



## **Pastor Adeboye visits UI Zoo – donates ₦20 Million towards its rehabilitation**

**Dateline 18/01/12**

The General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God, Pastor E.A. Adeboye paid a visit to the UI Zoo and motivated by the rehabilitation efforts of the University, he has given a donation of ₦20 Million to help in the rehabilitation process and the acquisition of elephants, hippopotamus and other animals.

Pastor Adeboye accompanied by top functionaries of the RCCG was in Ibadan for a two-day Bible Study Programme organised by the Redeemed Christian Family Fellowship of the University of Ibadan to offer prayers to God for the peace and progress of the nation.

During a tour of the Zoo, the Director, Dr. Olajumoke Morenikeji informed Pastor Adeboye that the University has embarked on a total rehabilitation/redesigning of the Zoo.

According to her, the brick fence was almost completed to replace the wire fence which earlier surrounded the Zoo. New cages are to be built by the side of the Gorilla cage for small animals, the Gorilla cage is to be restructured to enable the chimpanzees come out to play like late Haruna, the gorilla did. The warthog cage has been rebuilt.

Dr. Morenikeji disclosed that the Zoo has acquired a new jackal, a fox, two emus and a female a giraffe. Efforts are being made to bring in an elephant, a leopard, a hippopotamus, a male giraffe as well as a host of other animals which the Zoo already has in other Zoos but could not bring in until the new cages are completed.

She further stated that the Zoo would soon have a Wildlife Clinic as well as a separate educational unit stuffed with embalmed animals, slides and pictures of animals that do not exist in the tropics. The channelization to make for the easy flow of the stream from Barth Road to Oba Dam which caused extensive flooding of the Zoo in August, 2011 has also begun. More rooms are to be built for the lions which are now grown and having cubs.

Dr. Morenikeji noted that the University Management especially, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole has been very enthusiastic and cooperative adding that hopefully by January 2013, the UI Zoo would have reclaimed its foremost position.

## **PG School holds New Year Party**

**Dateline 24/01/12**

The staff of the Postgraduate School have been enjoined to continue to cooperate with the Management in order to take the school to a higher glory.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic, Prof. A.I. Olayinka gave this charge in a speech he gave on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole at the New Year party organised by the Postgraduate School.

Prof. Olayinka who was Dean of the PG School between 2002 and 2006 assured that he will always put in a good word for the school when and where necessary.

Earlier in his welcome address, the Dean of the PG School, Prof. A.O. Olorunnisola stated that the party was organised to enable the PG School appreciate God for a successful 2011, appreciate members of the Board as well as staff and to appreciate diligence, and long service of some staff.

The Acting Registrar, the immediate past Deputy Registrar/Secretary of the PG School, Mr. V.A.A. Adegoroye commended the leadership and staff of the PG School and stated that he enjoyed his stay. He promised that he would be a good ambassador of the PG School in Central Administration and will try his best to ensure that the appointments of adhoc staff are regularized. He lamented that some of them have been temporary staff for more than 13 years.

#### **DAAD to promote better collaborative academic initiatives between Nigeria and Germany Dateline 26/01/12**

The Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst (DAAD), the German Academic Exchange Service is interested in the Pan African University of the African Union initiative and it is also interested in sponsoring more staff and promoting better linkages between Nigerian and German Universities.

The Head of Section for West and Central Africa at DAAD Germany, Mr. Michael Horig who stated this during a courtesy call on the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole, explained that the DAAD, is an autonomous institution that has universities and students bodies as members and is based in Bonn, Germany. It is supported by the German Government and its primary function is to fund ideas and people. DAAD runs over 800 programmes and has information centres in Nairobi and Yaoundé to widen the relationship with African countries.

Mr. Horig who noted that there are many Germany Universities alumni in Nigeria said this could be explored for collaborative academic initiatives and short term staff exchange programmes. He stated that German Universities are now more interested in research. He assured that DAAD would improve on the number of scholarships to give to Nigerians for research.

He said Germany wishes to be the lead partner in the Algerian Hub of the PAU because its thematic area is energy adding that for the PAU to be successful, there is need for more collaborative approach.

The Acting Director of the UI Earth and Life Sciences Hub of the PAU, Prof. M.O. Abatan informed the DAAD representative that India is the lead thematic partner of the UI hub but would not mind working with Germany given Mr. Horig's passion. He disclosed that the advertisement to admit the first set of students into the six initial programmes of PAU in Environmental Engineering, Geology and Reproductive Health will come out in March as the students are expected to resume by September. He stated that the PAU will not mind DAAD sponsoring

Academic staff from Germany to handle short term programmes as in well as the provision of modern equipment to boost research.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Academic, Prof. A.I. Olayinka commended the efforts of the Acting Head of Department of European Studies, Dr. Ademuyiwa for facilitating the visit. He also appreciated Ms Sabine Adelio, DAAD's Resident Representative who has spent four years in the Department of European Studies and would soon be leaving for another DAAD posting. Prof Olayinka also thanked DAAD for being supportive of six students in the CEPACS programmes and for maintaining four Academic staff in the German programme of the Department of European Languages.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole stated that the Committee of the Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian Universities has argued that the PAU is not a UI project but a project for all Nigerian Universities adding that the argument has been taken to the Nigerian Senate.

Prof. Adewole noted that UI is in a unique position, because it is the premier university, other Vice-Chancellors defer to its Vice-Chancellor while the Education Ministry relies on its advice. He however stated that energy has been a major challenge of the University and it would appreciate assistance from the German Government through DAAD to overcome this challenge.

#### **Kenneth Dike Library presents its website to Management Dateline 25/01/12**

The University Librarian, Dr. B.A. Oladele has thanked the Management of the University for giving approval and funds that enabled the Kenneth Dike Library to open its new website and Institutional Repository.

Speaking at a formal presentation of the website to the Management, Dr. Oladele said the new website would enable the KDL to expand the teaching, learning and research platform of the University beyond physical space, distance and time.

According to him, the design objective is to broaden and enhance the international image of the University of Ibadan through its library while the design principle is to leverage on the converging powers of information technologies to achieve the design objectives.

Dr. Oladele said the Library has also perfected its digital repository, a platform that you can click on and see the whole University book stock at a glance. He said before now, the KDL had worked on its Online Public Access (OPAC) which enables visitors to the library's website to browse through all the books in the library or reserve a book from their offices/homes.

The new website is <http://library.ui.edu.ng>.

#### **PG School appreciates diligence and long service Dateline 24/01/12**

Twenty two members of staff of the Postgraduate School have been honoured by the school for long service and diligence.

**Overall Best Worker**  
Mr. O.O. Ajani

### **Best workers for the Year 2011**

1. Mrs. Rachael A. Osasona – Dean’s Office
2. Mr. I.K. Olayiwola – DR’s Office
3. Mr. E. Sampson – Admissions Office
4. Mrs. Grace. M. Bada – Exams
5. Miss Kemi Abiodun – Records
6. Mr. O.O. Ajani – Committee
7. Miss Kehinde Adebisi – Audit
8. Mrs. Victoria M. Otolorin – Sub-Dean
9. Mrs. Rofiat A. Muritala – Finance

### **Distinguished Service Award**

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|------------------------------|---|-------------|---|----------|
| 1. Miss Dolaris O. Oleru     | - | 2001 – 2011 | - | 10 years |
| 2. Mrs. Olubunmi O. Olajire  | - | 1999 – 2011 | - | 12 years |
| 3. Miss Funmilayo A. Oladeji | - | 1996 – 2011 | - | 15 years |
| 4. Miss Fehintola O. Ajose   | - | 1998 – 2011 | - | 13 years |
| 5. Mr. O.O. Ajani            | - | 1998 – 2011 | - | 13 years |
| 6. Mr. P.T. Ajaiyeoba        | - | 1998 – 2011 | - | 13 years |
| 7. Mrs. Bamidele S. Olawuyi  | - | 1995 – 2011 | - | 16 years |
| 8. Mrs. Grace M. Aderibigbe  | - | 1994 – 2011 | - | 17 years |
| 9. Mr. O.T. Akano            | - | 2000 – 2011 | - | 11 years |
| 10. Mr. A.O. Akinnola        | - | 2001 – 2011 | - | 10 years |
| 11. Mr. M.O. Okedairo        | - | 2000 – 2011 | - | 11 years |
| 12. Mr. O.B. Akinsola        | - | 2001 – 2011 | - | 10 years |
| 13. Mrs. Bukola O. Ajise     | - | 1992 – 2011 | - | 19 years |

In his brief remarks on behalf of the other awardees, the Overall Best Worker, Mr. O.O. Ajani prayed that God will continue to uphold the PG School for it to maintain its position of being the flagship of Postgraduate education in Nigeria.

### **UI Step B Project presents equipment to Innovators of Tomorrow (IOT) Awardees**

**Dateline 07/02/12**

Four awardees of the Innovators of Tomorrow programme of the Science Technology Education Post Basic (STEP-B) Project have been presented equipment worth over ₦3.5 Million Naira to promote Science and Technology education.

The four awardees are drawn from the Faculties of Technology and Veterinary Medicine. Mrs. Olufunmilayo Oladunmoye, a Ph.D. student of the Department of Food Technology; Mr. Kehinde Adepoju, a B.Sc. student and Mr. Ademola Adeyeye (Ph.D.) of the Department of Industrial and Production Engineering as well as Dr. (Miss) Olufunke Mogbojuri of the Department of Veterinary Physiology, Biochemistry and Pharmacology.

At the separate presentation ceremonies, the Project Manager of the UI Step B Project, Dr. Ayotola Aremu explained that the Project, a world Bank assisted Project is being run by the Federal Government in order to encourage students to embrace science and technology for national development. She noted that the awardees deserved to be commended for presenting project proposals considered worthy by the STEP B project thus bringing the equipment not only to the University but specifically to their respective departments. She therefore charged the beneficiary departments to make effective use of the facilities.

The Acting Head of Department of Industrial and Production Engineering, Dr. V.O. Oladokun commended the manner in which the equipment were procured. He said he was particularly impressed by the above-board, open and transparent manner in which the purchases were made and the beneficiaries were carried along.

The four awardees are the first batch of 22 awardees from the University of Ibadan to benefit from the IOT Awards.

### **Man-O-War gives uniform to VC**

**Dateline 17/02/12**

The Vice-Chancellor is the Grand Patron of the Man-O-War Organisation in the University. To fully integrate him, a complete set of uniform has been presented to the Vice-Chancellor.

The Staff Adviser, Dr. A.O. Fadoju thanked the VC for the love and support that Management has always shown to the organization. He commended the VC for providing uniforms and a practice base for the organization as well as releasing a Security Hilux van for its use when requested.

He assured that the Patrons, Advisers and the patriots will all cooperate with the Council Committee on Security to maintain security on the University campus.

In his response, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole assured that he will wear the Man-O-War Uniform at the next function of the organization. He noted that at the 2011 Convocation Ceremonies, the Man-O-War was one of the attractions. He also commended the roles of the organization during the last Students Union and General elections.

He assured that Management will always give support and continue to encourage the organization because of its efforts to help stamp out cultism and ensure a campus we will all be proud of. He stated that Management will provide more bicycles for the organization for its diligence and commitment.

### **Leadway Assurance Plc donates N2.5m to the UI endowment Fund**

**Dateline 17/02/12**

The Management of Leadway Assurance Plc has donated ~~N~~2.5m to support the building of the UI International Conference Centre.

The Zonal Director (South) of the company, Deacon C.O. Atere who delivered the cheque on behalf of his company, said his company does not take premium alone but is very conscious of its Corporate Social Responsibility. He recalled that the company had earlier donated towards the Flood Disaster Fund of the University adding that Leadway Assurance tries to maintain the lead in character and practice.

Deacon Atere stated that as citizens of Nigeria, his company is very proud of UI as the first University in Nigeria and will always do its best for the University. He prayed that God will continue to endow the management with the wisdom to run the University.

The Zonal Director delivered the goodwill of his Managing Director, Mr. Hassan Odukale Ofr who applauded the efforts of the UI Endowment Fund Board at ensuring a lasting legacy for

generations to come. He expressed the confidence that the International Conference Centre, when completed would provide a veritable meeting place for Universities and other academic institutions from around the world to further raise the high academic profile already enjoyed by the University of Ibadan.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole expressed delight that the University has managed well its portfolios and relationship with Leadway Assurance. He assured that the University will continue to support the relationship and prayed that Leadway Assurance will continue to grow.

Prof. Adewole said the donation is a hallmark of a permanent and fruitful relationship but added that the university will consider it as a first installment of more donations from the company.

Leadway Assurance Plc was established 41 years ago with its Headquarters in Kaduna and Control Office in Lagos. In 2010, the premium income of the company was ₦21 Billion, the largest in the insurance industry.

### **UI School of Business takes off**

**Dateline 17/02/12**

The Management of the University has taken a symbolic and significant step in the efforts to establish the UI School of Business, a proposal which has been discussed for over 20 years.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole has inaugurated the Board of the School to be chaired by Prof. A. Ariyo of the Department of Economics.

At the inauguration, Prof. Adewole said the Chairman was chosen because of his academic background, his passion, commitment to excellence and his relationship with the idea of the School. He commended Prof. Ariyo for his past selfless services for which he received no remunerations and thanked all the others who travelled around to visit other institutions to share in their vision and success stories with a view to replicating such in the UI School of Business.

He stated that the Board is expected to put in place a full-fledged Board, develop a framework to kickstart the School of Business and to put in place solid structures for the school. He disclosed that provisions for a Seed Grant have been made in the University's budget for 2012 and that the project will begin this year and be completed by 2013.

According to Prof. Adewole, the Postgraduate School is to fund the building of an International House to be adjacent to the School of Business. He also said a Research Library, and a multidisciplinary Complex for all the various centres in UI will be built in the same area at Ajibode.

Prof. Adewole beseeched God to grant the Board the grace to make the school a reality. He assured the Board of 100 per cent backing of the Management to make its work a success in order to enlarge the coast of UI and allow for improved internally generated revenue. He said he was confident that the school will not only be self sustaining but will generate resources for the University in a no-distant future.

In his response, Prof. A. Ariyo thanked the Vice-Chancellor for the confidence reposed in him and his team. He recalled that he had been trained for the project since 1976 and therefore has a duty to deliver success. He thanked the VC for the support given by management to the Fast

Tracking Committee set up about a year ago and commended all members of the committee for hard work and selfless service.

Prof. Ariyo assured that his Board will display collective ownership and can update by co-opting others or by setting up sub committees. He said it was gladdening that the private sector is to be put on the Board considering that the private sector will be the end user of the products of the School. He promised that the Board will perform beyond expectations, will be most accountable, and give no excuses while all its activities will be treated with serious business orientation.

The membership of the Board:

- Prof. A. Ariyo – Chairman
- Prof. Adenike Osofisan – Interim Director
- Bursar to be represented by Deputy Bursar Administration, Mr. O.A. Abimbola
- Registrar to be represented by Mrs. Stella O. Soola
- University Librarian – Dr. B.O. Oladele
- Director of Works – Engr. J.K. Ajibola
- Director of Academic Planning – Mr. A.O. Ojelabi
- Director of Physical Planning – Prof. S.B. Agbola
- Two nominees from the Private Sector
- Two nominees of the Vice-Chancellor
- A representative of the Department of Economics
- Dean of the Postgraduate School – Prof. A.O. Olorunnisola.

## **Embassy of Switzerland sends fact-finding team to UI**

**Dateline 8/2/12**

A two-man fact finding team capacity building in Agricultural education has been sent to the University of Ibadan by the Embassy of Switzerland in Nigeria to review the University in relation to a possible partnership with the Bern University of Applied Sciences, School of Agriculture, Forest and Food Sciences.

The team members were a former Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Owerri and the current President of the Nigerian Institute of Animal Science, Prof. Placid Njoku as well as Prof Peter Hofs of Bern University of Applied Sciences.

Prof. Njoku explained that in 2010, the governments of Switzerland and Nigeria agreed to have collaborations and a Memorandum of Understanding had since been signed. As part of that understanding the Swiss government is to facilitate human capacity development in many sectors of the Nigeria economy, he stated.

The team, according to Prof Njoku is to visit other institutions in Nigeria but has come to UI first because of its "*primus inter pares*" position. The team is to review the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry and identify the potentials of UI in relation to the specific benchmarks of the agreement signed by the two governments. He described UI as a foremost university that had helped to develop capacity in many areas of the national economy.

Prof Peter Hofs identified UI as the cradle of all Nigerian universities and said he was in UI in 1982 in the Department of Animal Production. This trip, he said, was to identify areas of partnership in live stock production as well as in the training of trainers for the development of new knowledge.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Administration, Prof. E.A. Bamgboye noted that agriculture was a mainstay of the nation and lamented that Nigeria has neglected agriculture in favour of oil. He noted that UI is very research oriented and as such has a Research Management office to coordinate research findings and partnerships with other universities to improve knowledge required to move the national economy forward.

He stated that the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry is one of the oldest and well established faculties in the University that has the highest number of professors and Ph.D. holders.

### **Orientation Programme for freshmen holds**

**Dateline 13-19/2/12**

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F Adewole has charged freshmen of the University not to allow themselves to be intimidated as the University is an equal opportunity campus.

He gave the charge at the opening of a 7-day orientation programme organized by the Students' Affairs Division.

Prof. Adewole told the freshmen to feel free always to report to the Deputy Registrar Students, the Dean of Students, the Hall Masters/Mistresses/Wardens, and the student counselor if they feel aggrieved or threatened. He advised them not to allow themselves to be recruited into cults as the university has zero-tolerance for cultism.

The Vice-Chancellor admitted to the students that electricity is presently a challenge to the university administration but assured that efforts are being made to overcome the challenge. He stated that the Halls of Residence are undergoing rehabilitation and told the students not to allow squatters in their rooms. He warned that not only would they be ejected but would be made to face the Students Disciplinary Committee.

Now that the students are on campus, Prof. Adewole told them that their destinies are in their hands and as such they must be very diligent and serious in their academic pursuits. He however pleaded with them not to make it all work and no play but to participate in Student Union activities, games, sports and other healthy extracurricular activities on campus.

He stated that their admission signifies a lifelong relationship with the University and prayed that the relationship will be mutually beneficial.

The President of the Students' Union, Mr. Tokunbo Salako also charged the freshmen to guard their admission jealously as other students who were not admitted are envious of them. He stated that the Students' Union passes information to students on its notice boards in the

Students Union Building as well as on its website. He advised them to learn to recite the University Anthem and to always sing along whenever the music is played.

Many speakers discussed various topics at the weeklong orientation programme. The Muslim students attended a Jumat service at the UI Central Mosque while the Christian students worshipped at the Chapel of the Resurrection. Opportunities were provided for various registered Associations /Clubs to mount stands for publicity while the students were taken on a road ride to streets on campus and sightseeing to designated places within Ibadan city.

### **Management procures customized uniforms for Security personnel**

**Dateline 13/2/12**

The Security Unit started about forty years ago and in 1975 the Presidential Visitation Panel to the University described the security personnel as half educated, 'not organized and badly treated group of staff'. Today the story has changed!

The first sets of uniforms were provided during the Falase Administration (2000-2005) and since then the security unit has come a long way.

At the formal presentation of new uniforms for the Security Unit, the Chairman Council Committee on Security, Dr. G.A Adeniran described the present crop of security personnel under the leadership of Mr. Akinmoladun as "very dedicated and committed". He said they deserved to be well treated.

The new uniform customized specially for UI is made of better quality materials in brown and black, has the UI logo embroidered in strategic positions on the cap and shirt to symbolize integrity. Reflective jackets are also provided for officers on special, night and traffic duties in order to make them more noticeable.

The Vice Chancellor, Professor I.F Adewole reiterated that UI represents excellence in all ramifications. He said he was pleased with the uniforms and commended Dr. Adeniran for providing the platform for making things possible.

Prof. Adewole noted that any group or community that relegates security to the backyard does so at its own peril. He said Management wishes to make the security men work in a conducive atmosphere and as such will provide everything necessary - additional security vehicles, and constant training, workshops, seminars and retreats for the security personnel.

He recalled that ceremonial uniforms were launched during the 2011 Convocation ceremonies and charged the security personnel to know always that their uniforms represent the University. "Always be cautious in whatever you do and do not drag the name of the university in the mud,

it is a symbol of authority and whenever you are in the uniform, you represent the Council, and the Vice-Chancellor” he urged.

Prof. Adewole said each security man will be given two sets of uniform and a pair of boots to ensure that they are well prepared for the job. He said CCTV cameras will be provided in strategic places to monitor the campus, adding that security has gone beyond mere policing and it is now high tech. He enjoined the security men to give management suggestions on how to make the campus safer.

The Vice-Chancellor stated that the security men will be paid allowances for the services rendered during the last nationwide industrial action.

## **UI hosts important Dignitaries as its Former VC and Professor Emeritus Celebrates 80th Birthday**

**Dateline 04/02/12**

The Visitor, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria , President Good Luck Ebele Jonathan, GCFR was represented at the celebration of the 80th Birthday of Professor Emeritus Tekena Tamuno OFR on Saturday 04 February 2012 by the Secretary to the Government of the Federation, Senator Anyim Pius Anyim, OFR.

Trenchard Hall, venue of the ceremony was packed full and five books written by the celebrant were reviewed and presented. The books are: ***Stakeholders at war in Nigeria: from Lord Lugard to President Goodluck Jonathan; Oil wars in Niger Delta 1849-2009; The Contents of Non-Linear History: Wisdom of the Elders; Joy of Nigerian Proverbs; and Lamentations of Yeske: Poems in Honour of HRH Professor Egbe Ifie.***

A former Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Chief Richard Akinjide, SAN was Chairman; former Head of State and two term President of Nigeria, Chief Olusegun Obasanjo, GCFR was the father of the day while the Governor of Rivers State, HE Rotimi Chibuike Amaechi, CON was represented as the distinguished Guest of Honour. Chief Edwin Kiagbodo Clark, CON was the patron while the Chief Host, Prof. I.F Adewole was represented by the Provost of the College of Medicine, Prof. O.O. Akinyinka.

The High Priests of the day were Pastor (Dr.) Enoch Adejare Adeboye, the General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God; His Eminence, Dr. Sunday Makinde, Prelate Methodist Church, Nigeria; His Grace, The Most Rev. Dr. Ephraim Adebola Ademowo, ArchBishop Anglican Communion; The Rt. Rev. G.O. Olajide, Retired Lord Bishop, Anglican Communion; The Rt. Rev. J.A.F. Olusola, Lord Bishop Anglican Communion and The Very Rev. T.O Olatunji, Chaplain, Chapel of the Resurrection, University of Ibadan.

The book presenters were Deacon (Dr) Gamaliel Onosode, former Pro-Chancellor of the University of Ibadan; Sir Pascal Dozie, the Chairman, New Nigerian Foundation Lagos and

former Chairman of Diamond Bank Plc; and Sir (Dr) Lambert Eradiri, cousin of HRH Professor Egbe Ifie.

Expectedly, members of the academia, the UI Community, friends, well wishers and family members of Prof Tamuno were at the celebration.

Professor Tekena Tamuno, the first alumnus of UI to become its Vice-Chancellor, was a Professor of History. He actually turned 80 on 28/1/12.

### **VC Delivers Quarterly Public Lecture of the Nigerian Academy of Science**

Dateline 27/01/12

“A powerful advocacy is the key to cancer prioritization, prevention and management in Africa. Advocacy for cancer control is needed in any resource setting in order to influence policy and to urge decision makers to create an environment conducive to improving the way cancer control knowledge is put into practice”.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F Adewole made this submission in a lecture entitled ***‘Africa and cancer: preparing for the next epidemic’*** which he delivered at a quarterly public lecture organized by the Nigerian Academy of Science in Lagos. He concluded that advocacy will yield good dividends and provide a road map for effective and functional cancer care strategy but advised that good communication skills in those advocating for cancer control are vital.

Prof. Adewole advised further that advocacy for cancer control is most likely to be successful if it is synchronized with advocacy for non-communicable diseases and other cancer-related problems. ‘By combining their voices to deliver the powerful message that comprehensive and integrated cancer control is more effective than fragmented or isolated approaches, advocates can make a real difference’ he submitted.

Prof. Adewole who is the President of the Africa Organization for Research and Training in Cancer (AORTIC) had earlier observed that Africa’s share of the global burden of ill health is as disproportionately huge as its share of global poverty adding that in spite of many conference resolutions, innovative global plans and other laudable undertakings, the state of health in Africa remains appalling. According to him, health reports indicate that all health conditions are worse in Africa than in any part of the world and that while communicable diseases are an occasional occurrence in the developed world, they are Africa’s daily bane.

Apart from such diseases as malaria, cholera, tuberculosis, poliomyelitis, Hiv/Aids, Prof. Adewole stated that cancer is now the third leading cause of death worldwide and that Africa is

projected to record a disproportionately higher rate of increase than Europe and United States of America by the year 2030 when it is projected that there will be 26 million new cancer cases and 17 million cancer death per year.

He identified priority cancers in Africa as lung, breast, hepatocellular, cervix, prostate, AIDS Associated and Childhood. However, cancer control faces such challenges as poverty, absence of prevention effort, poor health infrastructure, human resource deficits, lack of awareness and poor health seeking behavior which makes for late presentation.

To prepare against the impending cancer epidemic, Prof. Adewole advised that there should be a national cancer control plan, a cancer control department, cancer control committee, prioritization, registration and surveillance, prevention, treatment, palliative care while awareness creation must be seen as the key to success of cancer control in Africa. This he said, must be performed in a multipronged version for it to be effective.

Prof. Adewole also called for the promotion of lifestyle changes, full implementation of the African Regions strategy for cancer control, establishment of cancer registries, establishment of centres of excellence, and investment in Radiotherapy centres. He assured that AORTIC will provide leadership in cancer care, control, training and research in Africa adding that the organization had developed a strategic plan designed to place cancer on the continental agenda for health.

The Chairman at the quarterly lecture, Chief Wole Olanipekun SAN, observed that science nourishes the soul and the body, elongates our lives for us to know where and when we go wrong and take appropriate steps.

He noted that cancer does not discriminate against personalities and as such the onus is on us all to prepare against it. He commended the Nigerian Academy of Science for bringing Professor Adewole, whom he described as a most appropriate person given his vast knowledge in cancer research, to discuss the topic.

The Permanent Secretary in the Federal Ministry, Dr. Dere Awosika disclosed that the Federal Government had released funds for all those who are able to compete successfully to contribute to the development of science and technology.

The Professor and President of the Nigeria Academy of Science, Prof. O. Ibidapo- Obe, FAS, OFR, a former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Lagos, said Prof. Adewole was asked to deliver the lecture in order to showcase the membership of the Nigerian Academy of Science.

He said the lecture will help to contribute to the society by examining the challenges of food, health and economy facing the nation and proffer solutions to such challenges.

### **Registry Discourse Resuscitated**

Dateline 23/02/12

“The Registry is very important in the University setting. It is the engine room of the University. The Registry, like all other departments within the University should not be found wanting. It should respond to change in a proactive manner”.

The Acting Registrar, Mr. V.A.A. Adegoroye reiterated this at the 2012 Registry Discourse.

According to him, administration is the ‘raison d’etre’ of any human existence, especially in the modern and complex institutions that we operate. As institutions become more complex, core managers have to look inwards and fashion out modalities for managing them.

Mr. Adegoroye disclosed that University administration has grown tremendously with the attendant complexities of globalization adding that this was the main idea and central theme of the Discourse initiated during the tenure of Mr. S.J. Okudu (1972-1981). He noted that the momentum of the Discourse was sustained until recently when it became moribund.

The Acting Registrar therefore appreciated the Vice-Chancellor Prof. I.F. Adewole and the University Management for helping the Registry to resuscitate the Registry Discourse which seeks to address the peculiarities of modern administration; to engender new ways of thinking in a globalised world; to sharpen skills and examine the new order of administration; to bridge the gap between what ought to be and what the realities are and to examine the critical roles and functions of the University Registry in this age of deregulation and globalization.

As part of its contributions to the development of a responsible and responsive Registry in the 21st Century, Mr. Adegoroye stated that the UI Registry with the resuscitation of the Discourse, will contribute to the pool of knowledge in an academic environment as well as help to develop the human resource and examine the contemporary functions of the Registry in this age of globalization.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Administration, Prof. E.A. Bamgboye who represented the Vice-Chancellor at the Discourse also agreed that the Registry is the engine room of any functional University. he said the University of Ibadan values the importance of the Registry and this explains why the Management takes every care in recruiting only the most highly skilled, knowledgeable and educated personnel for its Registry.

Prof. Bamgboye noted that all members of the University Community are important adding that we cannot all be lecturers, some are bound to offer needed services to ensure that things go on smoothly.

He expressed delight in the choice of Mrs. Lindsey-Adeola as the lead discussant and said he was confident that the Registry will benefit immensely from her wealth of experience.

The Guest lecturer entitled her discourse as “Registry in the 21st Century: The Old and New Order.” Mrs. Lola Lindsey-Adeola, Chief Executive Officer, Rovell International Ibadan, noted that the Registry is all about administration and the administrative functions of planning organizing, staffing, directing, controlling and budgeting.

She however noted that the most phenomenal thing about the 21st Century is innovation and as such, administrators should find ways of combining innovation and administration to obtain the organisation’s goals and objectives.

Mrs. Lindsey-Adeola also advised the Registrar to focus on collaboration, the cultivation of a team work culture and helping the staff of the Registry to develop good values.

To make the Registry 21st Century compliant, the guest lecturer advised management to shift its focus to the people. "The people perish without a vision or clearly stated goal, but the vision also suffers without committed, dedicated and skilled people. Therefore, build your people (staff) and your Registry will be built" she concluded.

The discourse was attended by academic and administrative staff and students of the University as well as administrative staff from The Polytechnic, Ibadan; Lead City University, FUTA, OAU, LASU; UNILAG; Bowen University; Ajayi Crowther University; Bells University, Ota; Forestry Research Institute of Nigeria; Nigeria Institute of Science Laboratory Technology and Ekiti State University.

### **Pro-Chancellor reaffirms his commitment to the uplift of the University**

**Dateline 24/02/12**

The Pro-Chancellor and Chairman of the Governing Council, Chief Wole Olanipekun, SAN has reaffirmed his determination to leave the University of Ibadan better than he met it.

He gave the assurance of his commitment to the uplift of the University at the end of the inaugural meeting of the reconvened Governing Council.

Chief Olanipekun and all the other members of Council had, after the inaugural meeting, gone on inspection visits to the Ajibode Extension and the UI Endowment Fund International Conference Centre.

At Ajibode, the Council members were informed that the beams on the bridge along Ajibode road on the Orogun river would be put in place by 29 February, 2012, that the embankment would be filled to raise the level of the road and make it passable. They were assured that within weeks of the completion of the bridge, the Orogun-Ajibode Road would be completed.

The International Conference Centre according to the site Manager was already 85% completed, tiling and painting had started and all the fittings had been acquired. He said it is hoped that by the end of April 2012, the Centre will be ready for Commissioning. The Centre has four side Halls capable of seating 600 each while the main Hall has the capacity to seat 6,000. There are ample parking spaces, conveniences and other facilities of International standards.

Chief Olanipekun said he was impressed by the level of work done at the Centre and Ajibode. Very soon, he said, the UI School of Business will commence operations while the Postgraduate School will also be moved to Ajibode by November, 2012.

He stated that the Ajibode Project is very close to his heart. He noted that the UI endowment Fund Committee is a Committee of the Council and he will give all support to ensure the completion of the Conference Centre which will be a first of its kind in any Nigerian University, when completed.

## **CBAAC celebrates Annual Black History Month**

**Dateline 28/02/12**

The Centre for Black and African Arts and Civilization (CBAAC) has organised a lecture and an Arts exhibition in celebration of this year's Annual Black History Month. The theme was **"Women in Africa and African Diaspora History and Culture"**.

Expectedly the lecture was delivered by an internationally renowned African Woman scholar, Prof. Mojubaolu Olufunke Okome, an alumna of the University of Ibadan. The exhibition also showcased African women of substance who have made notable impact on Africa and the human race.

The Chairman at the Lecture, Prof. Bolanle Awe, noted that as efforts are being made to build democratic institutions in the different countries populated by Africans, the issue of gender equity and the position of women in history and culture should command attention considering that women constitute about 50% of the different populations.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole was represented as the Chief Host at the Lecture by the Dean of Students, Prof. E. Falaye. In his speech, Prof. Falaye commended the CBAAC for its activities which are significantly and positively influencing the Black world.

The Honourable Minister of Tourism, Culture and National Orientation High Chief Edem Duke was represented by Alhaji Mukhtar S. Abdulkadir, the Director of Culture in the Ministry. He also eulogized the CBAAC and noted that the Centre has definitely lived up to expectations.

The Director of the Centre, Prof. Tunde Babawale while acknowledging the encomiums poured on CBAAC, however stated that the Centre could not have done it alone but for the active support of all its stake holders.

The Annual celebration was most colourful. The large crowd which comprised adults and school children from many secondary schools were entertained by the Legendaire Cultural Group, Kay Jimri Song and Storytelling from the Black world, Precious Ige and the Ayanbinrin Group as well as evergreen, Jimmy Solanke.

The CBAAC was established by the 59 Black and African countries and communities that participated in the African Festival of Arts and Culture (FESTAC '77) which was held in Nigeria in 1977. Its establishment is backed by Decree 69 of 1977 and it is under the supervision of the Federal Ministry of Tourism, Culture and National Orientation. Its mandate is to spearhead the promotion and propagation of global understanding and appreciation of Black and African People's culture. One of its centres is located within the Institute of African Studies, University of Ibadan.

## **UI installs prepaid meters in Staff residential quarters**

**Dateline 27/02/12**

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole has kickstarted the installation of prepaid meters in residential quarters (senior and junior), business units/centres, all units/departments/faculties, religious centres and students' halls of residence.

Each building is to have its own meter specially customized for the University of Ibadan.

The supplier of the meters explained that users will be requested to pay into an account to generate the data base required to support each user. Receipts will be issued and the user will have to punch into the meter a 20 digit number on the receipt in order to load energy.

Prof. Adewole explained that management decided to install the meters in order to ensure that users have control over the electricity used, that all households have meters and to stop people who do not have meters or have bypassed the old meters. He stated that people have to pay for services enjoyed adding that UI is not a Communist State.

The Vice-Chancellor however charged the Energy Consumption Committee to arrange with the supplier to give adequate training on the use of the meters so that users will not complain, get value for the energy paid for as well as ensure that users get a more regular supply of energy.

Meanwhile, the Vice-Chancellor has directed the Bursar to acquire two utility vehicles for the Works and Maintenance Department. One bus will be used by the electricity and Water Unit while the other will be deployed to the monitoring of Consultants employed by the University to supervise its projects. The Bursar is also to open two separate accounts to be known as the Diesel Account and the Energy Account.

### **CENBIOGEN holds Workshop on Biosafety and Good Laboratory Practice Dateline 28 February - 01 March 2012**

The Centre for Biotechnology and Genetic Engineering (CENBIOGEN) was established in 2010 at the Institute for Advanced Medical Research and Training (IAMRAT), College of Medicine and funded by the Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Technology Education Post-Basic (STEP B).

In fulfillment of its mandate, the Centre has organized a three day workshop on Biosafety and Good Laboratory Practice for 60 participants selected from among the over 300 candidates who applied from Universities and Research Institutes all over the Federation. The Principal Investigator of the Centre, Prof. T. Atinmo therefore called on the participants to see themselves as being among the fortunate and privileged few and to make the best use of the opportunity.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Academic, Prof A.I. Olayinka said he was excited by the establishment of CENBIOGEN because the University realises that the issues of biological disasters are not limited to the laboratories alone and therefore there is a need for the establishment of a Multidisciplinary Centre that will ensure biological, environmental and laboratory safety. He added that the workshop has come at an appropriate time and thanked the STEP B National Project Office for making it possible.

The National Monitoring and Evaluation Officer of the STEP B Project, Mrs. Seyi Agunbiade said she is always happy to be part of the success story of the STEP B Project in UI. She explained that the STEP B Project is being executed in all Federal Senior Secondary Schools, Colleges of Education, Polytechnics, Research Institutes and Universities to encourage Science and Technology and to ensure good researches in Nigeria that will bring out worthy and adoptable outcomes which could be adopted to add value to the national economy. She explained further that STEP B is a \$180m project that is “demand driven”. She stated that the STEP B Project will keep in touch with all the participants to monitor how the workshop has added value to their work life.

In a good will message, the Chief Medical Director of the University College Hospital, Prof T. Alonge said he is an ambassador of UI at the UCH and will always uphold the UI culture of hard work and commitment to excellence. He called on the STEP B Project to include teaching hospitals in its portfolio considering that the researches in the teaching hospitals are always Laboratory based and they are also the laboratories of the Universities. Prof Alonge expressed the hope that the participants of the workshop who were drawn from the UCH would help improve the ranking of the UCH’s laboratory from the World Health Organisation’s zero level to the three- star level before the end of his tenure as the CMD.

The UI STEP B Project Manager, Dr. Ayolola Aremu appreciated the CENBIOGEN Team for living up to expectation of the workshop. She said, the workshop and the various success stories of the UI STEP B Project should convince the National STEP B Office that the University of Ibadan deserved to be made a Centre of Excellence. She noted that the participants at the workshop were drawn from institution/organizations spread all over the country adding that many applied because the University of Ibadan has always been noted for excellence.

Topics discussed at the workshop included General Biosafety and biotechnology, Good Laboratory Practice Case Studies. Participants discussed the principles and practices in different working environments; ascending levels of Biosafety Laboratories; biological safety in the Laboratory; Chemical safety in the Laboratory; Radiation safety in the Laboratory; Biosafety Law, compliance and enforcement at the international, regional and national levels, and key issues under the Cartagena Protocol and Biosafety Policy. Sessions were also held on Biosafety issues related to biotechnology for sustainable agriculture and food security; understanding the processes for building and managing institutional/biosafety renew board; structure and role; the fundamental points of Good Laboratory Practice and setting standards of Good Laboratory Practice. There were Case Studies and Certificates were awarded to the participants after a post evaluation of the workshop.

### **MacArthur Grant Liaison Office organizes workshop on Minutes and report writing skills development**

**Dateline 21-23/2/12**

The Macarthur Foundation, through providing a substantial grant to the University for staff capacity building and renewal, has in the last one decade, been a worthy partner in the ongoing institutional endeavour to train and retain staff.

The Grant Liaison Officer, Prof. G.O.S Ekhaguere stated this at the opening of a three day workshop on minutes and report writing skills development organized for administrative officers, executive officers, secretaries, programme officers, and personal assistants. The workshop was organized with funding support from the Staff Training and Research Capacity Building Programme of the Mac Arthur Foundation Grant.

Prof. Ekhaguere stated that the broad objective of the workshop is to enhance the communication skill of these officers who occupy strategic positions in the Registry and other units of the University as a contribution towards fostering a high standard of institutional Communication: He noted that with the ever-growing national and global profile of the University, there is an inexorable increase in the diversity and complexity of the University's communication needs, as is evidenced by the ever-present institutional need to produce the reports of the transactions of diverse workshops, conferences, investigative panels, bidirectional correspondence among staff and the continuous interaction of the University with its global partners and Stakeholders through continual information sharing.

The MGLO recalled that some of the training and re-training activities which have been implemented on the University Campus, using the MacArthur Foundation grant include: workshops for drivers, office assistants and researchers, as well as many computer literacy courses for all categories of staff.

The Acting Registrar, Mr. V.A.A. Adegroye commended the MacArthur Grant Liaison Office for filling the yawning gap in the administrative skills and need for all staff to strive to be relevant in the present times, Mr. Adegroye said staff must be trained and retrained.

He thanked Prof. Ekhaguere, who he described as a "quiet person, a revolutionary worker and a genius" for his service to the University. He recalled that during Prof. Ekhaguere's tenure as the Chairman Council Committee on Security, several innovations were introduced to the security system of the University.

Mr. Adegroye said he was convinced that the facilitators will do justice to the various topics and considering that the University thrives on the Committee system, the participants may at one time on the other be expected to take minutes. The workshop is to equip participants with skills to carry out such assignments.

The topics discussed at the workshop which was coordinated by Dr. O. Oha of the Department of English included

**Report writing as a form of Organizational communication** by Mr. V.A.A. Adegroye, Acting Registrar

**IT skills in taking and developing minutes** by Prof. A. Dasyilva, Dept. of English

**Listening skills in minutes taking** by Prof. B. Elugbe, Dept. of Linguistics & African Languages

**Language and persuasion in Report writing** by Prof. B. Elugbe, Dept. of Linguistics and African Languages.

**Minutes taking; Contextual Considerations and principles** by Prof. A. Dasyuva, Dept. of English.

**Types of Minutes and their formats** by E.O. Soola, Dept. of Communication and Language Arts.

**Pants of a Report** by Mrs. Margaret Aziba, Deputy Registry, VC's Office.

**Language and Style in Minutes Writing** by Dr. F. Ezeokoli, Dept of Teacher Education

**Formats of Report writing** by Dr, E.O. Soola, Dept. of Communication and Language Arts

**Action Minutes and its Usefulness** by Mr. S.O. Oyewumi, Registry UI

**Ethics and challenges in Minutes writing** by Mr. I.C Nwogwugwu, Bowen University Iwo

**Resolution Minutes and its relevance** by Mr. V.A.A. Adegoroye, Acting Registrar

**Impression Management in Report Writing** by Mr. I.C. Nwogwugwu, Bowen University, Iwo.

**Pre and Post Writing tasks: The case of Minutes and reports in Organisations** by Dr. O.A. Okwilagwe, Dept. of Library Archival & Information Science

**Cases Analysis and Role Play in Minutes taking and Report writing** by Prof. C.O. Kolawole, Dean of Education

**The Essential steps in Report writing** by Mr. D. Oyejide, College of Medicine

**Developing and Controlling Narrative Minutes** by Mr. D. Oyejide, College of Medicine.

**Management Team Visits Halls of Residence**

**Dateline 20/02/12**

In preparation for the new Academic Session and as an expression of concern for the welfare of the students, the University Management team led by the Vice Chancellor, Prof. I.F. Adewole visited some Halls of Residence on inspection visits.

At Kuti Hall, Prof Adewole directed that the store which holds the facilities of the old Cafeteria system should be opened and the Auditors should take proper records of the equipment with a view to releasing some for a pilot programme in the Kuti Hall Cafeteria to resuscitate the Cafeteria system. He also directed the Director of Works to call for bids to replace the old lockers and to put two in each room for the use of the occupants while bunks and mattresses should be put in all the rooms. Prof Adewole frowned on the practice whereby students place their mattresses on bare floors. He urged Hall wardens to discourage squatters and ensure that all the rooms are made habitable.

He also reiterated the calls at Zik Hall adding that if students do not live well, we cannot get the best out of them. He charged Wardens to show more interest, renovate all the rooms, put in bunks and discourage residents of Zik and Independence Halls from dividing the rooms into cubicles with dirty curtains and unhealthy clothes. He directed the manager of the University Students Lodging Bureau to ensure that the locks on all the doors are repaired and that the sanitary condition of the Halls are improved upon with the provision of water in the Halls.

### **For The Uplift of the Zoo**

**Dateline 03/02/12**

Apart from the rehabilitation efforts and the purchase of new animals, the management of the UI Zoological Garden is poised to do all in its power to ensure the uplift of the Garden.

To this end, a training programme was conducted for the Zoological Garden Security staff on Friday, 03 February, 2012.

### **Matriculation Ceremony Holds For 2843 Freshmen**

**Dateline 24/02/12**

Matriculation is an important ceremony and a milestone in the life of a University student. It signifies formal admission, when the newly admitted students having been certified qualified, are made to subscribe to an oath of decent behavior, dedication, loyalty to the institution and unflinching commitment to its goals, objectives and time-honored traditions.

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof Adewole reiterated this at the 2011/2012 Matriculation Ceremony for the 2843 newly admitted students.

He therefore implored the freshmen to take due cognizance of the words of the oath, as administered by the Acting Registrar, Mr. V.A.A Adegoroye to allow the words form the guiding principles of their academic activities in the University so that at the year of their form studentship, they will be better personalities worthy in learning and character, well cultured and with a better perception of life values.

Prof Adewole warned the matriculants to be wary of associations they keep. He noted that cultism is evil and those who associate themselves with it are evil. Cultists, he stated, camouflage in different colours to recruit members. He therefore warned the freshmen to be careful in honouring invitation to social or religious activities or groups with cloudy orientation.

The Vice-Chancellor advised the matriculants to be security conscious at all times and not to hesitate to report to the University Administration if they have any inclination that they are being lured, harassed or threatened.

The first ever Matriculation lecture was delivered by Prof. O. Gureje of the Department of Psychiatry, and Director of the Institute of Neurosciences at the University College Hospital, Ibadan.

In the lecture titled “**Priorities and the Challenges of Choices**” Prof Gureje advised the freshmen on the need to make the right choices and set their priorities. No one, he said, will do these things for the students but they themselves. This, he said, is why they must be self motivated adding that the freedom of university life is an ideal opportunity for those who are self-motivated to blossom.

Prof Gureje examined the topic of his lecture under such sub themes as early days in the University, the University as a place of work, the price of freedom, relaxation and leisure, socializing, virtual friends and friendships, social networking, learning to say no, being yourself, planning your time and setting priorities. He advised the matriculants to always assess their priorities in order to set them in a meaningful way. He also charged them to be SMART by setting specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and time-bound goals.

The matriculation lecturer also warned the freshmen not to allow themselves to be stressed .He noted that everyday we face challenges, and that University life is not the only place where challenges abound. He explained that stressors can be acute or chronic, momentary or persistent, transient or enduring.

He listed the most common consequences of stress as sleep problems, poor concentration, pains (especially headaches), gastrointestinal problems, tiredness, menstrual deregulation and emotional instability that may manifest as hostility, irritability, and explosive anger. He therefore advised the students to be self observant, manage time wisely, adopt positive problem solving habits, and train themselves to relax and to seek social support if the need arises.

The matriculants are drawn from the various faculties as follows:

Arts	-	377
Science	-	519
Medicine	-	400
Agric & Forestry	-	258
The Social Sciences	-	331
Education	-	363
Veterinary Medicine	-	89
Technology	-	278
Pharmacy	-	89
Law	-	<u>139</u>
	-	<b>2843</b>