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2021 CENTRE ACCREDITATION: JAMB CONDUCTS EXERCISE, ISSUES FRESH GUIDELINES, COMMENDS CTAs



Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, National Headquarters.

Ahead of the 2021 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) and Direct Entry registration exercise, the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has conducted a centre accreditation and validation exercise against the backdrop of fresh guidelines for the operations of the Computer-Based Test (CBT) centres to be used for the forthcoming registration and examination. The fresh guidelines issued at a virtual meeting with the Chief Technical Advisors (CTAs) from the 36 States of the Federation and FCT on Tuesday, 15th February, 2021,

came on the heels of commendation to these personalities for a job well done that led to a seamless 2020 UTME. The five-day exercise which started on Wednesday, 17th February, 2021, and ended on Friday, 22nd February, 2021, was aimed at determining the suitability of the old and new examination centres. The Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, in his brief remarks on the occasion, said centre accreditation and validation is the first step towards the commencement of the

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12TH GOVERNING BOARD CANCELS 353 NON-INMATE CANDIDATES' RESULTS: AN ERRATUM

The Editorial Board of JAMBULLETIN apologises to the general public for the error featured in the JAMBulletin of Monday, 7th December, 2020, where one of the major decisions taken at its 12th Governing Board Meeting was given an erroneous colouration in.. Item No. 6 in the publication had stated as

follows: "The acceptance of the plea and the subsequent lifting of the ban on 25 of the CBT centres which were involved in One-Time Password (OTP) infractions". However, it is pertinent to point out that the correct position of the Board is: "The acceptance of the plea and the subsequent lifting of the ban on 25 of the CBT centres which were involved in VPN

infractions and not One-Time Password (OTP) infractions".

This is to state unequivocally that no centre with OTP infractions has been pardoned.

The Editorial Board sincerely regrets this error.

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2021/22 UTME/DE exercise. According to him, centre accreditation, when thoroughly done, determines how good a particular year's examination exercise would be.

He said, "When you do this type of good work you are not only doing it for the Board but for yourself. You will realise that we conducted the last UTME with little or no stress because of the thorough accreditation that you had carried out." Continuing, he said, "As for us in JAMB, we are blind to proprietorship. The only thing we have is passion for quality, it does not matter who owns a CBT centre. As such, it is my expectation that this year's exercise would record even greater successes. In effect, if a centre falls below expectations, it should not be accredited because if such a centre is found to be defective, a huge question mark is placed on your grading

and integrity as a team."

The Director, Information Technology Services Department, Mr. Fabian Okoro, in a presentation highlighted the fresh guidelines to include but not limited to a redesigned form that would mandate new and old CBT centres to supply the National Identification Number (NIN) of their designated officials adding that any CBT centre that flouts this directive through providing fake NIN, among others, would be sanctioned.

Other guidelines include the submission of registration details of any particular centre with the Corporate Affairs Commission (CAC) for private centres and those privately-owned but located in the campuses of tertiary institutions.

Mr. Okoro also informed the CTAs that the Board frowns at centres sharing premises as it preferred them to be stand-alone

entities. In the same vein, he restated the importance of proper seat numbering to enable adequate identification of candidates during review of CCTV footages. In addition, he said all centres must have the required capacity of 250 and 25 back-up systems to make up the required number of 275 systems which must all be fixed in individual cubicles.

Furthermore, the Director reminded the CTAs on the position of the Board on the use of thin client systems stating that these must feature a 2GB RAM capacity so as to have sufficient space as well as prevent freezing.

Similarly, he stressed that all the computer systems must be on a Local Area Network as wireless connection would not be accepted. He added that a good power generating system strong enough to carry the entire system is non-

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OLOYEDE COMMENDS ELIZADE UNIVERSITY FOR INVESTING IN EDUCATION



■ Prof Is-haq Oloyede, Registrar, JAMB(4th from right); Prof Olukayode Amuud, VC, Elizade University(5th from right); Mrs Mabel Agbeba, Director, Quality Assurance(1st right); Dr Beatrice Okorie, Director, Special Duties(2nd from right); Dr Halilu Bakori, Director Admissions(3rd from right); Mr Omolola Adegberu, Registrar, Elizade University(5th from left); Ms Temitope Gabriel, Admissions Officer, Elizade University(4th from left); Mr David Akanbi, Director, Psychometrics(3rd from left) Mr Muftau Bello, Director Finance(2nd from left) and Mrs Ebere Okeke, Ag Director , Test Development in a group photograph during the visit of management team of Elizade University to JAMB.

The Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has commended the proprietor of Elizade University for his laudable investment in the education sector. The Registrar stated that establishing a private university required huge capital outlay and commended the proprietor for embarking on the university project out of a burning desire to positively impact the education sector and not for any pecuniary interest. The Registrar made the remarks when the

Vice Chancellor of Elizade University, Prof. Olukayode Oladipo Amund, paid him a courtesy visit in his office in Bwari, Abuja, on Wednesday, 17th February, 2021.

Earlier, the Vice-Chancellor had commended the Registrar for the positive narratives about the Board that have pervaded national discourse in recent time as well as the uncommon transformations of JAMB that had taken place under his watch.

He pointed out that he was at the JAMB National Headquarters to seek a synergy with the Board on issues bordering on admissions and other operational processes involving the two bodies.

He said the University is also committed to the ideals of its founding fathers as it strives to become a globally-competitive institution committed to nurturing the spirit of entrepreneurship, community service, innovation and ethics in its teeming graduates for the overall development of the nation. He added, "The core values of the University are solidly founded on the concepts of Integrity, Honesty, Diligence, Excellence and Pragmatism."

The Registrar, in his closing remarks, thanked the Vice-Chancellor for the visit noting that it is only an intellectual with sound creative ability that can successfully nurture a private university to such great heights within its short span of life. He assured the Vice-Chancellor of the readiness of the Board to do everything within the ambit of the law to support the University in its bid for greatness.



JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD

REPORT OF INFLOW AND OUTFLOW FOR THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 13 - FEBRUARY 19, 2021

FINANCIAL INFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT(N)
1	E-facilities/Sales	83,599,753.50
2	CBT Centre Service Charge	1,530,725.00
3	Consultancy	14,534,336.00
	TOTAL	99,664,814.50

FINANCIAL OUTFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	PURPOSE OF PAYMENT	AMOUNT(N)
1	Staff Claims and Welfare	Various	18,799,452.00
2	Federal Inland Revenue Service	Taxes	39,697,628.51
3	Outsourced Service	Agency Service	25,876,974.02
4	Supervision of Examination	Third Party	3,516,496.00
5	Outsourced Service	Cleaning Service	4,901,054.29
6	N.E.U.C.	CSR	1,950,000.00
7	Remita	Financial charges	29,443.37
	TOTAL		94,771,048.19

JAMB CELEBRATES STAFF BORN FEBRUARY 22ND – FEBRUARY 28TH

Happy Birthday

22ND FEBRUARY

Bashirat O. Muhammed
Dala M. Yabani
Ene E. Shola
Emmanuel O. Ogbara
Felicia E. Oyebanjo
Ibrahim Sa'i
Shuaibu Adamu

23RD FEBRUARY

David A. Ige
Ibrahim M. Abdulkadir
Oluwatosin C. Okoye
Ridwan A. Adulrahman

24TH FEBRUARY

Andrew A. Candidus

Edosa A. Iserien
Lukman Isiaq
Muhammad K. Abubakar

25TH FEBRUARY

Amina T. Oru
Bhadmus O. Abdulrasaq
Cecilia I. Ulom
David A. Akanbi
Emmanuel O. Adelakun
Ijeamaka L. Nnoka
Ismaila Y. Mohammed
Jibril Mohammed
Modupeola O. Adepoju
Nuraddeen S. Mohammed
Obioma C. Anyaduba

26TH FEBRUARY

Abba Chiroma
Hassana Tukur

27TH FEBRUARY

Kabiru U. Abubakar

28TH FEBRUARY

Adedayo R. Fabunmi
Adeyinka A. Obebe
Awele M. O. Alabi
Babatunde O. Salako
Mairo Bello
Obiageli A. Okonkwo
Raji A. Mamman
Rebecca J. Yohanna



EDUCATION IN THE MEDIA

DAILY TRUST, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021- Reminiscences With Professor Bello Salim: In this interview with the former Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, (JAMB), Prof. Bello Ahmad Salim, OFR as he turned 71, he takes a look at his life, times, and achievements as Registrar of the Board. He spoke about the negative impression of his capabilities being a Professor of Hausa. He said that the impression propelled him to sit up and delivered on the responsibility given to him. He pointed out other challenges he faced during his 10 years as the Registrar of the Board, in terms of trying to curb the menace of examination malpractice adding that, "I know much is being done now, but I wish there would be some drastic measures in punishing offenders instantly.

PUNCH, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021- WAEC Releases 2020 WAEC Results for Private Candidates: The West African Examination Council has released the 2020 West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) results for private candidates. Head of the Nigeria National Office of the West African Examinations Council (WAEC), Mr. Patrick Areghan, who made the announcement, said that a total of 61,509 candidates sat the examination while 31,751 candidates obtained a minimum of five credits.

In his words, "The examination was simultaneously and successfully conducted throughout the five-member countries of WAEC – Gambia, Ghana, Liberia, Nigeria and Sierra Leone, using one and the same international timetable. Areghan said the WASSCE for private candidates, 2020 second series, was successfully conducted under strict COVID-19 protocols. **Also in Vanguard, Wednesday, February 17, 2021, Guardian, Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

NATIONAL ACCORD, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021- Dangote Company Contributes N10bn into Educational Sector: It has been reported that the Dangote Company has injected over N10billion into the educational sector. This news is coming on the heels of the preparation by the Dangote Academy to admit a set of student engineers into its academy.

This shows that, aside government, the Dangote Group is the second largest contributor to education in Nigeria. It is also the country's largest private sector employer.

About one thousand engineering graduates have been admitted into the Academy, and subsequently employed into the various subsidiaries of the Dangote Group.

The free training programmes in the Dangote Academy located in Kogi State are: Graduate Engineer Training Scheme, Junior Technician Training Scheme and Vocational Training Scheme. The conglomerate has provided a plethora of infrastructural support to the country's tertiary institutions, one of which is the construction of a N1.2billion hostel accommodation for the Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria. The company had also donated a N1.2billion Business School for the Bayero University, Kano.

PUNCH, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021- WAEC Begins E-Registration: The West African Examinations Council, Nigeria, has said that the e-registration for the 2021 West African Senior School Certificate Examination for school candidates will begin from March 16 to March 31. It said the offline registration which started on February 15 and would end on March 15.

PUNCH, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021- NOUN Cancels Semester Exam System: The National Open University of Nigeria

has announced the cancellation of the recently approved restructuring of its examinations by semester.

The Registrar of NOUN, Felix Edoke, said the decision was arrived at during the 87th meeting of the University Management Committee held in Abuja on Wednesday, February 17, 2021. Edoke said, "The new policy on the conduct of the university examinations, which restricted its process to semester by semester, has been cancelled with immediate effect."

He announced that the university's examination process has now been reverted to the former method, where students will be examined in all courses during examinations, adding that student admission and registration would now be a continuous process in keeping with the university's policy of flexibility and accessibility.

PUNCH, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2021- EDITORIAL: Curbing Rising Fraud in University Admissions: The Punch Editorial of Friday, February 19, 2021, examines the challenges of fraud associated with tertiary education and commended JAMB for various innovations though urging it to do more. This is against the backdrop of the recent apprehension of some desperate admission seekers by the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board.



AFEMEMS IN JAMB, SEEKS CLOSER TIES



Prof Is-haq Oloyede, Registrar, JAMB (6th from left); Major Agene Boniface Ibrahim, Head of School, AFEMEMS (5th from left); Warrant Officer Emmanuel Ekem, Core/Tech. Instructor, AFEMEMS (1st left); Warrant Officer S. Duce, GTAG project Manager (2nd from left); Master Warrant Officer Alexander A. Adamu, Core Instructor, AFEMEMS (3rd from left); Master Warrant Officer AH Ruschlau, GTAG Project Manager (4th from left); Mrs Mabel Agbebaku, Director, Quality Assurance (1st right); Mr Fabian Okoro, Director, ITS (2nd from right); Dr Halilu B. Mohammed, Director, Admissions (3rd from right) and Mr Muftau Bello, Director, Finance and Accounts in a group photograph with the delegation from AFEMEMS.

its operation.

In his remarks, the JAMB Registrar commended the Military for founding the institution as well as forging the synergy with the German Ministry of Defence. He pointed out that by the nature of the School, it would be classified as an Innovation Enterprises Institute (IEI) adding that he saw no reason why such an establishment owned by the Armed Forces of Nigeria would not be awarding National Diploma (ND).

He said his observation does not in any way negate the vision of the Institute, as by its conception, the School was established to train its intakes to acquire relevant skills without much emphasis on certification.

In addition, he suggested a modification of the long and unwieldy name of the institution saying the school could be simply addressed as "Armed Forces Institute of Mechatronics" and promised that the Board would give all necessary assistance towards the success of the Institution.

In furtherance of the above-mentioned goals, Prof. Oloyede explained the operations of the Central Admissions Processing System (CAPS) which, according to him, was a platform through which institutions could source candidates at the 'market place' provided on the platform.

The Registrar requested the instrument through which the School was established to enable the Board know how to relate with it so as to achieve its objectives.

In its bid to forge closer ties with the Board as well as transform into a degree-awarding institution, the leadership of the Armed Forces Electrical and Mechanical Engineering Mechatronics School (AFEMEMS) has paid a courtesy visit to the National Headquarters of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Bwari. The leader of the five-man delegation and Head of School, Major A.B. Ibrahim, said their mission in JAMB was to seek the inputs of the Board in their bid reorient the nascent institution and place it on a firm footing for greatness.

Major Ibrahim pointed out that AFEMEMS was established as a result of the collaboration between the Nigerian Ministry of Defence and the German Ministry of Defence to train and issue

National Vocational Certificates in Automotive Mechatronics at the end of a two-year course.

He noted that the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) had instituted a committee in 2018 to determine the suitability of the School for NID accreditation along with its expansion with the intention of accommodating the civil populace in its programmes without detracting from its goal of building human capacity for the Nigerian Military.

Major Ibrahim also informed the Registrar of the outcome of the resources inspection by the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) which had earned the School an interim accreditation and expansion of its carrying capacity and solicited the support of the Board in relevant areas of

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negotiable.

Mr. Okoro called for a more spacious holding room to comply with relevant protocols on COVID-19 particularly with regard to social distancing.

Other things that the CTAs had to check, according to the Director, include in-house restrooms in the examination hall to prevent impersonation and reckless movements. He also called on the CTAs to ensure that the CBT centres had installed and updated their systems antivirus software to guard against any untoward

experience during the conduct of the examination.

The CTAs were also given marching orders to carry out thorough checks on the CCTV installation of the various centres in terms of effective and adequate coverage as the examination is remotely monitored from the Board's Headquarters. He stated that wherever the camera coverage is not adequate, they should insist on more cameras to be installed.

The Director also stressed that the Board would not accept anything less than the

Windows 10 Operating System. In addition, he urged CTAs to inform centres that only a uniform white background should be used while taking the candidates' passports as that would make for a clearer picture.

The Director said all these measures were intended to forestall failure from any CBT centre, while announcing that about 654 old centres and 119 new centres would be accredited in the exercise.



MORE PICTURES



Prof. Olukayode Amuud, VC, Elizade University presenting a gift to Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, Registrar, JAMB.



Vice-Chancellor, NOUN, Prof. Olufemi Peters(left); the Registrar , JAMB, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede (right) with members of management during the VC's Private visit to JAMB.



Major Agene Boniface Ibrahim, Head of School, AFEMEMS and Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, Registrar, JAMB.



Ibadan Zonal Director, Mr. Raphael Oise and the State Coordinator, Mr. Hakeem AbdulHameed during the latter's official visit to confirm the effect of rainstorm (3rd February, 2020) on the office.



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ZONAL AND STATE OFFICES OF THE BOARD

S/N	ZONAL OFFICE	STATES IN THE ZONE
1.	Abuja	Federal Capital Territory, Kwara, Niger and Kogi
2.	Bauchi	Bauchi, Gombe and Taraba
3.	Benin	Edo and Delta
4.	Enugu	Abia, Anambra, Ebonyi, Enugu and Imo
5.	Ibadan	Ekiti, Ondo, Osun and Oyo
6.	Kaduna	Kebbi, Sokoto, Kaduna and Zamfara
7.	Kano	Jigawa, Kano and Katsina
8.	Lafia	Benue, Nasarawa and Plateau
9.	Lagos	Lagos and Ogun
10.	Maiduguri	Adamawa, Borno and Yobe
11.	Port-Harcourt	Akwa Ibom, Bayelsa, Cross River and Rivers

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