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AWAU: JAMB WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY A LEADING ROLE FOR INSTITUTIONS IN NIGERIA, AFRICA – PROF. OLOYEDE



L-R: Prof. Johnson Boampong, VC, Cape Coast University, Ghana and Chairman of AWAU; Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, Registrar of JAMB during the association's visit to JAMB.

Impressed by the successes recorded by the Association of West African Universities (AWAU) in its task of bringing together scholars from across the sub-region, the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has pledged its continued support to the Association. The Registrar made the pledge when the newly-elected executives of the Association paid him a courtesy visit in his

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JAMB RESUMES 2023 DIRECT ENTRY REGISTRATION EXERCISE

The 2023 Direct Entry registration exercise, which commenced on Monday, 20th February, 2023 but was suspended the following day, Tuesday, 21st February, 2023, would resume on Monday, 20th March, 2023, and end on Thursday, 20th April, 2023. The resumption is sequel to the deployment of all necessary measures designed to address the plethora of

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ATTENTION!!!

2023
MOCK-UTME
NEW DATE

JAMB DONATES READING TEXTS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN LAGOS STATE

As a further demonstration of its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has donated reading texts to over 300 public Secondary Schools in Lagos State. Presenting the books to the

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JAMB CONDUCTS SELECTION EXAMINATION FOR UBEC SMART SCHOOLS TEACHERS

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has conducted a selection examination for teachers to be engaged for the SMART Schools Initiative of the Osun State Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC). The exercise, which took place at JAMB/NCC CBT Centre, JAMB Office, Osogbo, on Wednesday, 15th March, 2023, was monitored by the Executive Secretary, UBEC, Osun State UBEC, Alh. Yahaya Bakare, and other Management members of the Commission in the State. It would be recalled that the Federal Government, through the Universal Basic

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...AWAU: JAMB Will Continue to Play a Leading Role for Institutions in Nigeria, Africa - Prof. Oloyede

office in Abuja, on Thursday, 16th March, 2023.

According to the Registrar, the Board would continue to partner with AWAU to promote and advance tertiary institutions across West Africa as well as network with other similar bodies in other sub-regions of the continent to advance the cause of AWAU in Africa.

AWAU was conceived in 2011 with the aimed of initiating collaboration among Universities in West Africa, enhance higher education, promote infrastructural and manpower development in the sub-region within the ambit of the Association of African Universities (AAU).

The Registrar, who was impressed with the achievements of AWAU since inception, disclosed that the coexistence of the meeting of AWAU and U-6 which Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa, belongs to, was momentous and capable of fostering the much-needed Pan-African unity. He stated that in the long run, such synergy would promote trans-national research and development, adding that Pan-African unity is the goal.

Prof. Oloyede assured the

delegation that JAMB would continue to play a leading role in the affairs of all educational institutions, not only in the sub-region but Africa as a whole.

He, therefore, tasked education stakeholders to work together to promote the educational and cultural resources of their respective countries through regular exchange programmes.

He stated that when this kind of opportunity to bring African countries together under whichever platform presented itself, it is also helping to promote what JAMB was established to do, which is to attract candidates, who possess requisite qualifications for admission into institutions of their dreams, irrespective of where they come from. He averred that it was one of the reasons the Board encouraged students from all over the world to experience the Nigerian tertiary institution system through its internationalisation drive and establishment of foreign examination centres.

"This is why JAMB mandate goes beyond Nigeria. Hence, we have examination centres in many parts of

the world notably in Ghana, the Gambia, UK, Saudi Arabia, Cameroon, and others. These centres are to serve, not only Nigerians who reside in those countries but also non-Nigerians desirous of experiencing the Nigerian education system."

"Since it is better to look inwards than outwards, this is why as a Board, we are promoting the inter-connectivity among African countries."

Earlier, the Chairman of AWAU, Prof. Johnson Boampong, who is also the Vice-Chancellor, University of Cape Coast, Ghana, commended JAMB for its various initiatives and its impact on tertiary education in Nigeria and the West African sub-region in general.



The Chairman of AWAU receiving a souvenir from the Registrar of JAMB

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JAMB FELICITATES WITH WAEC ON ITS 71ST ANNIVERSARY

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has felicitated with the West African Examination Council (WAEC) as it marked its 71st Anniversary on Thursday, 16th March, 2023.

Presenting the goodwill message on behalf of the Registrar, JAMB, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, the Osun State Coordinator, Mr. Babatunde Jacob, commended the examination body on the notable and remarkable event.

"It is my honour as the representative of a sister assessment body to rejoice with you today. WAEC has made an indelible landmark on the education landscape in the sub-region with its well-known integrity and zero tolerance for malpractice which is

worthy of emulation by all."

In his address, the Branch Controller, WAEC, Osun State, Dr. A.M. Busari, expressed appreciation to JAMB and stated that the series of innovations of the Oloyede-led administration, especially in terms of eradicating examination malpractice, has spurred sister agencies to toe the same line.

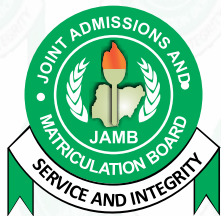
"It is an honour to associate with an organisation with the same stellar values as JAMB. The fact that examination malpractice has reduced drastically in the conduct of the UTME is as a result of the innovations regularly being implemented by the Board under the leadership of Prof. Is-haq Oloyede.

In a similar vein, the Kogi State

Coordinator, JAMB, Mr. Mamman Maigari Dongoyaro, also attended the 71st Anniversary of the Council on behalf of the Board, which took place at the WAEC State Office in Lokoja.

The highlight of the ceremony was the presentation of gifts to winners of the various track and field events as well as cultural dance and debate competitions by students of different schools that were held during the course of the celebrations in Lokoja and Osogbo respectively.

In attendance at the various events were the Kogi State Commissioner of Education, Hon. Remi Jones; the Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Education, among other dignitaries from sister agencies and organisations in the State.



JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD

REPORT OF INFLOW AND OUTFLOW FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 11 2023 - MARCH 17 2023

FINANCIAL INFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT(N)
1	E-Facilities/Sales	68,144,306.00
2	PRC Service Charge	1,682,200.00
	TOTAL	69,826,506.00

FINANCIAL OUTFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	OUTFLOW	AMOUNT(N)
1	Staff Claim	Various	19,057,062.39
2	CBT Centres	Third Party Examination	10884360
3	CBT Centres	2023 Registration CBT Service Charge	2,566,900.00
4	Sensitive Material	Item Writers	27,948,900.00
5	FIRS Revenue Accounting	Taxes	47,828,336.00
6	Index Engineering Consult Ltd	Consultancy Fee	4,489,063.80
7	FCT Water Board	Water rate	3,570.49
8	Sensitive Material	IT Consulting	9,929,000.00
9	MTN Nigeria Communications PLC	Data	13,653,000.00
10	Remita	Financial Charges	45,015.62
	TOTAL		136,405,208.30

JAMB CELEBRATES STAFF BORN MARCH 20TH – MARCH 26TH 2023

20TH MARCH

Fatimoh O. Fayomi
Grace A. Layeni
Nwokeka E. Ogwo

21ST MARCH

Bala Mohammed
Dairus K. Adeleke
Florence A. Makinde
Idris O. Abubakar
Oguguo B.A. D. Fyneman
Qasim A. Egbewole
Rose I. Chris Eze

22ND MARCH

Ewa E. Sam
Folashade I. Bello

Jamilu Ibrahim
Joy O. Igwe
Mudashiru A. Omiyera
Oluwaseyi S. Atilola
Rachael B. Angulu

23RD MARCH

Olaolu S. Adeniyi
Mercy N. Yohanna
Samuel G. Thomas
Uko A. Essien
Ifeanyi I. Nwaigwe
Glory N. Nnam
Moyosore O. Ologunleko
Faruq U. Umar
Lukman A. Mohammed
Fumilayo Oyedele

Othman M. Bappah
Eru Onazi
Emmanuel Y. Mahanan
Akindele I. Dada

24TH MARCH

Israel Kehinde
Ladidi I. Sammani
Tabitha S. Akut

25TH MARCH

Grace I. Ojekwe
Hope I. Adebayo-Oni
Bashir Suleiman
Modinat A. Edu
Khadijah M. Bello

Happy Birthday





EDUCATION IN THE MEDIA

PUNCH NEWSPAPER MONDAY MARCH 13TH, 2023 - Poll Postponement: More Varsities Shift Resumption Date:

Following the announcement of the postponement of the 2023 governorship and Houses of Assembly elections by the Independent National Electoral Commission, more universities across the country have continued to announce an extension of the earlier resumption date proposed by the National Universities Commission.

The PUNCH reports that prior to the postponement of the 2023 governorship elections by INEC, the NUC had instructed universities in the country to suspend academic activities between February 22 and March 14, 2023.

However, findings by our correspondent revealed that following the postponement of the governorship elections, universities across the country have announced new resumption dates for students.

PUNCH NEWSPAPER MONDAY MARCH 13TH, 2023 - Borno, Taraba, Bayelsa Lead In 2023 UTME Registration:

Ahead of the 2023 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examinations for the admissions into the 2023/2024 academic session in tertiary institutions across the country, data obtained from the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board revealed that 10 states presented less than 200,000

candidates for the examinations.

Based on the data from the Board, the 10 states are Borno with 16,793 candidates; Taraba (16,686); Bayelsa (16,494); Adamawa (15,504); Jigawa (13,983); Kebbi (13,482); Sokoto (13,042); Ebonyi (11,172); Yobe (10,522), and Zamfara (4,988).

GUARDIAN NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023 - JAMB Postpones UTME Mock To March 30:

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has postponed the 2023 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) Mock to March 30. It was originally scheduled for this Thursday.

JAMB spokesman, Fabian Benjamin, in a statement, explained: "The shift in date is partly owing to the change in the date for the gubernatorial and state Houses of Assembly elections earlier scheduled to hold on Saturday, March 11, 2023 but now moved to March 18.

He said candidates, who registered early and indicated willingness to take the test, would be notified as to when to print their notification slips containing centres and other details. The mock is an optional examination introduced by JAMB to provide opportunity for candidates to have hands-on experience and ascertain the Board's readiness and that of its partners for the main UTME, holding between April 29 and May 12.

Benjamin noted that this year's examination would witness

innovations geared at addressing infractions and centre failures.

His words, "For instance, in the new regime, if there is a delay of up to one hour before commencement of a particular session, that session stands cancelled and would be rescheduled along with candidates.

"By same token, no examination can be started one hour after the scheduled commencement time. The session will be scheduled for any vacant or available slot. The Board has made it mandatory that candidates must be notified of their new scheduled session or centre, as the case may be, before they leave their centre. In addition, no candidate would be allowed to spend less than one hour before submission of responses during the UTME.

Similarly, the new regime would make it impossible for candidates to login after one hour of activation of examination.

"If for any reason, an examination session is cancelled or cannot hold, candidates are not to panic, as they will simply be scheduled for the next available session, which could be that same day. What such candidates are expected to do is to quietly leave the hall and move to the Holding Area to await further instruction.

Furthermore, they are not to leave the examination centre until they have been notified of the day and time of their rescheduled

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examination.

"Candidates are to note that any rescheduled examination is strictly meant to accommodate only those whose examination session could not hold on account of one reason or the other, and not for those, who were marked late or absent for their

session." Also available in PUNCH NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, THISDAY NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, SUN NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, NEW TELEGRAPH NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, LEADERSHIP NEWSPAPER TUESDAY

MARCH 14TH, 2023, BLUEPRINT NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, DAILY TRUST NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, NATION NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023, VANGAURD NEWSPAPER TUESDAY MARCH 14TH, 2023.

...AWAU: JAMB Will Continue to Play a Leading Role for Institutions in Nigeria, Africa - Prof. Oloyede

Prof. Boampong said the Association was at the Board's National Headquarters, Abuja, to interact with its leadership to map out strategies for the growth of the Association for the next three years.

He commended Prof. Oloyede for his laudable role in the affairs of the Association. He described him as the architect and founder of AWAU, adding that the Association would not have come to be without the Registrar.

He advised Africans to take their destiny in their own hands and implored those who choose to study outside the continent to look inwards rather than opting for institutions outside Africa.

"We have the resources, the infrastructure, and the human capital to compete with our peers across the world. What we have may not be 100 percent. However, what we have is enough. If

we appreciate what we have and work together, we can educate our people. That doesn't mean we cannot go outside the continent as we also need the exposure, which will help us learn new things but we can bring them home to improve our system. It is by so doing that the continent could end its economic dependence on non-African countries," he stated.

In her remarks, the Director of Administration, AWAU, and Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Prof. Adenike Oladeji, underscored the enormous benefits of membership of the Association in the sub-region. She stressed that series of conferences held by AWAU, had fostered not only academic exchanges through networking and global exposure but also helped to reshape policy direction and implementation of member institutions.

Prof. Oladeji also stated that JAMB had been a strong pillar in the various inroads AWAU had recorded and called for suggestions, ideas from the Board to strengthen the Association to achieve its vision and mandate.

The executive members of the Association on the visit included: Prof. Johnson Boampong, VC, Cape Coast University, Ghana, Chairman, AWAU; Prof. Wahab Egbewole, VC, University of Ilorin, Secretary AWAU; Prof. Oladeji, VC, Federal University of Technology, Akure, Director of Administration, AWAU and Prof. Akeem Lasisi, VC, University of Health Sciences, Ila-Orangun, Financial Secretary, AWAU while Dr. David Phaho, Vice Chancellor, Cape Peninsula University of Technology, South Africa who was also on the delegation represents the U-6

The Visit of AWAU to JAMB in Pictures



2023 UTME: BRACE UP FOR OUR REFORMS – JAMB REGISTRAR TELLS NSCDC



The DCG Operation, NSCDC, Mr Mungadi and the Registrar of JAMB, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede during the visit of NSCDC to JAMB.

day and called for diligence on the part of the men and officers of the NSCDC adding that candidates in failed or turbulent sessions would be moved to the fourth session.

He said the appeal to the NSCDC personnel, who would be engaged for the exercise, was to get them to be punctual, committed, meticulous and to display a high and moral ethical standards as they are the first contact point for the candidates as they arrive the examination venue for screening and eventual clearance to the examination hall.

The Registrar urged the NSCDC to display a high level of professionalism stating that problems might come but they could be easily surmounted once the right mechanisms are in place.

The Registrar expressed appreciation for the great role being played by the NSCDC towards the success of the UTME and urged them to see their engagements as a call to national duty.

In his remarks, the Deputy Commandant-General (DCG) Operations, Mr. Dauda Mungadi pledged the support of the corps to the success of the Board's examination. The DCG promised to look into all issues raised by the Registrar saying, "We would not disappoint the Board as he assured the Board of the corps commitment.

Ahead of the 2023 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME), the Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), has called on the Nigerian Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) as a critical stakeholder, to brace up for the series of reforms that have been introduced in this year's examination.

The Registrar, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, at a meeting with NSCDC on Tuesday, 14th March, 2023, hinted that the 2023 UTME might look challenging but is actually friendly on account of the various innovations put in place to enhance its sanctity. He appealed to stakeholders and candidates alike

to support the Board in its drive for excellence.

The Board's helmsman also reiterated that the scheduled commencement time of its examination is sacrosanct and is not negotiable. He said if by any reason the examination cannot hold as scheduled either due to negligence of the Board's permanent or ad-hoc staff, candidates would be moved to the Holding Hall where they would be expected to wait for the announcement of the date and time for their rescheduled examination. However, he stated that candidates, who were late ab initio would not be eligible to sit the examination.

Similarly, the Registrar disclosed that the Board would run four sessions per

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...JAMB Donates reading Texts to Public Schools in Lagos State

Director/Head of Department of Curriculum Services, Lagos State Ministry of Education, Mr. Damola Abatan, who represented the Ministry, the Ag. Director, JAMB National Headquarters Annex, Lagos, Mr. Billiaminu Shittu, said that the Board took the initiative as a way of giving back to the society.

According to him, the importance of reading cannot be overstated as far as the social and cognitive development of a child is concerned. While receiving the books, the representative of the Lagos State Ministry of Education commended the Board for such a laudable gesture.

Mr. Abatan stressed that easy access to quality and affordable education remains the topmost priority for the State Government. On the entourage of the Ag. Director were: Mr. Olaide Olajide, Mr. Oladiji Oyewole and Ms. Venessa Otubu.

...JAMB Conducts Selection Examination for UBEC Smart Schools Teachers

Education Commission (UBEC), recently launched the SMART Schools Initiative to close the gaps in Information Communication Technology training among Early Childhood Education (ECD) pupils and Junior Secondary School students across all the country.

Consequently, the Commission had entered into a capacity-building relationship with the Board to conduct a selection examination for teachers that would be engaged for the programme in Osun State.

Speaking with JAMBulletin at the venue of the exercise, the Osun State Executive Secretary, UBEC, disclosed that the Commission had conducted the examination to select the best hands for the programme.

In his words, "We cannot afford to fail in the SMART Schools Initiative that is why we have decided to test the Information Technology (IT) proficiency of interested teachers. This is solely because the SMART Schools would be equipped with the latest IT gadgets."

Speaking further, he stated that the SMART Schools were to be established in the six geopolitical zones of the country in addition to one per State, including the Federal Capital Territory (FCT). He expressed appreciation to the Board for being exclusively professional while the exercise lasted. He added that the conducive examination environment coupled with the

technological prowess of the Board's staff has further increased his confidence in JAMB.

In her remarks, the Director of School Services, UBEC, Mrs. Bola Kayode-Adedire, also applauded the Board for the high-level of integrity put on display by members of staff of the Board during the conduct of the examination.

In his response, the Osun State Coordinator, Mr. Babatunde Jacob, on behalf of the Management of the Board, expressed appreciation to UBEC for the faith it has in JAMB adding that he looked forward to consolidating on the existing relationship between the two agencies.

IBADAN

In Ibadan, the selection examination was held on Tuesday 14th March, 2023 at the JAMB Professional Test Centre (PTC) in Ibadan, Oyo State.

Speaking with JAMBulletin after the conduct of the examination, the Ag. Zonal Director, Ibadan Zonal Office, Mrs. Olajumoke Adeleke, commended UBEC for changing the face of education in Nigeria while underscoring the technological impact the SMART Schools Initiative would have on the future of the beneficiaries, saying, it was a step in the right direction, especially in view of the need to embrace technology for teaching and learning as occasioned by the post-COVID era

realities.

ADO-EKITI

In Ekiti State, the Chairman, Ekiti State Universal Basic Education Board (UBEC), Prof. Femi Akinwunmi, commended the Joint Admissions and Matriculation (JAMB) for its track records in conducting promotion examinations for different categories of workers in the country. The Chairman made this known in Ado-Ekiti during the conduct of the examination for 130 teachers selected across Ekiti State under the Smart School Initiative in collaboration with the South Korean Government.

He lauded the Board for the meticulous process it has put in place to ensure credible examinations adding that the strict adherence to best practices in the conduct of its Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) has restored public confidence in the organisation.

Also present was the Chief Monitoring Officer, UBEC, Abuja, Mr. Julius Adedaja, who pointed out that JAMB had shown it has the capacity to handle such sensitive examinations flawlessly.

In his remarks, the Ekiti State UBEC Coordinator, Prince Tokunbo Olajubu, described the relationship between UBEC and JAMB as cordial, stating that it should be nurtured.

JAMB LOSES ONE OF ITS PIONEER STAFF

The death has occurred of one of the pioneering staff of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Mr. Amos Olabisi Odegbile, which death occurred 2nd March, 2023, after a brief illness.

Aged 79, Mr. Odegbile joined the services of the Board in 1978 and

retired on 8th February, 2004.

Mr. Odegbile had put in 26 years of meritorious service with JAMB before retiring as a Chief Administrative Assistant (CAA).

May his soul rest in peace.



PA. Amos Olabisi Odegbile, former staff of JAMB.





FEW FACTS ABOUT JAMB

- The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) was established for the general control of the conduct of matriculation examinations for admissions into all universities, polytechnics, monotechnics, colleges of education and (recently added) Innovation Enterprise Institutes (IEIs).
- Section 5 (2)of the ACT establishing the Board provided as stated: For the avoidance of doubt, the Board shall be responsible for determining matriculation requirements and conducting examinations leading to undergraduate admissions and also for admissions to National Diploma and the Nigerian Certificate in Education courses, but shall not be responsible for examinations or any other selective process for postgraduate courses and any other courses offered by the tertiary institutions. In the implementation of this section, there is always a synergy with the National Universities Commission(NUC), the National Board for Technical Education(NBTE) and the National Commission for Colleges of Education(NCCE) with the endorsement of the National Council on Education(NCE).
- In exercising this power, the Board is always guided by admission guidelines approved by the Policy Meeting under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Minister of Education with all Heads of Tertiary Institutions and other stakeholders in attendance.
- Since the inception of the Interim Joint Matriculation Board Examination (IJMBE), JAMB appoints moderators for all its questions as well as the grading of candidates scores. It has always done this without failing to still accommodate 'HSC' within the current 6-3-3-4 system. The National Council on Education(NCE) guidelines for the Joint Universities Preliminary Examinations Board (JUPEB) also endorsed the practice for JUPEB.
- The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board shall continue to operate within its laws.

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...JAMB Resumes 2023 Direct Entry Registration Exercise

issues associated with previous Direct Entry registrations and admissions so as to better serve prospective candidates as well as protect the sanctity of the exercise. It would be recalled that the Board, through its plethora of efficient feedback mechanisms, had become aware that, in previous years, some candidates used unacceptable and forged A' level certificates/qualifications to register for Direct Entry and were successfully admitted. The Board immediately swung into action and, in conjunction with concerned

stakeholders and institutions, set necessary machinery in motion to detect those cases and the ones already found, are being dealt with according to the provisions of the law.

In order to checkmate this anomaly and also prevent recurrence of such irregularity, the Board has decided that the 2023 DE registrations will not only be restricted to JAMB PTCs but will also be done under strict supervision. The Board has come up with detailed guidelines (see table on page 12) to be followed by candidates desirous of obtaining the

DE application documents.

Furthermore, it is compulsory for all candidates registering for the DE exercise to provide, at the point of registration, their Registration/Matriculation Number issued by the school they attended and where the qualification was obtained.

1. QUALIFICATIONS/ CERTIFICATES RECOGNISED BY THE BOARD

The Board will only recognise and accept the thirteen (13) qualifications/certificates for the 2023 Direct Entry registration exercise, which will be made

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ENCOMIUMS AS BARR. BAYODE JOINS LEAGUE OF JAMB "SENIOR CITIZENS", RETIRES IN GRAND STYLE

The staff of Legal Services Department, penultimate Wednesday, celebrated one of their own, Barrister Kehinde Bayode, who bows out gracefully from the services of the Board as he clocks the retirement age of 60 years.

The Department, at a send-off party in honour of the senior citizen, eulogised the retiree as he was deemed to have given a good account of himself while in service.

The colourful occasion was witnessed by the Director, Legal Services Department, Dr. Abdulwahab Oyedokun; Director, Admissions, Mr. Muhammed Babaji Ahmed; Assistant Director (Operations), Registrar's Office, Mr. Abdullahi Ashura; colleagues of Barrister Bayode, friends and family members.

The Director, Legal Services, in his remarks on the occasion, said Barrister Bayode was being celebrated for his unwavering

loyalty to the Board as well as his lofty contributions to its development throughout his service years.

He described Barrister Bayode as a dependable, reliable, diligent, hardworking, humble individual, adding that it was in appreciation of these noble qualities that the Department deemed it fit to celebrate him.

In his words, the Director, Admissions, commended the retiree for all the accolades showered on him stating that it is the dream of every civil servant to retire honourably and with unblemished records.

Similarly, Mr. Ashura recounted his relationship with the retiree, which he said, dated back two decades and congratulated him on being alive to witness the epoch-making event. He noted that some who started the journey with them could not complete such, as their dreams were either cut short on account of ill health, dismissal or

death.

In the same vein, colleagues of Barrister Bayode in the Department, also took turns to extol his virtues describing him as a role model and exemplar of humility.

Barrister Bayode, while responding to the various commendations, thanked the Director, Legal Services, whom he described as his brother and mentor. He also commended his colleagues for being a wonderful friends and advised them to strive hard and live above board. He thanked the Almighty God for His favours upon him stating that he left JAMB fulfilled and had no regrets working with the Board.



STANBIC IBTC PENSIONS SENSITIZES JAMB STAFF

In an effort to keep all staff of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), particularly the National Headquarters Annex, Lagos, more informed of the benefits inherent in the Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS), the Stanbic IBTC Pensions Fund Administrator, on Tuesday, 14th March, 2023, held an interactive session with members of staff of the Board in the facility.

In her exposition at the event, the Business Development Manager of IBTC Pensions, Ms. Nkeiruka Ugboaja, stated that all government officials are expected to be captured into the new Contributory Pension Scheme (CPS). The scheme, according to her, enables all workers to receive their retirement benefits as and when due upon retirement, stressing that it is divided into mandatory and

voluntary pension schemes. She added that voluntary contribution enables workers to add to their mandatory pensions so that they could adequately save towards their retirement.

Furthermore, Ms. Ugboaja added that sometime last year, the National Pension Commission (PENCOM) approved withdrawals of up to 25 percent of workers contributions as equity to purchase a home. She disclosed that since then many interested government workers have been applying for the fund to become home owners.

In his remarks, the Regional Manager of the Pension Fund Administrator, Mr. Opatola Oladipo, disclosed that choosing the Administrator offers a variety of retirement benefits as well as rest of mind to the staff, stressing that the PFA was one of the largest in Nigeria with a proven track record.

He corroborated the assertion of Ms. Ugboaja that CPS would be beneficial to all workers at retirement especially those operating under the Stanbic PFA, while urging those who were not currently operating with the PFA to come on board for them to benefit from a wide range of opportunities the PFA offers.

Earlier in his remarks, the Acting Director/Coordinator of JAMB NHA, Lagos, Mr. Billiaminu Shittu, noted that it was in the best interest of all staff of the Board to be aware of the various pension benefits available to them before retirement. He, therefore, urged the staff to pay rapt attention so as to gain maximally from the sensitisation. He expressed appreciation to the representative of the Stanbic IBTC Pensions for the interaction.



TRIBUTE TO BABA A. O. ODEGBILE

Baba Odegbile was a father and a Special One that anyone would have wished to meet in his lifetime.

My first contact with Baba A.O. Odegbile was in 1989 when, as a young newly-employed officer in the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, I underwent mentoring (with a colleague who is equally at present, a Director in the Board) on the reasons to work hard. Upon appointment, I was posted to the Test Administration Division of the then most sensitive Department of the Board, namely, the Matriculation and Examination Department (as the Department was then known).

By providence, I was assigned to work under Baba Odegbile on a schedule considered by many as the most demanding and where only persons with impeccable character and integrity were deployed. He was a great mentor, who was never tired of seeking and accepting responsibilities. To him, work does not kill, laziness does. He would constantly remind us of the hidden treasures in working without expectation of any reward. Baba

Odegbile was always quick to say that God has His own way of compensating for hard work.

He was loved by many, who were opportune to work with him in the Information Technology Services Department (then known as Computer Services Department), Matriculation and Examinations Department, and many others. He never did consider differences in age while relating with the younger ones but would treat all with respect. I remember vividly how he would go round to remind staff, who were his regular passengers to join his neatly-polished Volkswagen Beetle after close of work every day for free. He would joyfully drop us off one after another at our respective bus stops. He was a man with a heart of gold and encouraged staff and members of their families to come visiting and would, without hesitation, make Mama to entertain guests to their fill. He was a perfect gentleman. He was never tired of calling and checking on his colleagues several times even when we could not (for one reason or another) return the call. He was ever diligent and paid special attention to the minutest aspect of his work.

His name was synonymous with excellence, perfection and perseverance. He was generous, accommodating, and as a counsellor, ready to advise and mentor others. He was our role model.

I am proud to be one of those who learned one thing or another under his tutelage during my earlier years in service. He made me and other younger ones in service then to know that only hard work profits a man.

Baba, you are greatly missed. I thought your calls would continue even after the last ones you made to me.

May your soul rest in peace, "Baba n Baba PLC" as we fondly say of you for your devotion and application of your whole energies to work to tutor us on the imperative of working and always working.

May God Almighty grant you peaceful rest, and grant the family the fortitude to bear the loss. Amen.

Rest on Sir, "Baba n Baba PLC." Adieu, Sir.

Barr. Edward J. Mojiboye,
Director, JAMB Zonal Office, Port Harcourt.

SECURITY IS A PARAMOUNT RESPONSIBILITY, LAWAL CHARGES NSCDC OPERATIVES

The Niger State Coordinator of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Mrs. Munitat Lawal, has charged the operatives of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC) in the posted to the State Office that security of lives and property is of paramount importance to the Board.

Mrs. Lawal gave this charge when she held a security meeting with the operatives of the Corps in her office on Tuesday, 14th March, 2023.

The State Coordinator said that she had called the meeting to explore how security could further be

enhanced within and around the Board's premises in Minna owing to the spate of insecurity ravaging the area in recent times.

"We are all aware that security is a collective responsibility of all and sundry and that is why we should play our individual and collective roles to ensure that this is achieved. I, therefore, urge you to wake up to your responsibilities. If you see something, you should definitely say something," she said.

Furthermore, the State Coordinator urged the security officers to be extra vigilant at work while stressing that she would always give them

maximum support. She, thereafter, presented five brand new torches to the operatives to aid their operations.

Responding, the Head of Operations, NSCDC, Niger State Command, DSC M. K. Abdulrahim, expressed appreciation to the State Coordinator for boosting their morale while promising to redouble their efforts at securing the State Office.



NEW RECTOR, NACEST, PAYS COURTESY CALL ON JAMB BENUE OFFICE

The Nigeria Army College of Environmental Sciences and Technology (NACEST) on Tuesday, 14th March, 2023, paid a courtesy call on the Benue State Office of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB).

During the visit, the new Rector, NACEST, Major General, U.N. Babangida, who led a three-man delegation to the State Office, Makurdi, briefed the State Coordinator on the operations of the College and the need to sustain the cordial relationship existing between the institution and the Board, which, according to him, was forged prior to his assumption of duty in the College.

The Rector, while introducing himself as the new boss of the College, also stated the challenges his institution is facing especially as it pertains to accessing the Central Admissions Processing System (CAPS) with a

view to finding lasting solutions to them. He also used the opportunity afforded by the visit to invite JAMB, Makurdi Office, to the College's Matriculation Ceremony scheduled to hold on 25th March, 2023.

In his response, the Benue State Coordinator, Dr. Titus Isah Lemut, commended the Rector and his entourage for the visit.

"It's a great honour and privilege to have you, most especially, as you made the Board your first point of call among all other Government's institutions in the State," he declared.

Furthermore, Dr. Lemut explained the importance of CAPS and how it could be used effectively to facilitate the admission process by eliminating underhand admissions. He assured the delegation that all the challenges currently being faced with respect to CAPS by the institution would soon be a thing of

the past as the attention of the Board had been drawn to them.

Dr. Lemut advised the visitors to avail themselves of the training the Board had organised for Heads of Tertiary Institutions in the country and their respective Regulatory Agencies on how to process the course codes for the College's programmes on IBASS. He also informed the visitors that strict adherence to admission guidelines could qualify the College to win highly-coveted prizes in the Annual JAMB National Tertiary Admissions Performance Merit Award (NATAP-M) coming up later in the year.

In his concluding remarks, the State Coordinator advised the Rector and his entourage to source for candidates through enhanced advocacy and sensitisation of the public to the programmes/ courses on offer at the College.

NEW OFFICE COMPLEX: MRS. FOLAKE SOTOMI COMMENDS AKWA IBOM STATE GOVERNOR



The Assistant Director, Audit Department of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Mrs. Folake Sotomi, has, on behalf of the JAMB Registrar, Prof. Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede, expressed gratitude to the Governor of Akwa Ibom State, His

Excellency, Mr. Udom Emmanuel, for the new office complex he donated to the Board in Uyo, the State Capital, recently.

Mrs. Sotomi, in her address, recalled her past visitations while on official duty to the

former State Office situated at 101, Atiku Abubakar Way, Uyo, which she described as being highly unsuitable for productive work. She noted that it was this state of affairs that spurred the Registrar into seeking a new and befitting office space. She commended the Registrar for his untiring efforts getting the State Government to come to the aid of the Board after his visit to the State Office in July, 2021, noting that he had even contemplated relocating the Office to a more conducive environment.

In her remarks, the State Coordinator, Akwa Ibom State Office, Mrs. Grace Olima-Williams, assured the Board that she, in conjunction with all members of staff, will work tirelessly to keep the flag of the Board flying as well as maintain a good working relationship with the State Government for improved service delivery.



The Board will only recognise and accept thirteen (13) qualifications/certificates for the 2023 Direct Entry registration exercise as highlighted in the table below:-

S/N	QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENT(S)		Grading (Points)
		CERTIFICATE/STATEMENT OF RESULT HOLDERS	CANDIDATES ON AWAITING RESULT	
A	First (1 st) Degree	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by JAMB, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	16
B	University Diploma	In addition to other guidelines, candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by the University, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Merit – 12 iii. Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6
C	Higher National Diploma (HND)	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by the University/JAMB, for the OND/ND obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Upper Credit – 12 iii. Lower Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6
D	Ordinary National Diploma /National Diploma (OND/ND)	In addition to other guidelines, candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by JAMB, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Upper Credit – 12 iii. Lower Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6
E	Nigeria Certificate in Education (NCE)	In addition to other guidelines, candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by JAMB, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Credit – 12 iii. Merit – 10 iv. Pass – 6

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S/N	QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENT(S)		Grading (Points)
		CERTIFICATE/STATEMENT OF RESULT HOLDERS	CANDIDATES ON AWAITING RESULT	
F	Interim Joint Matriculation Board (IJMB) A' Level	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of IJMB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission into IJMB programme given by IJMB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by IJMB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
G	Joint Universities Preliminary Examination Board (JUPEB) A' Level	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of JUPEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission into the JUPEB programme given by JUPEB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by JUPEB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
H	NABTEB Advanced National Business Certificate (ANBC)	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NABTEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission/registration slip into the NABTEB programme by NABTEB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by NABTEB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
I	NABTEB Advanced National Technical Certificate (ANTC)	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NABTEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission/registration slip into the NABTEB programme by NABTEB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by NABTEB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
J	NABTEB GCE-A' Level (2015 – 2021) Only certificates obtained from 2015 to 2021 and on the existing database of the Board, would be accepted for Direct Entry admission. From 2026, it would no longer be accepted	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NABTEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission/registration slip into the NABTEB programme by NABTEB.	Totally non-existent	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1

S/N	QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENT(S)		Grading (Points)
		CERTIFICATE/STATEMENT OF RESULT HOLDERS	CANDIDATES ON AWAITING RESULT	
K	Higher Islamic Studies Certificate (HIS) by NBAIS To be accepted for Direct Entry admission for studies into Arabic, Islamic and Sharia related only.	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NBAIS certificate used in the application. b) Letter of Admission into the NBAIS Programme by NBAIS.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by NBAIS.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
L	International Baccalaurate (IBN) For foreign certificates only.	In addition to other guidelines , candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload a copy of certificate being used for the application	Not acceptable	
M	National Registered Nurse /National Registered Midwife (NRN/NRM)	In addition to other guidelines, candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate being used for the application b) Letter of Admission offered by the awarding Institution, for the qualification obtained	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Upper Credit – 12 iii. Lower Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6

...JAMB Resumes 2023 Direct Entry Registration Exercise

available in due course.

For those who desire to upgrade from UTME to DE, only candidates with 2023 qualifications (in view) and who also uploaded the required Awaiting Result documents would be allowed to do so (with effect from 2024 registration).

2. ALREADY REGISTERED CANDIDATES (2023 DIRECT ENTRY)

The one hundred and twenty-seven (127) candidates who had earlier registered for the 2023 Direct Entry, before the exercise was suspended, would be required to return to the registration centres and update

their application so as to comply with the new registration processes.

3. NO LOGIN ONE HOUR AFTER EXAMINATION START TIME

To successfully achieve the noble objectives of all the innovations put in place, the Board would want to use this opportunity to appeal for the understanding of the public as it implements these very far-reaching solutions, which have the potential of turning around the fortunes of education in the country.

It is against this backdrop that the Board would like to restate its determination to follow through with

its earlier pronouncement that no candidate would be allowed to login to the examination one hour into the stipulated examination start time.

This is meant as a corollary to its earlier directive that no candidate would be allowed to enter the examination hall one hour into the examination start time.

In addition, the Board, in order to holistically check impersonation, only candidates who have been biometrically verified successfully, would be able to login for the examination.

NIGERIA POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION DATA SYSTEM (NIPEDS)

Following the enormity of the challenges associated with the A 'level qualifications and stakeholders determined efforts to address it, an A 'level bank was instituted under the chairmanship of the former Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, Prof Muhammad Yahuza Bello, which has now been converted to the Nigeria Post-secondary Education Data System (NIPEDS).

The conversion to NIPEDS is to streamline the functions of the A 'level bank in line with international standard thereby bringing total sanity to the entire process of A 'level qualifications that has been fraudulently manipulated by some candidates to gain undue advantage in securing admission into Year Two programme in the university.



Prof Muhammad Yahuza Bello, former Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano.

INNOVATIONS IN THE UTME AND A CALL FOR UNDERSTANDING



It will be recalled that the Board had started upgrading its operational processes since 2017, and as is usual with change, it came with some challenges including resistance. Given public support and understanding, the Board since 2018 has reached the cruising level. However, there is always room for improvement and the Board has decided to move to the next stage of its technological transformation.

The next stage requires all hands to be on deck as we take some crucial steps. The Board has developed some measures to be deployed

during the 2023 UTME exercise, despite the fact that the innovations have been tested, it is obvious that some hiccups would be experienced as was the case in 2017 when some critical changes were effected.

Though the Board has put the necessary mechanisms on ground to address any unforeseen circumstances, it is soliciting the understanding of the public particularly the candidates.

Improvement can hardly be made without some sacrifices, hence the need to solicit for this understanding as the Board deploys its latest technology for the examination.

One of the major features of the new

dispensation is that no examination would be allowed to take place after one hour of its scheduled start time because the Board has discovered that some of the problems reported at the centres are contrived to delay the commencement of a session in some centres with a view to securing undue advantage for the delayed candidates.

Consequently, any examination that, for whatever reason, could not take place within one hour is automatically rescheduled. When such occurs, affected candidates are expected to file out of the examination hall into the waiting hall and await the new scheduled time and date which most likely would be the same date or next. The candidates are to only go out to print their new schedule after they have been notified of their rescheduled examination.

Candidates, who had been marked late or absent for the session, cannot take advantage of the rescheduling as there would be no questions to answer for such candidates as they had not undergone screening for the earlier scheduled examination which had been rescheduled. JAMB has made an additional session available every day to accommodate such fallouts.

ATTENTION!!!

Serialisation of guidelines for the 2022 admissions exercise continues.

Second series.

CESSATION OF ILLEGAL/IRREGULAR ADMISSIONS

- 🌐 All applications of admissions to **First Degree, National Diploma, National Innovation Diploma and the Nigeria Certificate in Education into Full-Time, Distance Learning, Part-Time, Outreach, Sandwich, etc.**, must be processed **ONLY** through the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB).
- 🌐 No Institution should advertise or sell “application forms” for admissions into the programmes. Institutions should advertise candidates to apply to them through Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Duplication of application forms is **NOT** allowed.
- 🌐 Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) and the three (3) Regulatory Agencies (National Universities Commission (NUC), National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) and National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE) will ensure that all Tertiary Institutions comply with this policy directive. Other Professional Regulatory Agencies will also play a role in sanitizing the process.
- 🌐 The duration of all Non-Full Time Studies must be maintained as approved by the Regulatory Agencies. This is generally not less than one hundred and fifty percent (150%) of the equivalence of Full Time.

ADVERTORIALS

- 🌐 Institutions that desire to place advertisement can do so with the requirement that candidates who sat for the current **UTME** (or **DE** candidates) should change to their institutions as First (1st) Choice rather than requesting the candidates to purchase another application form or apply. This is to prevent the issue of double registration which is a violation of the mandate of JAMB.
- 🌐 It should be reiterated that no Institution should advertise or sell “application forms” for admissions into the programmes listed above. Institutions should advise candidates to apply to them through Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Duplication of application forms is **NOT** allowed.