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## **ATTENTION!!!**

MINIMUM SCORE FOR 2024

\* Age – Minimum of 16years.

Every institution to stick to its submitted minimum score.

🚨 No institution can admit below its self-prescribed minimum score.

Institutions that choose to admit candidates with low scores cannot admit any-one whose score is lower than the following:

**University: 140 Colleges of Education:100** 

## Vol.4 No. 2 UNCOMMON SCHOLAR, EXCEPTIONAL ADMINISTRATOR: MY TRIBUTE TO PROF. EDE AT 70 BY PRESIDENT BOLA TINUBU



s Professor Ishaq Oloyede turns 70 tomorrow, October 10, I pay a special tribute to this astute administrator, educator, author, and scholar, currently the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) Registrar.

As the former Vice Chancellor of the

University of Ilorin, Prof. Oloyede's invaluable contributions to the nation through academia and public-sector administration have significantly impacted the academic community.

His impactful tenure at the University of llorin, during which he introduced landmark ideas and innovations that helped the institution attain enviable heights, is on record.

Through patriotic dedication and commitment to his craft, Prof Oloyede imparted knowledge and character to thousands of students who underwent his teaching during his glorious and impactful academic career.

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## IANS GATHER IN ILORIN TO CELEBRATE PROF. IS-HAQ OLOYEDE

vibrant assembly of academics, industry leaders, government **L**officials, and traditional rulers came together in Ilorin to honor Prof. Ishaq Oloyede during the presentation of two significant books: Islamic

Scholarship and Service to Society: A Festschrift for Is-haq Olaranwaju Oloyede and Glimpses into Giant: A Tapestry of Tributes to Prof. Is-haq Olaranwaju Oloyede at 70. The event took place on Thursday, October 10, 2024, Contd in Pg 8

## **SULTAN OF SOKOTO CONFERS TRADITIONAL TITLE** OF KULLIYAN SOKOTO ON PROF. OLOYEDE

he Sultan of Sokoto, His Eminence

Alhaji Muhammadu Sa'ad Abubakar III CFR, has conferred the prestigious title of Kulliyan Sokoto upon Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). This honor was announced during a public lecture and special book presentation held in Prof. Oloyede's honor, celebrating his retirement from the University of llorin after an impressive four decades of service in academia, Contd in Pg 1

## **2024 UNILORIN LECTURE: OLOYEDE CALLS FOR REGULATIONS ON USAGE OF AI IN ACADEMICS**

he Reaistrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, has called for more regulations on the usage of simulated human intelligence processes by computer

systems otherwise called Artificial Intelligence (AI).

The Registrar gave the advice at the 2024 University of Ilorin Lecture Series, titled: "Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Humanities" on Wednesday, 9th October, Contd in Pg 19

## MUAZU VISITS NEW VICE CHANCELLOR OF USMAN DANFODIYO UNIVERSITY

r. Ibrahim Muazu Hassan, Director of the Sokoto Zonal Office, paid a courtesy visit to the newly appointed Vice Chancellor of Usmanu Dan Fodio University, Sokoto, Prof. Bashir Garba, on Friday, October 4, 2024.

During the visit, the Director congratulated Prof. Garba on his well-deserved appointment and expressed his best wishes for a successfultenure. Before his current role, Prof. Garba served as the Vice Chancellor of Sokoto State University.

In response, the new Vice Chancellor expressed his gratitude to the Director and his team for their visit. He also commended the Registrar, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, referring to him as an icon of integrity.

A highlight of the visit was the presentation of complimentary copies of five textbooks donated by the Board to the university. The donated titles included "Writing for Media and Monetising It" by Azu Ishiekwene, "Treasury Single Account Policy in Nigeria" by Zubairu Salawu Adeku, "The Life & Times of a Dedicated Educationist," "Deradicalisation Strategies of Arabic and Islamic Studies," and "The Guardians of Arabic Language and Literature in Nigeria" by Oseni Kankawi, among others.

## **ADESINA TAKES OVER FROM AYUBA IN TARABA**

embers of staff of the Taraba State Office of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) on Monday, 7th October, 2024, welcomed their newly-appointed State Coordinator, Mr. Segun Adesina, while bidding farewell to the outgoing Coordinator, Mrs. Veronica Ayuba, who has proceeded on her three-month terminal leave before retirement from the service of the Board.

The new State Coordinator, who was posted from the Bauchi Zonal Office, as a Deputy Director, Zonal Matters, had since taken over the affairs of the Taraba State Office.

In his maiden meeting with the staff, Adesina Adesina thanked them for the warm welcome accorded him and emphasised that discipline, teamwork and punctuality are crucial to enable the State Office achieve its operational mandate in the State.

The Coordinator disclosed that, topmost on his agenda for the State Office is his desire to bring his technical expertise to bear on the Office Professional Test Centre, which facilities are in poor shape, before the commencement of the next UTME accreditation exercise,

among others.

He encouraged the staff to work as a team and be dedicated to their duties. He advised them to shun all acts that are inimical to the image of the Board and be punctual at work. In his vote of thanks, the outgoing State Coordinator, represented by the Public Relations Officer of the State Office, Mr. Yerima Umar, on behalf of other members of staff, welcomed the new Coordinator and promised their readiness to work with him so as to achieve the cardinal objectives of the Board in the State.

## NHA, LAGOS, FELICITATES OLOYEDE ON PLATINUM BIRTHDAY



The National Headquarters Annexe, Lagos, has joined other well-wishers across the nation to felicitate the man of many parts, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, the Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) as he clocked 70 on 10th October, 2024.

The event also marked his retirement from public

service as his illustrious career as an academic juggernaut came to a successful end.

At a lavish ceremony held at the Lagos National Headquarters Annex, Lagos, on 10th October, 2024, an array of admirers, particularly members of staff of the Board, felicitated the Registrar for his exemplary leadership style, dedication to staff welfare, transparency and efficiency.

Speaking at the event, the Ag. Director, Mr.

Billiaminu Shittu, expressed admiration for Prof. Oloyede's relentless pursuit of excellence, integrity and innovation within the Nigerian academic landscape.

The event, which was marked with excitement and fanfare, afforded staff the opportunity to express gratitude to God the indelible mark the celebrant has left on the career aspirations and development of members of staff of the Board.

The ceremony was rounded off with prayers as staff wished him many more years of health, happiness, and peace of mind.





## JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD REPORT OF INFLOW AND OUTFLOW FOR THE PERIOD

**OCTOBER 05 - OCTOBER 11 2024** 

## **FINANCIAL INFLOW**

S/N	DECRIPTION		AMOUNT(N)
1	E-facilitities/Sales		236,758,161.25
2	PRC Service Charges		2,470,800.00
3	Consultancy Services		2,170,350.00
	TOTAL		241,399,311.25
	The sum of N59,807,240.31	was auto-deducted by the OAGF	:
	for Operating Surplus remit	tance to CRF.	
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## FINANCIAL OUTFLOW

S/N	DECRIPTION	PURPOSE	AMOUNT(N)
1	Staff Claims	Various	27,413,560.15
2	JEOG	1st Africa Regional Conference	7,147,044.80
3	Zonal/State Offices	4th Quarter, 2024 Allocation	30,600,000.00
4	Outsourced Service	Cleaning Service	670,609.28
5	Elizade Nigeria Ltd	Maintenance of Vehicle	1,499,300.00
6	Samtok REsources Ltd	Printing	2,350,000.00
7	Supervision of Examination	3rd Party Examination	804,500.00
8	Agency Service	Security Service	7,815,000.00
9	Salaudeen Afusat Odun	Staff Meals	644,000.00
10	TOTAL Nigerial Plc	Recharge of PMS Card	2,149,540.00
11	Remita	Financial Charges	36,378.00
	TOTAL		81,129,932.23

JAMB CELEBRATES STAFF BORN OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup> – OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> 2024

14<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER Peter Onyeke Akogwu Hauwa Ibrahim

15<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER Adekunle Akindele Makinde Womotimi Grace Ohemu Ethel Chibuzor Ugwueze Stella Nkiru Chinedu Jumai Grace Egunubi Sanusi Muhammad Gummi Esther Simeon Umoh Abiola Temitope Iyilade Jamila Karimu

**16<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER** Uzoma Ifeanyichukwu Onuoha Bilkisu Musa Buba

**17<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER** Naheed Ahmed Wuraola Mujidat Ambali

18<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER Joseph Effiong Asukwo Doom Vashti Iyortyom Ganiyu Yahaya Yahaya Kabir Abubakar Sadiq Aliyu Sherifat Bukola Yusuf Fatima Bello Abubakar Abdulhameed Abdullahi Aliyu Abubakar **19<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER** 

Mamman Maigari Dogonyaro Shalewa Tawakalitu Olabode-Adetimehin Bukola Omowumi Olowu Ngozi Florence Okoro Veronica Oluwakemi Faniyi Chidinma Ogochukwu Olisaemeka

### 20<sup>™</sup> OCTOBER

Moses Sabo Ibrahim Echefula Felix Ibeku Abubakar Sadiq Dikwa Saka Ibrahim Giginna Ifeoma Chimagorom

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NATION, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024: Fed Govt Approves Joint Running Of Degree, NCE For CoEs: - The Federal Government has given approval to the National Commission for Colleges Education (NCCE) to concurrently run degree and Nigeria Certificate in Education (NCE) programmes in colleges of education.

Executive Secretary of NCCE, Prof. Paulinus Chijioke disclosed this during the 2024 National Teachers' Day celebration organised by the Colleges of Education Academic Staff Union (COASU). He explained that the development was aimed at improving access to teacher education, arresting low enrolment, and ensuring quality production of professional teachers in the country... President of COEASU, Dr. Smart Olugbeko commended President Bola Tinubu for assenting to the **Colleges of Education Establishment** Act which granted the colleges of education system autonomy to award degrees in teacher education concurrently with the previous NCE programmes.

He said: "In line with the implications of the dual mandate, we have continually charged all members of our union to refocus towards higher academic attainments, professional excellence, and productivity.

PUNCH, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2024: 23 States, FCT Implement New Teachers Retirement Age: - The Nigeria Union of Teachers, has announced that 23 states of the federation and the Federal Capital Territory have implemented the 65year-old retirement age for teachers

The National President of the union.

made available recently in Abuja.

It would be recalled that in 2020, former President Muhammadu Buhari had announced the new retirement age for teachers. The retirement age was increased from 60 to 65 years.

Amba said, "We are pleased to note that 23 states, the Federal Capital Territory and the Federal Government have implemented the new retirement age for their teachers."

"May I use this opportunity to urge the remaining states to ensure the implementation of the Harmonised Retirement Age for Teachers without further delay..."

THISDAY, MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024: Only 2.4m Teachers Certified in Nigeria, Says TRCN: - Teachers **Registration Council of Nigeria** (TRCN) said only 2.4 million teachers had been certified to be professional teachers, as captured in the council's database. Director in charge of Planning, Research and Statistics at the Council, Ugo-Ali Lawrence, stated this recently in Abuja during the 2024 Teachers' Day commemoration programme organised by Association of Model Islamic Schools (AMIS-Nigeria) in collaboration with Quality Education Development Associates (QEDA).

Lawrence said the council had institutionalised the teaching license and without it, no one would be regarded as a gualified teacher in Nigeria...

PUNCH, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024: Tinubu Hails JAMB Registrar <u>Oloyede At 70: -</u> President Bola Tinubu has hailed the leadership

Mr. Titus Amba, stated this in a report style of the Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede.

> President Tinubu, in a personal tribute to celebrate Oloyede, described the Professor of Islamic Jurisprudence as an uncommon scholar and exceptional administrator.

> According to him, Prof. Oloyede's invaluable contributions to the nation through academia and public-sector administration have significantly impacted the academic community...

> He said, "Through patriotic dedication and commitment to his craft, Prof. Oloyede imparted knowledge and character to thousands of students who underwent his teaching during his glorious and impactful academic career..." Also in National Accord. Wednesday, October 9, 2024; New Telegraph, Thursday, October 9, 2024; Vanguard, Wednesday, October 9, 2024; Leadership, Thursday, October 10, 2024

> DAILY POST, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024: FEC Approves Mandatory Inclusion Of National Values Charter In School Curriculum: - The Federal Executive Council, FEC, has approved the mandatory inclusion of National Values Charter as part of the curricular in both basic and post basic schools in Nigeria.

> The FEC also approved the charter as a mandatory teaching component of pre-resumption retreat for the members of the FEC, the National Assembly, the judiciary and other government appointees.

> The Director General of National Orientation Agency, NOA, Mallam Lanre Issa-Onilu, revealed this in

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Uyo, Akwa Ibom State capital on Wednesday during the Nationwide Sensitization on National Values Charter and National Anthem...

LEADERSHIP, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024: Senate Passes Federal Varsity Kachia Bill: The Senate on Tuesday passed for third reading a bill to establish Federal University of Applied Sciences in Kachia, Kaduna State...

The Senate had received and considered the report of the Committee on Tertiary Institutions and TETFUND on the Federal University of Applied Sciences, Manchok (Establishment) Bill, 2024 presented by its Chairman, Senator Mohammed Dandutse Muntari (Katsina South) before passing the bill...

"The establishment of the federal university will reduce the ills around the national economy and deescalate chances of entrenching heinous criminal activities being perpetrated by men of the underworld," he added. Also in Daily Trust, Wednesday, October 9, 2024; Tribune, Wednesday, October 9, 2024; Punch, Wednesday, October 9, 2024

LEADERSHIP, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024: Al-Muhibbah Varsity Partners UK's Apex Education Body: The Management of Al-Muhibbah Open University, Abuja, has announced a collaboration with Apex Education Services, United Kingdom (UK), to ensure academic excellence.

The Vice Chancellor of the University, Professor Ahmad Salisu Garba, made this known in a press statement issued to journalists in Bauchi recently.

He pointed out that the collaboration is a big step forward in Al-Muhibbah's mission to serve a broad community of foreign students by offering top-notch education and facilitating access to higher education. Also in, Tribune,

Wednesday, October 9, 2024; Nation, Wednesday, October 9, 2024; Blueprint, Wednesday, October 9, 2024

LEADERSHIP, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: World Ranking: Only Covenant Varsity Makes Top 1, 000: In the 2024 rankings, Covenant University and the University of Ibadan were recognised among the top 1,000 institutions.

The previous year, in 2023, three Nigerian universities-Covenant University, University of Ibadan (UI), and University of Lagos (UNILAG)-secured spots in the prestigious list.

However, for 2024, only Covenant University remains in the rankings, having consistently placed in the top 1,000 since 2019 ...

The ranking was based on three primary missions of university activity: research, teaching, and impact... Also in Vanguard, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Premium Times, Thursday, October 10, 2024

LEADERSHIP, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: Patriotism Award Celebrates Echono's Devotion to Nigeria's Growth: The Executive Secretary of the Tertiary Education Trust Fund (TETFund), Arc. Sonny Echono, has been recognised with the Nigerian Patriotic Leadership Excellence Award in Education Development.

Organised by the Nigeria Patriotism Award, the first edition took place in Abuja and acknowledges Arc. Echono's remarkable contributions to the advancement of tertiary education in Nigeria and beyond.

Under the theme: "Valuing Teachers' Voices towards Repositioning Teacher Education in Nigeria," the ceremony also honoured notable recipients, including the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Ishag Oloyede and His Excellency, Alhaji Abdulmalik Mahmood, former Deputy Governor of Bauchi State.

LEADERSHIP, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: FG to Strengthen Tertiary Education, End Strikes: The Secretary to the Government of the Federation (SGF), Senator George Akume, has re-affirmed Federal Government's sustained commitment to repositioning the nation's education sector for sustainable development, asserting that any nation that toys with education is toying with the destiny of its citizens.

The SGF made the assertion when a powerful delegation from the leadership of Conference of Alumni Association of Nigerian Universities (CAANU), led by its President, Prof. Yakubu Aboki Ochefu, in the company of its past President, Prof. Ahmed Tijjani Mora, paid him a courtesy visit in Abuja.

In a statement by the Director of Information in SGF office, Segun Imohiosen..., "No nation can make progress without investing in education, a nation that toys with education toys with the destiny of its citizens..." he stated.

LEADERSHIP, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: FG Unveils Education Skills Curriculum Today: The Federal Government is set to introduce a new curriculum focusing on skills development across all educational levels in Nigeria today.

Minister of State for Education, Dr. Tanko Sununu, disclosed this at the flag-off of teacher training and the launch of sensitisation materials on moral reorientation and regeneration in basic education.

The event was organised by the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC) to strengthen the moral framework of the educational system and build future generations of learners equipped not just with knowledge.

"I urge all stakeholders here to support this initiative, as it will promote peace and stability in our

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country," he said. Also in Vanguard, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Guardian, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Daily Trust, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Nation, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Thisday, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Business Day, Thursday, October 10, 2024

LEADERSHIP, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: <u>JAMB Registrar Cautions</u> <u>Africa Against Reliance on Foreign Al</u> <u>Technologies:</u> The JAMB Registrar, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede yesterday cautioned African countries against relying on foreign-developed artificial intelligence (AI) technologies.

Rather, he said African nations should invest in building their own AI capabilities "so they are not entirely dependent on external powers. By being part of AI's global development, they can ensure that they are not exploited or left out of the future."

Prof. Oloyede also advocated the adoption of sign language as Nigeria's second national official language. The former Vice-Chancellor of the University of llorin cautioned those who do not have adequate knowledge about their subjects against adopting Al in the quest to seek solutions about their subjects so as not to be misled.

He said these while delivering the University of Ilorin lecture series "Artificial Intelligence and the Future of Humanities". Also in Tribune, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Blueprint, Thursday, October 10, 2024

LEADERSHIP, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: <u>NBAIS Releases 2024</u> <u>SASSCE Results:</u> The National Board for Arabic and Islamic Studies (NBAIS) has officially released the 2024 June/July Senior Arabic and Islamic Secondary School Certificate Examination (SASSCE) result.

Releasing the result, the Registrar/CEO of the Board,

Professor Yahuza Sulaiman Imam stated that an unprecedented total number of 40,754 candidates registered for the 2024 June/July SASSCE as against the 33,922 recorded in the year 2023.

Also, 9,399 candidates registered for science subjects while 4,080 registered for Tajweed/Tahfiz... Also in Nation, Wednesday, October 9, 2024, Blueprint, Wednesday, October 9,2024

PUNCH, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: <u>18-YEAR Admission Limit: FG</u> <u>Mulls Guidelines for Exceptional</u> <u>Students:</u> The Federal Government has announced plans to create guidelines to address the 18-year age limit for university admissions.

The government also said that the 18-year age limit is not for students participating in WAEC, NECO, NABTEB, or any ordinary-level examinations.

In his keynote speech at the Ministerial Session of the 68th National Council on Education meeting in Abuja on Thursday, Minister of Education, Prof. Tahir Mamman, emphasised the need for clarity regarding the policy.

The theme of the 68th NCE meeting was "Innovation, Digital Technology and Entrepreneurship: Tools for Education and National Development in the 21st Century."

It would be recalled that in July, Prof. Mamman stated that beginning from 2025, candidates under 18 years old will not be allowed to sit the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME), a prerequisite for admission to higher institutions. This announcement sparked intense debate among education stakeholders and parents.

Prof. Mamman, however, noted that the Ministry aimed to establish guidelines for exceptionally intelligent students who may not fit the age requirement.

"There is a need to clarify the misconceptions surrounding the 18year age limit for university admissions.

"...the Ministry acknowledges that some children are exceptionally intelligent, we will work out a guideline to deal with cases of genuine exceptionally intelligent learners."

PUNCH, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: <u>Ogun Gov. Hails JAMB Boss,</u> <u>Prof. Oloyede, at 70:</u> The Ogun State Governor, Dapo Abiodun, has congratulated the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, on his 70th birthday. He described him as a phenomenal scholar and astute administrator.

Mr. Abiodun, in a statement signed by his Chief Press Secretary, Lekan Adeniran, eulogised the degree of sanity and transparency that the Professor of Islamic Studies has entrenched in the administration of the examination Board.

The governor stated, "Prof. Oloyede, through his uncompromising posture and strict adherence to laws and regulations, has changed the narrative of public administration in Nigeria. He is indeed a pride of Ogun State and remains a leading light among many of his contemporaries and distinctly stands out for his integrity and thorough approach. He brought his administrative acumen as a Vice-Chancellor to bear in JAMB and transformed the Board to the admiration of many Nigerians. His scholarly and religious inclinations are exemplary, and we wish him many more fruitful years ahead in sound health."

VANGUARD, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2024: <u>Prof. Is-haq Oloyede at 70:</u> This editorial looks at the life and achievements of the Registrar, JAMB, Professor Is-haq Olanrewaju Oloyede, OFR, CON, distinguished scholar, administrator and exemplary public servant, who attained the age of 70 years on Thursday, October 10, 2024.

Prof. Oloyede, a highly decorated Contd in Pg 7

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Islamic scholar, jurist and cleric, in his over 40 years of public service, has demonstrated sound leadership, capacity and integrity, and thus made the difference wherever he has found himself.

Before his appointment as JAMB's Registrar on August 9, 2016 by former President Muhammadu Buhari, Oloyede was known more for his outspoken and strong views as an Islamic scholar and activist. Indeed, many worried Nigerians read conspiratorial meanings into his appointment, especially given Buhari's perceived religious and sectional tendencies.

However, within one year, Oloyede's administration at JAMB started making the news - surprisingly good news... We appreciate Prof Oloyede, a Vanguard Newspapers exemplary public service award winner, for his services to the nation, and wish him many more happy birthdays. Similar stories and encomiums as seen in Guardian, Thursday, October 10, 2024, Daily Sun, Thursday, October 10, 2024; Blueprint, Thursday, LEADERSHIP, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 11, 2024.

October 10, 2024.

VANGUARD, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2024: NUC Approves Medicine, Pharmacy, Others for Wesley Varsity: The Management of Wesley University, Ondo has revealed that they have secured approval from the National Universities Commission (NUC) to commence Medicine and Surgery, Pharmacy, and other new programmes at the undergraduate level for the 2024/2025 academic session.

A statement issued by the NUC, signed by the acting Director of Academic Planning, Abubakar Girei, on behalf of the Acting Executive Secretary, dated September 30, 2024 (NUC/AP/P32/VOL.11/79), revealed that expert panels conducted resource verification visits to assess human and material resources for the proposed programmes at the University. Also in Guardian, Thursday, October 10, 2024

2024: JAMB Registrar, Prof, Oloyede, Gets Sokoto Traditional Title: - The Sultan of Sokoto, Alh. Sa'ad Abubakar III, on Thursday, October 10, 2024, honoured the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof Ishaq Oloyede, with the traditional title of Kuliya of Sokoto.

The Sultan announced this during the public lecture and special book presentations in honour of Oloyede, who clocked 70 on Wednesday and formally retired from the services of the University of Ilorin (UNILORIN).

The books are titled, "Islamics, Scholarship and Service to Society, A Festschrift for Is-haq Olarewaju Oloyede", and "Glimpses into the Giant: A Tapestry of Tributes to Prof. Is-haq Oloyede at 70". The programme was organised by KU8+ Consortium of University in Kwara State. Also in Royal News.com, Friday, October 11, 2024; Punch, Friday, October 11, 2024; Daily Nigerian News, Friday, October 11, 2024; Pulse Nigeria, Friday, October

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## EXAMINOTRICKS

PUNCH, MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2024: WAEC To Address Mass Malpractices In 2024 Examinations: - West Africa Examination Council (WAEC) has announced that the Nigeria Examinations Committee meeting has commenced. The 78th meeting is set to tackle the pressing issue of malpractice and irregularities reported during the 2024 West African Senior Secondary Certificate Examination (WASSCE) for school candidates.

In a Monday statement shared on X (formerly Twitter), the West African Examinations Council emphasised the importance of this meeting, urging stakeholders to remain informed.

"The 78th Meeting of the Nigeria Examinations Committee (NEC) begins today to consider & decide on the malpractice/irregularity cases arising from the conduct of WASSCE for School Candidates, 2024," it read. Also in Bushradiogist.com, Monday, October 7, 2024.

DAILY TRUST, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024: Benue Varsity Pardons 103 Students for Examination Malpractice: - The Benue State University (BSU) in Makurdi has granted pardon to 103 students who were found culpable of examination misconducts.

It is reported that the pardon was granted following the 315th (Special) meeting of the Senate which considered the report of the Examination Regulations and Irregularities Committee (ERIC) before extending the gesture...

According to a statement signed by Dr. Bibiana Ayabam, of Information and Public Relations, Office of the Vice-Chancellor, indicated that the pardon did not affect students with suspected cases of cultism, violence or physical assault, theft and rape.

#### ...Nigerians gather in Ilorin to Celebrate Prof. Is-haq Oloyede



at the main auditorium of the University of llorin.

Organized by the KU8+ consortium of universities in Kwara, the occasion celebrated Prof. Oloyede's remarkable career as he retires from his role at the University of Ilorin, where he served as its eighth Vice-Chancellor. Over the course of more than four decades, Prof. Oloyede has made significant contributions to academia and beyond, and the event was a heartfelt tribute to his legacy.

One of the books presented during the event feature 70 chapters of exceptional tributes from a diverse array of authors across various sectors, showcasing the profound impact Prof. Oloyede has had on countless lives.

Dignitaries took turns extolling Prof. Oloyede's outstanding qualities. Chief Lateef Fagbemi, SAN, the Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, chaired the occasion. He expressed gratitude for Prof. Oloyede's life and contributions, stating, "You have created an impact that will outlive you." He emphasized the importance of integrity, patriotism, transparency, and articulation in leadership-qualities that he believes Prof. Oloyede embodies in abundance. He also praised the editors of the two books, noting that these publications would serve as valuable resources for mentoring future generations.

Messages of goodwill poured in from distinguished personalities, including representatives of the University of Ilorin's alumni, who pledged to establish a hostel in Prof. Oloyede's name and set aside funds for awards to the best graduating students in various fields.

Senator Shuaib Afolabi Salisu, representing the Governor of Ogun State, highlighted Prof. Oloyede's numerous achievements and encouraged him to write a memoir to inspire others through his experiences. Prof. Sheu Adaramaji, Executive Secretary of the Kwara State Universal Basic Education Board, lauded Prof. Oloyede for transforming the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) into a model of transparency and efficiency. He asserted that one does not need to be a friend of Prof. Oloyede to appreciate his contributions, emphasizing that education and ethical values are essential for the success of young people.

Mr. Chris Maiyaki, the Acting Executive Secretary of the National Universities Commission, conveyed his goodwill message through the Vice-Chancellor of Thomas Adewumi University, commending Prof. Oloyede for his unwavering dedication to the advancement of humanity over his extensive career. He prayed for divine guidance and protection as Prof. Oloyede continues to serve the nation in other capacities.

The two books–Islamic Scholarship and Service to Society: A Festschrift for Is-haq Olaranwaju Oloyede, edited by Mahfouz Adedimeji and AbdulGafar Fahm, and Glimpses into Giant: A Tapestry of Tributes to Prof. Is-haq Olaranwaju Oloyede at 70, also edited by Mahfouz Adedimeji–were presented by the distinguished legal practitioner, Prof. Yusuf Ali, SAN.

In his remarks, Prof. Oloyede expressed heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to making the event a resounding success, celebrating his modest contributions to public service. He extended his thanks to the Attorney General of the Federation, the Secretary General of the Association of African Universities, the Sultan of Sokoto, and all the dignitaries who attended despite their demanding schedules.

Prof. Oloyede emphasized his belief in Nigeria as a great nation, filled with remarkable individuals dedicated to advancina its progress. He noted that while some may portray the nation negatively, the reality is that the majority of its people are hardworking and committed to positive change. He acknowledged that while there are a few bad apples, they are merely a minority, a phenomenon that exists in every areat nation. He remarked, "If anyone claims that all the people they encounter are bad, it indicates a flaw in their selection process."

Reflecting on the praise he received, Prof. Oloyede admitted he struggled to reconcile it with his own perspective, stating that he simply strives to follow the path he believes is right for contributing to the nation's development. He urged the academic community to ensure their impact is felt beyond the walls of their institutions, stressing that their role extends beyond research and teaching to making a tangible difference in society.

As he encouraged the university community to build upon the achievements of their predecessors, he asserted, "We will not achieve greatness if we undermine what great leaders have built."

Prof. Oloyede has held various positions at the University of Ilorin, including Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor. The event attracted a distinguished audience, including Chief Lateef Fagbemi, SAN; Senator Shuaib Afolabi; Prof. Sheu Adaramaji; His Eminence, Alhaji Muhammadu Sa'ad Abubakar III, the Sultan of Sokoto; and representatives from various sectors, including the Secretary-General of the Association of African Universities, Prof. Olusola Oyewole, along with former and current Vice-Chancellors.

The celebration was a fitting tribute to a man whose influence and legacy will undoubtedly resonate for generations to come.

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#### MANDATORY USE OF THE NATIONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (NIN) FOR REGISTRATION WITH JAMB BY CANDIDATES APPLYING FOR NON-REGULAR PROGRAMMES

# This Advisory is issued to all the concerned institutions, and candidates desirous of applying to study under the non-regular mode of study in tertiary institutions in Nigeria.

As part of measures to checkmate the nefarious activities of fraudulent characters, who are scheming to compromise candidates' records through dubious registration channels and in compliance with its enabling act, JAMB has mandated that all applicants desirous of studying in Nigerian tertiary institutions must provide their NIN while registering for any programme of study in any tertiary institution in Nigeria irrespective of whether the mode of study is **regular and non-regular**.

2. Consequently, it has now become mandatory for all prospective candidates in the **non-regular category (NOUN, Distance Learning, Part-time and Sandwich programmes)** to create a profile code, before registering with JAMB, by sending their NIN, through their unique phone number to either of the Board's sort code (55019 or 66019).

3. Immediately after the creation of profile, each candidate will proceed to a CBT Centre for registration. After the registration, the candidate's details will appear on the CAPS of the institution of choice under non-regular admission. The institution will then propose and recommend to the Board for approval and the candidate will accept and print admission letter.

4. Furthermore, all previous candidates in the non-regular programmes, who had not integrated their NIN or unique phone number on the Board's platform, would have to create a profile using their respective NINs to access any of the services of the Board.

5. No candidate can use the process to change any of the data already supplied to the Board.

6. JAMB, as a responsive organisation that is conscious of the peculiarities of the non-regular studies, will continue to make the registration process as flexible as possible by making its platform available throughout the year. It is, therefore, expected that candidates, who fall under this category, will apply through JAMB before approaching their preferred institutions to process their admission with their respective JAMB registration numbers. They would also be expected to pay their preferred institution a processing fee as determined by the respective institutions.

7. Please be guided for compliance.

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The Vice Chancellor/Rector/Provost,

#### **RE: CONDONMENT OF ILLEGAL ADMISSIONS BY JAMB**

This is a reminder regarding Circular No. JAMB/ADMS/DO/192/V.I, dated July 31, 2024, which addressed the termination of the condonement process for illegal admissions without registration numbers. In that circular, the Board requested that institutions declare such candidates by August 31, 2024. This marked the first phase of the exercise, and a subsequent deadline for registration and completion of the condonement process will be announced.

2. The second phase of the exercise, which pertains to the condonement of illegal admissions for candidates with registration numbers has now commenced. The Board has the necessary details and records for these candidates from earlier registrations.

3. By this development, institutions are hereby required to now (or never) disclose, through the CAPS mail:

- i. All candidates who were admitted illegally before 2017, that have JAMB registration numbers and whose records are on their system, within the next one (1) month beginning from 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2024.
- ii. All candidates who fall within the 2017-2020 window for the Condonment of Undisclosed Illegal Institutional Admissions (CUIIA) that have JAMB registration numbers and had not been included in the earlier declaration made by the institution. This is to be done within the next one (1) month beginning from 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2024.

4. The dateline for all these disclosures will be 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2024 after which no declaration will be entertained.

5. The Board would like to emphasize that any admissions granted during the specified periods (pre-2017 and 2017-2020) will no longer be recognized or condoned unless disclosed within this one-month window. Only students listed in the declared submissions will be permitted to register with the Board. A deadline for the completion of all condonement processes will be established.

6. These measures are implemented to address previously abused admission windows while reaffirming that CAPS remains the sole authorized platform for admissions. Institutions are strongly advised to adhere to these guidelines.

7. While urging you to accord this circular the attention it deserves, accept the best regards of the Board, please.

Mohammed A. Babaji **Director Admissions** For: Registrar

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#### ...Sultan of Sokoto Confers Traditional Title of Kulliyan Sokoto on Prof. Oloyede

coinciding with his 70th birthday. The event took place on Thursday, October 10, 2024.

The Sultan expressed his delight at Prof. Oloyede's remarkable career, emphasizing that he seldom attends such events-especially those with a celebratory aspect-but felt compelled to do so due to his long-standing relationship with the llorin Emirate Council, which dates back to his time as a military officer stationed in Ilorin. He highlighted the significant impact Prof. Oloyede has made in academia and his current role at JAMB.

In his remarks, the Sultan praised Prof. Oloyede for his exemplary qualities and dedication to public service. In recognition of the positive attributes he has consistently demonstrated throughout his career, the Sultan formally conferred the Kulliyan Sokoto title on Prof. Oloyede.

The event attracted a distinguished audience, including the Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Chief Lateef Fagberni SAN; Senator Shuaib Afolabi also representing the governor of Ogun and Prof Sheu Adaramaja representing the Governor of Kwara; the Sultan of Sokoto, His Éminence, Alhaji Muhammadu Sa'ad Abubakar III CFR and the Emir of Ilorin also being represented; the Secretary-General of Association of African Universities, Prof Olusola Oyewole among other notable figures from various sectors of society.



-R: The Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Chief ateef Fagbemi with the Sultan of Sokoto, His Eminence, Alh. Muhammadu a'ad Abubakar III and Dr. Usman Abubakar Jos12th Balogun Alanamu of llorin who represented the Emir of Ilorin at the book honour of Prof Oloyede

## SON SAY

wari, the beautiful and serene city, which is the seat of the Bwari Area Council, Federal Capital Territory (FCT), and the host of the National Headquarters of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) Abuja, on Saturday,5th October, 2024, stood still as Mr. Isaac Ibekwe, the son of Mrs. Sarah Ibekwe, a staff of the Admissions Department, JAMB, tied

the knot with his heartthrob, former Miss Patience Nwaocha.

The wedding ceremony took place at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness, Bwari, while the reception, was held at the Nigeria Law School Hall, Bwari, Abuja.

The event was witnessed by eminent personalities within and outside Bwari as well as family and friends of the couple.



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### **OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR**

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The Vice Chancellor/Rector/Provost,

#### MINISTERIAL DIRECTIVES ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE INTER-MINISTERIAL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE ON DEGREE CERTIFICATE MILLING: REQUEST FOR IMPLEMENTATION

You are aware that the Federal Government through an inter-ministerial committee had investigated the issues of certificate racketeering involving some foreign institutions around Nigeria. The investigations also looked at the issue of illegal admissions by institutions in Nigeria and the issuance of fake certificates by the institutions. The Hon. Minister of Education has now directed the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the investigation committee.

2. I therefore convey the directives of the Honourable Minister to the Board for implementation of the following recommendations (a copy of the letter from the Hon. Minister is attached):

- i. Enforce the mandatory requirement for all tertiary institutions in Nigeria to exclusively conduct their admissions processes through the Central Admissions Processing System (CAPS) under the auspices of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB).
- ii. Mandate all tertiary institutions in Nigeria to regularly submit their matriculation lists to the Federal Ministry of Education not later than three months after matriculation ceremonies through the dedicated channel of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB).

3. Consequently, the Board reiterates the Policy that under no condition shall any candidate be admitted outside CAPS. Furthermore, the recent circular No. JAMB/ADMS/DO/192/V.I dated 31<sup>st</sup> July 2024 by the Board, emphasizes that no illegal admission will henceforth be condoned and any institution found to have admitted any candidate outside CAPS will be made to face appropriate sanctions. This is in addition to the forfeiture of the said admission with its legal implications.

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4. Each Institution is expected to promptly respond to JAMB analysis of its matriculation list so that the list and the responses could be forwarded, as directed, to the Honourable Minister of Education.

5. To further discuss this matter, the Board is arranging a virtual meeting involving all the institutions and the officials of JAMB. The details will be communicated to you.

6. Accept the best regards of the Board, please.

# **Professor Is -haq O**. Oloyede, CON, FNAL Registrar

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#### ... Uncommon Scholar, Exceptional Administrator: My Tribute to Prof. Oloyede At 70 By President Bola Tinubu

Indeed, the bedrock of development lies in education. Developing nations, including Nigeria, are in dire need of more scholars like Prof. Oloyede. His selfless sacrifices and innovative approaches to learning and leadership give hope for a brighter future.

Perhaps more remarkable is Prof. Oloyede's transformative leadership at JAMB. He pioneered and sustained a series of reforms and technological innovations that have made the admission process in Nigeria transparent and credible.

In his eight years of stewardship at the board, thus far, Prof. Oloyede has

demonstrated an uncommon commitment to financial integrity and accountability in public service. He has also raised the bar in administration and management.

I am proud of Prof. Oloyede's accomplishments.

The nation owes the Professor of Islamic Jurisprudence a debt of gratitude for transforming JAMB, traditionally a non-revenuegenerating government agency, into a consistent contributor to the national treasury through efficient fin ancial management. His contributions to JAMB are invaluable and greatly appreciated.

On this occasion of his 70th birthday, I join members of the academic community, students, JAMB staff, and well-wishers in celebrating this scholar who, in words and deeds, has also done a lot to propagate the Islamic religion.

I pray that Almighty Allah will continue to honour the distinguished professor with health, wisdom and strength to serve the nation for many more years.

## AUTOMATED CANDIDATE SERVICE FOR ENHANCED EFFICIENCY – ADEBIYI

A head of the proposed switch from physical to online interactions with candidates by the management of the Board, the Gombe State Coordinator, Mr. Johnson Adebiyi, has organised a one-day capacity building workshop on Professional Communication Etiquette for members of staff of Gombe State Office.

According to him, the training, which was held on Thursday, 10th October, 2024, , was conceived to equip participants with the requisite skills for improved productivity.

Adebiyi further disclosed that the automation of the Board's services is a win-win for both candidates and the Board, noting that it would optimise workflows, eliminate bottlenecks, reduce time wastage and resources as well as eliminate extortionate practices, among others.

He maintained that the new service regime would help in streamlining processes and reducing human intervention, and most importantly enable the Board and candidates achieve substantial cost savings through improved efficiency, and reduced operational expenses.

During the workshop, Adebiyi explained that the training on Professional Communication Etiquette (PCE) was meant to sharpen the skills of members of staff in maintaining interactive and robust communication channels especially through telephone, e-mail, ticketing, and the SERVICOM Desk.

The Coordinator gave a breakdown of what professional communication etiquettes entails in his paper titled: "Professional Communication and Email Writing," which he said, was meant to inculcate in participants the requisite knowledge on how to effectively communicate as well as write clear and impactful emails.

He further stated that professional communication etiquette requires staff to be respectful, as they are expected to use polite language while avoiding slangs when communicating with candidates and other stakeholders. He also urged participants to address people by their proper titles and be mindful of cultural differences.

Adebiyi emphasised the importance of timeliness in responding to emails, complaints, and messages as well as meeting deadlines, urging participants to be clear and concise by using simple and precise language.

Furthermore, he urged participants to display professionalism by proofreading messages for errors, avoid using emoji or informal language, while tailoring messages to their respective recipients as well as consider their perspectives and needs while using suitable channels for communication.

Speaking further, he enjoined the staff to be responsible and accountable as well as take ownership of their communication a n d a v o i d s p r e a d i n g misinformation, pointing out that calls would be recorded for effective monitoring and quality control during the new service era.

The Coordinator reminded participants of the Data Protection Act and enjoined them to be ethical in their communication, respect confidentiality, avoid conflicts of interest, be honest and transparent, asserting that the Board would continue to reward hard work, but would not hesitate to mete out appropriate sanctions to any erring staff.

In his response, the Head of SERVICOM Unit, Mr. Aliyu Mubarak Sani, on behalf of other participants, thanked the Coordinator for his insightful presentation, while affirming their commitment to the successful implementation of the new service regime.

# KUDOBOARD: STAFF, FRIENDS, CRITICAL STAKEHOLDERS CONGRATULATE OLOYEDE @ 70

taff of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), friends, critical stakeholders and members of the academia have joined other wellmeaning Nigerians to pay tributes on the Kudoboard to felicitate the Registrar, Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Ishaq Oloyede, as he clocked 70 years of aae.

The Kudoboard was designed by Prof. Emeritus Peter Okebukola with a link for interested well-wishers to register their goodwill messages.

In his tribute, Prof. Emeritus Okebukola had described Olovede as "an outstanding scholar who is better by far!"

He wrote: "Dear highly-reverred Boss and Africa Regional Champion of Equal Opportunity of Access to Higher Education, on this special day of 10th October, 2024, I am writing to extend my warmest birthday greetings to you. Your unwavering dedication and remarkable leadership as VC of the University of Ilorin and currently as the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, have positively impacted the educational landscape of Nigeria. Your commitment to excellence, integrity, and innovation in the management of admission processes have earned you the respect and admiration of many.

"The JAMB Equal Opportunity Group (JEOG), which you set up in 2017, attests to your unmatched auest to put smiles on the faces of Persons With Disabilities (PWDs).

"As you celebrate another year of life as you clocked 70, I wish you continued success, good health, and happiness in all your future endeavours. May this milestone brings you even greater accomplishments and joy, both personally and professionally."

In the words of the erudite scholar, Prof.Olu Obafemi, "Olovede is an astute manager of human and material resources, and an exemplary leader worthy of emulation."

While the likes of Prof. Wahab Eabewole, Olanrewaiu Faabohun, Ibrahim Yusuf, Salome T. Torubeli, Foluso Okebukola and Rashid Aderinove, described Olovede as "a beacon of hope" and offers prayers for him on the auspicious occasion.

Tributes also came from other notable personalities and organisations including: Jake Eppelle, Asabe Kabir Usman, Prof. M. U. Tambawal, Rafiu Okuneve, Prof. Odewumi S.G, Gaji Fatima Dantata, Prof. Solomon Olorundare, the Governing Council, Management,

Academic Board, Staff and Students of the Nigeria Korea Friendship Institute of Vocational and Advanced Technology, Lokoja. They all expressed their appreciation for Oloyede's uncommon vision, achievements, transformational acumen and his laudable contributions to the education sector

Other academics, who also registered their goodwill messages are: Prof. Nasiru Maiturare, Prof. Muhammad Yahuza Bello, Prof. Taoheed Adedoja, Prof. Sunday Ododo, Malami Umar Tambawal, Tunde Owolabi, Sidiqat Ijaiya, among others.

Members of the Board's management including Directors, Zonal Directors, State Coordinators, Heads of PRCs and PTCs, former Directors of the Board, other wellmeaning staff of the Board were not left out as they joined proprietors of CBT centres, family members, colleagues and friends of Prof. Oloyede to register their goodwill messages on the platform.

JAMBulletin also joins other wellwishers to say a very resounding happy birthday to our amiable Registrar.

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#### ...2024 UNILORIN LECTURE: Oloyede Calls for Regulations on Use of AI in Academics

2024, at the main auditorium of the human research assistants and university of Ilorin, Kwara State.

The Registrar also cautioned African countries against reliance on foreign-developed AI technologies. According to him, stringent regulation became necessary to safeguard the academic environment against laziness and decline in critical thinking among academics and students.

proofreaders to improve the quality of our work. However, with the rise of AI, these roles are increasingly being complemented or even replaced by Al tools. This brings significant benefits in terms of efficiency, but it also raises questions about the need for policies to guide the use of Al within the universities.

"I believe we need policies guiding He said, "In the academia, many of the use of AI in universities, but we us have traditionally relied on must also objectively consider how

Al can replicate the benefits of human support in areas like proofreading and research assistance. Embracing AI does not mean surrendering our intellectual lives; rather, it calls for a thoughtful integration of technology into our work."

Furthermore, he cautioned academics, who do not have adequate knowledge about their subjects, against adopting AI in the

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#### ...2024 UNILORIN LECTURE: Oloyede Calls for Regulations on Use of AI in Academics



quest to seek solution about their subjects so as not to be misled.

"Its adoption within the academic environment must be carefully considered as a result of the ethical dilemma that it poses "one of the ethical problems of AI is its potential to embarrass human beings. If you don't know your subject very well, don't go to AI before you start misleading humanity," he said.

Prof. Oloyede pointed out that Al and humanities are intertwined but maintained that, "humanity should be in control of Al, if we will save humanity from perdition.

"The world of AI and the Humanities may seem miles apart. On the one hand, AI represents the cuttingedge technology that can simulate human intelligence, process language, and even create art. On the other hand, the Humanities involves the study of human culture, philosophy, law, literature, art, and religion - fields that define human civilisation but are they really separate? No, these fields are deeply intertwined.

"The Humanities is critical in shaping Al by helping us understand ethical dilemmas, human behaviour, and creativity, while at the same time transforming how we engage with the Humanities. From influencing the ethical development of Al to helping machines understand human language and creativity, the Humanities contributes significantly to shaping Al as we know it today," he explained.

He tasked scholars in the Humanities to take up the challenge of generating well-researched content for AI to ensure that its contents conform with fundamental human rights, values, and Islamic doctrines and principles.

"In fields like Islamic Studies and Law, Al must be developed with sensitivity to ethical and cultural contexts. Universities and scholars should explore how Al can assist in complex tasks such as issuing fatwas or navigating legal ethics, while ensuring that it aligns with fundamental human rights values," he said.

Prof. Oloyede advised African nations to invest in building their own AI capabilities, so as not to be entirely dependent on external powers, exploited or left out in the scheme of things in the future"

"In this wise, African Telecommunication Unions (ATU), African Union (AU), and the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) must lead the charge in developing AI strategies tailored to the continent's specific needs.

These bodies, according to him, should promote policies that encourage the ethical development and use of Al across such diverse sectors as healthcare, agriculture, education, and governance. He noted that collaboration between African countries on Al research and data sharing can help mitigate the risk of relying on foreign developed Al technologies."

On the fear of the capacity of AI to take jobs away from people, Oloyede averred that the problems of skills gap in manufacturing are not the same in the Humanities.

He said, "We have arrived at a critical junction where we must combine creativity with AI notwithstanding the genuine aversion for humanisation of machine. Indeed, AI facilities can create content as well as serve as a partner to human creativity, not a replacement."

Prof. Oloyede, however, offered some recommendations to tackle the gaps and deficit in Al technology. These included but not limited to: the development of "Ethical AI Guidelines", "AI Literacy in Humanities Education", emphasis on "Human-Al Collaboration," review of the "Humanities Curricula". and strengthening "Al's Role in Islamic Studies and Law," addressing Over-reliance on AI Tools with a view to ensuring "Al-Generated Content Authenticity," enhancement of "Al's Ethical Capabilities," engagement of "African Countries in the Al Journey," "Support from African Oraanisations on Data Sovereignty," and "Ethical Al Development Strengthening Al Policies and Ethical Frameworks." Other recommendations included syneray with the African Union (AU), African Telecommunication Union

(ATU), African Universities, and leading AI Researchers, among



L-R: Prof Olusola Oyewole, Sec. Gen of AAU; Prof Is-haq Oloyede, Registrar JAMB and the honouree and the Attorney General of the Federation and Minister of Justice, Chief Lateef Fagbemi, SAN at the book presentation in honour of Prof Oloyede

PICTURES FROM THE THREE DAY EVENT PACKAGED IN HOUNOUR OF PROF. OLOYEDE ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF ILORIN WHICH INCLUDED THE BOOK PRESENTATION

















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## CHIEF TECHNICAL ADVISORS JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD (JAMB)

Birthday Felicitation Message to Professor Is-haq Oloyede, JAMB Registrar, on His 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Dear Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, OFR, FNAL,

On this remarkable occasion of your 70th birthday, we (CTAs) wish to extend our most heartfelt congratulations and felicitations to you. Your life has been an embodiment of service, professionalism, and unwavering dedication to excellence in every sphere of your influence. Your journey thus far is not just an inspiration, but a masterclass in leadership, accountability, and transformative impact.

Your role as the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has set an unmatched precedent in public examination administration in Nigeria. Your tenure has been marked by a wave of transparency, professionalism, and accountability that has reshaped the face of JAMB and, by extension, the Nigerian education sector. Through your dogged commitment to result actualization and selfless service, you have raised the bar for public institutions, ensuring that credibility and service excellence are at the forefront of JAMB's operations.

Beyond JAMB, your distinguished career has been a continuous narrative of transformative leadership and nationbuilding. Your tenure as Vice Chancellor of the University of Ilorin from 2007 to 2012, your leadership of the Committee of Vice Chancellors of Nigerian Universities, and your role as President of the Association of African Universities have further demonstrated your profound contributions to the academic community, both in Nigeria and across Africa.

Your service as Co-Secretary of the National Confab in the early 2000s is yet another testament to your nationalistic spirit, providing invaluable insight and guidance on critical national issues. You have always been a man of high moral standing and unshakable integrity, qualities that have earned you respect and admiration from all corners of society. Your commitment to the progress and development of Nigeria is unrelenting, and your nationalistic orientation continues to serve as a beacon of hope for many.

Your achievements, both nationally and internationally, are not only commendable but also an enduring legacy. You have been an exemplary driver of 'CHANGE,' particularly in the education sector, where your progressive ideas, leadership, and intuitive decision-making have made indelible marks.

As you celebrate this milestone, we acknowledge your tireless efforts and the immense value you have added to every role you've held. We celebrate you, not just for what you have accomplished, but for the vision you continue to embody—a vision of accountability, progress, and excellence.

May this new age bring you continued strength, good health, and wisdom to keep inspiring the next generation of leaders, both in Nigeria and beyond. Your legacy is one of deep integrity and service, and we are grateful to have witnessed and benefited from your immense contributions.

Happy 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, Prof. Oloyede! May you enjoy many more years of good health, peace, and boundless joy.

We, the CTAs brand you with the new alias SUPER GOAL-GETTER #SGG.

Warmest regards,

Professor Bashir Shehu Galadanci Chairman CTA-NIGERIA Ibrahim Abdullahi PhD. Secretary CTA-NIGERIA

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# **CESSATION OF ILLEGAL/IRREGULAR ADMISSIONS**

- All applications of admissions to First Degree, National Diploma, National Innovation Diploma and the Nigeria Certificate in Education into Full-Time, Distance Learning, Part-Time, Outreach, Sandwich, etc., must be processed ONLY through the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB).
- No Institution should advertise or sell "application forms" for admissions into the programmes. Institutions should advise candidates to apply to them through Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Duplication of application forms is **NOT** allowed.
- Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) and the three (3) Regulatory Agencies (National Universities Commission (NUC), National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) and National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE) will ensure that all Tertiary Institutions comply with this policy directive. Other Professional Regulatory Agencies will also play a role in sanitizing the process.

The duration of all Non-Full Time Studies must be maintained as approved by the Regulatory Agencies. This is generally not less than one hundred and fifty percent (150%) of the equivalence of Full Time.

### ADVERTORIALS

Institutions that desire to place advertisement can do so with the requirement that candidates who sat for the current **UTME** (or **DE** candidates) should change to their institutions as First (1st) Choice rather than requesting the candidates to purchase another application form or apply. This is to prevent the issue of double registration which is a violation of the mandate of JAMB.

It should be reiterated that no Institution should advertise or sell "application forms" for admissions into the programmes listed above. Institutions should advise candidates to apply to them through Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Duplication of application forms is **NOT** allowed.