



BUK Gets 15 New Professors, 28 Associate Profs, As Senate Reduces Accommodation Fees

By Lamara Garba

The Senate at its 379th meeting held on Wednesday 24th December, 2019 noted the promotion of fifteen senior lecturers to the rank of Professors.

A statement signed by the Director, Examinations, Admissions and Records (DEAR), Hajiya Amina Umar Abdullahi, said their promotions were with effect from 1st October, 2019.

“Senate noted the appointment of the following new Professors and Associate Professors”, said the statement. Those promoted include the Director of Centre for Quranic Studies, Professor Muhammad Babangida Muhammad as Professor of Islamic Studies, Professor Nuratu Mohammed (Geography) and Haruna Musa now Professor of Pure and Industrial Chemistry.

Others include Dr. Rabia Salihu Said now Professor of Physics, Dr. Hassana Sani Darma (Special Education); Dr. Babatunde Olamide Bamgbose, Professor of Oral Diagnostic Dentistry, and Dr. Amina Abubakar Ismail (Economics); Dr. Shehu Usman Yahaya (Agronomy) and Dr. Ahmed Maigari Ibrahim (Environmental Management).

Also, the Senate noted the promotion of twenty-eight (28) others to the rank of Associate Professors, which include, University Librarian, Dr. Musa A. Auyo, (Library and Information Science) and Dr. Hajara Umar Sanda (Mass Communication).

Other Associate Professors are Dr. Nu'uman Muhammad Habib (Sociology), Dr. Bala Saleh Dawakin Tofa (Sociology); Dr. Garba Iliyasu (Medicine), Dr. Ibrahim Mu'azzam Saminu Maibushira (Islamic Studies and Shariah), Attah Rapheal Avidire (Obstetrics and Gynecology) and

Dr. Omoje Uchenna Kelvin (Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery), among others. Breakdown of the promotion, saw four female professors and four associate professors.

In a related development, the Senate has approved the downward review of students accommodation fees.

“Following the interaction and consultation between the students



VC, Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello

union and Management, a downward review was agreed as follows”, said the statement.

Under the new dispensation, postgraduate students are to pay N20,150 instead of N25,150 for accommodation, while for the undergraduate students, the fee for the hostel with bed and mattress has been reduced to N18,090 instead of N20,090. Those taking only bed spaces are to pay N10,090, each. The Students Union Government (SUG) expressed appreciation for the gesture.

Below is the *summary of major decisions taken at the 379th meeting of the senate.*

2019 Professorial Promotion

The University's Senate noted the Promotions of the following New Professors and Associate Professors:

Professors:

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1	Dr. Shehu Usman Yahaya	Agronomy
2	Dr. Ado Yusuf Abdulfatah	Civil Engineering
3	Dr. Amina Abubakar Ismail	Economics
4	Dr. Usman Dau Aliyu	Education (SCE)
5	Dr. Ahmed Maigari Ibrahim	Environmental Management
6	Dr. Nuratu Mohammed	Geography
7	Dr. Salisu Mohammed	Geography
8	Dr. Isyaku Umar Yarube	Human Physiology
9	Dr. Abdulwahab Lawan	Information Technology
10	Dr. Musa Usman Abubakar	Islamic Law
11	Dr. Muhammad B. Muhammad	Islamic Studies and Shariah
12	Dr. Babatunde Olamide Bamgbose	Oral Diagnostic Dentistry
13	Dr. Rabia Salihu Said	Physics
14	Dr. Haruna Musa	Pure and Industrial Chemistry
15	Dr. Hassana Sani Darma	Special Education

Associate Professors:

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT
1	Dr. Ishaq Alhaji Samaila	Accounting
2	Dr. Sadiq Rabiullahi	Accounting
3	Dr. Hussaini Muhammad Lawan	Arabic
4	Dr. Abdullahi Abdulkadir Imam	Biochemistry
5	Dr. Safianu Rabi	Biological Sciences
6	Dr. Yusuf Garba	CDA
7	Dr. Nuruddeen Salahudeen	Chem and Petroleum Engr
8	Dr. Mohammed Idris Yahaya	Chemical Pathology
9	Dr. Jibril Dan Azumi Jibril	Estate Management
10	Dr. Lawan Abdullah Isa	History
11	Dr. Aisha Niima Shehu	History
12	Dr. Ibrahim Muazzam S. Maibushira	Islamic Studies and Shariah
13	Dr. Musa Abdu Auyo	Library and Information Sci
14	Dr. Baffah Magaji Abubakar	Library and Information Sci
15	Dr. Hajara Umar Sanda	Mass Communication
16	Dr. Garba Iliyasu	Medicine
17	Dr. Musa Baba Maiyaki	Medicine
18	Dr. Muhammad Hamza	Medicine
19	Dr. Attah Raphael Avidime	Obstetrics and Gynaecology
20	Dr. Omeje Uchenna Kelvin	Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
21	Dr. Abdulakeem Adebayo Aluko	Otorhinolaryngology
22	Dr. Abdulsalam Mohammed	Paediatrics
23	Dr. Patience Ngozi Obiagwu	Paediatrics
24	Dr. Zubaida Ladan Farouk	Paediatrics
25	Dr. Mohammed Ibrahim Imam	Pathology
26	Dr. Bashir Bello	Physiotherapy
27	Dr. Bala Saleh Dawakin Tofa	Sociology
28	Dr. Nu'umman Mohammed Habib	Sociology

Matters Arising from the Minutes of the 275th Meeting of Senate on the Reports of the Senate Committee On Fees and Charges

Upon the approval of the review of Accommodation fees for both Undergraduate and Postgraduate students, the Students Union complained to the University Management. The University Management requested the Chairman, Senate Committee on Fees and Charges to liaise with Dean, Students Affairs, the Director, Security and Director (DEAR) to interact with the Students Union Executives.

Following the interaction and consultation with the Management, a downward review was agreed as outlined below:

S/N	SERVICE DESCRIPTION	APPROVED (N)	REVIEWED (N)
1	Postgraduate International Students' Accommodation	80,000.00	80,000.00
2	Postgraduate Nigerian Students' Accommodation with Beds and Mattresses	25,150.00	20,150.00
3	Undergraduate Accommodation Rooms with Beds and Mattresses	20,090.00	18,090.00
4	Undergraduate Accommodation Rooms without Beds	12,090.00	10,090.00

CBN to Fund Rice Production, Processing in Bayero University, Kano

By Adamu Garba

Impressed by the resilience and commitment of Bayero University, Kano, to complement the effort of the Federal Government in boosting food production in Nigeria, the Central Bank of Nigeria (CBN) has indicated strong interest to fund rice production and processing in the University.

Bayero University will be the first university in Nigeria to blaze the trail in rice production and processing in commercial quantity.

The Central Bank and management of BUK have begun talks on how to develop a comprehensive blue print to fund the project aimed at increasing rice production in the country.

Bayero University, on Tuesday, 7th January, 2020 interacted with the officials of the Central Bank on how to develop a proposal that will lead to mass production and processing of rice.

The Head of Development Finance of the CBN, Kano Office, Hassan-Tom, affirmed that the move to partner with BUK in rice production was in line with the Anchor Borrower Programme introduced by the President Buhari-led administration to boost agricultural production in the country.

Mr. Hassan Tom stated that the recent development by Bayero University in rice production and processing had prompted the CBN to intervene in the area so as to

jointly come up with a proposal that will boost the production and processing of rice in the University.

He said the collaboration would be the first of its kind in the country, in which an academic institution would venture into rice production with the support of the CBN.



Officials of CBN with University Management and staff of Dept. of Agricultural Economics and Extension

Responding, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello assured the delegates that the University would consider the offer with utmost priority. He added that the University would set up a committee that will look into it as soon as possible.

The Vice Chancellor remarked that the value chain in rice production was so high that it needs to be encouraged.

“This is a very important intervention and I assure you that the University will consider the partnership even if it means establishing Public-Private Partnership”, he explained.

“This is one thing we can do to reduce importation of rice into our country”, he added.

It could be recalled that recently, the Department of Agricultural Economic and Extension began rice processing and packaging, which called the attention of the and other stakeholders to partner with BUK on this profitable venture.

BUK's CRNL&F Organizes Conference in Honour of Nina Pawlak of University of Warsaw

By Fausat A. Opayomi

The Centre for Research in Nigerian Languages, Translations and Folklores in collaboration with the Department of Nigerian Languages and the Department of Linguistics and Foreign Languages



Prof. Nina Pawlak (6th right) in a group photograph with VC, Prof. M. Y. Bello, Prof. Hafiz Abubakar, staff of CSRNL&F and Dept. of Nigerian Languages

(CRNL&F) organized an International Conference in honour of a renowned linguist, Professor Nina Pawlak of University of Warsaw, Poland, on Tuesday 7th January, 2020 at Dangote Business School.

Speaking at the occasion, the Minister of Information, Culture and Tourism, Alhaji Lai Muhammed, disclosed that a language dies somewhere in the world every five minutes and more than half of the deaths are recorded in Africa.

While commending the University's CRNL&F for her research on the Hausa Language, he said, emphasis should be on the disappearance of minority languages and on stemming the extinction of such languages in Nigeria, which, he said, was in line with United Nations Proclamation of 2019, since International year of Indigenous Languages aimed at supporting the revitalization and protection of endangered indigenous languages.

In his remarks, the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, expressed admiration and gratitude for the life and works of Professor Pawlak, who he described as an eminent Hausa scholar of a Caucasian descent, a prolific and well cited Polish – turned into a Hausa scholar.

Professor Bello said the conference was timely and exceedingly important because it put to light the living legend of Hausa studies in the person of Professor

Pawlak who encouraged collaborations with partners such as Poland and threw more light on the importance of studying and developing our native languages, which have brought the revolutionary idea that all human languages, depending on what the speaker does with them, are of equal status.

He said the priorities of Bayero University were community based, which has continually provided solutions and insights into the social and humanitarian needs of its immediate and extended communities, including the linguistic and cultural heritages of the people.

Earlier, the Director of the Centre, Professor Aliyu Muazu, in his address, explained that the purpose of organizing the conference was to showcase the prolific academic and material achievements of professor Pawlak, who had developed passion for Africa and had chosen Hausaland, the Hausa language and its people as the subjects of her academic career, which, he said, had reintegrated and encouraged the continuation of Hausa studies across the ocean.

He, however, said despite the success recorded over the decades in the study of Hausa language, there are critical challenges facing Hausa studies in the 21st Century, such as serious decline of Hausa studies in Western Universities, with many departments and institutions closing down Hausa courses as a result of either lack of staff, students or resources.

Professor Pawlak, in her response, described BUK and Kano as the heart of the Hausa language and expressed gratitude for the honor accorded her. She said her inspiration to study indigenous language was born out of the fact that she had grown up in the neighborhood of different cultures. She was, therefore, able to observe how people protect their beliefs, languages, cultures and values.

She said the continuous partnership between BUK and University of Warsaw, Poland, would help to establish

Bayero University Microfinance Bank to Raise Share Capital to N200m

By Nura Garba

The Bayero University, Kano, Microfinance Bank will soon be upgraded as the management and board have intensified effort to meet the Central Bank of Nigeria's recapitalization of all micro-finance institutions in Nigeria.

This was disclosed by the Chairman of the Board, Dr. Nasir Isa Fagge, during a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor last week. The courtesy call was to formally present the new Managing Director (MD) of the bank, Alhaji Muhammad Kabir Ali and to request the



Board of Directors of Bayero University Microfinance Bank with Vice Chancellor, Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello

approval of the Management on the bank's plan to raise its share capital to N200m.

Dr. Fagge explained that the appointment of the new MD followed the due process of short listing, screening and interviews, in which Alhaji Ali emerged on top. He was appointed based on the University's principle of equity, justice, competence and transparency.

The Board Chairman told the Vice Chancellor that with the expected N200 million, the bank would not be under any threat and it would generate more revenue. He said that the bank would like to generate additional

shares from the management, unions of the University and individuals within the University community..

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Yahuza Bello congratulated the new Managing Director of the bank, Alhaji Ali for the appointment and commended the board of directors of the bank for transforming it into one of the most competitive micro-finance banks.

The Vice Chancellor informed the board of directors that the University had secured approval from KASEPA to construct shops at its residential houses in Zoo road and the University's Consultancy Services is at the helm of it, saying that the Micro-finance Bank can offer loan facility for the project.

Prof. Bello stated that the Consultancy Services would vacate its offices in Kabuga to a new building inside the Old Campus, urging the Microfinance Bank to use the vacated building to open a branch as part of efforts to expand its services.

On the additional share capital, the Vice Chancellor expressed optimism that the Management of the University would top up its investment to reach N120 million from the initial N95million it had earlier invested, calling on individuals and unions to also follow suite in order to raise the bank's capital share to N200 million.

Speaking earlier, the new MD of the bank, Alhaji Muhammad Kabir Ali, expressed gratitude over the confidence reposed in him and pledged to justify it.

Other members of the board present were: the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohamed, former Registrar, Dr. Sani Ibrahim Amin, the Bursar, Dr. Suleiman Bello, the Director, Public Affairs, Malam Ahmad Shehu and Alhaji M. K Shittu of the Internal Audit Unit.

CDA Trains More APPEALS Participants from Kano and Kogi, as Kaduna Joins Training

By Nura Garba

The Centre for Dryland Agriculture (CDA) has received additional participants from Kano and Kogi States in the second batch of Agro-Processing Productivity Enhancement and Livelihood Improvement Support Project (APPEALS) training.

The first batch of the training, in which 572 participants from the two states were trained on three agricultural value chains of poultry, aquaculture and rice ended recently.

The CDA organized an orientation programme for the second batch of the trainees on Tuesday, 7th January, 2020 at the Convocation Arena for Kano and Kogi trainees as well as for Kaduna participants, who joined

their counterparts for a two-week intensive training.

The Director of CDA, Professor Jibrin M. Jibrin, who was represented by the Deputy Director, Training, Professor Sanusi Gaya Mohammed, urged the participants to consider themselves as representatives of the three states and that they should extend their training to others.

Speaking on the overview of the training, the Coordinator and the Deputy Director, Outreach and Publication, Professor Amina Mustapha, told them briefly about the BUK, CDA and the eight departments of Faculty of Agriculture. She told the participants that they must have knowledge about agribusiness. She

said APPEALS would empower them after presenting a comprehensive business plan that could be translated into profitable ventures.

Dr. Yusuf Garba, who spoke on Rules and Regulations governing the training, tasked the participants to observe orderliness, timeliness and respect all the rules of the training. He said attendance should be strictly adhered to, otherwise the participants may not be considered for certification.

Speaking on gender based violence, Malam Jazuli M. Bichi cautioned the participants to desist from any act

of sexual harassment, gender, faith or religious discrimination as it will be tantamount to expulsion from the training.

The respective state project coordinators of Kano, Kogi and Kaduna states, who sent in their representatives, Usman Abdulhamid, Alex Atama and Engineer Sani Bello, urged the participants to be serious and attentive during the training and to ask questions in areas they don't understand. They also called on the participants to use the opportunity not only to train others but also employ them after the training.



Prof. Amina Mustapha addressing the APPEALS trainees during orientation exercise

APPOINTMENTS

Professor Shehu Ahmad Bustani now HOD, Quantity Surveying

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Professor Shehu Ahmad Bustani, as the Head, Department of Quantity Surveying, for two years commencing from January 6, 2020.

Professor Ibrahim Adamu Yakasai Appointed Deputy Director (DRIP)

The University's Principal Officers at their 16th (2019) meeting held on Monday, 30th December, 2019, approved the appointment of Professor Ibrahim Adamu Yakasai as the Deputy Director (Innovation), in the Directorate of Research, Innovation and Partnership (DRIP), effective 7th January, 2020, for a period of two years (2).

Dr Aminu Muhammad Dukku is Deputy Director II, Centre for Gender Studies

The University's Principal Officers at their 16th (2019) meeting held on Monday, 30th December, 2019, approved the appointment of Dr. Aminu Muhammad Dukku as the Deputy Director II, Centre for Gender

Studies, effective 7th January, 2020.

Dr. Sunusi Iguda now Deputy Director II

The University's Principal Officers at their 16th (2019) meeting held on Monday, 30th December, 2019, approved the appointment of Dr Sunusi Iguda as the Deputy Director II, Centre for Infectious Disease Research, effective 7th January, 2020.

Dr. Usman Aliyu Dutsinma is Deputy Director II

The University's Principal Officers at their 16th (2019) meeting held on Monday, 30th December, 2019, approved the appointment of Dr. Usman Aliyu Dutsinma as the Deputy Director II, Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue, effective 7th January, 2020.

Dr. Aminu Abba Yusuf Emerges HOD, Hematology

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Aminu Abba Yusuf as the Head, Department of Hematology for two years commencing from January, 06, 2020.

Mal Umar S. Hanga appointed as Deputy Director (Administration and Services)

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello, has approved the appointment of Mal Umar S. Hanga as the Deputy Director (Administration and Services), Centre for Information Technology, for a two-year term, in the first instance, with effect from 6th January, 2020.

Dr. Faruk Umar Ambursa now Deputy Director (Research and Development)

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza

Bello, has approved the appointment of Dr. Faruk Umar Ambursa as the Deputy Director (Research and Development), Centre for Information Technology, for a two-year term, in the first instance, with effect from 6th January, 2020.

Prof. Badayi Sani Re-appointed HOD

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello has approved the re-appointment of Professor Badayi M. Sani as Head, Department of Economics from 23rd January, 2020 for another two years.

Centre For Information Technology 2019/2020 Registration Support for Students

In line with its continuous bid to improve on student's participation in the online registration exercise, the Centre for Information Technology, Bayero University, Kano, is introducing the "Do It Yourself" campaign. This is aimed at encouraging students to do their on-line registration by themselves in order to curtail the problems experienced in the previous registration exercise due to the patronage of internet café's by students in the process of their registration.

Students are hereby informed that registration training support on the 2019/2020 registration exercise will commence on Wednesday, 8th January, 2020.

Students should also be informed that the Julius Berger Learning Centre in the new campus and the IGR learning Centre in the Old Campus will be available for students to do their online registration free of charge. Technical staff will be around to assist them in times of difficulties.

Venues for the training and times are as follows:

DATE	VENUE	TIME
9 th January, 2020	JB Learning Centre	10:00am to 1:00pm
10 th January, 2020	IGR Learning Centre	10:00am to 1:00pm
15 th January, 2020	JB Learning Centre	10:00am to 1:00pm
16 th January, 2020	IGR Learning Centre	10:00am to 1:00pm
22 nd January, 2020	JB Learning Centre	10:00am to 1:00pm
23 rd January, 2020	IGR Learning Centre	10:00am to 1:00pm

SEMINARS

International Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance: M.Sc IBF Internal and Proposal Defense

Candidate 1: Abdullahi Adam Abdullahi (SPS/15/MIF/00022)

Topic: Examining Nigerian Forward *Ijarah Sukuk* Based on AAOIFI *Shariah* Standard on Contemporary *Shariah* Issues.

Supervisor: Dr. Aliyu Dahiru Muhammad

Internal Examiner: Professor Binta Tijjani Jibril

Candidate II: Sadiq Garba (SPS/15/MIF/00020)

Topic: An Assessment of an Intention to Accept Takaful Products and Services among SMEs in Yobe State.

Supervisor: Dr. Ahmad A. Maiyaki

Reviewer: Professor Garba Bala Bello

Candidate III: Auwalu Sani Alhassan (SPS/15/MIF/00027)

Topic: Risk Mitigation on *Mudarahah* and *Musharaka* Instruments of Islamic Banks: A Case study of Ja'iz

Bank, Kano State
Supervisor: Dr. Amina A. Ismail
Reviewer: Professor Binta Tijjani Jibril
Chairman: Professor Binta Tijjani Jibril
Date: 23rd January, 2020
Time: 10:00 am
Venue: IIIBF Conference Room

Department of Geography: PhD Seminar

PRESENTER I: Joseph Emaikwu Ogbale
TOPIC: The Impact of Factors Promoting Land Degradation on poverty among Rural Farmers in the Samaru Agricultural Development Project Area of Kaduna State, Nigeria

CHAIRMAN: Prof. Maharazu A. Yusuf
PRESENTER II: Medaiyese Cornelius Babatunde
TOPIC: An Assessment of Community Forest management Practices in Kogi State, Nigeria
CHAIRMAN: Prof. Ibrahim B. Yakubu
PRESENTER III: Hafsat Sani Ya'u
TOPIC: Environmental Impact of Informal Economy in Kano Metropolis, Nigeria
CHAIRMAN: Dr. Bello Gambo
DATE: Thursday 16th January, 2020
Time: 10.00 am prompt
Venue: CB 17, **Geography Department**
NOTE: Attendance to seminars is compulsory to all MSc I, MSc II, PhD I and PhD II students



(1) The Families of Late Danburan Haruna cordially invite members of the University Community and the General Public to the wedding fatiha of their children, **Nuraddeen Ahmad Badayi** and **Aisha Farouq Bello**, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Saturday 11th January, 2020

Time: 11:00 am

Venue: Residence of Alhaji Ibrahim Bello, Gwale, Hauren Wanki, BUK Road opposite Azman Filling Station, Kano.

(2) Mallam Ibrahim Rabi Bala of the Information and Publication Division wishes to invite members of the University Community and the General Public to the wedding fatiha of his younger sisters (1) **Murja Rabi Bala** and **Hamza A. Sule Maikaji**, (2) **Nafisa Rabi Bala** and **Muhammad Hadiyatullahi Ado**, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Sunday, 12th January, 2020

Time: 11:00

Venue: Gidan Alhaji Rabi Bala, Rimingata, Ungogo L.G.A. Kano State

(3) Dr. Tijjani Zubairu Rabi of the Centre for Quranic Studies wishes to invite members of the University Community and the General Public to the Wedding Fatiha of his daughter, **Amina Tijjani Zabairu** and **Saifullahi Mikailu Abdullahi**, scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: Friday, 17th January, 2020

Time: 2:30

Venue: Masallacin Sheikh Muhammad Rabi, Goron Dutse, Kano State

(4) Dr. Umar Ibrahim Indabawa of the Department of Islamic Studies and Shariah wishes to invite members of the University community and the general public to the wedding fatiha of his daughter, **Hafsat Umar Muhammad**, scheduled as follows:

Date: Saturday, 11th January, 2020

Time: 11:00am

Venue: Juma'at Mosque, Bayero University, Kano Old Campus

Appreciation from Prof. U. G. Danbatta

The Executive Vice Chairman of the Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC), Professor Umar Garba Danbatta, expresses his deep appreciation to members of the University community and the general public for attending the wedding fatiha of his three children, Mus'ab, Mubarak and Ibrahim Umar Garba Dambatta, which took place on Saturday, 4th January, 2019 at the Grand Mosque of Bayero University, Old Campus.

His special appreciation goes to the Minister of Information and Digital Economy, Dr. Isa Ali Pantami; the Vice Chancellor, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello; Principal Officers; Deans, Directors; Heads of Departments; ASUU; SSANU; NAAT and NASU members.

He also thanks those who could not attend but prayed for the success of the marriages.

May Allah reward all abundantly. Amin.



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