

# FUK signs MoU with Beaconhouse University in Lahore Pakistan

By Jane I. Ezekiel



*Signing the agreement for the FUK as Vice Chancellor of Beaconhouse watched after appending his signature*

**F**ederal University of Kashere has signed an MoU for Strategic Partnership with the Beaconhouse University in Lahore, Pakistan.

This landmark event took place at the 10th MCAP-BNU International Media Conference 2025 held at Beaconhouse National University,

Tarogil Campus Lahore, Pakistan on the 18th to 19th of February 2025.

The Conference tagged: Bridging Divides: Media Literacy for informed and Connected Societies was a gathering of Media Professionals around the globe.

Presenters at the conference were drawn from USA, Sweden,

Germany, Russia England and the Czech Republic, while the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umaru A. Pate from Nigeria along side Egypt happened to be the only presenters from Africa.

Beaconhouse National University (BNU) was founded in 2003 by its parent company Beaconhouse



# Nakss Hosts Orientation, Honours Students

by A. Samuel Oluwakayode (Student)

**T**he National Association of Kwara State Students (NAKSS), FUK Chapter has organized an Orientation exercise to welcome its new members, and has awarded some of its members in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the Association from the previous academic session.

In a remark, the President of the Association, Comrade Ibrahim Abdulbaseet Bintinlaye who emphasized the importance of academic excellence, urged the new



**Dr. Asalejo**

members to attend classes regularly, participate actively, and seek help when needed.



In a key note address, the Staff Adviser of the Association, Dr. Asalejo stressed the importance of love, unity, and mutual support among members. He encouraged students to help and assist one another. The event also featured a humanitarian service segment, led by Comrade Adebayo Samuel Oluwakayode, President of the Nigerian Red Cross Society, FUK Detachment Unit and also currently the Secretary of the association.

Awards were presented to outstanding members, including Daniel Akanb Oluwasegun, who emerged as the Overall Best Student with a CGPA of 4.55, and Abdulbasit Ibrahim Bintinlaye, who came second with a CGPA of 4.18.

Height of the event was the exchange of pleasantries, merriment, and display of cultural heritage by members to maintain a strong sense of community and solidarity.

## FUK SRC Leads Rally against Social Vices

Muhammad Dammusa (Student)

**T**he Students' Representative Council (SRC) of the Federal University of Kashere (FUK) has organized a rally against social vices on Campus.

The rally was aimed at raising awareness about drug abuse, sexual harassment, Cultism and other negative behaviours affecting students' performance.

The rally which started from Gate 1 and ended at Block G Male Hostel, drew

widespread participation from students carrying placards with messages condemning social vices such as drug abuse, rape, and indecent dressing among others.

Addressing the students, in his office when they paid a visit to him, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umaru A. Pate emphasized the importance of self-discipline and responsibility.

He reminded the students that their primary



**Comr. Sahabo Abdulkadir**



# FUK Set to Become JAMB Centre

By Ganiyat Abdusalam

**T**he Federal University of Kashere is set to become a recognized center for administering the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB) examinations.

Speaking at a workshop organized by the Faculty of Education, the Director of Academic Planning Prof. Michael Mamman Degri disclosed this while emphasizing the university's commitment towards providing a credible and efficient examination process.

The Director highlighted the importance of proper invigilation, exam administration, and adherence to ethical guidelines in ensuring a fair testing environment for



**Prof. Michael Degri.**

of examinations.

Prof. Degri revealed the university's plans to introduce and commence JAMB centers once additional computers are procured. He stressed that strict supervision, invigilator training, and student discipline are crucial

exams premises, and conducting thorough inspections of Students before the tests begin.

Prof. Degri noted that, the success of any examination depends on the commitment of invigilators to carry their responsibilities. If these are properly carried out, examinations misconducts can be eliminated or reduced to the barest minimum.

In a remark, Prof. Jebson Sofeme of the Science Education Department stressed the need for strong examination protocols. He also lauded members of the Faculty for their relentless effort in curbing Examinations malpractice. He added that examinations

must be fair, valid, and reliable to ensure they reflect students' abilities.

"A well-structured test should distinguish between strong and weak students. Proper administration is essential for credible assessments", he said.

In a vote of thanks, the Dean Faculty of Education, Professor Barakatu Abdullahi reaffirmed the Faculty's commitment to strict



academic pursuit.

**Prof.**

He maintained that the training exercise is aimed at reminding the staff of essential guidelines, creating more awareness, and mobilizing personnel for smooth conduct

He outlined measures expected from invigilators to include systematic arrangement of students in a manner that will avert malpractice. He also included banning of mobile gadgets within the

supervision, careful planning, and continuous training for invigilators. Faculty members also pledged their support for policies aimed at upholding examination credibility.



# APPOINTMENTS OF DVCs

by Daure Billy

**T**he Vice Chancellor  
Federal University of

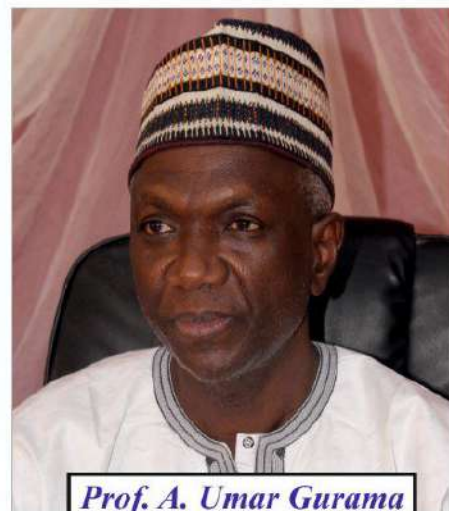


**Prof. Santaya Larit Kela**

Kashere, Prof. Umaru A. Pate has approved the appointments of

Professor Santaya Larit Kela and Professor Abubakar Umar Gurama as Deputy Vice Chancellor Academics and Deputy Vice Chancellor Administration, respectively.

The appointment which was confirmed by the University Governing Council during its 25<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting was due to their re-election by the University Senate at its 77<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting, is no doubt in recognition of their dedication, hard work, commitment, honesty



**Prof. A. Umar Gurama**

and selfless service.

The appointments are for their second and final term of two (2) years, effective from 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 to 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2027..

## Pate tasks PR ...

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the practitioners to always try to keep the audience by starting with strong points and providing details as well as including quotations and dates, among other features.

According to Prof Pate *"A Press Release is an official statement from an Organization to the media for use as news or other content. Press release is often*

*prepared to announce to the public important events, landmarks, clarify and or debunk rumours and negative publicity"*.



**Participants in a group photograph**

While speaking in his capacity, Mr. Hamza Idris advised the PR practitioners to know when to write press releases and desist from including advertisement content in their press releases, urging them not to write stories for reports, describing such act as a crime.





School System, it is located at Raiwind, a subdivision of Lahore District; the BNU campus is adjacent to the Bahria Town.[3]  
BNU offers study programmes in

visual design and arts, architecture, liberal arts, computer information technology,



**A cross section of participants**

psychology and mass communication. It is a member of the

Higher Education Commission and the Association of Commonwealth Universities

# Pate tasks PR practitioners in Universities to make themselves relevant

by Hassan Kwami

**T**he Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Kashere, Prof. Umaru A. Pate has charged Public Relations Officers in Universities to make themselves visible and relevant in the University system.

Prof. Pate made the charge while presenting a paper during a one day capacity building workshop with the theme: Effective Communication, Protocol Services and Public Relations Management Skills for University excellence organized by the Committee of



Vice Chancellors of Nigerian Universities (CVCNU) held at CVCNU Secretariat Abuja.

He said Information/Protocol Officers must equip themselves with relevant skills and technical knowhow to display

confidence and competence for their Institutions leadership to carry them along.

He said as PR practitioners they must have at least little knowledge of everything in their institutions to enable them to project its positive image appropriately.

Meanwhile, the Vice Chancellor, Prof. Umaru A. Pate encouraged the use of simple language, clear topic

and having the idea of the audience as some major tips while crafting effective press releases.

Prof. Pate whose paper was presented by the Editor in Chief of the DailyTrust Newspaper Mr. Hamze Idris, also advised



# FUK Engage in Diplomatic Simulations at IMUN

By Ganiyat Abdusalam

The Department of Political Science, in collaboration with the Department of International Relations, successfully hosted the 2nd Annual International Model United Nations (IMUN) event at FUK, on February 12th, 2025. The program, which took place at the entrepreneurship and service learning center of the University, is designed to engage students in diplomatic simulations, brought together future leaders to discuss global issues, develop negotiation skills, and promote international cooperation.

The coordinator, Mallam Salisu Inusa Hassan, delivered a welcoming address, highlighting the significance of IMUN in training students on global diplomacy. He briefly outlined the history of the United Nations, saying it was established in 1945 to foster world peace, and emphasized how IMUN serves as a platform to train students in international affairs beyond theoretical classroom discussions; and FUK being the only institution in the whole Northeastern Universities having this forum.

Dr. Bitrus Mai Labari, representatives of the HOD International Relations Department, underscored



**Mallam Salisu Inusa Hassa**

the importance of practical learning experiences. He stressed that students should actively engage in both formal and informal learning processes, encouraging them to sit right, observe, and explore their environment. He expressed gratitude to all participants, particularly invited guests and students who showed enthusiasm for the program. He explained that IMUN acts as a bridge between theoretical knowledge and real-life diplomacy. He urged that students should not only grasp the theoretical aspects of international relations, but also learn practical applications, as nations must

cooperate among themselves to maintain peace and stability. He encouraged participants to take their roles seriously, as IMUN provides a platform to prepare future diplomats and policymakers.

In his goodwill message, HOD History and Diplomatic studies, Dr Matthew Agbo. Commended the organisers and appreciated the participants for their time and effort. Saying IMUN is an important session and that the students enthusiasm signifies a successful and impactful gathering. Promised to forward recommendations to the University Management for further improvement.

The President of the Association of Political science Students, Bashir Khalid, commended the organisers and participants, reaffirmed that the IMUN event at FUK not only provided students with hands-on diplomatic experience but also reinforced the university's commitment to nurturing global citizens equipped with the knowledge and skills to address international challenges. He promised to encourage his colleagues to strive harder so as to make the University proud.



**Cross section of participants**



# Southwest Students' Association Welcomes New Students

by A. Samuel Oluwakayode (Student)

**T**he Southwest Students' Association of Nigeria FUK Chapter has organized a campus orientation exercise for new students from the region.

In his welcome address, President of the Association, Comr. Ismail Adeyemi Adebisi, welcomed both newly admitted and returning Students to the university community and 2025 academic session.

He encouraged old Students to maintain good behaviour and pledged to be a supportive leader in driving the association towards greater heights. Adebisi also cautioned them against engaging in negative activities such as cultism and drug abuse while advocating for decent dressing.

Dr. Karim Sharafudeen, Staff Adviser to the association, advised freshers not to take their admission for granted and emphasized careful course registration as all registered courses must be completed. He highlighted the importance of attending classes and completing assignments as prerequisites for writing exams.

Prof. Saheed Opeyemi Kolawole delivered a



**Cross section of participants**

speech on "Skills Acquisition" and "Life in Campus," urging students to join beneficial groups like debate clubs or school drama teams that enhance academic performance physically and morally. He stressed commitment to studies while warning against illicit activities.

Comr. Abdullah Adeyinka encouraged students to leverage on digital skills for income generation by learning from various online platforms that can create financial opportunities.

Dr. Kassim Yemi Oyewumi emphasized building

strong relationships within both university communities and beyond while cautioning against digital illiteracy among students.

The event marked an important step in integrating new students into university life while fostering a culture of responsibility among all members of the student body at FUK under Southwest Students' Association leadership.

## RED CROSS SOCIETY ORGANIZES FIRST SANITATION AND FITNESS EXERCISE

by A. Samuel Oluwakayode (Student)

**T**he Federal University of Kashere Red Cross Detachment Unit successfully organized its first-ever Sanitation and Fitness Exercise, tagged "Keep Kashere Clean."

The event took place on Saturday, 8th February 2025. The exercise commenced at 6:30 AM with physical training at the school's convocation square, followed by a cleanup of specific areas, including,



**Comdr. A. Samuel Oluwakayode**

DLC Classes, Convocation Square, School Clinic, Girls Hostel

President of the Unit, Adebayo Samuel Oluwakayode led a team of 22 student officers, comprising 3 females and 19 males. This historic event marked a significant milestone in serving humanity, in attendance where president of Kogi state students association, climate change students association, and zero tolerance for



purpose of being in the university is to acquire knowledge, discipline and develop skills that will shape their future.

"Sometimes, we need to ask ourselves; why

impact their future opportunities. "If you engage in misconduct today, it stays on your record and could cost you important opportunities later in life," he cautioned.

At the conclusion of the rally at Block G Male Hostel, SRC President Comr. Sahabo Abdulkadir reaffirmed the council's commitment to addressing student concerns and promoting positive values.

*"We have observed that some Students usually engage in harmful behaviors, which is why we are taking proactive steps to create awareness and educate them about the consequences of drug abuse and sexual harassment,"* he stated.

Additionally, he reminded students that examination timetable is out, and therefore encouraged them to begin preparations.

Students who participated in the rally expressed their appreciation for the SRC's dedication to addressing social issues on campus.

"This rally is a great initiative. It shows that the SRC is working hard to tackle student concerns, and I believe it will help reduce social vices within our university," one student remarked.



*Cross section of Rally Students*

are we in the university? Are we here to be trained as rascals and thugs, or as responsible citizens who will one day occupy leadership positions?" he questioned.

The Vice Chancellor also warned that universities and employers often request background reports on Students, which can

Prof. Pate encouraged students to utilize the university's resources positively, such as the FUK radio station, to engage in intellectual discussions and societal analysis. He stressed that both aptitude (intelligence) and attitude (behavior and interpersonal skills) are essential for success in life.







corruption clubs. The association Previously held some events in January by organising a 4K Marathon Bicycle and Race Running event, the first of its kind in the institution, Awards and certificate were presented to participants and individual sponsor of the event, In February, the

NRCS FUK paid courtesy visits on Deans of Faculties, Directors, the Chief Security Officer, and the Vice Chancellor of the University, The unit also organized its first-ever General Membership Congress in February. After the sanitation and physical exercise, the president addressed his team

members and those present charging them to ensure they are always available to serve humanity and promised to register them in the data base of the national body of the Nigerian Red Cross Society and become a full member of the society.

