

## "NO ADMISSION OFFER SHOULD BE MADE OUTSIDE CAPS"

- MINISTER OF STATE FOR EDUCATION

...Sets Agenda For Reopening Of Schools



Hon. Chukwuemeka Nwajiuba,  
Honourable Minister of State for  
Education.

The country have again been warned to desist from backdoor admissions which are admissions given to candidates without recourse to the Central Admissions Processing System (CAPS) introduced by JAMB. As you may be aware, CAPS has been implemented in order to engender fairness and transparency in the conduct of admissions.

The Hon. Minister of State for Education, Dr. Chukwuemeka Nwajiuba, handed down this warning at a virtual 2020 Policy Meeting on Admissions to tertiary

institutions in Nigeria held on Tuesday, 16th June, 2020 in Abuja.

The Minister said the flagrant abuse or jettisoning of CAPS endangers the system, jeopardises the future of candidates and compromises the integrity of the admission process.

He pointed out that CAPS, an automated platform developed by JAMB, was designed to enhance transparency and ensure inclusiveness in the conduct of admissions by tertiary institutions.

Dr. Nwajiuba said, "Permit me to also restate that no admission offer should be made to any candidate outside CAPS. Those institutions offering admissions outside CAPS are endangering the system and confusing the candidates. The discipline imposed by the system makes for a healthy and transparent process which, as we know, is the hallmark of the Buhari administration."

The Hon. Minister, while reiterating the efforts and determination of government to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 Pandemic, said the sector had

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## JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD OBITUARY

THE JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD (JAMB) ANNOUNCES WITH REGRET THE DEATH OF ITS FOUNDATION CHAIRMAN (1977-1979),

**PROF. OLADIPO OLUJUMI AKINKUGBE (1933-2020)**



**P**rof. Akinkugbe, died in Ibadan, on Monday, 15th June, 2020, at the age of 87. He, among other positions was:

**1969:** First Professor of Medicine from the University College Hospital, Ibadan.

**1970-74:** Dean of Medicine, University of Ibadan.

**1973:** Member University Grants Commission, Uganda government.

**1974-1975:** Visiting Professor of Medicine, Harvard University and Senior Associate In Medicine, Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston Massachusetts, USA.

**1975-77:** Principal/Foundation Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin.

**1977-79:** Pioneer Chairman JAMB Board.

**1978-79:** Vice-Chancellor, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria.

**1981-1983:** Visiting Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine, and fellow of Balliol College, University of Oxford.

**1986-1990:** Pro-Chancellor University of Portharcourt.

**1996:** Rockefeller Visiting fellow John Hopkins, Yale and Washington, Seattle Medical School.

**2000-2003:** Chairman, University College Hospital Board, Ibadan.

The nation mourns the departure of this erudite and great international scholar.

Funeral rites would be as announced by the family.

SIGNED:

**PROF. IS-HAQ O. OLOYEDE**  
REGISTRAR

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## JAMB SMA(R)T NUMBERS

SNo	JAMB Office	SMA(R)T Number	Interpretation of the SMA(R)T Number
1	ABIA	0700-JAMB-ABI	0700-5262-224
2	ADAMAWA	0700-JAMB-ADA	0700-5262-232
3	AKWA-IBOM	0700-JAMB-AKW	0700-5262-259
4	ANAMBRA	0700-JAMB-ANA	0700-5262-262
5	BAUCHI	0700-JAMB-BAU	0700-5262-228
6	BAYELSA	0700-JAMB-BAY	0700-5262-229
7	BAYELSA (Otuoke)	0700-JAMB-BAO	0700-5262-226
8	BENUE	0700-JAMB-BEN	0700-5262-236
9	BORNO	0700-JAMB-BOR	0700-5262-267
10	CROSS-RIVER	0700-JAMB-CRS	0700-5262-277
11	DELTA	0700-JAMB-DEL	0700-5262-335
12	EBONYI	0700-JAMB-EBO	0700-5262-326
13	EDO	0700-JAMB-EDO	0700-5262-336
14	EKITI	0700-JAMB-EKI	0700-5262-354
15	ENUGU	0700-JAMB-ENU	0700-5262-368
16	FCT (Garki)	0700-JAMB-FCG	0700-5262-324
17	FCT (Fed Secretariat)	0700-JAMB-FSC	0700-5262-372
18	FCT (Kogo)	0700-JAMB-FCK	0700-5262-325
19	GOMBE	0700-JAMB-GMB	0700-5262-462
20	IMO	0700-JAMB-IMO	0700-5262-466
21	JIGAWA	0700-JAMB-JIG	0700-5262-544
22	KADUNA	0700-JAMB-KAD	0700-5262-523
23	KANO	0700-JAMB-KAN	0700-5262-526
24	KANO (Farawa)	0700-JAMB-FARA	0700-5262-3272
25	KATSINA	0700-JAMB-KAT	0700-5262-528
26	KEBBI	0700-JAMB-KEB	0700-5262-532
27	KOGI	0700-JAMB-KOG	0700-5262-564
28	KWARA	0700-JAMB-KWA	0700-5262-592
29	LAGOS	0700-JAMB-LAG	0700-5262-524
30	NASARAWA	0700-JAMB-NAS	0700-5262-627
31	NIGER	0700-JAMB-NIG	0700-5262-644
32	NIGER (JAMB/NCC)	0700-JAMB-NIM	0700-5262-646
33	OGUN	0700-JAMB-OGU	0700-5262-648
34	ONDO	0700-JAMB-OND	0700-5262-663
35	OSUN	0700-JAMB-OSU	0700-5262-678
36	OSUN (ILOBU ROAD)	0700-JAMB-OSO	0700-5262-676
37	OYO	0700-JAMB-OYO	0700-5262-696
38	OYO (IGBOHO)	0700-JAMB-OYGH	0700-5262-6944
39	PLATEAU	0700-JAMB-PLA	0700-5262-752
40	RIVERS	0700-JAMB-RIV	0700-5262-748
41	SOKOTO	0700-JAMB-SOK	0700-5262-765
42	TARABA	0700-JAMB-TAR	0700-5262-827
43	YOBE	0700-JAMB-YOB	0700-5262-962
44	ZAMFARA	0700-JAMB-ZAM	0700-5262-926

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continued to innovate ways and means of carrying out scheduled programmes and at the same time complying with all the protocols and advisories of relevant health agencies.

Dr. Nwajiuba, who is a member of the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19, assured the gathering of the efforts of PTF to curtail the negative effects of the pandemic.

He said, "While we look forward to easing the lockdown which will ultimately lead to the re-opening of our campuses, I urge all Heads of Institutions not to wait till the announcement on re-opening before putting in place all necessary measures in compliance with the extant protocols and advisories as put out by the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) in particular."

Further to this, Dr. Nwajiuba listed what must be done by institutions to include, but not limited to, the following:

" i. Hand-washing facilities; ii. Body temperature checks; iii. Body disinfectants at all entry points to their major facilities including the gates, hostels, classes, offices, etc. ; iv. The whole premises of each institution must be decontaminated and v. All efforts must be geared toward maintenance of the highest level of hygiene; vi. Ensure

Social/Physical Distancing in class sizes and meeting spaces."

On impersonation and unwholesome infractions during registration and conduct of public examinations, the Minister said, "It is noted that cases of impersonation during public examinations have not abated. To this end, concerted efforts are being made by the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) to adopt and use the National Identity Number (NIN) during the 2020 UTME Registration exercise, and I was also fully briefed on the obstacles encountered. Going forward, the Federal Ministry of Education is poised to ensure that the issue of identity management during the conduct of public examinations in the country is addressed in the subsequent examinations. As such, the Ministry would be interfacing with the National Identity Management Commission (NIMC) early enough and before the next round of registrations for all public examinations, in order to achieve a single identity protocol that would be fool-proof."

Hon. Nwajiuba urged the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board to re-engage NIMC to restart the process.

He said, "It is hoped that the success of the project would be such that it would

be easy for other examination bodies to latch on to as all examination registrations from 2021 will have a NIMC number that will be carried on all certificates thereafter to save our nation from the ongoing embarrassment in both the judicial and political space."

The Minister reminded the participants of the existing directive to curb impersonation and other vices warning thus:

"No institution should recapture the biometrics or photograph of any candidate for any other purpose, including Post-UTME registrations, rather the Board has been directed to always make both the biometrics and facial images of candidates available to Institutions at no cost. In fact, I am reliably informed that this has already been done and most of the Institutions have already downloaded the details."

On fees charged for post-UTME, the Minister said penalty awaits institutions that charge more than N2,000 with all the service charges inclusive of the amount.

He said, "In addition and for the purposes of emphasis, no institution is allowed to charge more than two thousand naira (N2,000) including bank charges. The Ministry is monitoring compliance and we would not hesitate to sanction anyone

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## CHAIRMAN JAMB BOARD MOURNS FOUNDATION CHAIRMAN



**T**he Chairman, JAMB Governing Board, Dr. Emmanuel Ndukwe, mourns the Board's foundation Chairman, Prof. Oladipo Akinkugbe.

Prof. Akinkugbe was the Chairman, Governing Board of JAMB from 1977 to 1979.

The foundation Chairman of JAMB was Principal and foundation Vice-Chancellor, University of Ilorin from 1975 to 1977 and

Vice-Chancellor, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, 1978 to 1979. Professor Oladipo Olujimi Akinkugbe, CON, MD, NNOM, who was promoted to a chair of medicine at the University of Ibadan at the age of 35 years was the first Professor of medicine that has ever been appointed by any African University. On the international plane, professor Akinkugbe has made an enviable impact. He was Rockefeller visiting fellow John Hopkins, Yale and Washington, Seattle Medical School [1966], member university Grants commission, Uganda government [1973], visiting professor of medicine, Harvard University and Senior Associate in Medicine, Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston Massachusetts, USA [1974-75], visiting Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine, and fellow of Balliol college, university of oxford [1981 – 1982], Secretary to the WHO Technical Discussions on Universities and Health for All, Geneva [1983 – 84], member WHO Advisory Committee on Health for Research [1990 – 1994] and visiting Professor of Medicine University

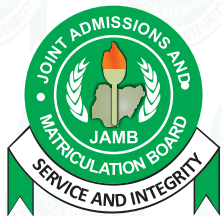
of Cape Town [1996], among other notable positions he held.

The Registrar of JAMB, Prof. Is- haq Oloyede, described Prof. Akinkugbe as an astute scholar who was concerned about developing expertise in others. He said, "Prof. Akinkugbe would be sorely missed for his sterling qualities which transverse all spheres of human endeavour."

The current Chairman of the Governing Board of JAMB, Dr Emmanuel Ndukwe, said, " The death of our pioneer chairman at a time we deeply need his wisdom, uncommon competence and erudition to chart a new path for the Board would leave a huge gap in the life of the Board."

A recipient of the National Honour of Cote D' Ivoire, Prof. Oladipo Akinkugbe was an outstanding professional role model and he will be greatly missed by his family, friends the global community and more by the academia where he had put in decades of diligent service nurturing globally acclaimed scholars.





# JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD

## REPORT OF INFLOW AND OUTFLOW FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 13 - JUNE 19, 2020

### FINANCIAL INFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT (N)
1	E-facilities /Sales	2,231,767.00
2	CBT Centre Service Charge	6,575.00
3	Third Party Income	3,775,963.00
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,014,305.00</b>

### FINANCIAL OUTFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	PURPOSE OF PAYMENT	AMOUNT (N)
1	Staff Claims and Welfare	Various	26,126,171.19
2	Board Expenses	Admission Policy Meeting	2,780,000.00
3	Supervision of Examination	2020UTME	932,000.00
4	Admissions Expences	2020Policy Meeting	13,416,500.00
5	Remita	Financial Charges	20,102.50
6	CBT Centre	Thirty party Examination	240,000.00
7	Polacy Intergrated Ltd	Office Equipment	323,706.98
8	Stella Uchechi Nnodi	Staff Development	1,750,697.98
9	Abuja Electricity Distribution Company	Electricity	148,606.92
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>45,737,785.57</b>

## JAMB CELEBRATES STAFF BORN JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> 2020 – JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup> 2020

### 22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE

Stella Chinwendu Nnochiri  
Abubakar Idris  
Abdulkareem Olayinka Salman  
Hopeful Nnaedozie Umudu  
Alice Felix Oibiokpa  
Eke Innocent Awara  
Taofeek Gbade Balogun

### 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE

Bayode Omoniye Kehinde  
Sule Usman  
Justina Bukie Obi  
Chukwunyere Amadi  
Yewande Oluwaseun Oni  
Kehinde Oladipo Esan  
Nwanyo Mary Essien  
Faith Ekikhala Osaghae

### 24<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Dennis Daniyang Maichibi  
Umar S.B. Aliyu  
Adeniyi Shola Majasan  
Golden Umo Edem  
Alhassan Aminat Temitope  
Afuye Azeez Hammed  
Mubarak Sani Aliyu

### 25<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Charity Audu Bawa  
Magdalene Adunni Ebunu  
Patrick Ugboko Ochim  
Olumuyiwa Bayo Adetunji  
Ogechi Manna Ihedika

### 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Mariam Ajibola Lawal  
Makki Bashir Tal

Olushola Iyanu Olaosebikan

### 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Christy-Ken Onyemazuwa Metu  
Grace Folashade Familoni  
Anthony Azubuike Okwunweoka  
Ado Mohammed Sani  
Thamar Yepwi  
Oluyomi Akintayo Awe  
Oluwakemi Bukola Sanusi

### 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Kelechi Obinna Sunday

Happy Birthday



# EDUCATION IN THE MEDIA

**DAILY INDEPENDENT, MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2020 –Schools Offering Int'l Curriculum Free to Start 3<sup>rd</sup> Term Online-FG:** Minister of State for Education, Dr Emeka Nwajiuba, has said that private schools in Nigeria, which were licensed to run international curriculum, are free to commence their third term examinations using online mode. He said the government was not averse to online learning, but that it was understandable that private schools where children of diplomats are enrolled could actually start the third term online so as not to disrupt their academic programme.

**DAILY TRUST, TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020 –FG Warns States Against Reopening Schools, Others:** The Federal Government has warned states against reopening schools, television viewing centres, sports stadia and other large gathering places. According to the Secretary to the Government of the Federation and Chairman, Presidential Task Force on COVID-19, Mr Boss Mustapha, it is not yet safe to do so and that utmost caution should be exercised.

**DAILY TRUST, TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020 –FG Lists Conditions For Reopening Schools, Varsities:** The Federal Government has given conditions for the reopening of schools and tertiary institutions in Nigeria. The Minister of State for Education, Dr Emeka Nwajiuba gave these conditions during the JAMB 2020 virtual Policy Meeting on Admissions to Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria. Some of the conditions are the provision of hand-washing facilities, body temperature checks, body disinfectants at the entrance to their major facilities such as the gates, hostels, classes, offices etc in addition to the decontamination of all premises. Also in Daily Independent, Wednesday, June 17, 2020, Nation, Wednesday, June 17, 2020

**DAILY TRUST, TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2020 –Osinbajo-led Committee Didn't Recommend Suspension of NYSC':** The Vice President, Prof. Yemi Osinbajo, has refuted the claims that he called for the suspension of the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC). According to a statement by the Senior Special Assistant on Media and Publicity, Laolu Akande, the report submitted by the committee had recommended the direct mobilisation of prospective corps members to their places of primary assignment. It also stated that prospective corps members should be made to skip the camping exercise as part of measures to stop the spread of COVID-19. Also In Punch, Wednesday, June 17, 2020

**DAILY TRUST, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2020 –COVID-19: Education Can't Take Back Seat-Buhari:** President Muhammadu Buhari says in dealing with the threat posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Federal Government cannot allow education and learning to take the back seat. He decried that the pandemic had forced school-age children to continue education and learning online as well as through the electronic media. Also in Punch, Wednesday, June 17, 2020

**DAILY TRUST, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2020 –Senate Wants Army Varsity Campuses Created in 6 Geopolitical Zones:** The Senate Committee on Army has asked the Nigerian Army and the National Universities Commission to consider establishing campuses of the Nigerian Army University, Biu, Borno State, in all the six geopolitical zones of the country. The chairman of the committee, Senator Ali Ndume, said the idea would not only guarantee unity but would further help in reducing crime in the various regions.

**DAILY TRUST, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2020 –NGO Educates Girls Via Radio in 29 FCT Communities:** An NGO, Educating Nigerian Girls in New Enterprises (ENGINE) II, has initiated "Literacy by Radio" for marginalised girls. This would help bridge the gap as the majority of the pupils from rural communities and children of low-income earners in urban centres cannot afford to join the online classes.

**THE NATION, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2020 –VCs, JAMB Adopt 160 as UTME Cut-Off Mark for 2020 Admissions:** Heads of tertiary institutions have agreed on a minimum score for the 2020/2021 admissions. They adopted 160 for universities, 120 for polytechnics and 100 for colleges and IELs among other requirements. Also, Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, said no institution is allowed to go below the minimum score pegged for admission however those who indicated higher cut off marks can not go lower. The implication is that there is no generally imposed minimum cut off marks as institutions are at liberty to go higher but not lower. Based on the guidelines released by JAMB during the meeting, 2020 admissions for the first choice is expected to commence in August. Also in Punch, Sun, Thisday, Guardian, Leadership, Pilot and Vanguard of Wednesday, June 17, 2020

**PREMIUM TIMES ONLINE NEWS, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2020 –2020 UTME: JAMB Reveals Top 10**

**Candidates:** The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has revealed the best candidates in the 2020 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME). The two top scorers were from Anambra State with 365 and 363 respectively. Others were from Edo, Ekiti, Delta, Ondo Akwa Ibom, Kwara, Oyo and the Ogun States. Also in ThisDay, Thursday, June 18, 2020

**DAILY TRUST, THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 2020 –'Delay in Appointment of Principal Officers Stalls Abuja Tech Varsity':** Since the establishment of the Abuja University of Technology Abaji (AUTA), the structures on the main campus in Abaji have begun to rot as they have been abandoned. When it was commissioned, it was hoped that the institution would start admitting students during the 2018/2019 academic session but so far nothing has been done. The writer of this piece gives an insight into the establishment and the inability of the FCT to appoint its principal officers among other inhibitions.

**DAILY TRUST, FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020 –Oyo Reopens Schools for Final Year Students:** The Oyo State COVID-19 Task Force has announced the resumption of classes for Primary Six pupils as well as Junior Secondary School III and Senior Secondary School III students from June 29. Students in these classes are to resume at the end of June to ensure that they are well-prepared for the public examinations ahead of them. However, the resumption order did not affect the tertiary institutions in the state for now. The schools have been directed to observed strict COVID-19 protocols and provide all necessary hygienic measures such as wearing of face masks, washing of hands and the use of sanitisers.

**DAILY INDEPENDENT, FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 2020 - LASU Emerges National Partner To FAO, Wins \$95,000 Grant For Devt of Catfish Value Chain In Nigeria:** The Lagos State University has been selected by the Food And Agricultural Organization (FAO) as its National Partner Institute (NPI) in implementing the FISH4ACP Project (Support for the Development of Farmed Catfish Value Chain in Nigeria), winning a partial grant of up to \$95,000 in the process. LASU was selected after the FAO adjudged its bid as the best among those submitted by institutions in the country. The Partnership is part of efforts to develop food value chains that are economically, socially and environmentally sustainable across the countries.



# GOVERNING BOARD SOLICITS SUPPORT FOR JAMB AS IT CARRIES OUT ITS MANDATE

The Chairman, Governing Board of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Dr. Emmanuel Ndukwe, has charged tertiary institutions and other stakeholders to support the Board in its efforts to achieve its mandate.

Dr. Ndukwe made this plea on Tuesday, 16th June, 2020, at the 2020 virtual Policy Meeting on Admissions to tertiary institutions in Nigeria.

The Chairman urged all Heads of Tertiary Institutions in Nigeria to continue to support and cooperate with the Board as it carries out its statutory responsibilities as spelled out in its calendar and the extant laws that created the body.

According to Dr. Ndukwe, the Board was not unmindful of the closure of educational institutions across the country at the moment, and that explains the drive by the Board to not only innovate but also adopt and domesticate appropriate technology to prosecute the Admission Exercise over the years.

He said, "As a proactive, responsive and responsible agency, the Board had introduced the Central Admission Processing System (CAPS) since 2017. This process, which has turned out to be visionary, is in alignment with the current reality and necessity, where physical contacts are practically eliminated."

Continuing, he said, "In fact, since the lockdown and restriction of movement, all members of staff of the Board who are designated as Desk Officers on Admissions have been working from home, while overseeing the admission procedures of the various tertiary institutions across the country."

"Similarly, the Registrar has also held series of meetings with Vice-Chancellors, Rectors, Provosts, Heads of Innovation Enterprise Institutions during which Admission exercises have been conducted, corrected, considered and confirmed seamlessly."

In what seems like stock taking, the Chairman said, "As a Governing Board, we have managed to hold virtual meetings, just as the Federal Executive Council virtual meetings, which have continued to hold weekly. These success stories are indicative of the fact that the Admission exercise could be prosecuted by virtual means if institutions restrict themselves to the CAPS platform and follow all the guidelines. However, if, in the course of processing admissions, issues arise, there are inbuilt mechanisms for resolving such. It is in the overall interest of the nation that both the Board and Institutions cooperate and support each other as agencies empowered to place suitably-qualified candidates into the nation's tertiary institutions."

Dr. Ndukwe recalled that since the inauguration of the current Governing Board, tremendous progress had been made in discharging the Board's statutory responsibilities. This, according to him, could be attributed to the unwavering support of the Federal Ministry of Education, the Hon. Minister of Education, Malam Adamu Adamu, as well as other top functionaries of the Ministry.

He added, "Please permit me to single out the Board's donation of ventilators to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital's COVID-19 Isolation/Treatment Centre and the Bwari General Hospital, Bwari, Federal Capital Territory, at the outset of the COVID-19 Pandemic."

"We have also procured Hand-washing facilities, Soap Dispensers and Body Disinfectants manufactured by various Nigerian Tertiary Institutions and Research Institutes, in order to support Research and Development in the country."

Continuing, Dr. Ndukwe said, "We would not relent in our service to the nation. As such, following the conclusion of the 2019 Admission Exercise, the Board would soon hold the Second (2nd) National Tertiary Admissions' Performance-Merit Award

(2019 NATAP-M Awards) where the winners of the various categories of Awards of Excellence would be acknowledged and honoured. We are poised to expand the Award in order to encourage Tertiary Institutions to strive for excellence in all their activities, particularly, with regard to the Admission Exercise."

The Chairman of the Governing Board also briefed the stakeholders about other interventions which are components of the Board's corporate social responsibility package to its immediate host community and other corporate bodies and institutions.

He also disclosed that the Board had rendered support in terms of equipment, facilities, infrastructure, financial and others to various Tertiary Institutions, Secondary Schools, Health Facilities, Religious Bodies, Academic and Non-academic Outfits, Non-Governmental Organisations, Local Government Councils, Community Development Associations and many others too numerous to mention.

Dr. Ndukwe also congratulated two of its members honoured with the National Productivity Merit Award (NPOM).

He said, "The two illustrious members are: Prof. Olanrewaju Fagbohun, SAN, Vice Chancellor, Lagos State University, (LASU) and JAMB Governing Board Member and our own Professor, Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede, OFR, Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board. There must be something positive and elevating about the name "Olanrewaju" or is it about being a Professor?"

Continuing, he said, "We are proud of the two gentlemen and we urge them to continue to strive for excellence in their respective positions. There is no doubt that JAMB and LASU are doing great things in Nigeria. In addition, we congratulate Prof. Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede for also being a Leadership Newspaper Award Winner in 2019."

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who violates any of these directives."

Hon. Nwajiuba commended the JAMB Governing Board, Management and Staff for the uncommon transformations in the Board to the admiration of all.

He said, "I would also like to appreciate the efforts of the Chairman, Members of the Governing Board, the Registrar and the entire Staff of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board for their impressive performance, not just in combating corruption, examination malpractice and

indiscipline but also in the area of accountability, transparency and honest service to the Nation. It will be proper to conclude this speech by reiterating the resolve of the Federal Ministry of Education to continue to support the Board in its giant strides at moving the Nation forward."

Earlier before the minister's speech, the Director-General, National Youth Service Corps, Brigadier General Shuaibu Ibrahim, in a goodwill message

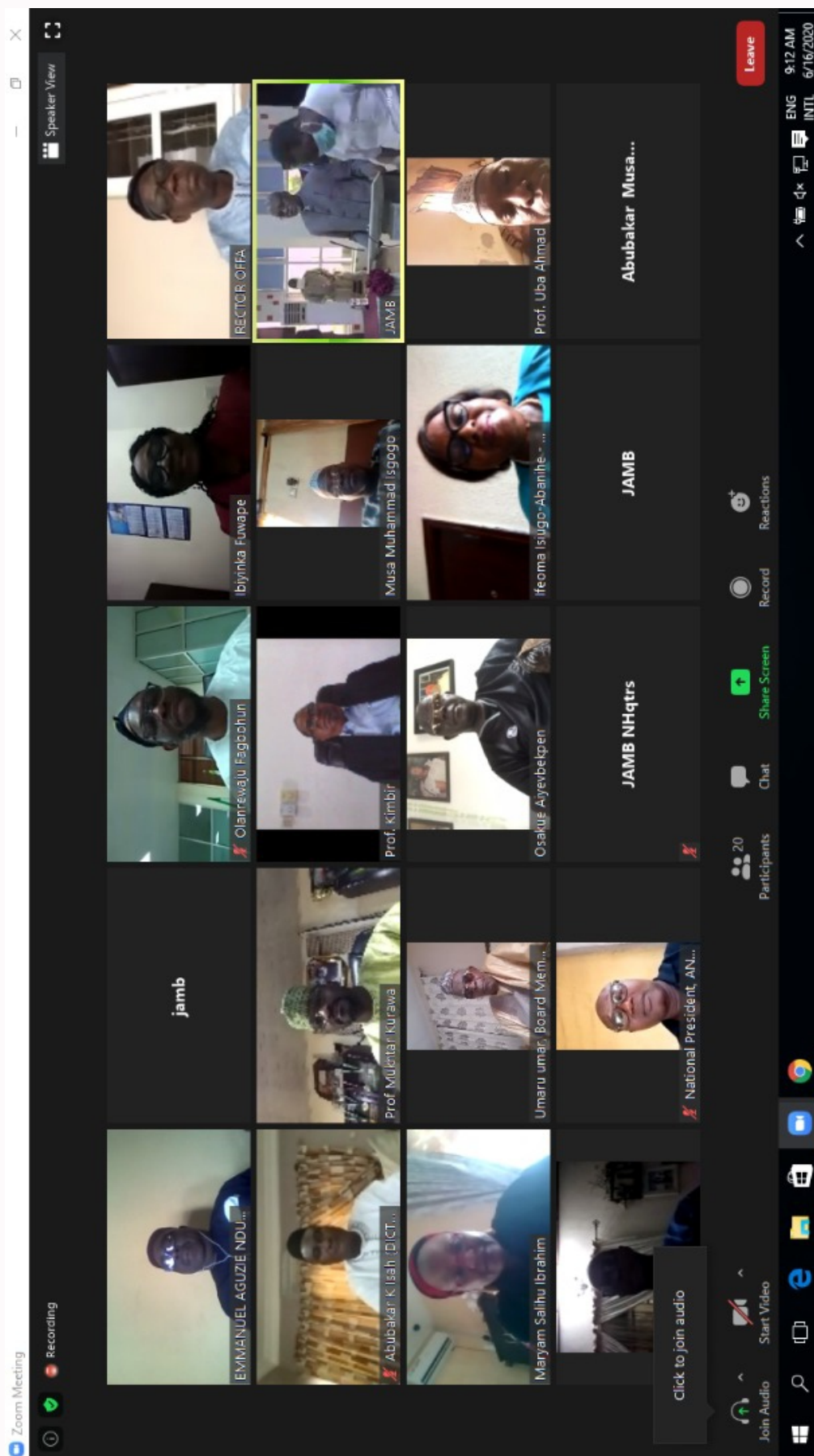
commended the Board for being proactive in mitigating corrupt practices, especially as it affects the mobilization of Corps members. He declared that the partnership with the Board has been very beneficial to his agency. Appreciating the heads of tertiary institutions at the virtual meeting, the DG appealed to them to assist in ensuring that a seamless mobilization exercise is achieved.



# HOSTING VENUE OF JAMB VIRTUAL POLICY MEETING HELD ON 16TH JUNE, 2020



# A SCREENSHOT OF SOME BOARD MEMBERS AT THE JAMB VIRTUAL POLICY MEETING





## BEST 10 2020 UTME CANDIDATES

SN	Name of Candidate	Gender	State of Exam	State of Origin	UTME Score	Institution (1 <sup>st</sup> Choice)	Programme
1	Madaufokwa Egoagwuagwu Agnes	F	Lagos	Anambra	365	UI	Industrial Production Engr.
2	Nwobi Okwuchukwu David	M	Kogi	Anambra	363	KWASU	Mech. Engr.
3	Ojuba Meziash Shalom	F	FCT	Edo	359	COVENANT	Elect. Engr.
3	Elikwu, Victor Chukwuemeka	M	Ogun	Delta	359	COVENANT	Comp Engr.
5	Adebola Oluwatobi Paul	M	Lagos	Ekiti	358	OAU	Elect. Engr.
6	Gboyega Oluwatobiloba Enoch	M	Oyo	Ekiti	356	UNILAG	Comp. Engr.
7	Ojo Samuel Oluwatobi	M	Ogun	Ondo	355	UNILAG	Elect. Engr.
7	Utulu, Jebose George	M	Rivers	Delta	355	UNILAG	Mech. Engr.
9	Osom Akan Awesome	M	Ogun	Akwa Ibom	353	UNILAG	Elect. Engr.
10	Akakabota Fejiro Simeon	M	Lagos	Delta	352	OAU	Mech. Engr.
10	Ogundele Favour Jesupemi	F	Kwara	Kwara	352	UNILORIN	Civil Engr.
10	Alatise Monsurah Bisola	F	Kwara	Oyo	352	UNILORIN	Mech. Engr.
10	Adelaja Oluwasemilore Daniel	M	Oyo	Ogun	352	UNILAG	Mech. Engr.



# NO UNIFORM UTME MINIMUM SCORE FOR ADMISSION

There is a layer of misconceptions on what is generally described as “uniform minimum national UTME score” for admission into tertiary institutions in Nigeria. For long, many candidates and some members of the general public have come under erroneous impression that there is a minimum national UTME score, which they also refer to as “cut-off point”. The truth is that there is no one particular national minimum UTME score for all Universities, Polytechnics or Colleges of Education in Nigeria. It has never been. Similarly, in most cases, UTME score is not the sole determinant of placement of candidates into tertiary institutions. The undue attention to the so-called national minimum UTME score (UTME cut-off point) is a major source of failure of many ill-informed candidates who assumed that they have finally attained the benchmark having achieved the so called minimum national score or “cut off point” for admission.

It is therefore a double jeopardy for many candidates who swallow the popular myth that there is a uniform UTME score (cut-off) for all Universities, Polytechnics or Colleges of Education in Nigeria. The myth also incorporates the erroneous impression that it is only the UTME score that constitutes the benchmark for admission. These are far from the truth. Such candidates on attainment of particular grade in UTME celebrate in advance their imminent placements, which in reality may not be at the end of the day.

The Board has repeatedly stated that:

- 1) No uniform minimum UTME score (cut -off) for all Universities, Polytechnics or Colleges of Education in Nigeria; each Institution determines and submits to JAMB its minimum UTME score; after having analyzed the UTME performances of its applicants against its available quota. Decisions at the annual Policy Meeting on Admission does not reduce the minimum prescription of the institutions except the few institutions whose submitted minimum UTME- scores fall below what the Policy Meeting considers as the minimum score acceptable.
- 2) UTME score is just one of the two or three scores that are generally added together to obtain the eventual aggregate score and ranking of the

candidates. Other parameters are Post-UTME /Post -A/L qualifications screening/test score; O/L grade score; and in some cases, physical test (such as applicable in the Nigerian Defence Academy/Police Academy).Therefore, It is the score from all the segments that are added together to have eventual ranking table or “cut off” score.

For the 2020 admission exercise, for example, no candidate with a UTME score of 209 can be considered for admission into any programme at the Pan African University (PAN) whose minimum UTME score is **210**. Also, no candidate with a UTME score of 199 can be admitted into any of the following universities whose minimum score is **200**.

- i. Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile Ife;
- ii. University of Ibadan;
- iii. Covenant University, Ota;
- iv. University of Lagos;and
- v. University of Benin

No candidate with a score less than 180 can be admitted into many of the universities including, the Lagos State University(190); Afe Babalola University(180);Nigerian Army University, Biu (180);University of Jos (180); University of Abuja (180); Redeemers University(180) University of Ilorin (180); Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria (180), Bayero University Kano(180); Alex Ekwueme University(180) and PAMO University of Medical sciences, Port Hacourt(180)

Similarly for Polytechnics; no candidate with a UTME score of 199 is admissible into the School of Orthopedic Cast Technology,Ilorin, which has set **200** as its minimum UTME score; just as the Federal Polytechnic Nekede, Imo State has set a minimum UTME score of 180; Airforce Institute of Technology, Kaduna(170) and Abdu Gusau Polytechnic, Talata Mafara, Zamfara State (160)

As for the Colleges of Education, the 100 minimum score being paraded is not generally correct because no candidate can be admitted into any of the following Colleges of Education with a UTME score less than 180:

- i. College of Education, Maru, Zamfara State;
- ii. Federal College of Education, Eha-Amufu, Enugu State
- iii. Akwa Ibom State College of Education, Afaha-Nsit, Akwa Ibom State.
- iv. Onit Colleg of Education, Mbaukwu,

Anambra State

In the category of Innovation Enterprise Institutions, the minimum UTME score for some of the institutions are as follows:

- i. Laurel School of Mines, Ogudu, Lagos - **180**;
- ii. NTA College, Jos – **170**; and
- iii. Oluaka Institute of Technology, Owerri, - **150**

Again, it is important to note that there are cases of candidates with UTME scores of above **300** that may eventually rank below some other candidates with UTME score of 200 when all other scores are aggregated. Even within each institution, there is a different minimum score (cut –off) for admission into different programmes (courses).They are usually significantly higher for courses such as MBBS, Engineering, Nursing, Law, etc, with overall available space of less than 10% of the applicants.

the Board has over the years reiterated the above points to sentizise the general public on the so the called national minimum scores for all tertiary institutions which has continued to generate confusion on the quality of candidates being admitted into tertiary institutions in Nigeria.

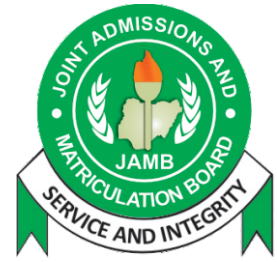
It is also noted that UTME is a ranking examination designed to place the best available registered candidates into Universities, Polytechnics, Colleges of Education and other accredited tertiary institutions in Nigeria. As such, the minimum scores into each institution or programme varies; based on academic performances of candidates who applied to such institutions. Over the years, few programmes such as MBBS, Engineering, Law and Pharmacy are oversubscribed by candidates. Also, some of the institutions attract more candidates than many others, thereby making it imperative for each institution to set its own minimum score, based on its circumstances and as approved at the Policy Meeting.

The Board had always published on its website ([www.jamb.gov.ng](http://www.jamb.gov.ng)) full details of minimum UTME score for each institution. The body has also always reminded candidates to note that each programme (course) has a different minimum score which is usually very high for competitive programmes.





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