

SPECIAL RELEASE

YOU AND COVID-19

In compliance with the directive from the Federal Government ordering all Federal Colleges of Education across the country to reopen for academic activities, the Management of the College has put adequate arrangement in place to ensure safety of all Staff and Students of the institution.

It would be recalled that on March 20, 2020, the Federal Government through the Federal Ministry of Education, ordered immediate closure of all educational institutions nationwide, as part of precautionary measure aimed at curtailing the spread of the dreaded corona virus disease popularly called **COVID-19**.

As part of efforts towards sensitizing members of College community, on the nature of the disease, the College Management urges Staff and Students to take notice of the following information.

- (i) **CORONA VIRUS DISEASE:** It is a communicable respiratory disease caused by a new strain of coronavirus that causes illness, that has not been previously identified in human. It was first reported to the World Health Organisation (WHO) on 31st of December, 2019.
- (ii) **SYMPTOMS OF CORONA VIRUS DISEASE:** The symptoms of the disease include fever, dry cough and tiredness. However, less common symptoms are aches and pains, sore throat, diarrhea, conjunctivitis, headache, loss of taste or smell, a rash on skin or discolouration of fingers and toes.
- (iii) **CURTAILING THE SPREAD OF COVID-19:** For effective prevention of spread of Covid-19 in the College, the Management charged Staff and Students to take the following steps:
 - Regular cleaning of hands using soap, clean water and alcohol based sanitizer.
 - Maintaining safe distance from anyone found coughing and sneezing.

- Wearing of Nose/Face mask is mandatory in all offices, lectures and common rooms.
 - Avoid touching of eyes, nose and mouth.
 - Covering of nose and mouth with bent elbow or tissue paper when coughing or sneezing.

 - Staying at home when feeling unwell or sick.
 - If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing seek urgent medical attention.
 - Avoid overcrowding.
- (iv) **MANDATORY USE OF NOSE/FACEMASK:** The College Management urges every Staff and Students to procure hand sanitizers and Nose/facemasks for personal use whenever they are within the College premises. Adherence to this directive, which is mandatory is aimed at curtailing the spread of the dreaded disease in the institution and in compliance with directives of National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE), Federal Ministry of Education and the Office of the Head of Service of the Federation.

Lecturers are advised to use one (1) hour time allocated in accordance with the Federal Government directive for practical class work while existing on-line teaching platforms for the delivery of lectures to large classes are used to appropriately complete the lectures.

The Management has approved the conversion of the old College Guest House to an isolation centre for any suspected case of Covid-19.

COVID-19 NASU, SUG DONATE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIP TO COLLEGE

As the fight against the dreaded Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) continues, the Executive of Non Academic Staff Union (NASU) Adeyemi College of Education Chapter and the Students' Union Executives (SUG) of the College have thrown their weights behind the College Management in the fight against the spread of the virus.

The two Unions (NASU and SUG) gave assurances of their supports on Monday, 19th day of October, 2020, while presenting some materials to the College Management, for the fight against Covid-19, at two separate events, in the Provost's office.

The Provost, Dr. Samuel Akintunde, while receiving the donations expressed great joy for the kind gesture and stated that the steps taken by both the Staff Union and Students' Union has proven that they are partners in progress.

Speaking further, Dr. Akintunde said that the move by these Unions in providing protective equipment's to fight the spread of the virus speaks differently of what Unions are known for. He concluded that the College Management is proud of the Unions and appreciates the donations.

He, therefore, thanked them for taking the welfare of the College Community seriously and promised to ensure efficient utilization of those items for the good of all.

Speaking during the presentation, the NASU Chairman, Adeyemi Chapter, Comrade Oshin Michael stated that NASU as a responsible Union, in line with the directive by the Federal Government to re-open tertiary institutions in the Country, deemed it utmost important to ensure that Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo is a no-go area for the deadly Corona Virus, that is ravaging the whole world.

Comrade Oshin while speaking further quoted one of the former American Presidents who said "Do not think of what America would do for you, think of what you would do for America". He said that in line with the quote above, Nasu would always contribute meaningfully to the welfare, growth and development of the College and advised all and sundry to key in to such principle.

On his own part, the SUG President, Comrade Ayoola Olamilekan stated that, in obedience to the directive by the Federal Government to ensure strict adherence to Covid-19 protocols, the Student Union Executive resolved to contribute their quota in the efforts by the College Management to ensure that Adeyemi College and every member of the College Community remain free from the virus.

Comrade Ayoola however, advised members of the College Community, especially the Students, to always ensure that they maintain personal hygiene and obey all the directives given, so as to achieve safety for all.

Items donated by NASU Executives are cartons of hand sanitizers and face shields. While the SUG donated bottles of hand sanitizers and some buckets.