US ICT University Deepens Collaboration with Adeyemi College

The President, Information and Communication Technology University (ICTU), Baton Rouge, Louisiana, United States of America, Prof. Victor Mbarika, has assured Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Nigeria of more collaboration in many ways, saying that the relationship between ICTU and the College had been cordial and there was need to deepen it.

He gave the assurance on Wednesday, 15th May, 2019 when officials of the university, who paid a working visit to the College, were received by the College management.

While speaking, Prof. Mbarika asked the College management to always feel free to present their needs to the university representatives so that it would be forwarded to appropriate quarters for positive attention.

He revealed that the university’s foreign partners have provisions for financial grants for sponsoring PhD programmes at ICTU, adding that ICTU would want to see more intellectual collaborations with the foremost college in Nigeria.

In his words, “We are the channel through which our funding agencies and sponsors give supports to developing countries.”

Stating that its e-learning facilities were active 24/7, the ICTU professor explained that the online-based doctoral programmes would enable candidates finish in time and also give candidates opportunity to come to the USA once or twice during their studies either to see their supervisors or for some other interactions.
The ICTU president further stated that his institution would like to partner more with the College in the area of human capital development and that e-mail had been sent from its Chief Technology Officer in the USA to the College for training.

“Due to rapid growth and development of technologies in the world today, it is important to be part of the training and re-training programme the university organizes,” he concluded.

Earlier in his speech, the Provost, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, requested the assistance of ICTU in the areas of Learning Management System (LMS) Development to enhance the College’s Management Information System for the administration, documentation, tracking, reporting and delivery of real-time online, and onsite courses.

According to him, this would also allow for interaction between lecturers and students, multimedia educational resources, for learning and online teaching (e-resources).

The Provost said that “the College is in serious need for up-to-date databases in terms of e-journals and books. Collaboration in form of access to database of ICT University will assist the College in promoting student success by providing affordable educational alternatives to traditional textbooks and quality digital learning materials for learning and online teaching.”

Other areas of need presented by the College included human capital development in IT, noting that the College could partner with ICT University to develop human capacities especially at the MIS Unit of the College.

Dr. Akintunde pointed out that this could be in form of short-term training and online modules with certification. In the same vein, he equally requested donation of computer hardware from ICTU, saying that the College would be glad to receive further donation of relevant computer hardware to boost the existing ones earlier received from ICTU.

The Provost, in his closing remark said that ACE has enough land that can accommodate ICTU and that Adeyemi College will even appreciate exchange programmes with ICTU.

The guest, however, noted all the request made by the College management and promised to assist as much as they could, while pointing out that it was not possible for them to do everything.

In the year 2017, the Information and Communication University had presented the College with an e-library worth $240,000 and a drone for security and research.

Present at the event were ICTU Director of International Linkages and Collaborations, Assistant Prof. Foluso Ayeni; College Registrar, Mrs. Oluisayao Fakoedere; Bursar, Mr. Ganiyu Abdul; MIS Director, Dr. Kehinde Adenegan; and Principal Assistant Registrar, Information and Public Relations Unit, Mrs. Oluseyi Olatuyi, among other senior staff of the College.

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Nigeria (ICAN) has accredited the accounting programme of the Department of Business Education in the School of Vocational and Technical Education.

This was contained in a memo issued from the office of the Provost on Thursday, 16th May, 2019.

According to the memo, the certificate was issued on Friday, 10th May, 2019 by the Council of the Institute to the College, "having met all the requirements laid down by the institute for the accreditation of Accounting/Accountancy programmes in Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria.


The Institute was established by the Act of Parliament No 15 of 1965 for the regulation of accounting profession in Nigeria.

In a show of rare honesty, two students of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo have returned a purse they found on the floor in their lecture hall with its contents intact.

Akinmutola Temitope and Fatoye Olaitan Rebecca, both students in the Department of Social Studies/English found the purse when they arrived at the Olusegun Obasanjo Auditorium for a lecture on Monday, 6th May, 2019.

The honest students handed the purse, containing a certain amount of money and other valuables, over to the member of staff in charge of the management of the auditorium who subsequently announced the lost but found item in the hall.

However, with a grateful heart one Miss Ojo Christiana, a student, laid claim with clear evidence that the lost-but-found purse belonged to her and has recovered the purse with its content intact.
A well-known consultant-psychiatrist at the Federal Neuropsychiatric Hospital, Aro, Abeokuta, Ogun State, Dr. Lucky Onofa, has warned that about 30% of the Nigerian population suffers from various forms of mental disorder, as he listed five ways through which traits of mental illness could be noticed in an individual.

He expressed serious concern on the impact of mental health on an individual, noting that the illness usually has negative impacts on victims and those around them, including friends and relations because of negative perception, as they usually see "the victims as strange and hard to understand."

Describing mental illness as a problem that affects all human beings, Dr. Onofa explained that the attention currently being given to it is due to the fact that it is becoming universal, common, increasing and a great burden on the society.

Giving a statistical breakdown of mental health cases across the world, Dr. Onofa said while "more than 450 million people suffer from mental illness worldwide, one in every four people has some mental illness globally."

In addition, he said while over 300 million persons suffer depression and over 110 million battle with alcohol and drug abuse, no fewer than 20-30% of Nigerians suffer from mental disorders.

According to him, mental illness could be observed when a person starts exhibiting certain behaviour, which later culminates in abnormalities, thereby affecting his or her thoughts, reasoning, emotions, behaviour and cognition.

Dr. Onofa gave the hint while delivering a lecture entitled "Promoting Mental Health Awareness for a Productive Lifestyle" held on Thursday 25th April, 2019 for academic staff of the institution, which was the concluding part of the health talk earlier organized for their non-teaching counterparts on Wednesday, 17th April 2019 by Counselling and Human Development Centre, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo.

He listed causes of mental illness to include social, psychological and Biological factors and further grouped them into predisposing (vulnerability), precipitating and perpetuating factors stating that the illness, which is treatable could be attended to through potent medications, psychological and social treatments.

The Head, Directorate of Community & Primary Care Mental Health Services, Federal Neuropsychiatric Hospital, Abeokuta also spoke about depression, saying that no fewer than 3.9% of the Nigerian population was diagnosed as having the illness in year 2015.

Using Nigerian students as case study, the medical expert highlighted factors found to have caused the illness among the students to include accommodation problem, large family size, problems of female gender, financial constraint, academic failure and substance abuse.

On common mental health problems usually observed among academic staff, Dr. Onofa identified them to include issues arising from life events and pressure of work. He noted that the issues if not properly addressed, could have negative impact on individual wellbeing and level of productivity.

The consultant Neuro-psychiatrist also spoke extensively on other issues like cases of suicide, alcohol and substance use, effect of drugs on the brain as well as sleep problems, anxiety disorders and psychological symptoms anxiety.

On early warning signs of mental health problems, Dr. Onofa listed them to include poor or too much sleep, gradual neglect of self-care and hygiene, change in dressing as well as withdrawal from social activities and people.

Others are food refusal or overeating, gradual neglect of work, school or other activities, change in behavior such as keeping of new set of friends, staying out late, smoking, drinking and use of drugs to mention but a few.

While making strong case for prevention of mental health problems among academic staff, the medical practitioner said this was necessary in order to prevent frequent absenteeism from class, strained interpersonal relationship, poor preparation for lectures, difficulty in imparting knowledge, low productivity and resignation.

On how to address the problem, Dr. Onofa advocated what he called 'macro intervention strategy' which would focus on provisions of improved nutrition, housing, access to education, strengthening community networks, reducing misuse of addictive substances, intervening after disaster and prevention of violence.

Also, the guest speaker for the non-teaching members of Staff, Dr. Abiodun Agara, a Chief Consultant Psychiatrist at the Ondo State Neuro-Psychiatric Hospital, Akure gave an insight into what mental health advocacy is, the reason for mental health advocacy, issue of stigma in mental health, effects of stigma, types of mental health advocacy, advocacy actions and benefits of mental health advocacy.

Earlier in his address, the Provost of the College, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, represented by the Chairman, Committee of Deans and Dean, School of Arts and Social Sciences, Dr. David Falade congratulated the organizers of the seminar, advising participants to make judicious use of the knowledge that would be gained.
Provost Warns Against Exam Malpractice as College Matriculates 4,950 New Students

The Provost of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Dr Samuel Akintunde has warned the newly admitted students of the institution to desist from examination malpractice.

Akintunde stated this during the 2018/2019 matriculation ceremonies held at Babatunde Ipaye Hall, urging the newly admitted students to avoid any act of indiscipline during the forthcoming examinations and subsequent ones.

The College matriculated 1,600 students admitted for NCE programmes on Wednesday, 16 May, 2019 and 3,350 students admitted for Degree various programmes on Thursday, 17th May, 2019.

The professor advised them not to ruin their lives by keeping company of undesirable elements in the name of friendship as he urged them to resist any attempt to lure them into any form of anti-social activities.

Also present were staff from the CHDC, Federal Neuropsychiatric Hospital, Aro, Abeokuta; College Information and Public Relations Unit; Provost's office as well as academic staff from various schools in the College.

A cross section of Matriculating Students

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She pointed out the fact that the sensitization programme became very important and imminent due to the rising cases of mental disorderliness and the cases of suicide and suicide attempts by a lot of people in recent times.

She expressed appreciation to Management of the College for the support given to her centre, pledging that the unit would not relent in organizing programmes that would elevate the institution to higher level and improve the lots of staff and students.

The event which held at the Babatunde Ipaye lecture theatre was attended by dignitaries from within and outside the College among whom were the Registrar, Mrs. Olufisayo Fakorede who was represented by the Deputy Registrar Staff welfare and Pension, Mr. Gabriel Awe; Bursar, Mr. Ganiyu Abdul; representative of the College Acting Librarian, Mr. Akinade Awoyemi.

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The College helmsman pleaded with the matriculating students to ensure they complete their registration in due time or defer their admission as students or suspend their studentship instead of looking for shortcuts that might put them in trouble.

He said, "If for any reason you cannot register, you may take the option of deferring your studentship or suspension of studies till next session."

The College administrator also warned sternly against other social vices such as indecent dressing, rape, cultism and use of illicit drugs.

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A n environmental and health specialist, Mr. Aderemi Busari, has called for safe environment as environmental and sanitation workers in Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Nigeria on Thursday, 6th June, 2019 joined people in parts of the globe to celebrate the 2019 World Environment Day.

He advised people against the practice of burning household materials and industrial chemicals, stating that the step could lead to "release of toxic gases and dust, which causes air pollution."

In a paper presented by College’s chief environmental officer, Mr. Aderemi Busari, on the occasion entitled: "Effects of Air Pollution on Man," he stressed the need for preventive measures to be taken against air pollution.

Busari listed some of the health hazards of air pollution to include asthma, lung infection, coughing, sneezing, damage of immune system to mention but a few.

As panacea, the paper presenter suggested the replacement of fossil fuel combustion with heat pump and seasonal dermal energy source.

In addition, he also made case for use of nuclear and renewable energy for generation of electric power as well as the replacement of stove used for cooking at home with natural gas among others.

With marked fanfare, the event began at about 10 am in the institution with dancing and singing by members of the Environmental and Sanitation Committee (ESC), who were also joined by staff of outsourced firms for carrying out cleaning and waste disposal activities in the College.

Addressing the procession, which began at the quadrangle located very close to the Olusegun Obasanjo Auditorium and later terminated at Isyaku House, the Acting College Librarian, Mr. Akinade Awoyemi, received the workers led by the ESC Chairman, Dr. Rasheed Oloyede, on behalf of the Provost, Dr. Samuel Akintunde.

Dr. Akintunde described the occasion as very important, adding that the College management appreciates their support and contributions to the development of the institution.

He thanked all the contractors handling cleaning and waste disposal activities in the College for living up to expectations in the discharge of their duties, stating that their contributions had brought glory to the College thereby making it one of the neatest in the country.

The College chief administrator, who had emphasized the importance of clean and safe environment, also lauded members of the institution's ESC for organizing the event and ensuring effective delivery of their mandate.

In a speech delivered while declaring open the celebration marking the 2019 World Environment Day in the institution, the College helmsman commended staff of the various private firms handling different kinds of cleaning jobs in the institution for effective service delivery.

He acknowledged their contributions to attainment of healthy environment in the College, as he charged them not to relent in the performance of their duties.

The Provost also commended members of the ESC for creating awareness and sensitizing members of the College community to issues relating to health and the environment.

He reiterated his administration’s commitment to rapid development of the College, as he urged all and sundry for continued support and cooperation.

Earlier in his address of welcome, the ESC chairman, Dr. R.O Oloyede, explained that the "World Environment Day is a great annual event focusing on issues pertaining to environment and making effort at solving them completely."

He explained further that, since the celebration began in 1972 in the United State of America (USA), the World Environment Day has been a social platform for individuals, organizations, communities, governments as well as celebrities to enlighten the public for "the betterment of environment."

Speaking on 2019's theme of celebration entitled: "Air Pollution", Oloyede described it as suitable, considering its impact in the environment.

According to him, air pollution usually occurs "When harmful gases, dust, smoke enters the atmosphere, making it difficult for plants, animals and humans to survive."

As way of addressing the problem, the ESC chair urged governments, industries, communities and individuals to put in place adequate facilities that would help mitigate harmful effects of air pollution in cities and regions across the world.

He expressed appreciation to College management for support given to his committee, as he urged staff, students and stakeholders in the institution to join hands with his committee to promote safe and habitable environment through planting of trees, engagement in proper waste disposal, water and energy conservation.

The event which held at the Olusegun Obasanjo Auditorium was attended by principal officers of the College including the Registrar, Mrs. Oluifisayo Fakorede; Bursar, Mr. Ganiyu Abdul; Acting Librarian, Mr. Akinade Awoyemi.

Also present were managing directors and staff of registered companies handling cleaning and waste disposal activities in the College. The companies include Sijojo; Peerless and Flawless; Etrodat; Igbekete Amos; Laridam; Fortune; and Cristadel Waste disposal company.

It had in attendance staff from various departments and units, including Information and Public Relations, Provost's Office, Centre for Educational Technology and Adeyemi College of Education Television (ACE TV).

Other side attractions of the event were Table Tennis and Ludo game competitions for staff of the companies handling sanitation jobs in the College by the ESC.
Carnegie Fellowship Alumni Revisits ACE

A professor of History at the University of Massachusetts, USA, Professor Bridget Teboh, has returned to Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo for further academic collaboration with the college community. Teboh had earlier in May 2017 visited the College as a Carnegie fellow. She had arrived at the College on 18th May, 2017 and mentored students and staff of the School of Arts and Social Sciences.

She had also worked closely with the immediate past Provost, Professor Olukoya Ogen, the Carnegie African Diaspora Fellow...
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L -R Provost, Dr. Samuel Akintunde; President ICTU, Prof. Victor Mbarika during his visit to the College.

L -R— Provost, Dr. S. A. Akintunde; Prof. Victor Mbarika; Asst. Prof. Folusho Ayeni and Bursar, Mr. Ganiyu Abdul

L -R — Dr. Kehinde Adenegan; Mrs Olufisayo Fakorede; Provost, Dr. S. A. Akintunde; Prof. Victor Mbarika; Prof. Folusho Ayeni and Bursar, Representative from Computer Science Department

College Management during the Matriculation Ceremony

A Cross section of participants at the Matriculation Ceremony

College Management and Representative of the Vice-Chancellor, OAU in a procession during the Matriculation Ceremony

Matriculating Students taking the Oath of Allegiance during the Matriculation

College officials during the World Environment Day Celebration

L -R— Bursar, Mr Ganiyu Abdul and Acting Librarian, Mr. Akinade Awoyemi during the World Environment Day Celebration

A cross section of participants during the World Environment Day Celebration

L -R— Dr. Rasheed Oloyede and the Registrar, Mrs. Olufisayo Fakorede during the World Environment Day Celebration

A cross section of participants during the lecture on promoting Mental Health Awareness for a Productive lifestyle
Members of the Counselling Centre with the College Management during the lecture on promoting Mental Health Awareness for a Productive lifestyle

L-R: Dr. Oyinloye and Mr. Ganiyu Abdul during the lecture on promoting Mental Health Awareness for a Productive lifestyle

A cross section of participants at the Annual Conference of the School of Science

Presentation of Participation certificate to Barrister Olajumoke Anifowoshe

College Principal Officers with the organizers and guest speakers at the Annual Conference of the School of Science

L-R: Mrs. Oluseto Olatuyi; Mr Ganiyu Abdul; Mrs. Olufisayo Fakorede; Dr. S. A. Akintunde; Prof. Bridget Teboh; Dr. Bridget Awoyika; Mr. Akinade Awoyemi

L-R: Dr. Bridget Awosika; Prof. Bridget Tebor during her visit to the College

Provost with the Management of the Staff No 1 Cooperative Society during the Commissioning of the Bakery

Prayer Session led by Pastor Johnson Falade in accordance with the Christian Faith at the Commissioning of the Bakery

Prayer Session led by Alhaji Oluwatoyin Abubakre in accordance with the Islamic Faith at the Commissioning of the Bakery

Red Cross members with the Provost and the Dean, Division of Students’ Affairs

Red Cross officers with the Provost and the Dean, Division of Students’ Affairs
The Provost, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, has bagged an award as Grand Patron of the Nigerian Red Cross Society (NRCS).

The award, which was conferred on him by the College Detachment of the NRCS, took place on Wednesday, 8th May, 2019 at the institution's Council Chamber.

Speaking at the occasion, the Dean of Student Affairs in the College, Mr. Olaniyi Olaluwoye, described the NRCS as one of the notable voluntary organizations that has made positive contributions to peace and progress.

Olaluwoye maintained that the society has also been actively involved in the provision of humanitarian services to students within and outside the institution.

He commended members of the voluntary organization for rendering selfless service and exhibition of good conduct, as he promised to continue to identify with the organization in its efforts at achieving its goals and objectives in the College.

The DSA lauded the ACE Red Cross Society for deeming it fit to honour the Provost, saying the move was aimed at showing "respect they have for him as a father, as well as a demonstration of gratitude for all support and encouragement received from the College, since his assumption of duty as head of the institution."

He listed the support to include allocation of office, prompt response to requests, as well as creation of favorable environment that has provided a good opportunity for members of the society to operate effectively on the campus of the institution.

Ladenika highlighted some achievements recorded by the NRCS ACE Detachment as rendering of humanitarian services to the needy within and outside the College, as well as donations of blood to those in need, saying the move had contributed positively in saving lives. While assuring continued humanitarian services, the Ondo West Division NRCS chair, however, appealed to College Management for financial contribution, through provision of monthly subvention, arguing that the move would enhance the society's operations and aid its delivery of more humanitarian services to members of the College community.

In addition, Ladenika, who is also the Staff Adviser 1 to the NRCS ACE Detachment, requested for the inclusion of the society in the College Sports Committee, saying the step would lessen financial burden during organization of sporting events in the institution.

He commended the Provost for identifying with the society, saying the decision by the association to make him a grand patron was in recognition of his leadership qualities as a good administrator. He expressed optimism that the conferment of the award would go a long way in cementing a positive relationship between the society and the College.

Responding, the College Provost, Dr. Samuel Akintunde lauded the leadership and membership of the ACE Detachment of the NRCS for their contributions to the growth and advancement of the institution.

He described the association as one of the most responsible, responsive, level-headed societies and ambassadors of peace in the College.

His words: "Let me start by acknowledging the fact that the Red Cross in Adeyemi College of Education, has been one of the most responsible and responsive to duties and has justified official reasons for its establishment."

"We can say very well that the Red Cross Society in the College has been very helpful. This is a pointer from where we never had problems, particularly when we talk of paramilitary set up in the College."

"So, I want to thank you for being level-headed and being part of the peace we experience in the College now," he remarked.

On the requests made by Mr Ladenika to the College regarding provision of monthly subvention to the society, the Provost promised to place it before Management for consideration. As regards the inclusion of the ACE Red Cross society on the College Sports Committee, the College Administrator said the decision would be viewed in line with statutory provision as "the Sports Committee is a statutory body in the College."

He assured of the readiness of his administration to continue to
The brief ceremony which was attended by all officers of the society in the College as well as Mrs. Adegoke Abiola, Coordinator of the NRCS, St. Monica's Girls Grammar School, Ondo and some students from Ondo Boys' High School and staff of the College from the Provost's Office, followed by the inspection of Guard of Honour mounted by the ACE Detachment of Nigerian Red Cross society by the Provost.

**ACE Provost Bags Red Cross...**

The Provost of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, has praised the Ondo Ekimogun Youth Congress (OEYC) for organizing and executing a successful Mathematics competition for government secondary schools in Ondo East and West Local Government areas of Ondo State.

The competition culminated in a scholarship award-giving ceremony, which also served as the grand finale of the Youth Week Celebration of the association, held on Thursday, 23rd May, 2019 at the Ondo Civic Centre.

Mrs Olufisayo Fakorede, who represented the Provost of the College at the event, praised the association for deeming it fit to organize such a fruitful event to support hardworking students in Ondo City and its environs.

She, however, advised that the association should try to make provision for more participants in the subsequent competitions.

The keynote speaker at the event, Pastor Sola Gbayisemoore, praised the association for initiating such a project as it would serve as a good motivation for other students in the community.

The cleric, as well, used the opportunity to advise the students to always stay focused in whatever situation they find themselves.

Gbayisemoore also warned the young students in attendance to stay far away from social vices, especially cultism, as all cultists are most likely to fail in life endeavours.

Speaking at the event, the Sasere of Ondo Kingdom who served as the “Father of the day,” High Chief Johnson Olusola Adegbede, pleaded with the students to be hardworking as only the mentally strong individuals will survive and be successful in life.

The Sasere said, “The world is full of struggles and only the fittest will survive,” sternly warning the students against cultism and other social vices.

The winners went home with cash prizes and other school materials.

Present at the event were the General Manager of Eki FM, Alhaji Waheed Adewetan, Chief Jise Akinmurele, member-elect Ondo State House of Assembly, Mr. Tomide Akinribido, many school principals and parents.

**ACE Provost Lauds Youth Congress For Scholarship Scheme**

Miss Kemi Kuteyi from St. Louis Grammar School, Ondo came first among many competitors in the mathematics competition.

Others were Miss Damilola Akinkuowo from St. Louis Grammar School, Ondo as the first runner-up, while Mr. Ayodele Sileola from St. Joseph's College, Ondo emerged as second runner-up.

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A n educational expert, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, has advocated the need for teacher-education to be restructured in Nigeria, stating that the move would promote quality of teaching, boost the country's socio-economic development as well as encourage its cultural and technological advancement.

Dr. Akintunde, who is also the incumbent provost of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, made the statement while delivering a lead paper at the 10th Annual National Conference of the Colleges of Education Academic Staff Union (COEASU), which held between 6th-10th May, 2019 at the Federal College of Education (Special), Oyo, Oyo State, Nigeria.

Quoting Imogie (1992) to buttress his points, the College administrator defined "Teacher-education as a formal programme, designed to produce academically qualified and competent corps of personnel, who will continue the process of transmitting worthwhile knowledge to the present generation, through the different levels of the school system." He described teaching profession as very important in the society saying, when "the teacher is adequately trained, other aspect of the society (economic, social, environment and cultural) will also experience sustainable development, through the output of teachers."

The educational expert made a case for attainment of quality education in Nigeria, as specified by UNESCO in its 2012 recommendations, stating that the move would help in equipping teachers working in the country with a requisite knowledge that would make them have better understanding of the learners.

He equally stated that the step would help teachers acknowledge learners' knowledge and experience, develop content relevant to needs of learners, adopting many teaching and learning processes (pedagogy and andragogy) that would boost understanding of learners as well as the creation of conducive and learning-friendly environment that would meet the need of learners.

He identified the role of education in national development, saying its role in human capital could only be attained, when "it is functional, qualitative and knowledge-economy driven" and had enough teachers that are produced from a dynamic and innovative teacher education system.

Dr. Akintunde expressed serious concern on what he observed as failure by successive governments in Nigeria to carry out recommendations made by the UN on the attainment of the 2015 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), stating that urgent steps should be taken so as to prevent a repeat of the mistake, as "the country moves towards achieving the year 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)."

Describing teacher education as multilayered in Nigeria, the COEASU 19th Annual National Conference lead paper presenter stated that the greatest challenge that could hinder the use of education as means through which the country could achieve the SDGs was caused by "several deficiencies observed in the structures that carries its educational system."

He listed the structures to include the establishment of coordinating institutions, which include National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE), National Universities Commission (NUC) and the National Teachers Institute (NTI).

He, however, noted that in spite of the presence of these bodies the expectations of achieving a good teacher education policy in the country has become elusive because of "the glaring differences in the quality of the output of the different components in the structure, preferential treatment given by government in one structure than the other as well as poor funding, motivation and low ratio of teachers to students."

The College administrator listed seven recommendations that could be implemented by the government for teacher-education to be able to meet the United Nations Year 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda in Nigeria, to include urgent review of current school curriculum, introduction of stringent admission criteria, and payment of teaching practice allowance to teacher trainees as well as harmonization of all coordinating/supervisory agencies.

Others were increment of allocation by government to teachers to attend conferences and workshops, collapse of all accreditation bodies into one entity, undergoing of teaching practice exercise for two terms of 24 months by student-teachers intending to go through proper training, total stoppage of abridged certification through scrapping of Post Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) programme.

On how proficiency of Nigerian teachers could be enhanced, Dr. Akintunde urged government to start the process at all levels in the country to urgently embark on adequate retraining of teachers as well as provision of good remuneration and welfare packages, saying the move would motivate and serve as source of encouragement to them.

While commending the Teacher Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN) in its efforts to professionalize the teaching profession in the country, the College administrator, however, urged them to embark on the recruitment of agents for schools established by government and private sector.

In addition, he urged the agency to show more aggression in its supervisory role by going to private schools to ensure strict compliance with rules and regulations, stating that the step would help discourage the practice of recruiting untrained teachers by their owners.

Earlier in his address of welcome, the Provost, Federal College of Education (Special), Oyo, Prof. Usman Kamoru  Olayiwola, who was represented by his Deputy, Dr. Theo Ajobiewe, described the conference as futuristic and timely. Prof. Olayiwola mentioned corruption, insincerity and what he described as other anti-developmental elements "at various levels of our educational system" as some of the factors affecting restructuring of education in Nigeria.

As panacea, he advocated the need for all stakeholders in the educational sector to form a synergy, stating that the move would help in addressing the issues holistically.

Also in his address, the COEASU-FCE (Special) Oyo Chairman, Comrade Nureni Olayiwola Oladeji, stated that the theme of the conference entitled "Restructuring Teacher Education towards Achieving 2030 Education Agenda for Sustainable Development" was chosen by the union deliberately.

Oladeji explained that it was "to reflect our resolute to map out strategies and execute planned actions on how Teacher-education could be restructured in the Nigerian context to meet the United Nation's 4th of her 17-point agenda for global transformation expected of education by the year 2030."

He expressed appreciation to the keynote address speaker and lead paper presenter, Prof. C.O. O Kolawole and Dr. Samuel Akintunde respectively for their presence as well as staff of the College for contributing to the success of the conference.

The event held at Tim Obari Hall of the institution was attended by principal officers of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo: Registrar, Mrs Oriliusayo Fakorede; Bursar, Mr Ganiyu Abdul; Acting librarian, Mr. Akinde Owomoy. Also present were members of the executive of ACE COEASU as well as their counterparts from FCE-Special Oyo and delegates of various chapters of the union from across the country.

The event climaxed with the presentations of awards to eminent personalities including Comrade Makinde Solomon Adenemi; Engineer Kazem Olajide Oladunte; Mr. Kamal Okonola; Dr. Jacob Adeyeye Durojaiye. Other recipients include Mrs. Moriamo Adenike Abimbola; Mr Yemi Hezekiah Gbadegesin and Hon. Iheanacho Obioma.
A multi-million naira bakeries constructed and owned by members of the Adeyemi College of Education, ACE, Ondo, Staff No. 1 Cooperative Society was officially commissioned on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, by the Provost of the institution, Dr. Samuel Akintunde.

The project, which stands few metres away from the ACE Staff No. 1 Microfinance Bank, also owned by the cooperative society, began operations in December 2018 in the institution.

In his address of welcome, the president of the society, Mr. Joseph Olasehinde, described the occasion as epoch and historic, stating that the inauguration of the project initiated by his predecessor, Mr. Enoch Orunko, signified an important event in the history of the organization.

He expressed appreciation to members of the College management for identifying with the growth and development of the cooperative society as he assured that his administration would not relent in ensuring that the society achieves its goals and objectives.

Olasehinde equally lauded elders and members of the society for their vision, support and encouragement leading to the official commissioning of the project, maintaining that his administration would ensure its profitability and sustenance.

In addition, he promised to ensure that the various products emanating from the bakeries for sales to members of the public are of good quality in line with international standard and global best practices.

The coop president thanked distributors for their patronage and appreciated the management of the Nigerian Eagle Flour Mills, makers of Golden Penny flour; Adeyemi College Microfinance Bank and its counterpart, Ekimogun Microfinance Bank, for their support.

The Provost was taken round the bakeries to the store and production section by Mr. Olasehinde accompanied by members of his executive committee.

Speaking while commissioning the project, the Provost of the College, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, commended the leadership of the cooperative society and its members for their vision, as he prayed that God would continue to move the association forward.

Nigeria Can Overcome Its Security Challenges

A clergyman-cum lecturer in Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Pastor Johnson Oluremi Falade, has urged the people of Nigeria to seek the face of God through constant fellowship, stating that the move would help the country overcome its current security challenges.

Falade made the statement in a sermon delivered at the June 2019 edition of the College monthly-organized prayer meeting held in the institution on Monday 3rd June, 2019.

Describing God as the Maker and Father of all human beings, he stated that the best way people could receive blessings, authority and power is by "having an unbreakable communion with Him."

His words: "The best thing a person can do is to have fellowship with God. It is also very important to accept Jesus as the only way to have perfect relationship with him," he remarked.

The religious leader explained the differences between having rela-
He advised staff of the College against indulging in sin, warning that anyone who fails to heed his advice would not have a strong fellowship with God. In addition, Pastor Falade said the prophet was able to achieve the feat because "he was also in perfect fellowship with God and was able to receive answers directly from Him because he was in constant touch with the Creator."

He advised staff of the College against indulging in sin, warning that anyone who fails to heed his advice would not have a strong fellowship with God. According to him, when a person is unable to have strong connection with God, he or she would not be in position to enjoy the grace of God, as well as having the opportunity of achieving power, holiness and being in a state of purity to overcome sin.

While reminding his listeners of the need to be mindful of the time remaining in the Year 2019, between the month of June and December, which he described as too great to be ignored, the religious leader urged them to rededicate their lives by moving closer to God and having "unbreakable fellowship with Him."

On the current security challenges in Nigeria, the French language lecturer, expressed optimism that God would take care of the situation in no distant time. He, however, appealed to Nigerian citizens to constantly put the nation in prayer, saying "If all of us can fellowship with our Father and Maker and pray to him, we can take Nigeria to God."

Also, while leading the prayer session, another member of the College Prayer Team, Pastor Paul Adebayo, prayed for the institution's staff, students as well as peace, progress and unity to reign in Nigeria.

Featuring songs renditions, Bible exhortation and prayer offering, the programme held at the Olusegun Obasanjo Auditorium and was attended by staff and students from various schools, departments and units.

It climaxed with the recognition and offering of prayer by Pastor Johnson Oluremi Falade, to students and staff of the College, born in the month of June who were present at the occasion.

Nigeria Can Overcome...

Nigeria has Failed to Utilize Science and Technology in Developing the Nation — Renowned Chemist

A renowned chemist and chief lecturer in the Department of Chemistry, Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo, Mr Nathaniel Olasunkanmi Olarinoye, has asserted that failure to utilize science and technology in developing Nigeria has caused a major setback to the country.

Olarinoye stated this on Tuesday, 16th April, 2019 while presenting the lead paper at the 2019 Annual National Conference of School of Science (ANCOSOS) themed: Science and Technology Education in Nigeria — Issues, Challenges and Prospects in the Electronic World.

He expatiated that Nigeria must embrace the development to be able to compete with other nations in the globe, giving a vivid example of how China had maximally utilized science and technology in developing itself from its underdeveloped status three decades ago to its enviable heights now.

He, however, argued that unless there is increased funding of research and developmental initiatives, functional and adequate power supply to enable research development, among others, Nigeria would remain undeveloped.

In the same vein, the chairman of the conference, Barrister Olajumoke Anifowoshe, advised Nigerians to strongly embrace scientific and technological innovations to help the country achieve its lofty goals.

She maintained that the multifarious challenges arising from the unrestrained population growth of the country could only be surmounted by scientific discoveries and technological innovations.

The peak of the event was when the Provost of the College, Dr Samuel Akintunde, was conferred with an award of excellence by the School of Science.
Rain of Tributes as COEASU Bids Former Chairman
Final Farewell

It was a rain of tributes as management, staff and students of Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo reminisced the life and times of a deceased devoted staff and staunch unionist, late Comrade Amos Adedayo Adedayo who passed on to glory recently after a brief illness.

The Head, Department of Economics, Dr. Rogers Akinsokeji, in a tribute delivered on the life and times of the late Adedayo, described the former union leader as a great scholar, who made valuable contributions to the growth of education and community development.

Similarly, the Dean, School of Science, Dr. Peter Akinbile, who eulogized the late colleague, revealed that late Adedayo did his best while he was alive, encouraging others to do their best while alive.

The Head of Department, Physical and Health Education, Mr. Segun Agbelusi, stated that the department would greatly miss the dedication, invaluable scholarly contribution and mentorship of late Adedayo by staff and students.

The President, National Association of Physical and Health Education, Recreation, Sports and Dance (NAPHHER-SD), Mr. Oladoyin Tunde, also paid a glowing tribute to the late teacher, describing him as a very good teacher who did not joke with his job, stating that the association and entire students of PHE would miss the erudite scholar, great unionist and mentor.

The ACE chapter of Colleges of Education Academic Staff Union (COEASU) had on Thursday, 13th June, 2019 organized a commendation service in honour of the deceased, who was committed to Mother Earth on Friday, 14th June, 2019 at 4th Avenue, Orita Obele Estate, Akure.

Adedayo, 60, who until his death was a Chief Lecturer in the Department of Physical and Health Education in the institution, served as Chairman of the Union between 2007-2009.

Late Comrade Adedayo was born on 14th February, 1959 at Igbara-Oke. Left to mourn him is his wife and four children. He assumed duty at the College on 22nd September, 1997 as Lecturer III in the department of Physical and Health Education and his appointment was confirmed on 4th August, 1999.


Delivering a sermon at the occasion, a lecturer in the institution who also double as General Overseer of The Way of Holiness Ministry, Pastor Johnson Olaremi Falade described death as inevitable and price that would be paid by all human beings.

He stressed the need for everybody to live righteously and accept Jesus, whom he described "as the way to resurrection."

Pastor Falade, who quoted from the Holy Bible in the book of Ecclesiastes Chapter 7 and read some verses from it, said those present at the event should know that the demise of the former lecturer has sent a message "that, death shall be the end of all men and that what we are doing today (commendation service) shall be done to somebody else one day, but when, nobody knows."

He, therefore, admonished staff and students of the College as well as family of the deceased to have strong faith in God, stating that if they align with Jesus, they will also resurrect when "He will come to take his beloved home."

The preacher urged people not to depend solely on morality but strengthened their belief in Jesus, saying those "who choose not to recognize him, would lose the opportunity of having their names in the book of life."

In a goodwill message, the Provost of the College, Dr. Samuel Akinmude, described the event as solemn and thanked all religious leaders present at the occasion.

The College chief administrator equally lauded leadership and members of COEASU chapter, for all assistance rendered to the deceased while on the sick bed.

He commiserated with members of the late lecturer's family, and prayed that God would grant them fortitude to bear the loss.

The event which held at the College quadrangle had in attendance eminent personalities from within and outside the institution.

They include the Bursar, Mr Ganiyu Abdul; Acting College Librarian, Mr. Akinade Awoyemi; Dean, Student Affairs, Mr. Olaniyi Olalwoy; and a former Chairman COEASU chapter, Comrade Smart Olugboko.

Others were members of COEASU chapter, religious leaders from various denominations, Heads of Departments and Units, staff and students to mention.

A cross section of participants at the commendation service

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Responding, an elated Professor Teboh thanked the College management for warmly welcoming her back, saying she had a ready-outlined package for the College this time around and that most of the College's requests were what she had already planned to do.

Her words: "I am happy to be here again and the requests and outlined responsibilities given to me are similar to what I already planned to do."

Present at the official reception were the College Registrar, Mrs Olufisayo Falorode; the Bursar, Mr Ganiyu Abdul; the Acting Librarian, Mr Akinade Awoyemi; and the College Public Relation Officer, Mrs Oluseto Olatuyi.

A cross section of participants at the commendation service

COEASU members in a procession carrying the corpse

Pastor Falade admonished members of the deceased family not to despair but take solace in the fact that their father left good legacy behind and knew Christ before his death.

The cleric-cum lecturer praved to God for the repose of the soul of the late union leader.

A cross section of participants at the commendation service