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Prof. Samuel Oye Bandele, Vice-Chancellor, Anchor University

Barely a month after the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, alluded to the correlation of the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) scores with students' performance in the

position.

A three-time Vice-Chancellor of Nigerian universities, a Professor of Test Measurement and the current Vice Chancellor, Anchor University, Prof. Samuel Oye Bandele, in an indepth study and analysis backed with empirical evidence, has submitted that there was a high correlation of UTME scores with candidates' subsequent academic performance in the ivory tower.

This was the position of the

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MANY FAKE JAMB HIGH SCORERS DECEIVING GOOD-SPIRITED NIGERIANS: THE CASE OF EJKEME JOY MMESOMA AND DR. INNOCENT CHUKWUMA

The attention of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has been drawn to several publications in both print and online media celebrating certain candidates for being high scorers in the 2023 UTME.

The Board is constrained to set the records straight that many of the results which these candidates are parading are fake. In many instances, some of these candidates manipulated their results using funny softwares to deceive the unsuspecting members of the public.

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NATIONAL TOLERABLE MINIMUM UTME SCORE AND THE BOARD'S EFFORT AT ENHANCING SECONDARY EDUCATION IN NIGERIA

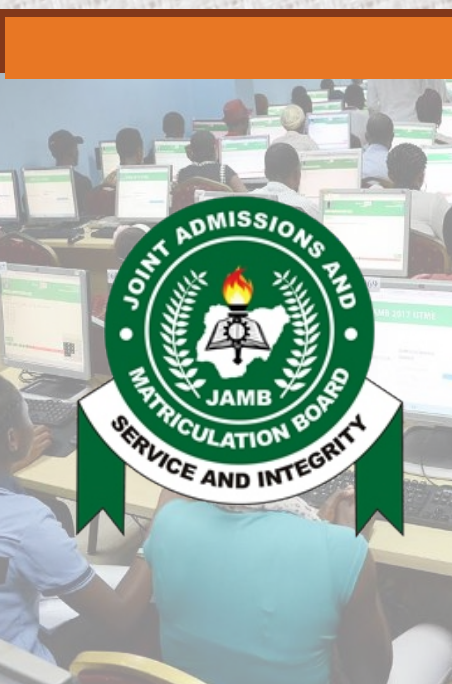
The 2023 Policy Meeting has sparked expected reactions from critics and observers. At the centre of these reactions is the disturbing state of the country's educational system and the place of JAMB as an impartial arbiter which aimed to implement a credible minimum admission score that would offer all candidates a reasonable chance at attaining placement in the nation's tertiary institutions.

It is important to note that while the logic

underlying the observation captured above is patently faulty, as the UTME is not the sole criterion for tertiary institution admission, it is also factually incorrect.

It would be recalled that JAMB, has, consistently emphasised, through all available information channels, that the yearly UTME is simply a tool to rank candidates for the few available spaces in the country's tertiary institutions through a model arrived at by the Board,

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...The Reliability of JAMB Scores is NOT Contestible - Prof. Bandele

Vice Chancellor of Anchor University, a private Christian University owned by the Deeper Life Ministry located at Ayoba, Ipaja, Lagos State, in an interview with JAMBulletin shortly after the 2023 Policy Meeting on Admissions into tertiary institutions in Abuja, recently where he equally made this position with other scholars at the meeting concurring. The erudite professor lauded the management of the Board for its uncompromising stance in the fight against corruption. This and many more were discussed with JAMBulletin in the explosive interview captured below.

Prof. Bandele: Let me make this clear from the outset so that you can understand where I'm coming from, by the grace of God I'm a professor of Test Measurement and Evaluation, that's my discipline. It is to be noted that our previous research has been generally accepted and is to the effect that there was no positive correlation between UTME results and the performance of students in higher institutions. This is to say that, generally, candidates' UTME results are good predictors of their performance in higher institutions. Of course, this was what we had at the back of our minds. So, when I took up the position of the Vice Chancellor, Anchor University, Lagos, being a young University, I wanted to lay a very good foundation for it, and I felt I could simply apply my previous mindset and, as such, just admit anybody. However, the cut-off point we submitted last year was 160, and I had deliberately planned to admit some people with that particular score. I was able to convince the institution's Senate that as an expert in that area and coupled with previous research, there would be no correlation between candidates' UTME scores and their performance. That was my stand as I set about conducting a case study, so I asked my Admission Officer to help me get

the first semester results of all my students and juxtapose those with their UTME scores.

Summarily, I got a very revealing and highly-exciting result and since it is a case study I can make the report available to JAMB. The result revealed a very high correlation of greater than 0.9. In the case study, I had used a sample of 113 first-year students with their first semester examination and, to my surprise, I found the correlation was very high and positive as it was more than 0.9. I also did some descriptive analysis which showed the top seven best-performing students with three of them scoring 5.0, but the top seven best-performing students scored 240 and above in the UTME, while the other top 24 students scored 200 and above in the UTME, so we had also used their GPA for the study. 94 percent of those who fell into first class in their GPA had scored more than 200 in the UTME, while only six percent scored less than 200 among those who made first class, and even within this six percent, their UTME score was 190 and above, none of them scored below 190.

The last one I want to disclose and which is very exciting are those candidates who scored less than 180 in the UTME, with zero percent of them entering upper credit as none of them got to 2.1, they were all in third class, hence, none of them made first class or second class.

I went back to the Senate to inform them about these interesting results as our research had disproved those previous findings on account of the Board's renewed commitment to making sure that UTME results are highly reliable.

ON THE DESIRABILITY OF POST-UTME:

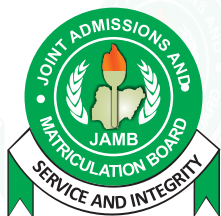
I want to say that other researchers are welcome to validate our findings because even in the medical field when a medical doctor examines a patient he may want to obtain a second opinion. So, I will like to say that the universities can still have the

privilege of using their own screening test. At the same time, they should be open-minded to acknowledge the efforts of researchers, who had brought up concrete and empirical evidence that vindicate the position of the Board with respect to the utility of the post-UTME such that at the end of the day, universities themselves will have no option other than to jettison all those screening tests!

ADVICE:

I commend Prof. Ishaq Oloyede, for the good work he had been doing in JAMB. I personally hold him in high esteem for the good work he's doing, in terms of his transparency and display of professionalism. I must confess that I've not seen a person so meticulous like him. My words of advice for him is that he should please continue with his good work. Perhaps, I should also say this, he should not think he can please everyone. I will also enjoin him not to listen to detractors, rather he should continue to forge ahead with his mission as, by the grace of God, input decides output. If we can get it right as we are doing now in JAMB, then we can say that we have got it right as our higher institutions would become highly competitive. So, he should continue to combat all those examination cabals whose nefarious activities have long held down the sector.

In the same vein, I'll urge him to also tackle the menace of some CBT centre owners by taking a look at their activities holistically. When I was the Vice Chancellor of Ekiti State University, I was the Chief External Examiner for the Board in the State and I am, therefore, speaking as an insider. I was the CEE for two years, and since that time, my admiration for him had grown immensely. I would say, let's do away with all these CBT centres if it's possible and set up quality centres, I'm not against them, but they should be honest and reliable in their dealings.



JOINT ADMISSIONS AND MATRICULATION BOARD

REPORT OF INFLOW AND OUTFLOW FOR THE PERIOD

JUNE 24 2023 - JUNE 30 2023

FINANCIAL INFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT(N)
1	E-facilities/Sales	145,251,200.00
2	PRC Service Charge	9,600.00
3	Consultancy	3,536,741.20
	TOTAL	148,797,541.20

FINANCIAL OUTFLOW

S/N	DESCRIPTION	PURPOSE	AMOUNT(N)
1	Staff Claims	Various	29,416,283.62
2	APT Solution Technologies Ltd	Renovation of L-shaped Roof at Kaduna NHA	19,150,193.01
3	Agency Service	Security	14,140,000.00
4	Supervision of Examination	2023 UTME- Extra Days	32,614,180.00
5	Outsourced Service	Cleaning	5,665,174.84
6	Hammer General Venture Ltd	Publicity	2,450,000.00
7	CBT Centres	2023 UTME	4,664,000.00
8	FCT Fire Service	Maintenace of Building	513,000.00
9	Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS)	May, 2023 Stamp Duty	1,303,218.66
10	Ummah Food Concept	Staff Meals	1,026,950.00
11	Chopparazzi Meals & Catering	Staff Meals	2,063,190.35
12	Assorted Buka	Staff Meals	2,181,401.16
13	Bayham Ideas Ltd	Refreshment	866,867.13
14	Staff Development	Training	16,380,172.00
15	Sensitive Material	IT Consulting	26,901,000.00
17	MTN Nigeria Communication	Data Subscriptionn	720,000.00
19	Remita	Financial Charges	182,621.40
	TOTAL		160,238,252.17

JAMB CELEBRATES STAFF BORN JULY 3RD - JULY 9TH 2023

3RD JULY

Ismaila Adisa Popoola
Thlama John Mshelbwala
Sarafa Abiodun Hammed
Bashir Muhammed Gummi
Ali Yakubu
Bose Deborah Alonge

5TH JULY

Ibrahim Mohammed
Binta Garba
Musa Oladejo
Ngozi Ijeoma Bethel

6TH JULY

Abdulazeez Olatunji Saka
Mamman Kpaki Idrisu
Aisha Abdulrashid

7TH JULY

Umoru Usman
Adeyinka Kayode
Muhammad Ibn Abdullahi
Sherifat Funmilayo Oladapo
Frederick Edeki Aigbodion

8TH JULY

Jean Olapeju Alade
Moshood Yinka Yusuf

Yakubu Umar
Jeleel Kayode Raji
Amina Echoga
Musa Yusuf
Mozeedah Modupeola Ajibola

9TH JULY

Aliyu Kolawole Jibril
Isaiah Olubode Adeigbe
Ebele Rose Emeka
Juliet Chinenye Anekwe Odimuko
Regina Omolola Ajibola
Oluwatosin Yewande Johnson
Victor Oluwaseyi Adewumi





EDUCATION IN THE MEDIA

PUNCH NEWSPAPER SUNDAY JUNE 25TH, 2023 - JAMB, Varsities Fix 140 As Admissions Minimum Score: The Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, Prof Is-haq Oloyede, has said that the Vice-Chancellors of Nigerian universities have agreed on 140 as the National Tolerable Minimum UTME Score (NTMUS) for admissions into universities for the 2023/2024 academic session.

Prof. Oloyede, who said that universities had also been allowed to decide their individual Realistic Institutional Admittable Minimum UTME Scores (RIAMUS) for their candidates, made this known during the 2023 policy meeting in Abuja...

Meanwhile, the Permanent Secretary in the Federal Ministry of Education, Andrew Adejoh, said, "We have heard the voices of the majority. Most of the universities have agreed and the decision stands that 140 is the minimum benchmark for university admissions." **Also in PUNCH NEWSPAPER SUNDAY JUNE 25TH, 2023, DAILY TRUST NEWSPAPER SUNDAY JUNE 25TH, 2023 and PUNCH NEWSPAPER SUNDAY JUNE 25TH, 2023.**

BLUEPRINT NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023 - UTME: JAMB Plans To Allow Candidates Use Personal Laptops, Mobiles, Books: The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) has put in place all necessary procedures that will allow the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME) candidates use their personal laptops, mobiles and the like in the examination hall.

He said the policy which falls under the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) will enhance the sanctity of the examination and also save the Board millions of naira it used to procure computers for the exercise annually. Oloyede said, "On the way forward, we are looking at BOYD – the

direction for JAMB students to bring their telephones. It lowers capital investment... **Also in GUARDIAN NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023, VANGUARD NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023, LEADERSHIP NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023 and INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023.**

PUNCH NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023 - Anambra Indigene, Umeh, 2023 UTME Top-Scorer-JAMB: Umeh Nkechinyere is the top scorer in the 2023 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examinations with a cumulative mark of 360.

This is according to the presentation made by the Registrar of the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, during the 2023 policy meeting recently held in Abuja.

The JAMB Boss also unveiled the top 10 candidates, among whom are Aguele Stephen, 358; Ositade Oluwafemi, 358; Gbolahan Ayinde, 357; John Fulfilment, 356; Chimdubem Ugonna, 355, among others.

The policy meeting is expected to chart policy directions for the nation's tertiary institutions, set admission guidelines, present and analyse application statistics, and candidates' performance, as well as evaluate the 2023 admission exercise. **Also in SUN NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023, NATION NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023 and DAILY TRUST NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023.**

TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023 - FUOYE Welcomes JAMB's Rating As 4th Most Sought-after University In Nigeria: The Federal University of Oye Ekiti, Ekiti State, has described the news of being ranked as the fourth most

sought-after university in Nigeria as a step in the right direction.

JAMB Registrar, Prof. Is-haq Oloyede, during the 2023 Policy Meeting in Abuja, listed FUOYE alongside the University of Ilorin, the University of Lagos and the Lagos State University as the most-sought universities following an appraisal of its 2023 Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examinations.

Oloyede said the rating followed the high number of applicants to the schools during this year's UTME application period. **Also in TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER MONDAY JUNE 26TH, 2023.**

NATION NEWSPAPER TUESDAY JUNE 27TH, 2023 - Kogi Gets New University In Kabba: The National Universities Commission (NUC) has approved the establishment of Kogi State University, Kabba, as the 62nd state universities and the 265th universities in the country.

The Executive Secretary, NUC, Prof. Abubakar Rasheed, made this known in Abuja recently, when the State Governor, Yahaya Bello paid him a visit.

Rasheed said that the commission had on June 19, received a letter on the formal presentation of gazetted documents establishing the university.

"I write on behalf of the NUC to inform His Excellency that with effect from June 26, 2023, Kogi State University, Kabba has been established as the 62nd state universities and 265th university in Nigeria. **Also in PUNCH NEWSPAPER TUESDAY JUNE 27TH, 2023, SUN NEWSPAPER TUESDAY JUNE 27TH, 2023, LEADERSHIP NEWSPAPER TUESDAY JUNE 27TH, 2023 and TRIBUNE NEWSPAPER TUESDAY JUNE 27TH, 2023. THISDAY NEWSPAPER TUESDAY JUNE 27TH.**

...Many Fake JAMB High Scorers Deceiving Good-Spirited Nigerians: The Case Of Ejikeme Joy Mmesoma and Dr. Innocent Chukwuma

The most pathetic of them all is the case of Miss Ejikeme Joy Mmesoma, who claimed to have scored 362 in the 2023 UTME and was awarded a N3m scholarship by Chief (Dr.) Innocent Chukwuma.

She was even set to be honoured by the Anambra State Government when one of its top officials put a call through to JAMB to confirm her claim only for the Board to reveal that Miss Ejikeme Joy Mmesoma had actually scored 249 and not 362. She had manipulated her UTME result to deceive the public to fraudulently obtain scholarship and other recognitions.

The Board would like to state that the likes of Mmesoma are still out there deceiving those who are always in a hurry to bestow honours on candidates without confirmation from the Board.

A similar case was that of one Atung Gerald in Kaduna, who claimed to have scored 380. His ethnic group had taken the issue up requesting that he should be given special recognition only for the Board to disappoint them with the incontestable fact that Atung never obtain the 2023 UTME application

documents not to talk of sitting the examination.

The Board would, therefore, want to advise the public to always cross check these claims by candidates with the Board before rushing to honour them with undeserving awards as certain softwares have been created to fake their version of their results and put same out in the public space for fun and this is what the sponsors of these candidates are using to defraud good-spirited Nigerians such as Dr. Innocent, the founder of Innoson Motors, who sincerely desires to celebrate academic excellence by investing in the education of a young Nigerian.

We commend the likes of Dr. Innocent Chukwuma and wish to encourage other Nigerians, who desire to invest in the future of genuine youngsters, never to be discouraged but to always ensure that they get the authentic results from the Board as done by the Anambra State Ministry of Education, otherwise they will be celebrating criminality as this is just another new fraudulent method in town. However, these candidates only succeeded in manipulating

their results. The authentic results are with the Board and would be transmitted to their schools of choice at the appropriate time.

It is to be noted that Miss Mmesoma had sent a message to the Board's platform (55019) requesting her UTME result which she manually inflated her scores and pasted same on the 2022 UTME result sheet. Unknown to her, the Board had changed the design of the 2023 UTME result sheet. Her original result remains 249 as nothing can change that. With this her ignoble act, Miss Mmesoma would be prosecuted and her original result withdrawn. This is not all as the Board would, in due course, investigate all candidates laying claims to higher scores than they actually obtained. Once discovered, such candidates' original results would be withdrawn forthwith and they would be handed over to relevant security agencies for prosecution.

ADMISSIONS: NUCLEUS OF THE BOND BETWEEN JAMB AND TERTIARY INSTITUTIONS IN NIGERIA – JAMB

The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), has stated that the bond between the Board and tertiary institutions in Nigeria is admissions.

This was disclosed by the Ogun State Coordinator, Mr. AbdulHakeem AbdulHameed, when he received the duo of the Vice Chancellors, Aletheia University, Ago Iwoye, Prof. Amos Onasanya; and the Vice Chancellor, Gerard University of Medical Sciences, Imo-Imebu, Prof. Niran Adetoro, in his office on Wednesday, 21st June, 2023.

Earlier in their address, the Vice Chancellors said that they had paid

the visit to familiarise themselves with the operations of the Board in the State.






In his remarks, the State Coordinator underscored the symbiotic relationship between the Board and Nigerian tertiary institutions, stressing that the common denominator is admission. He, therefore, stated that the Board would not tolerate any act that would undermine the fabric of this relationship from whatever quarters. He urged the visiting Heads to sustain the cordial relationship not only with the Board but also with other regulatory agencies for effective service delivery.

Furthermore, Mr. AbdulHameed charged the scholars to ensure total compliance with extant policy guidelines on admissions as well as other advisories from the Board. In the same vein, he urged them to ensure that all admissions done by their respective institutions are routed through the Central Admission Processing System (CAPS) as doing otherwise would render such admissions null and void.

It would be recalled that the two institutions were among the private universities recently-approved by the National Universities Commission (NUC).



FEW FACTS ABOUT JAMB

-  The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) was established for the general control of the conduct of matriculation examinations for admissions into all universities, polytechnics, monotechnics, colleges of education and (recently added) Innovation Enterprise Institutes (IEIs).
-  Section 5 (2) of the ACT establishing the Board provided as stated: For the avoidance of doubt, the Board shall be responsible for determining matriculation requirements and conducting examinations leading to undergraduate admissions and also for admissions to National Diploma and the Nigerian Certificate in Education courses, but shall not be responsible for examinations or any other selective process for postgraduate courses and any other courses offered by the tertiary institutions. In the implementation of this section, there is always a synergy with the National Universities Commission (NUC), the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE) and the National Commission for Colleges of Education (NCCE) with the endorsement of the National Council on Education (NCE).
-  In exercising this power, the Board is always guided by admission guidelines approved by the Policy Meeting under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Minister of Education with all Heads of Tertiary Institutions and other stakeholders in attendance.
-  Since the inception of the Interim Joint Matriculation Board Examination (IJMBE), JAMB appoints moderators for all its questions as well as the grading of candidates scores. It has always done this without failing to still accommodate 'HSC' within the current 6-3-3-4 system. The National Council on Education (NCE) guidelines for the Joint Universities Preliminary Examinations Board (JUPEB) also endorsed the practice for JUPEB.
-  The Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board shall continue to operate within its laws.

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Registrar/Chief Executive



RESUMPTION OF DIRECT ENTRY EXERCISE

You will recall that the Board commenced the 2023 Direct Entry registration on Monday, 20th February, 2023, but had to immediately suspend it following the discovery of the plethora of devices and machinations to circumvent and compromise the standard of A'level qualifications required from DE candidates. Recall that recent joint operations of the Federal Ministry of Education and the Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) on DE qualifications brought to light some of these unsavoury and nefarious activities. Bayero University, Kano (BUK) has also consistently brought to the fore the high rate of forgery of A'Level qualifications for DE.

2. For instance, it was discovered that, in previous years, some candidates used unacceptable and forged A' level certificates/qualifications to register for Direct Entry and eventually got admitted. For example out 148 candidates verified by BUK, only 6 were found to be genuine. By implication 142 of the results were forged. The Board, concerned stakeholders and institutions are working assiduously to detect such and the ones already found, are being dealt with according to the provisions of the law.

3. In order to further checkmate the anomaly and to also prevent recurrence of such irregularity, the Board has decided that the 2023 DE registrations will not only be restricted to JAMB PTCs but will also be done under strict supervision.

4. The Board has provided additional guidelines to all DE registration outlets (JAMB-owned centres), Officers of the Board and candidates on the 2023 Direct Entry registration exercise: -

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- i. At the point of registration, all candidates **must** fill in:-
- Registration/Matriculation Number of the previous school attended where the qualification was obtained;
 - Subject(s) of qualification;
 - Awarding Institution;
 - Institution actually attended.
- ii. The Board will only recognise and accept thirteen (13) qualifications/certificates for the 2023 Direct Entry registration exercise as highlighted in the table below:-

S/N	QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENT(S)		GRADING (POINTS)
		CERTIFICATE/STATEMENT OF RESULT HOLDERS	CANDIDATES ON AWAITING RESULT	
A	First (1 st) Degree	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by JAMB, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	16
B	University Diploma/ Nigerian French Language Diploma	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by the University/ Nigerian French Language Diploma for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Merit – 12 iii. Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6
C	Higher National Diploma (HND)	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by the University/JAMB, for the OND/ND obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Upper Credit – 12 iii. Lower Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6

S/N	QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENT(S)		GRADING (POINTS)
		CERTIFICATE/STATEMENT OF RESULT HOLDERS	CANDIDATES ON AWAITING RESULT	
D	Ordinary National Diploma /National Diploma (OND/ND)	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by JAMB, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Upper Credit – 12 iii. Lower Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6
E	Nigeria Certificate in Education (NCE)	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate used in the application (statement of result can only be accepted for qualifications obtained after 2018) b) Letter of Admission, offered by JAMB, for the qualification obtained.	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Credit – 12 iii. Merit – 10 iv. Pass – 6
F	Interim Joint Matriculation Board (IJMB) A' Level	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of IJMB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission into IJMB programme given by IJMB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by IJMB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
G	Joint Universities Preliminary Examination Board (JUPEB) A' Level	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of JUPEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission into the JUPEB programme given by JUPEB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by JUPEB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
H	NABTEB Advanced National Business Certificate (ANBC)	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NABTEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission/registration slip into the NABTEB programme by NABTEB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission/registration slip, offered by NABTEB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1



S/N	QUALIFICATION	REQUIREMENT(S)		GRADING (POINTS)
		CERTIFICATE/STATEMENT OF RESULT HOLDERS	CANDIDATES ON AWAITING RESULT	
I	NABTEB Advanced National Technical Certificate (ANTC)	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NABTEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission/registration slip into the NABTEB programme by NABTEB.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission/registration slip, offered by NABTEB.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
J	NABTEB GCE-A' Level (2015 – 2021) Only certificates obtained from 2015 to 2021 and on the existing database of the Board, would be accepted for Direct Entry admission. From 2026, it would no longer be accepted	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NABTEB certificate being used for the application. b) Letter of Admission/registration slip into the NABTEB programme by NABTEB.	Totally non-existent	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
K	Higher Islamic Studies Certificate (HIS) by NBAIS To be accepted for Direct Entry admission for studies into Arabic, Islamic and Shar'ia related only.	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload: a) Copy of NBAIS certificate used in the application. b) Letter of Admission into the NBAIS Programme by NBAIS.	In addition to 4 (i) candidate must provide the year and date of registration, INDICATE AWAITING RESULT and (ii) also upload Letter of Admission, offered by NBAIS.	i. A – 5 ii. B – 4 iii. C – 3 iv. D – 2 v. E – 1
L	International Qualifications: I. Baccalaureate (IBN) For foreign certificates only. II. Cambridge A' Level	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must provide the year and date of registration and also upload a copy of certificate being used for the application	Not acceptable	
M	National Registered Nurse /National Registered Midwife (NRN/NRM)	In addition to 4 (i), candidate must upload: a) Copy of certificate being used for the application b) Letter of Admission offered by the awarding Institution, for the qualification obtained	Not acceptable	i. Distinction – 16 ii. Upper Credit – 12 iii. Lower Credit – 10 iv. Pass – 6

iii. For those who desire to upgrade from UTME to DE, only candidates with 2023 qualifications (in view) and who also uploaded the required Awaiting Result documents would be allowed to do so (with effect from 2024 registration).

iv. **ALREADY REGISTERED CANDIDATES (2023 DIRECT ENTRY)**
The one hundred and twenty-seven (127) candidates who had earlier registered for the 2023 Direct Entry, before the exercise was suspended, would be requested to return to the registration centres and update their application, so as to comply with the new registration processes.

Signed
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Nigeria Post-secondary Education Data System (NIPEDS)

Following the enormity of the challenges associated with the A 'level qualifications and stakeholders determined efforts to address them, an A 'level bank was instituted under the chairmanship of the former Vice-Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano, Prof Muhammad Yahuza Bello. The Data Bank has now been renamed "Nigeria Post-secondary Education Data System (NIPEDS)".

The conversion to NIPEDS is to streamline the functions of the A 'level bank in line with international standard thereby bringing total sanity to the entire process of A 'level qualifications that has been fraudulently manipulated by some candidates to gain undue advantage in securing admission into Year Two of the University Degree programmes.

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DRIVING FORCE AND DREAM FOR AU:

My driving force is to replicate what Prof. Ishaq Oloyede is doing in JAMB be it in terms of transparency and integrity and I want to say that these are some of the things that are missing in our society. I can completely relate with all that and, at any rate, my new posting demands just that as Anchor University is a faith-based institution. The school is owned by the Deeper Life Church, hence, my driving passion is to have a model University which would be the envy of all.

LAW FACULTY:

We've got the approval of the NUC

for the take-off of the school's Law Faculty. Since last year, we have met all the requirements in terms of staffing and standard facilities by the grace of God but we are still waiting for the Council of Legal Education to give necessary approvals because we want to follow laid-down guidelines as we do not cut corners here.

As I had said earlier, my driving force is to push ahead to make sure that in my small way I contribute my quota to the growth of the education sector. If this country will be great, we have to be doing the right things at the right time. We have the likes of Oloyede and Okebukola, who have made their mark, to emulate and by

the grace of God Nigeria will be very great nation.

ADVICE FOR THE YOUTHS:

I think wealth is not to be quantified in terms of the amount of money or influence one has in life but should rather be those things that you do right and which brings honour upon you. I want to say, therefore, that I challenge those that are coming behind me to be transparent and be contented as all these wordly things are ephemeral. I want to also advise them that they must be ready to forge ahead in the midst of tribulations.



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INNOVATIONS IN THE UTME AND A CALL FOR UNDERSTANDING

It will be recalled that the Board has gradually upgraded its operational processes since 2017, and as is usual with change, it came with some challenges including resistance. Given public support and understanding, the Board since 2018 has reached the cruising level. However, there is always room for improvement and the Board has decided to move to the next stage of its technological transformation.

The next stage requires all hands to be on deck as we take some crucial steps. The Board has instituted some measures which are to be deployed during the 2023 UTME exercise. Despite the fact that the innovations have been tested and certified, yet it is not unlikely that some hiccups might spring up when the new technology is deployed live and nationwide. We therefore solicit your support and understanding as we promptly address any unforeseen circumstances. Hardly can there be growth without audacity and courage.

One major feature of the new dispensation is that no examination would be allowed to take place after one hour of its scheduled start time because the Board has discovered that some of the problems reported at the centres are contrived to delay the commencement of a session in some centres with a view to securing undue advantage for the delayed candidates.

Consequently, any session that, for whatever reason(s), could not take-off within one hour of its schedule is automatically rescheduled. When such occurs, affected candidates are expected to file out of the examination hall into the waiting hall and await the new scheduled time and place which most

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likely would be the same or following day. Candidates are expected not to disrupt subsequent sessions but to simply await information on reschedule. Parents have constituted major intrusion into the examination process. While we appeal for parents to keep-off the examination venues, we would not hesitate to sanction the candidates and (parents) whose parents obstruct the smooth running of the centre.

The rescheduling does not permit a candidate who was initially marked absent during the screening to be part of the rescheduled session since the questions meant for such absentees have been withdrawn and not available for the rescheduled session.

In addressing possible rescheduling, an extra session has been created for every centre on every examination day.

Signed
REGISTRAR

JAMB LOSES FORMER DIRECTOR

It is with utmost submission to the will of the Almighty Allah that the entire JAMB family announces the sad demise of Dr. Garba Magashi, a retired Director, Admissions Department and the Corporate Support Services Department (now Human Resources Department) of the Board.

The sad incident occurred on Thursday, 22nd June, 2023, after a

brief illness.

Dr. Magashi was the father of the current JAMB Katsina State Coordinator, Mr. Nasir Magashi. May the Almighty Allah grant him Aljanat firdaus and his family the fortitude to bear the loss.



The deceased, Dr Garba Magashi

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No: 2023ff03

5th June, 2023

ADVISORY ON PROCEDURE FOR EMERGENCY TRANSFER OF RETURNEE NIGERIAN STUDENTS INTO NIGERIAN UNIVERSITY SYSTEM IN TIME OF CRISIS

Please find below the procedure for processing transfer of Returnee Nigerian Students into Nigerian University system in time of crisis:

1. A prospective student travelling abroad for undergraduate studies normally registers (document his/her travel) with the Federal Ministry of Education (FME) and obtains a Document ID. It is called "Notification to Study Abroad". In case of crises such registration becomes helpful.
2. Anyone who did not but has now become a returnee who is desirous of transfer into a Nigerian University must do a retroactive registration with the Federal Ministry of Education as follows:
 - Go to FME website - www.education.gov.ng
 - Go to attestation of academic documents or <http://ess.education.gov.ng>
 - Tick the certificates you want to evaluate (Tick your highest qualification in Nigeria to enable you pick a date)
 - Pick a date
 - Make payment via remittal - RRR code
 - Print Appointment Slip
 - Go to FME Revenue Unit - 2nd floor
 - Go to 8th floor - Evaluation Accreditation Division with original copies of your credentials base on your Date of Appointment

Explanation on the Process of Documentation with Federal Ministry of Education (The purpose of the visit is to be registered)

On the Menu

Check the credibility of your credentials

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Procedures for Evaluation & Accreditation

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Access Application

Sign up an account, complete email validation and proceed to login

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Get Started

Select Application type and provide required details.

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Make Payment

Select documents for authentication/evaluation, generate RRR Payment code and make payment of non-refundable fee

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Upload Documents

After payment upload related documents (1 original copy and 2 photocopies will be required on the appointment date)

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Schedule Appointment

Proceed to select available appointment date and time session.

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Proceed to Accreditation Venue

Go to venue with all credentials for verification

3. Returnee Student visits Returnee Application page on IBASS from JAMB website: www.jamb.gov.ng
4. In the IBASS page, the Returnee Student uploads the registration slip obtained from the FME and then completes the Returnee Transfer Personal data:
 - a. Name
 - b. NIN
 - c. Telephone Number
 - d. Active e-mail address
 - e. Current University
 - f. Country and City of Study
 - g. Programme
 - h. Year of Entry
 - i. Current Level of Study
5. Returnee Student selects intended University of Choice and Programme.
6. Returnee Student uploads scanned copy of the following documents:
 - a. Current University Admission letter;
 - b. Transcript/Student Semester Results;
 - c. Data page of International Passport; and
 - d. Sworn Affidavit (confirming the genuineness of information supplied and that insincere or false information shall lead to withdrawal from studies and/or of certificates (in the event of issuance). Prosecution may also follow.
7. Returnee Student clicks SUBMIT button, which now sends an email to intended University of Choice for Request for Application to Apply for Inter-University Transfer.

8. Notification page for successful request is loaded and presented on the screen by IBASS System.
9. Returnee Student gets a notification email and SMS for his/her application request sent to the intended University of Choice.
10. Student's University of Choice gets an IBASS mail of the Student's Request for Application to Apply for Inter-University Transfer
11. Intended University evaluates Student's credentials for possible consideration.
12. If the Intended University of Choice is satisfied/unsatisfied with the credentials presented by the Returnee Student, a notification is sent on JAMB-IBASS-mail for Qualified/Unqualified for consideration.
13. Qualified Returnee Student is directed via the email and SMS to approach any JAMB Office (in person) to complete the Inter-University Transfer Application.

Note that the process is tracked by JAMB, NUC and the candidate as follows:
(a) Submitted (b) Being reviewed by the University
 (c) Successful/Unsuccessful
14. The intended University of Choice then follows the Advisory on Inter-University Transfer of Students earlier sent to the institutions in 2019 (see attached).

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ADVISORY ON PROCEDURE FOR APPLICATION FOR FOREIGN INTER-UNIVERSITY TRANSFER FOR STALITES (NOT FRESHERS)

Please find below the procedure for application for foreign inter-University transfer for Stalites:

1. The proposed institution sends a list of all candidates (not Freshers) for foreign Inter-University transfer to State JAMB Office with a letter of indemnity.
2. The proposed institution directs each candidate to State JAMB Office to create his/her profile on efacility platform (Candidate not on the list earlier sent by the proposed institution would be rejected by the State JAMB Office and cannot process any application on the system).
3. At State JAMB Office, the candidate fills the INTER-UNIVERSITY TRANSFER APPLICATION FORM FOR STALITES (NOT FRESHERS) FROM FOREIGN UNIVERSITIES online which would be available only at the State JAMB Office (Note that only the State JAMB Office that the institution is located can attend to the candidates).
4. Each candidate is expected to print and submit the auto-generated Indemnity Form after completing the application to his/her Current and Proposed Institutions for the signature of the Heads of the Institutions to indemnify JAMB on the accuracy of the information provided by the candidate. The form is to be endorsed first by the current institution.
5. The Proposed Institution sends the endorsed and indemnified form to the Coordinator of the State JAMB Office.
6. The form is uploaded from the State JAMB Office to the Headquarters and made available to the efacility platform for processing.
1. If the application is approved, the candidate is notified through his/her email.
2. The candidate can thereafter print his/her admission letter and access other services online from his/her profile.

Note: Each candidate is to pay for the services online (www.jamb.gov.ng) using ATM cards, Quick Teller or other e-payment channels available for any of the Board's services.

Fabian Okoro
Director, Information Technology Services
For: Registrar

...National Tolerable Minimum UTME Score and the Board's Efforts at Enhancing Secondary Education in Nigeria



tertiary institutions and other regulatory bodies alike. As such, JAMB does not arbitrarily or unilaterally set admission guidelines.

In the same vein, JAMB has also sought to disabuse public consciousness on the existence of a 'cut-off.' Hence, the Registrar, JAMB, Professor Is-haq Oloyede, has at various fora described the term 'cut-off' as misleading, stating that what is obtainable is "Realistic Institutional Admittable Minimum UTME Scores (RIAMUS)."

RIAMUS is the provision that allows the Senate/Academic Board of each tertiary institution to set their preferred minimum score for the admission of their students. This is not unconnected with the National Tolerable Minimum UTME Score (NTMUS) which is usually decided at the Policy Meeting by all stakeholders. The NTMUS is the benchmark which aggregates the RIAMUS decided upon by each institution to arrive at a generally-accepted average score.

Over the years, JAMB has been part and parcel of the movement to revamp as well as add value to the educational system. Therefore, one of the Board's long-term measures aimed at offering insightful suggestions to the vast body of solutions aimed at revamping the sector is to strengthen the integrity of its own examination. By solidifying the UTME process, JAMB is not being charitable, but is doing what is expedient given the magnitude of the challenges at hand. Consequently, JAMB has invested in relevant infrastructure and technology in a bid to improve its processes. This has contributed to the growing reputation of the Board as an e-testing hub providing a reliable database

for analysts and researchers on the actual state of the country's secondary and tertiary education.

This is not all, as the Professor Oloyede-led management has also conceptualized other areas and manner of interventions beyond infrastructural and technological investment. Deemed visionary, the willingness to empathise with and provide critical assistance to other sectors of national life underscored some of the bold steps taken by the Board in recent times.

In this wise, the Board has identified areas of need of some secondary schools in selected locations in its host community, Bwari, Abuja. As such, it has deployed its qualified personnel licensed by the Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN), to its adopted schools to teach relevant subjects in their field of training.

The immense benefits inherent in this arrangement are borne out by the quantum of positive feedbacks received from the schools involved in this scheme. In addition, the Board's staff participating in the scheme also had their skills honed as well as enhanced their productivity in their primary primary assignment in the Board.

This, and many more, are some of the numerous innovations and solutions proffered by JAMB, and are some of the visible manifestations of the Board's commitment to improving secondary education with the long-term goal of improving the quality of intakes into the

country's tertiary institutions.

Critical stakeholders affirm that quality secondary education is crucial to the overall objectives of tertiary education in the country. This awareness may not be at the heart of the Board's mandate but it is one aspect that the Board has not ignored.

In essence, JAMB has through its programmes and activities, amplified the conversation around policies and requirements that shape tertiary education in the country.

It is, therefore, commendable that the Board has, through its State and Zonal Offices, been deepening sustainable partnerships with secondary schools, State Ministries of Education and other stakeholders towards realising quality secondary education in Nigeria.

As part of its schemes to enhance the reading culture among the youths in the country, the Board has also invested heavily in ensuring that comatose school libraries in public secondary schools are revived. Hence, aside direct material assistance to school libraries, the Board also donates reading texts to secondary schools across the States of the Federation, through their respective Ministries of Education on a regular basis.

It is, therefore, not surprising to note that it is the realisation of the nexus between secondary education and the provision of quality tertiary education that has informed the numerous steps taken by the Board to contribute meaningfully to the improvement of secondary education in Nigeria while, at the same time, ensuring that the collective efforts of stakeholders in regulating admission into tertiary institutions are transparently and equitably implemented.

ABIA STATE OFFICE PRESENTS KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS (KPMs) IN ITS OPERATIONS

In order to accurately evaluate the performance and level of productivity of the different Units of the State Office vis-a-vis the discharge of their respective operational responsibilities for the 2nd Quarter of 2023, the Board has approved a series of Key Performance Metrics (KPMs) Dashboards for the Abia State Office.

This was announced by the State Coordinator, Mr. Johnson Adebisi, during his interaction with functionaries of the State Office.

According to the State Coordinator, the KPM Dashboards are metric systems for gathering requisite information about all the Units so as to provide a holistic and visual feedback on the performance of an operational task against a set of performance indicators.

He pointed out that the Board had become a reference point for other assessment bodies, and is, therefore, expected to deliver quality service. Hence, he said it is incumbent on the State Office to precisely measure and quantify its service delivery. The extant KPMs, according to him, included Staff Productivity, Staff Attitude to Work, Capacity Building for Staff, Staff Engagement, Service Delivery Performance, Stakeholders Engagement, Performance of Professional Registration Centre (PRC) and Level of Compliance of Accredited CBT centres with the operational guidelines of the Board.

In her presentation, the SERVICOM Desk Officer/Public Relations Officer, Mrs. Calista Umeadi, explained that the Unit keeps accurate records of all the candidates that visited the State Office and these records were used to get the metrics for the Unit. She added that the Key Performance Metrics for the Unit were based on the Board's SERVICOM Mission Statements, which are: Keeping Reliable Records, Ensuring Confidentiality and Privacy, Maintaining Interactive and Robust Channels of Communication, Receptiveness to Complaints, and Providing Prompt Feedback on Complaints.

Mrs. Umeadi also noted that the State

Office has three (3) communication channels namely: Telephone, E-mail and the SERVICOM Desk. In her breakdown, she stated that 98.3% of the telephone calls bordered on requests, complaints and enquiries, which were promptly resolved while just 1.7% of the complaints remained unresolved as they were still being investigated by the Board. Similarly, she explained that 96% of the enquiries and complaints submitted via e-mails were resolved with only 4% unresolved owing to inadequate information to facilitate further processing.

On the whole, Mrs. Umeadi explained that 89.6% of the cases of undisclosed admissions cases submitted to the Unit were resolved while 10.4% remained unresolved as many of the institutions concerned were yet to upload the details of affected candidates. Another reason adduced by her related to the mismatch of details of parties featured on the complaints forwarded by the institutions with the ones on the database of the Board.

She attributed the achievements of the Unit to its ability to leveraging on appropriate technology to realise the operational objectives of the Board.

On her own part, the Head of PTC Umuahia, Mrs. Juliet Anikwe, noted that 94.6% Staff Attendance at work was recorded during the period under review while the remaining 5.4% was on account of staff who were on their annual leave. She added that the State Office had performed creditably well in building the capacity of staff especially in the areas of technology. She ascribed the improvement in staff attitude to work during the period under review to the series of palliatives instituted by the State Coordinator, chief among which is the reduced transportation cost of staff commuting to work.

In his contribution, the Head, PRC Umuahia, Mr. Anayo Ogbuagu, said that the utilisation rate of the PRC was 95% while the remaining 5% were underperforming areas that needed improvement. He also stated that 89.6% of candidates' requests were processed by the PRC while the

balance of 10.4% was not processed because some institutions were yet to upload the details of candidates applying for condonement of undisclosed admissions, among others.

Mr. Adebisi Consequently observed that the various KPIs submitted by the Units, are indicative of the strong correlation between the statistics from the SERVICOM Desk and that of the PRC Unit, to mention but a few.

In his submission on the KPM Dashboard for accredited CBT centres, Mr. Adebisi stated that the 87.5% compliance rate by the centres with the operational guidelines issued by the Board, revealed a remarkable level of stakeholders' engagement, which was borne out by the level of attention paid by the State Office to underperforming areas in the operations of partnering centres.

In the area of Data Privacy, he pointed out that the partnering CBT centres had exhibited a great level of adherence to the data protection protocol in their digital interactions with candidates in an increasingly data-driven environment by not keeping/using their records without their consent.

Giving a broad overview of the metrics studied, Mr. Adebisi maintained that the KPMs provided a clear picture of the performance and prospects of the State Office. He also added that the Metrics had enhanced staff engagement and morale, bridged knowledge gaps, enhanced decision making, helped in identifying patterns and trends over time, productivity, goal setting and planning, as well as overall service delivery in the Abia State Office.

In his closing remarks, the State Coordinator commended the Unit Heads for their excellent performance and their display of spirit of teamwork. He encouraged them to prepare for the tasks ahead particularly, with respect to remedying the underperforming areas identified in the Key Performance Metrics Dashboards stating that whatever can be evaluated can be enhanced.

ATTENTION!!!

Serialisation of guidelines for the 2022 admissions exercise continues.

Second series.

CESSATION OF ILLEGAL/IRREGULAR ADMISSIONS

- ❶ 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).
- ❷ No Institution should advertise or sell “application forms” for admissions into the programmes. Institutions should advertise candidates to apply to them through Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB). Duplication of application forms is **NOT** allowed.
- ❸ 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.
- ❹ 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

- ❶ 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.
- ❷ 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.