



FUOYE Governing Council Chairman, Dr. Mohammad Lawan Yahuza taking oath before his statement at the hearing on Monday, June 7, 2021 while the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Abayomi Sunday Fasina (Second left) and Engr. Sabo Inuwa a Council member watch.

"Withdraw all petitions", Akinyelure told sacked FUOYE Registrar

By Adeyinka Ademuyiwa

The Chairman, Senate Committee on Ethics, Priviledges and Public Petitions, Senator Ayo Akinyelure has directed that all petitions against the authorities of Federal University, Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) be withdrawn immediately. Senator Akinyelure, who is from Ondo Central Constituency, made this prouncement to round off the hearing proceedings brought to the Registrar of the University, Mr Olatunbosun Odusanya. Facing the Governing Council Chairman, Dr Muhammad Lawan Yahuza and the Vice Chancellor, Prof Abayomi Sunday Fasina, Senator

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Oloye asks for land compesation from FG

By Bamidele Eleniola

The Oloye of Oye-Ekiti, His Royal Highness, Oba Oluwole Ademolaju,(JP, OON) has demanded compensation from Federal Government for 500 hectares of land giving to the Federal University Oye-Ekiti, (FUOYE) reminding Federal Government that another 100



FUOYE's Vice-Chancellor, Prof. A.S Fasina second left, Visitation Panel Chairman, Prof. C.E Ejike and His Royal Majesty, Oloye of Oye-Ekiti, Oba Michael Ademolaju posed for group photograph with Chiefs, Principal Officers and Visitation Panel members on Thursday, June 3, 2021 after the dinner.

hectares of land giving by the community for locating Divisional Teachers Training College in Oye since 1974 was also without compensation. Fasina, hosted the Presidential Visitation Panel led by Prof. Chukwunonso Emmanuel Ejike to a dinner on Thursday, June 3,2021 in his palace.

Kabiyesi made these requests when he, in company of the Vice - Chancellor of the University, Professor Abayomi Sunday Fasina, hosted the Presidential Visitation Panel led by Prof. Chukwunonso Emmanuel Ejike to a dinner on Thursday, June 3,2021 in his palace. The Royal Father used the opportunity to applaud the President and the Commander-In-Chief of the Federal

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Akinyelure said, "Please, I am appealing to you to take another look at the case of these former staff of your university, the Former Registrar, Mr Olatunbosun Odusanya and the former Bursar, Mrs Bolatito Akande with a view of giving them 'a soft landing'.

"We had read all the petitions prior to this sitting", he continued, but there is nothing to justify the atrocities committed by the erstwhile staff". "All we want is a situation where they can proceed on terminal leave and or sabbatical leave for a year or two so that they can have some entitlements", he said, again requesting that the university Governing Council reconsider converting their termination to resignation.

Dr Yahuza who cited several infractions against Mr Odusanya reminded of another six or seven petitions written by former staff through groups and sympathisers, the Senator directed all petitions to be withdrawn immediately.

"We are interested in FUYOE.

We want peace in that university. Government will not tolerate anything that can halt the peace and development of that institution. It is on that note that I am directing these former staff and their agents to go and withdraw all petitions written against the Governing Council and the management of FUYOE.

Earlier, after taking his oath, Dr Yahuza told the sitting that he served for 35 years in the Federal Civil Service and retired as a Director of Administration.

"The Federal Ministry of Health has 72 parastatals" the Chairman said, "adding that as Chairman of Administration, he served in Governing Board of all of them".

Continuing, Dr Yahuza said, "Prior to the events that culminated into the termination of the former Registrar, he had four reconciliation meetings with him and other members of Management to discuss the possibility of harmonious working relationship. Two of the meetings were in Abuja, one in Lagos, and another in Oye, all to no

avail, he stressed.

"Odusanya committed several serious infractions in several areas; Some of these are: Sections 10-12 of University Rules concerning staff recruitment, the Public Service Rules and the Federal Character Commission Act".

In his own contribution, the Vice Chancellor, Prof Fasina defended the action of the Governing Council in terminating the appointment of Mr Odusanya alleging that he recruited more than 300 staff without recourse to due guidelines and authority approval

He argued, along with Dr Yahuza, and the Senators concurred, that waivers obtained not to advertise positions for appointments in 2018 cannot be used for recruitment in 2020 and 2021. He pointed out that the ordeal of the Ex Registrar is not a personal thing.

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Republic of Nigeria, Mohammad Buhari for his developmental strides especially as it concerns the Institution sited in his domain. He said that "the only one small issue we have which President Buhari is not aware is that in 1974, we gave lands to Federal government for a teacher's training school but no compensation has been given. Even the 500 hectares of land we gave to Federal government for the establishment of FUYOE, we have not received compensation from the Federal government. "We are not complaining but we feel we should ask for our rights", he adds.

The Royal father therefore sent the Panel to help call attention of the President to this issue in their report saying, "I am sending you to President that we are very grateful to him for allowing you to come on a Presidential Visitation Panel. We mark today as a

special day for us. We are grateful that the President is also rehabilitating our roads. We applaud his efforts in develop this town" Oloye further said.

Continuing, he pointed out that the University is growing in leaps and bounds although there are some TETFund projects that are yet to be completed. We urge the President Muhammadu Buhari to assist to complete these projects so that the University can have an outlook of a Federal University.

The Chairman, Council of Obas in Oye Local government said "Professor Fasina has just started and he is doing very well and we are ready to assist him to succeed. We have given 100 hectares of land for the proposed college of Medicine and we are ready to give him more adding that he knows how to wash his hands and dine with elders and he will eat with elders"

"We invite all of you to come and

live here. Our weather is very good and we have beautiful environment. To the university community, on behalf of residents of our community, I am promising Prof Fasina and his team that you are safe here. You and all of your team are free to relate and mix freely as our own people.

We welcome all of you and appreciate your coming to Oye-Ekiti. Relatively we are all at peace. since God bestowed on us the University with the current Vice Chancellor, Professor Abayomi Sunday Fasina who can testify to all I am saying here, we have been at peace with the university. Oye Community is on the same page with the university.

Responding, The Chairman, Presidential Visitation Panel, Prof. Chukwunonso Emmanuel Ejike speaks about his experience in coming to Oye-Ekiti, " This place has been so good to us.

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You are the most hospitable traditional ruler I have ever met. We are particularly impressed about how the average Oye people conduct themselves. We have interacted with virtually all sectors of the town".

The Chairman of the Panel also said, "We believe that a community that willingly gave her land for the university should be appropriately compensated"

Continuing, he said, The former Vice Chancellor, Prof Soremekun told us that even when they had challenges with accessing land the Kabiyesi will come in person to assist. We thank you for your hospitality to the university, not only to us. We will tell the President that the project he sited

here is growing in leaps and bounds and that it also requires his intervention in some ways and we have taken care of all these needs and we will tell Mr. President. The summary we have found is that the job he started here is growing and the local community is supporting the project. I have reasons to come back here again, Professor Chukwunonso further said.

Reacting, the Vice Chancellor, Professor A.S.Fasina said this gathering clearly shows that the Oye people including myself are very hospitable, we appreciate big brother Lanre Adesuyi (Havillah), a friend of the university.

The Vice Chancellor also

appreciated the Presidential Visitation Panel for their good work adding that the level of their maturity and how they have related with us show that we can still exist as one. And that is a hope that Nigeria will survive.

Continuing, Prof Fasina said, "Kabiyesi, I remain loyal to you all the time. My passion is to develop the university and this town. God is on our side. He is helping us and he has been helping us and he will always be with us. Someone said I am too much in a haste, for us we are here to work as we have been praying that God shall continue to help us and he will continue to assist us. *See pictures on page 7*

Varsity Don lists challenges of deploying COVID-19 vaccine in Nigeria

By Chinedu Okafor

Several logistics challenges bedeviling the administration and deployment of Covid-19 vaccine in Nigeria have been identified.

A Senior Lecturer in the Clinical Virology Unit of the Department of Medical Microbiology and Parasitology, College of Medicine, University of Ibadan (COMUI), and an Honourary Consultant Clinical Virologist at the University College Hospital, Ibadan, Nigeria, Dr. Adeola Fowotade has identified vaccine hesitancy among the Nigerian populace, poor vaccine storage conditions, limited global vaccine supply and vaccine efficacy as some of the challenges facing the administration of the drug in the country.

Speaking at a webinar organised by the Faculty of Science, Federal University, Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE) on the intricacies of COVID-19 and the importance of vaccination, Dr Fowotade further explained that according to figures from the Nigeria Centre for Disease

Control and Prevention (NCDC), reports had shown that numerous strains of Covid-19 are currently in circulation in Nigeria adding that two vaccines had been approved for Nigeria to curb the outbreak.

Continuing, the don stated that the two vaccines; AstraZeneca and Johnson & Johnson approved for administration had been termed very effective and potent and to a large extent, can confer sufficient protection in vaccinated individuals, and that although the World Health Organisation (WHO) is commending Nigeria's effort to roll out the vaccines when compared with other African nations, However, Nigeria still has a lot to do when compared with European and Asian countries.

She submitted that ways to improve vaccine uptake in the country would entail engaging with strategic leaders such as religious leaders, poor communication of vaccine safety and its side effects, as well as prompt response to reported adverse side effects.

The host of the webinar, who is also the Dean, Faculty of Science,

Federal University Oye Ekiti (FUOYE), Professor. Olayide Samuel Lawal, pointed out that the Faculty was worried about the prevailing myths and stereotypes associated with Covid-19 vaccination and took it upon itself to organise the webinar.

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Photos from Senate hearing of the petition by the sack



ed Registrar, Mr Olatubosun Odusanya in Abuja



**REGISTRY****SUSPENSION**

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	EFFECTIVE DATE
1.	Dr. Desen Jonathan MBACHAGA	Theatre and Media Arts	IMMEDIATELY

CONFIRMATION

S/N	NAME	DEPARTMENT	CONFIRMATION	DATE
1	Dr. Bolupe AbayomÄWE	Educational Mgt. & Business Education	CONFIRMATION	1, NOV. 2019
2	MR. Sunday Alechenu OBIABO	Personnel Affairs	CONFIRMATION	2, MAY 2020
3	Dr. Ezekiel Adeyemi ODEDOKUN	Sociology	CONFIRMATION	2, MAY 2020
4	DR. OLUTOYIN OLUFUNKE FAJOBI	EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION	CONFIRMATION	1, AUGUST 2020
5	DR. EZEKIEL ADEYEMI ODEDOKUN	SOCIOLOGY	CONFIRMATION	2, MAY 2020
6	Dr. Ezekiel Adeyemi ADEDOKUN	SOCIOLOGY	CONFIRMATION	2, MAY 2020

REDESIGNATION

S/N	NAME	PREVIUOS POST	NEW POST	EFFECTIVE DATE
1	MRS Samuel BABATUND	Senior Technical Off	Engineer 1	24, MAY, 2021
2.	Mr. Michael Tunde OWOLABI	Assistant Registrar	Senior Accountant	14, APRIL, 2021
3.	Mr. Olubunmi John PAV	Head Laboratory Assistant	Higher Executive Officer	28, AUG., 2021
4.	Mr. Oladeji Clement IBITOYE	Principal Health Assi	Medical Laboratory Technician	28, AUG., 2021
5.	Mr. Sola OMOTOSHO	Assistant Chief Cleri Officer	Higher Executive Officer	28, AUG., 2021
6.	Mr. Femi Michael OJO	Head Computer Operators	Higher Executive Officer	28, AUG., 2021

Pictures from VC and Oloye hosting of presidential visitation panel



SPECIAL REPORT

Adeniji stresses need for paradigm shift in Agriculture

By Nifesimi Ogungbe



To ensure food security, the need for a new programme of farming devoted to attract graduate farmers has been stressed.

The Head of Department of Food Science and Technology at Federal University Oye-Ekiti (FUOYE), Dr. Kunle Oni made this demand in a keynote address delivered at a symposium organised by the Nigerian Association of Agricultural Students (NAAS) FUOYE chapter to mark the Faculty week on Thursday, June 10, 2021 at the Faculty of Agriculture Lecture Hall.

Speaking on the topic "Roles of Agriculture in Ensuring Food Security in Nigeria", Dr. Oni who was the Guest Speaker at the event, further said that "Nigeria need a specific programme devoted to a new generation of farmers, with the support of the Federal government and the program should provide training in Agropreneurship in other for us to optimise and have enough

gains and an enabling environment for the use of improved technology".

Dr. Oni said "there was a need to identify Agro technologists that will look into carbon emission, soil fertility and soil management, while striving to improve food production".

Speaking further the Don stated the two way approach Nigeria requires to achieve the real deal for agriculture and food security to include (a) motivating factors such as funding to sustain mechanized farming and the need for government to support subsistence farming with regards to production of food, and (b) a full spring support for Agrobusiness for the provision of food for the out growing urban population to sustain food security.

Nigerian farmers need to double food production so as to accommodate the popular increase and enhance household food security, farmers need to improve agricultural practices based on advancement in science and technology

in other to achieve peculiar nutrition and household food security in Nigeria" he said.

Earlier the Dean of the Faculty, Professor Bolaji Adeniji who was the Chairman of the symposium had revealed that the University curriculum on Agriculture is such that students can invest in farming after leaving the University.

Adeniji also said, "As students of agriculture, when you interact with students from other universities, you'll be able to tell them that during your Time here, you have hands-on trainings, everything is not just theory, but you have practical experiences of what you are been taught, things you can lay your hands on after graduation".

He added that "Eventhough in Agriculture there is what we call value chain, from production to processing to packaging to marketing before it gets to the consumers, you can get involved in one aspect of this value chain. Agriculture has gone beyond the ideas of hoes and cutlasses, agriculture is now a business".

On his part ,Speaking with FUOYENews at the event, the president of the National Association of Agricultural Students of Nigeria (NAAS) FUOYE chapter, Comrade Olaniran Olasunbo Peter, identifies the significance of faculty week in Nigerian universities to include an avenue for students to be enlightened, learn new things and be exposed to the outside world citing opportunities from various symposia and that it's a way for students of the faculty to meet, greet and familiarise.

He however used the medium to encourage other faculties in the University to host their respective sessional faculty weeks.

The event also witnessed the presentation of award of excellence to the Dean of the Faculty, Prof. Bolaji Adeniji for his support, commitment and contribution to the growth of the faculty.

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FUOYE's VC, Prof. Abayomi Sunday Fasina (2nd right), DVC (Admin.), Prof.J.O Omotola (right) Head Airtel Business, Western Region, Mr. Oluifemi Adegbite (middle), Channel manager, Omotola Kehinde (2nd left) and DVC (Acad.) Prof. J.O Ojo (left) pose for a photograph at VC's office after signing a service agreement to upgrade University's bandwidth to 310 mbs for the Oye and Ikole campuses on Tuesday June 15, 2021.