



UNAAB Stands Out Again

Becomes NWRCBN Zonal Centre

...Ahead of Other Institutions In Southwest

University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB) has been meritoriously selected to kick-start and midwife the National Water Resources Capacity Building Network. Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB), Nnamdi Azikiwe University Awka, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria and University of Ilorin, Ilorin.

He stated that the criteria used



UNAAB Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun acknowledging NWRI gesture while the Chairman, Board of Governors, Alhaji Muhammed Keana delivers his speech. (Inset) UNAAB Principal Officers and Director

UNAAB is the only University that was selected from all the tertiary institutions in the Southwest, to drive the pilot programme in the region, having met the criteria used for the selection of Network Partners ahead of others.

Consequently, UNAAB has been formally approved and equipped to commence operation as the Zonal Centre (Southwest) of the National Water Resources Capacity Building Network.

The Chairman, Board of Governors, National Water Resources Institute, Kaduna, Alhaji Muhammed Sabo Keana (Ciroman Keana) disclosed at the formal Presentation of Materials by the National Water Resources Capacity Building Network to UNAAB.

According to Alhaji Keana, four tertiary institutions were selected to pilot NWRCBN, they are University of

for their selection as Network Partners include, an established capacity building institution, well established Colleges, Faculties, Departments and Units, Accredited programmes, qualified and experienced staff.

Alhaji Keana informed that the objectives of NWRCBN include "to ensure appropriate and sustainable manpower development for water resources development and management throughout the country".

He noted that the visit of his team to UNAAB was necessitated by the satisfaction it derived from the fact founding visit it earlier paid the University from 16th to 19th March 2010.

The NWRI Governing Board Chairman said it was not by accident that UNAAB was selected as one of the four NWRCBN Nigeria, and Zonal Centre for Southwest, adding that it

FACTS FILE

Since inception, UNAAB has had three Chancellors. They are His Royal Highness, Alhaji Kabir Umar, the Emir of Katagum in Bauchi State. He was appointed in 1989.

Next was His Royal Highness Oba Adeyinka Oyekan, the Oba of Lagos (now late). He served for a brief period from 2001 – 2003.

The current Chancellor is His Royal Majesty, Obi (Prof.) Joseph Chike Edozien, the Asagba of Asaba in Delta State, a renowned and retired Professor of Medicine of the University of Ibadan.

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BUMPER PACKAGE:

NWRI Lifts UNAAB

... Donates Toyota Hilux Pick-up
... 10 Desktop Computers
... V-Sat Dish, Multimedia Projector, Laptop

In what appears as a bumper harvest, the Management of University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB) was stunned on Tuesday when the National Water Resources

smooth take-off of NWRCBN in UNAAB as Zonal Centre.

He informed that similar presentations will be made to the Nnamdi



The Toyota Hilux Pick-up and other gift items presented to UNAAB by NWRI. (Inset) UNAAB's Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun displaying the key of the vehicle while shaking Alhaji Keana

Institute, Kaduna (NWRI) donated a brand new four wheel double Cabin Toyota Hilux pick up, among others, to enhance the take-off of the Zonal Office of the National Water Resource Capacity Building Network (NWRCBN) in the University.

The positive development came barely 72 hours after Clerics prayed God to "Shock" the University with tremendous progress at the Thanksgiving Service marking the Third Year in office of the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun.

Aside the Hilux pick-up van, also presented to the University were 10 Desktop Computers with UPS, 1 Laptop Computer, 1 V-Sat with dish and 1 Multimedia Digital Projector with Screen.

Presenting the items, the Chairman, Board of Governors, (NWRI), Alhaji Muhammed Sabo Keana (Ciroma Keana) said the materials are meant to soften ground for the

Azikiwe University, Awka on the 24th June, 2010 while the other Universities which were selected as Centre for NWRCBN based on merit, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria and University of Ilorin, Ilorin will be made at a later date.

Alhaji Keana who was accompanied by the Acting Executive Director of NWRI, Dr. D.A. Bamgboye, said that UNAAB was selected as one of the four Centres having met the criteria set out for the would be Centres.

Receiving the present, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun who was elated by the presentation assured NWRI that the materials, in the custom of UNAAB will be judiciously used.

He also promised that the University will stop at nothing to make NWRCBN a success in Southwest where it has been selected as Zonal Centre.

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was based on the University excellent record and facilities on ground.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor reiterated the University commitment towards the overall development of the Centre.

On Alhaji Keana's entourage were the Acting Executive Director, Dr. O.A. Bamgboye, Colonel V. F. Oludare, Barrister Pat Ero, Engr. A. N. Egbula and Mallam B. G. Yahaya

Prof. Henshaw Becomes Dean

Professor (Mrs.) Folake Henshaw has been appointed the new Dean of the College of Food and Human Ecology (COLFHEC).

Prof. (Mrs.) Henshaw's appointment which came on the heels of the recommendation of the Board of College of Food Science and Human Ecology is to span for a period of two years, effective from August 1, 2010.

Meanwhile, Professor (Mrs.) Henshaw is to operate in acting capacity with effect from June 1 to July 31, 2010 when she will fully assume office as Dean.

The Vice-Chancellor's approval of her appointment has however been communicated to her, through a letter signed by the Acting Registrar, Mr. Leke Adeboye.



Prof. (Mrs.) Folake Henshaw

Works and Services Fetes Retirees

For their selflessness and dedication to work, the trio of Professor A.A. Olufayo, Engineer A.A. Adekunle and Dr. S.O. Ismaila were on Wednesday presented, Awards of Excellence at a Send-Forth ceremony organized in their honour

University visionary administration of Professor Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun is providing the required enabling environment that will make the Department to continue to shine.

The ceremony was graced by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor



From Left; Dr. S. O. Ismaila, Prof. A. A. Olufisayo and Engr. A. A. Adekunle of the Works & Services Department. (Inset) Administrator, Works & Services, Prof. S. B. Adejuyigbe speaking at the occasion

by staffers of the Works and Services Department of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB).

JAO Lecture Theatre Two which hosted the ceremony came alive as staff of the Department showered encomium on the Awardees for a service well rendered to the University.

While acknowledging the recipients, the Administrator of Works and Services, Professor Samuel Adejuyigbe commended the trio for their immense contributions to the re-branding of the Department.

He added that their heritage has gone a long way at re-branding the Department both within and outside the University Community.

Speaking on behalf of the recipients, the former Administrator Professor Olufayo appreciated the staff for the honour bestowed on them. He submitted that their success was as a result of the co-operation and unity that existed during their time.

He affirmed that the revitalization of the Department wouldn't have been possible if they have not worked as a team.

Professor Olufayo therefore charged the staff to rise up to the challenges ahead, stating that the

(Academics) Professor C.F.I. Onwuka who was represented by Mr. A.F. Adeniran, the Dean, Student Affairs, Professor Sam Oluwalana and Assistant Director of Public Relations, Mr. 'Lasun Somoye who was represented by the PPRO (Media & External Relations), Mr. Kola Adepoju and Mr. Olafimihan of the Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), UNAAB branch.

Two retirees of the College of Plant Science and Crop Production (COLPLANT) Dr. (Mrs.) Victoria Aiboni and Mr. Isiakaka Adekunle were on Wednesday honoured for their pedigree and dedication to service.

The retirees, according to COLPLANT Staff contributed in no small measure to the development and success achieved by the College.

Commenting on the duo, the Dean of the College, Professor Olusola Kehinde who was represented by his Deputy Dr. Rasheed Akinola Popoola affirmed that the retirees have laid good legacy which will not be forgotten by the College.

In his own words, a lecturer in the College, Dr. Jamiu Azeez stated that Dr. (Mrs.) Aiboni would not be forgotten for her effort at empowering young staff.

The Head of Department, Horticulture, COLPLANT, Professor Goke Bodunde described the Honorees as great people of honour who worked assiduously for the development of the Department.

... COLPLANT Too



Dr. (Mrs.) Victoria Aiboni receiving her gift during the ceremony held at COLPLANT Auditorium.

Responding, Dr. Aiboni attributed her success to the enabling environment provided by the University Management.

She expressed her appreciation to the kind gesture shown by the teeming staff, urging them not to relent in their efforts in achieving whatever dream they have.

UNAAB SIWES Director Counsels Students

Students of the University of Agriculture, Abeokuta (UNAAB) have been charged to be good ambassadors of the institution wherever they are posted to for their industrial attachment.

The charge came in an address delivered by the University's Director of Students Industrial Working Experience Scheme (SIWES), Professor Oluwole Ajala at the 2009/2010 Orientation Lecture.

The Don, also stated that Tertiary Education in Nigeria is tailored towards producing graduates both in practical and theory, calling on the students to be

self reliant and resourceful.

In his presentation, the Area Manager, Industrial Training Fund, Abeokuta, Mr. Abayomi Osasona said SIWES is not just about education but about how learning is engendered in

the context of work and how work is influenced by learning.

He commended UNAAB for being the Best University at SIWES level in Nigeria, urging the institution to keep it up.



A cross-section of UNAAB Students cheering the Speaker at the Orientation Lecture .
(Inset) Director, SIWES Prof. Oluwole Ajala and the ITF team..

The ITF Area Manager, however, admonished the students to be dedicated to duty, show initiative and drive in all their undertakings.

The technical presentation at the lecture was done by the Principal Training Development Officer of ITF, Mr. Lawrence Adebambo who also called on the students to make good use of their working experience.

ECHOES OF RECEPTION MARKING THE THIRD YEAR IN OFFICE OF UNAAB VICE-CHANCELLOR, PROFESSOR OLUWAFEMI OLAIYA BALOGUN



1. The Celebrant, Prof. Oluwafemi Olaiya Balogun and The Osile of Oke-Ona Egba, HRM Oba (Dr.) Adedapo Adewale Tejuoso, his "Oloris" and the Pro-Chancellor, Chief L. A. O. Osayemi and a Chief of the Osile.



2. A group photograph of the Vice-Chancellor and members of the 3rd Year Anniversary Planning Committee.



3. The Vice-Chancellor on the dance floor "digging it" with the Executive of UNAABSU



4. A cross-section of students at the reception.