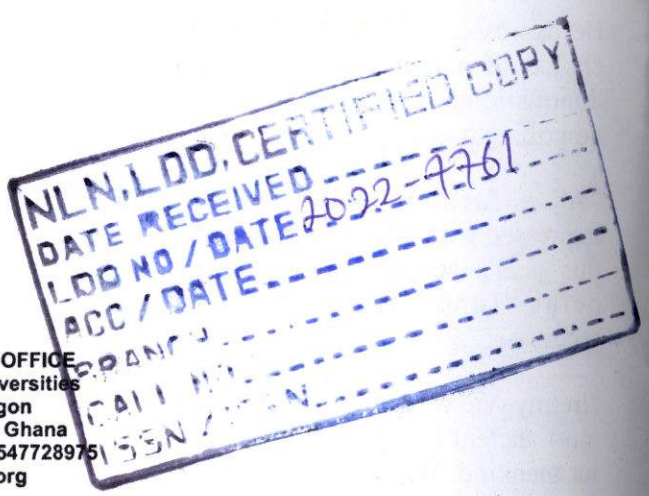
Necessary legal actions are being initiated to terminate the illegal incorporation of the 'AAU_NA'. In addition, the Directors and the Board Members of the AAU-NA do not represent the interests of the Association of African Universities and no approval has been given to them to act on behalf of the Association of African Universities.

The Association of African Universities will continue to be committed to its Regional Offices program through its North America Office (NAMO) in North America, the North Africa Office (NARO) and the East Africa Regional Office (EARO)

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FME SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOLS

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

NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES COMMISSION

Approved Open University and Distance Learning Centres in Nigeria

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

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

1. Distance Learning Centre, University of Ibadan.
2. University of Lagos, Distance Learning Institute.
3. University of Abuja, Centre for Distance Learning and Continuing Education.
4. University of Maiduguri, Centre for Distance Learning.
5. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Centre for Distance Learning.
6. Modibbo Adama University of Technology, Yola, Centre for Distance Learning.
7. Ladoke Akintola University of Technology Open and Distance Learning Centre.
8. Distance learning Centre, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.
9. Lagos State University Open and Distance Learning and Research Institute.
10. Joseph Ayo Babalola University Centre for Distance Learning.
11. University of Nigeria, Nsukka Centre for Distance and e-Learning.
12. Federal University of Technology Minna, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
13. Babcock University Ilisan-Remo, Centre for Open Distance and e-Learning.
14. University of Ilorin, Centre for Open and Distance Learning.
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..

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

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

1. Application in writing stating the intent for the establishment of the university
2. Interview of prospective proprietors
3. Collection of application forms
4. Submission of application forms and relevant documents
5. Intensive review/analysis of documents by experts in relevant NUC departments
6. Revision of documents by proprietors, based on report of 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
13. Approval by NUC Board
14. Approval by FEC

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

LIST OF APPROVED UNIVERSITIES IN NIGERIA

FEDERAL UNIVERSITIES

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

STATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Rivers State University of Science & Technology, Port Harcourt	1979
2	Ambrose Alli University, Ekpoma	1980
3	Abia State University, Uturu	1981
4	Enugu State University of Science & Tech, Enugu	1982
5	Olabisi Onabanjo University, Ago-Iwoye	1982
6	Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti. (formerly University of Ado-Ekiti)	1982
7	Lagos State University, Ojo, Lagos	1983
8	Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso	1990
9	Imo State University, Owerri	1992
10	Benue State University, Makurdi	1992
11	Delta State University, Abraka	1992
12	Adekunle Ajasin University, Akungba - Akoko	1999
13	Kogi State University, Anyigba	1999
14	Niger-Delta University, Yenagoa	2000
15	Chukwuemeka Odumegwu Ojukwu University, Uli	2000
16	Kano University of Science & Technology, Wudil	2000
17	Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki	2000
18	Nasarawa State University, Keffi	2002
19	Adamawa State University, Mubi	2002
20	Gombe State University, Gombe	2004
21	Kaduna State University, Kaduna	2004
22	Cross River University of Technology, Calabar	2004
23	Plateau State University, Bokkos	2005
24	Olusegun Agagu University of Science and Technology, Okitipupa, Ondo State.	2008
25	Ibrahim Babangida University, Lapai, Niger State	2005
26	Tai Solarin University of Education, Ijagun	2005
27	Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina	2006
28	Yobe State University Damaturu, Yobe State	2006
29	Kebbi State University of Science and Technology, Aliero	2006
30	Osun State University, Osogbo	2006
31	Taraba State University, Jalingo	2008
32	Kwara State University, Ilorin	2009
33	Sokoto State University, Sokoto	2009
34	Akwa Ibom State University, Ikot Ikpaden	2010
35	Ignatius Ajuru University of Education, Rumuolumeni	2010
36	Bauchi State University, Gadau	2011
37	Maitama Sule University, Kano	2012
38	Technical University, Ibadan.	2012
39	Sule Lamido University, Kafin Hausa	2013
40	Ondo State University of Medical Sciences	2015
41	Edo University, Iyamho	2016
42	Kingsley Ozumba (K.O) Mbadiwe University, Imo State	2016
43	University of Africa, Toru-Orua	2016
44	Borno State University	2016
45	Moshood Abiola University of Science and Technology, Abeokuta	2017
46	Gombe State University of Science and Technology, Kumo	2017
47	Zamfara State University, Talata-Mafara	2018
48	Bayelsa Medical University Yenagoa, Bayelsa State	2019
49	University of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, Umuagwo, Imo State	2019
50	Bamidele Olumulia University of Education Science and Technology, Ikere - Ekiti State	2020
51	Confluence University of Science and Technology Osara, Kogi State	2020
52	University of Delta, Agbor, Delta State	2021
53	University of Science and Technology, Ozoro, Delta State	2021
54	Dennis Osadebay University, Asaba, Delta State	2021
55	King David Umahi University of Medical Sciences, Uburu, Ebonyi State	2021
56	Lagos University of Education, LASUED, Ijanikin, Lagos State	2022
57	Lagos University of Science and Technology, Ikorodu, Lagos State	2022
58	Shehu Shagari University of Education, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
59	Enugu State University of Medical and Applied Sciences, Igbo-Eno, Enugu State	2022

PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES

S/N	INSTITUTIONS	Year Est.
1	Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun State	1999
2	Madonna University, Okija, Anambra State	1999
3	Igbinedion University, Okada, Edo State	1999
4	Bowen University, Iwo, Ogun State	2001
5	Benson Idahosa University, Benin City, Edo State	2002
6	Covenant University, Otta, Ogun State	2002
7	Pan-Atlantic University, Lekki-Express Way, Lagos State	2002
8	American University of Nigeria, Yola, Adamawa State	2003
9	Ajayi Crowther University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005
10	Al-Hikmah University, Ilorin, Kwara State	2005
11	Al-Qalam University, Katsina, Katsina State	2005
12	Bells University of Technology, Otta, Ogun State	2005
13	Bingham University, New-Karu, Nasarawa State	2005
14	Caritas University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005
15	Crawford University, Igbesa, Ogun State	2005
16	Crescent University, Abeokuta, Ogun State	2005
17	Lead City University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2005
18	Kwararafa University, Wukari, Taraba State	2005
19	Redeemer's University, Mowe, Ogun State	2005
20	Renaissance University, Enugu, Enugu State	2005
21	University of Mkar, Mkar, Benue State	2005
22	Novena University, Ogume, Delta State	2005
23	Joseph Ayo Babalola University, Ikeji-Arakeji, Osun State	2006
24	Veritas University, Abuja, FCT 2006	2006
25	Achievers University, Owo, Ondo State	2007
26	African University of Science & Technology, Abuja, FCT	2007
27	Caleb University, Imota, Lagos State	2007
28	Fountain University, Oshogbo, Osun State	2007
29	Obong University. Obong Ntak, Akwa Ibom State	2007
30	Tansian University, Umunya, Anambra State	2007
31	Wesley University of Science & Technology, Ondo State	2007
32	Western Delta University, Oghara,Delta State	2007
33	Salem University, Lokoja, Kogi State	2007
34	Afe Babalola University Ado-Ekiti - Ekiti State	2007
35	Godfrey Okoye University, Ugwuomu-Nike, Enugu State	2007
36	Nigerian-Turkish Nile University, FCT Abuja	2009
37	Oduduwa University, Ipetumodu - Osun State	2009
38	Paul University, Awka, Anambra State	2009
39	Rhema University, Obeama-Asa, Rivers State	2009
40	Wellspring University, Evbuobanosa, Edo State	2009
41	Adelcke University, Ede, Osun State	2011
42	Baze University, FCT Abuja	2011
43	Landmark University Omu-Aran., Kwara State	2011
44	Glorious Vision University (formerly Samuel Adegboyega University), Ogwa, Edo State	2011
45	Mcpherson University, Seriki Sotayo, Ajebo, State	2012
46	Elizade University, Ilara-Mokin, Ondo State	2012
47	Southwestern University Oku Owa, Ogun State	2012
48	Evangel University, Akaeze, Ebonyi State	2012
49	Gregory University, Uturu, Abia State	2012
50	Augustine University, Ilara, Lagos State	2015
51	Chrisland University, Owode, Ogun State	2015
52	Christopher University, Mowe, Ogun State	2015
53	Hallmark University, Ijebu-Itele, Ogun State	2015
54	Kings University Ode-Omu, Osun State	2015
55	Michael & Cecilia Ibru University, Owhode, Delta State	2015
56	Mountain Top University, Makogi/Oba, Ogun State	2015
57	Ritman University, Ikot Ekpene, Akwalbom State	2015
58	Summit University, Offa, Kwara State	2015
59	Edwin Clerk University, Kiagbodo, Delta State	2015
60	Hezekiah University, Umudi, Imo State	2015
61	Anchor University Ayobo, Lagos State	2015
62	Arthur Jarvis University Akpabuyo, Cross River State	2016
63	Clifford University, Owerrinta, Abia State	2016
64	Coal City University Enugu, Enugu State	2016
65	Crown-Hill University Eiyenkorin, Kwara State	2016
66	Dominican University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
67	Kola Daisi University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2016
68	Legacy University, Okija, Anambra State	2016
69	Admiralty University, Ibusa, Delta State	2017
70	Spiritan University, Nneochi, Abia State	2017
71	Precious Cornerstone, Ibadan, Oyo State	2017
72	PAMO University of Medical Sciences, Port-Harcourt, Rivers State	2017
73	Atiba University, Oyo, Oyo State	2017
74	Eko University of Medical Sciences, Ijanikin, Lagos	2017
75	Skyline University, Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2018
76	Greenfield University, Kasarami-Kaduna, Kaduna State	2019
77	Dominion University, Ibadan, Oyo State	2019
78	Trinity University, Laloko, Ogun State	2019
79	Westland University, Iwo, Osun State	2019
80	Topfaith University, Mkpatak, Akwa-Ibom State	2021
81	Thomas Adewumi University, Oko-Irese, Kwara State	2021
82	Maranatha University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
83	Ave-Maria University, Piyanko, Nasarawa State	2021
84	AL-Istiqama University, Sumaila, Kano State	2021
85	Mudiame University, Irrua, Edo State	2021
86	Havilla University, Nde-Ikom Cross River State	2021
87	Claretian University of Nigeria, Nekede, Imo State	2021
88	Karl-Kumm University, Vom, Plateau State	2021
89	Nok University, Kachia, Kaduna State	2021
90	James Hope University, Lekki, Lagos State	2021
91	Maryam Abacha American University of Nigeria, Kano, Kano State	2021
92	Capital City University, Kano, Kano State	2021
93	Ahman Pategi University, Patigi, Kwara State	2021
94	University of Offa, Offa, Kwara State	2021
95	Mewar University, Masaka, Nasarawa State	2021
96	Edusoko University, Bida, Niger State	2021
97	Philomath University, Kuje, Abuja	2021
98	Khadija University, Majia, Jigawa State	2021
99	ANAN University, Kwall, Plateau State	2021
100	Pen Resource University, Gombe, Gombe State	2022
101	Al-Ansar University, Maiduguri, Borno State	2022
102	Margaret Lawrence University, Galilee, Delta State	2022
103	Khalifa Isiyaku Rabiu University, Gadon \Kaya City Gate Kano, Kano State	2022
104	Sports University, Idumuje, Ugboko, Delta State	2022
105	Baba-Ahmed University, Kano, Kano State, Kano, Kano State	2022
106	Saisa University Of Medical Sciences And Technology, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022
107	Nigerian British University, Asa, Abia State	2022
108	Peter University, Achina-Onneh, Anambra Stat	2022
109	Newgate University, Minna, Niger State	2022
110	European University of Nigeria, Duboyi, Abuja, FCT	2022
111	Northwest University, Sokoto, Sokoto State	2022

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List of Illegal Universities Closed Down by NUC

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

1) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
2) Christians of Charity American University of Science & Technology, Nkpor, Anambra State or any of its other campuses
3) University of Industry, Yaba, Lagos or any of its other campuses
4) University of Applied Sciences & Management, Port Novo, Republic of Benin or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
5) Blacksmith University, Awka or any of its other campuses
6) Volta University College, Ho, Volta Region, Ghana or any of its other campuses in Nigeria
7) Royal University Izhia, P.O. Box 800, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State or any of its other campuses
8) Atlanta University, Anyigba, Kogi State or any of its other campuses
9) United Christian University, Macotis Campus, Imo State or any of its other campuses.
10) United Nigeria University College, Okija, Anambra State or any of its other campuses.
11) Samuel Ahmadu University, Makurdi, Benue State or any of its other campuses.
12) UNESCO University, Ndoni, Rivers State or any of its other campuses.
13) Saint Augustine's University of Technology, Jos, Plateau State or any of its other campuses
14) The International University, Missouri, USA, Kano and Lagos Study Centres, or any of its campuses in Nigeria
15) Collumbus University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
16) Tiu International University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria
17) Pebbles University, UK operating anywhere in Nigeria`
18) London External Studies UK operating anywhere in Nigeria.
19) Pilgrims University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
20) Lobi Business School Makurdi, Benue State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
21) West African Christian University operating anywhere in Nigeria.
22) Bolta University College Aba or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
23) JBC Seminary Inc. (Wukari Jubilee University) Kaduna Illegal Campus
24) Westlan University, Esie, Kwara State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
25) St. Andrews University College, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
26) EC-Council University, USA, Ikeja Lagos Study Centre.
27) Atlas University, Ikot Udoso Uko, Uyo Akwa Ibom State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
28) Concept College/Universities (London) Ilorin or any of its campuses in Nigeria
29) Halifax Gateway University, Ikeja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
30) Kingdom of Christ University, Abuja or any of its campuses in Nigeria
31) Acada University, Akinlalu, Oyo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria.
32) Fifom University, Mbaise, Imo State or any of its campuses in Nigeria
33) Houdegbe North American University campuses in Nigeria.
34) Atlantic Intercontinental University, Okija, Anambra State
35) Open International University, Akure
36) Middle Belt University (North Central University), Otukpo
37) Leadway University, Ughelli, Delta State
38) Metro University, Dutse/Bwari, Abuja
39) Southend University, Ngwuro Egeru (Afam) Ndoki, Rivers State
40) Olympic University, Nsukka, Enugu State
41) Federal College of Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Abuja.
42) Temple University, Abuja
43) Irish University Business School London, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
44) National University of Technology, Lafia, Nasarawa State.
45) University of Accountancy and Management Studies, Mowe, Lagos - Ibadan Expressway and its Annex at 41, Ikorodu Road, Lagos.
46) University of Education, Winneba Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
47) Cape Coast University, Ghana, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
48) African University Cooperative Development (AUCD), Cotonou, Benin Republic, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
49) Pacific Western University, Denver, Colorado, Owerri Study Centre.
50) Evangel University of America & Chudick Management Academic, Lagos
51) Enugu State University of Science and Technology (Gboko Campus)
52) Career Light Resources Centre, Jos
53) University of West Africa, Kwali-Abuja, FCT
54) Coastal University, Iba-Oku, Akwa-Ibom State
55) Kaduna Business School, Kaduna
56) Royal University of Theology, Minna, Niger State
57) West African Union University, in Collaboration with International Professional College of Administration, Science and Technology Nigeria, operating anywhere in Nigeria.
58) Gospel Missionary Foundation (GMF), Theological University. 165 Iselo road, Cele bus stop, Egbe-Ikotun, Lagos.

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

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

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

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

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

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This Week's Birthdays



NAMES			DATE OF BIRTH
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AISHA	OYOLA	AYITOGO	27 OCTOBER
ABDULLATEEF		ABDULSALAM	28 OCTOBER
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AARA	NYAZI	ZANG	29 OCTOBER

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