



Participants at the one-day National Dialogue with 100 Faith and Culture Leaders (F&C) organised by BUK-CICID and WRAPA

BUK, WRAPA Lead Dialogue to Address Violence against Women and Girls

By Lamara Garba & Adamu Garba

Bayero University, Kano through its Centre for Islamic Civilization and Interfaith Dialogue (CICID) in collaboration with the Women's Rights Advancement and Protection Alternative (WRAPA) has organized a national dialogue to proffer solutions to violence against women and girls.

The theme of the dialogue tagged “**Moving from Rhetoric to Action: Supporting Social Norms Changes and Scaling up Accountability Commitment towards Curbing the Prevalence of Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG).**”

The event which took place on Tuesday, 6th September, 2022 at Tahir Guest Palace, Kano, brought together over 100 interfaith and culture leaders from across the country to brainstorm with the aim of proffering solution to the lingering menace.

In his remarks, Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas, who was represented by the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics), Prof. Muhammad Sani Gumel, stated that the program would help to strengthen national unity and

institutional collaboration to curb the widespread, persistent, and devastating violations of human rights among which is violence against women and girls.

Prof. Abbas who thanked WRAPA for extending its hand of collaboration to Bayero University, Kano through the Centre for Islamic Civilisation and Interfaith Dialogue (CICID), explained that the National Dialogue is in conformity with the vision and mission of the University to lead in research and education in Africa and commitment to addressing African development challenges.

Earlier, the Chairperson and founder of WRAPA Board of Trustees, Her Excellency, Hon. Justice Fati Lami Abubakar, stated that the selection of Interfaith and Cultural Leaders is critical given the organization's over 22-year efforts and campaigns to reduce the prevalence of VAWG.

Justice Abubakar also stated that WRAPA would continue to assist survivors in seeking justice, either directly or indirectly through advocacy for legal reform.

According to her, Religious, Traditional Leaders and Institutions are deeply rooted at all social levels in all communities.

“They command respect, trust and loyalty enabling them to exercise acceptable albeit limited sanctions for social deviations by members in their domains or congregations.” She said.

“It is also my appeal that you continue to commit to supporting survivors of violence in private and public spaces by strengthening their abilities and voices to speak out, seek help and access justice.

“We must move from rhetoric to action with everyone playing their roles to achieve as well as demonstrate zero tolerance to Violence Against Women and Girls and its consequences,” she said.

Speaking on behalf of traditional rulers, Chief of Ninzo in Kaduna state's Sanga Local Government, Alhaji Umar Musa, said traditional rulers have a lot to do to combat the menace in their respective areas.

He praised the collaboration of BUK and WRAPA towards combating the menace and promised to continue supporting it in order to meet the goal.

The Secretary-General of WRAPA, Hajiya Saudatu Shehu, has called for harsher punishment for perpetrators to serve as deterrent to others.

According to her, women require special attention in society and urged society to eliminate negative stereotypes about women while continuing to protect their rights.

Former Director, Centre for Gender Studies, Prof. Aisha Abdul-Ismael in her presentation, said there exist a nexus between social norms and violence against women and girls thereby charging the leaders of faith and culture to chart a course that will change public perception on these norms.

The paper, titled “The intersection of social norms and violence against women and Girls: Identification/characterisation and evaluation of VAWG in homes and Communities” drew the attention of respective stakeholders including government and communities to transform gender sensitive norms in the society.

In particular, she tasked the Ministry of Justice to initiate laws that could support the protection of women and girls.

Both Christian and Islamic clerics presented papers on the causes of the threat as well as the way forward.

APPOINTMENTS

The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas, has approved the appointments of the underlisted staff members into various positions.

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	APPOINTMENT	EFFECTIVE
1	Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas (Vice Chancellor)	Office of the Vice Chancellor	Chairman, Committee to review the operations of the Advancement Office	Immediate effect
2	Professor Sani Muhammad Gumel	Office of the Vice Chancellor	Chairman, Committee to Achieve Institutional (BUK) Accreditation	Immediate Effect
3	Professor Mahmoud Umar Sani	Office of the Vice Chancellor	Chairman, Committee on Streamlining MSD for Efficient Service Delivery	Immediate Effect
4	Professor Mahmoud Umar Sani	Office of the Vice Chancellor	Chairman, Student Disciplinary Committee	13 th July, 2022
5	Professor Mustapha Ahmad Isa	School of Postgraduate Studies,	Chairman, Committee to Develop Bayero University Regional Strategy	Immediate Effect
6	Professor Haruna Musa	Directorate of Academic Planning	Chairman, Committee to Develop Continuous` Professional Development	Immediate Effect
7	Professor Haruna Musa	Directorate of Academic Planning	Chairman, Committee to Consider Requirements to put SCE Library Effectively Functional	Immediate Effect
8	Professor Ahmad Iiyasu	Department of Education	Chairman, Committee to Advice on Strengthening Career Guidance and Counseling Unit	Immediate Effect
9	Dr Aliyu Labaran Dayyabu	Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology	Head, Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology	5 th September, 2022

Prof. Pate Re-elected ACSPN President

By Lamara Garba

Pioneer Dean of the Faculty of Communication Bayero University, Kano and now Vice Chancellor of Federal University of Kashere, Professor Umaru A. Pate has been re-elected as President of the Association of Communication Scholars and Practitioners of Nigeria (ACSPN).

He was re-elected during the Association's 9th Annual General Meeting which was held in Abuja on Thursday, 1st September, 2022. He was first elected in 2020.

The meeting which had in attendance over 200 delegates from within and outside Nigeria with a theme "Communication, Media and Power Relations in Multi-Cultural Society". The Association was established in 2012.

Following a vote of confidence on the Prof. Pate led executives; the Congress in a thunderous applause of the progress made agreed to give them the nod to continue for the 2nd term.

At the opening ceremony, Prof Kwame Karikari, former Director General Ghana Broadcasting Corporation, Ex Dean, School of Communication Wisconsin International University, College, Accra and Chairman, Board of Directors Graphic Communications Group Ghana presented a keynote speech, in which he reiterated the importance of communication in societal transformation.

Other speakers include, Sherri Hope Culver, Director, Centre for Media and information literacy, Temple University, USA, Dr. Chido Onumah, Director of Africa

programs Panos Institute, Washington, USA, Busola Ajibola Deputy Director, Journalism Program, Centre for Journalism Innovation and Development. Also to speak at the program are Alexander Le Voci Sayad, Director of organization in Brazil and International Co-chairman of UNESCO Media and Information Literacy as well as Balarabe Shehu Ileh, Director General National Broadcasting Commission.

Professor Umaru Pate expressed delight for the vote of confidence and promised to do more for the development



From L-R: Prof. Umaru A Pate, VC FUK, Lauratu Umar Abdulsalam of DFID, Mai Ahmed Sajo, Fmr Comm for information in AD State, Dr Chido Onumah of AFRIMIL, Prof Nosa Owens-Ibie, VC of Caleb Univ(Sec Gen of ACSPN), Prof Kwame Karikari of University of Ghana, Prof Lai Oso of LASU, Mr Nwosu, ES of Nig Press Commission, Mrs Stella Dir of Research, NBC and Prof Armstrong Idachaba Fmr Ag. DG of NBC at the public presentation of the 6th book by ACSPN titled: Communication and Identity in Nigeria

of the Association. In particular, he said the success of their team was as a result of support and cooperation of all members. He vowed to justify the confidence reposed in him, by introducing more programmes that will improve knowledge and intellectual capacity of the members.

Support Spinal Cord Injury Victims to Enable Them Reach Their Potentials – VC Charges ...As KNSG Establishes Commission for People with Disability

By Aisha Hassan

People who suffer from spinal cord injuries and were confined to Wheel Chair should not be made to believe that their livelihood have been truncated by the conditions they found themselves. This was disclosed by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas.

The Vice Chancellor who was represented by the Provost College of Health Sciences, Professor Aisha Kuliya Gwarzo was speaking at the 6th Anniversary of Spinal Cord Injury Day Celebration organized by the Spinal Cord Injuries Association of Nigeria, Kano State Chapter.

The occasion took place on Monday 5th September, 2022 at the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences Auditorium, Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital with the theme: 'Raising Awareness about the difficulties faced by Spinal Cord Injuries individuals in conflict zones.'

Professor Sagir said 'the fact that an individual is unfortunate to be a victim of spinal cord injury, does not necessarily means no livelihood for him. We have seen

instances where victims of spinal cord injuries have become very useful to themselves and to the society and even excel in their chosen career,' he noted.

The Vice Chancellor assured the association of the University Management support in terms of education and welfare.

Earlier the Secretary to the Kano state Government, Alhaji Usman Alhaji in his remarks emphasized the need for the media to support celebration by creating awareness for the public to appreciate people with the condition.

According to him, Kano State Government is providing free and compulsory education from basic to tertiary level to people with special needs, adding that government was planning to establish a commission to cater for the needs of people with disability with a view to providing job opportunities for them.

The Chief Medical Director, Dala Orthopedic Hospital, Dr.

M.N Salihu commended the organizers and urged patients with Spinal Cord Injury to utilize the Rehabilitation center at the Orthopedic hospital.

In his address, Malam Zubairu Mato, Sector Commandant of the Federal Road Safety Commission, outlined some preventive measures such as over speeding, over loading of people and luggage, ensuring good condition of vehicle, using proper signs to communicate with fellow drivers when driving, amongst others to prevent accidents

which are one of the major causes of the spinal cord Injury.

Spinal cord Injury (SCI) celebration is an awareness day set aside to create awareness and to recognize and celebrate multiple important facts about life with a spinal cord Injury. The occasion used to take place on the 5th September of every year around the world.

To commemorate the day, Kano state chapter joins the rest of the world to sensitize the public and create awareness on the plight of the people with the condition.

NUGA 2022: BUK Emerges 26th Position out of 73 universities **....BUK's Shukurat to Represent Nigeria at 2023 World University Games in China**

By Lamara Garba

Bayero University, Kano has emerged 26th position out of the 73 Universities that participated at the 2022 Nigerian Universities Games (NUGA).

The competition which was held at the University of Lagos between 16th to 27th March, 2022, saw Bayero University winning one Gold, one Silver and four bronze respectively.

Professor Musa Garba Yakasai, Chairman Bayero University Sports Consultative Committee who disclosed this also said an athlete, Shukurat Abdulsalam from Bayero University will represent Nigeria in the Taekwondo fin weight 46 kg category at the World University Games schedule to take place in China in 2023.

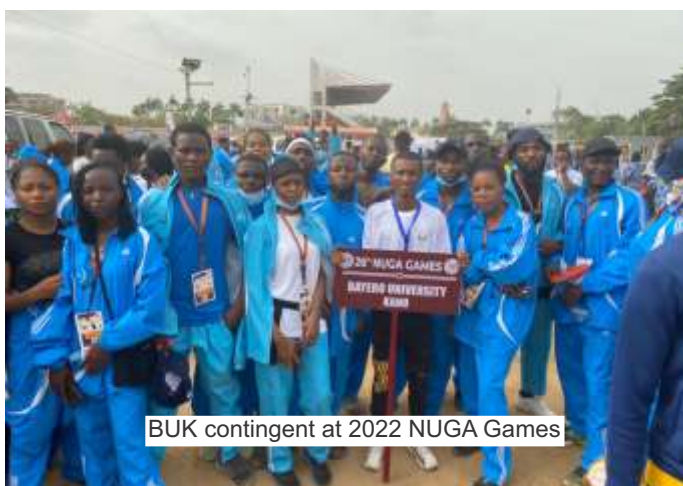
He said Bayero University's Abdulsalam Shukurat won the Gold medal in the Taekwondo 46kg category at NUGA and will carry the flag of the institution and Nigeria at the world summit.

Professor Yakasai who is also the NUGA National Chairman, Technical Committee explained that arrangements were in top gear for a successful outing at the world varsity games.

The World University Games was earlier scheduled to hold

at Chendu City in China in June, 2022 but due some circumstances, it was further shifted to June, 2023.

He commended the Bayero University contingents and officials for their good outing, discipline and exemplary qualities throughout their stay in Lagos which earned them the most discipline team of the tournament.



BUK contingent at 2022 NUGA Games

The Chairman also expressed gratitude to the management of the University for the support rendered to the athletes.

Wedding Fatiha

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The Vice Chancellor, Professor Sagir Adamu Abbas invites members of the University community and general public to the wedding fatiha of his son, Dr. Muhammad Adamu Abbas (M. Abbas) and his fiancée, Eman Maikano Khalid, scheduled as follows:

DATE: Saturday, 1st October, 2022

TIME: 2:00pm

VENUE: Umar Bn Khattab Mosque, Dangi Zaria Road, Kano State.

Appreciation from Malam Umar Dumbulum

I, Shehu Umar Dumbulum of the Human Resource Unit, on behalf of myself and members of my entire family wish to express their sincere appreciation to members of the University community who attended the wedding fatiha of his daughter Hajara Shehu Umar Dumbulum or make phone calls and pray for the success of the ceremony, which took place at the new Masallacin Nasiru Ahli Tudun Bojuwa Kurna Asabe Qtrs. on Friday, 26th August, 2022.

Our special appreciation goes to the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Sagir Adamu Abbas; the DVC (Academics); DVC (Management Services); DVC (Research); the University Registrar; the Bursar; University Librarian; members of the University Management; Leadership and representatives of ASUU, SSANU, NAAT and NASU and other members of the university community too numerous to mention. May Allah reward you all abundantly, ameen.

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