



FUTB VC Promises Full Cooperation of Management to Anti- Corruption and Transparency Unit (ACTU)

As ICPC Oversees Birth of
ACTU FUT Babura Chapter

By Faruk Adamu

(1st left) Representative of the Chairman of ICPC Prof. Bolaji Owasonoye, Kano State Resident Anti-Corruption Commissioner Ibrahim A Garba Karaga and (2nd right) the VC Prof. Sabo Birinin Kudu with other University Principal Officers

The Vice Chancellor, Federal University of Technology, Babura (FUTB), Professor Sabo Ibrahim Birnin Kudu has accorded a warm welcome to officials of the Independent Corrupt Practices & Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) and promised the full cooperation of management to the newly-inaugurated University chapter of the Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit (ACTU).

Earlier, the Chairman of the ICPC, Prof. Bolaji Owasonoye said that, the ACTU initiative began in 2001 “to serve as an internal regulatory mechanism, to identify lapses in operational systems and to check unethical practices”.

The Chairman was speaking through the Kano State Resident Anti-Corruption Commissioner, Barr. Ibrahim A. Garba Kagara, at the inauguration of the newly constituted Anti-Corruption and

Transparency Unit (ACTU) of the Federal University of Technology, Babura, on 21st November, 2023.



Resident Comm. Barr. Ibrahim G. Kagara (standing) administering the oath of office to ACTU Members; as the Registrar, Fatima Binta Mohammed *mni* (1st left) listens

The ICPC Chairman explained that the Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act, 2000, provided the ICPC with a three pronged approach in fighting corruption, namely, Enforcement, Prevention and Mass Mobilization of the populace. In giving effect to its preventive mandate, the ICPC in collaboration with the Office of the Head of Civil Service of the Federation (OHCSF) established the Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit (ACTU) in 2001, “to serve as an internal regulatory mechanism, to identify lapses in the operational systems and to check unethical practices through investigations and rendering reports on such”.

To achieve this lofty mandate set before it, the ACTU members are expected to be well informed of their duties, hence the reason for the formal inauguration and swearing in of the unit, he added.

“...to check unethical practices through investigations and rendering reports...”



The University Bursar Mal. Ibrahim Alhassan (standing left) during the self-introduction by the visitors and members of management. The Head of Enlightenment Unit, Sani Tukur is first right.

The Chairman commended the University for the initiative and zeal to commence the ACTU activities. He drew the attention of the newly inaugurated ACTU members to the role they are expected to play through their mandate in order to have a sanitized system and workplace. To achieve this, he implored them to work in collaboration with the Management, staff and students of the institution. Finally, the Chairman prayed that with everybody’s support, the entire public service will one day be rid of corruption.



The Head of System Study, Shehu Abubakar Dange (1st right), standing with the Head of Enlightenment Unit, Sani Tukur (1st left).

BARR. KAGARA INAUGURATES THE FUTB ANTI CORRUPTION AND TRANSPARENCY UNIT (ACTU)

The ACTU members of the Federal University of Technology Babura, Jigawa State were formally sworn-in and inaugurated on 21st November, 2023 by Kano State ICPC Resident Anti-Corruption Commissioner, Barr. Ibrahim A. Garba Kagara. Dr. Sabiu Ibrahim Fago and Dr Zubairu Tijjani Babura are Chairman and Secretary respectively.

During the event, Barr. Kagara reminded the members of the main duties of the Commission that are enshrined in Section 6 (a-f) of the Act as follows:

- Investigation and prosecution (Enforcement); Section 6 (a)
- Prevention of corruption through review of tax operational systems in the Government's Ministries, Departments and Agencies; Section 6(b-d)
- Public enlightenment, education and mass mobilization against corruption; Section 6(e-f)
- The Chairman, Secretary and other members of the Unit shall hold office for a period of three years and may be

reappointed for another three years but no more thereafter.

THE POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF THE ACTU

The Unit shall perform all the duties detailed in Section 6 (a-f) of the Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Act 200, except that of prosecution. That is investigation, carrying out systems studies, educating and enlightening the public on and against corruption and enlisting public support among others. Members of this Unit are drawn from the Management and senior staff of an establishment and must be people of proven integrity. The Chairman and ACTU-FUTB is expected to liaise with the relevant Desk Officer at the Kano ICPC office.



Members of the FUT Babura ACTU taking oath of office.



The University Librarian, Prof. Atiku Abashe Maidibino (seated front row, 1st left) along with Jamilu Denaji System Study of ICPC, during the event.

Second Semester 2022/2023 Examination Timetable

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The Store Officer Malam SiyudinSani Danbatta (1st left) sits besides the stools

The University Central Scheduling and Examination Timetable Committee, chaired by the Deputy Vice Chancellor Academic, Professor Bala Sidi Aliyu, in its maiden meeting of 23rd November, 2023 approved the Second Semester Examination timetable for the 2022/2023 academic session.

The Committee informed the University Management that thirteen venues would be used for the examination.

The Physics, Chemistry and Biology laboratories would also be used for the exam. Shedding more light on the arrangements, the Committee stated that 100 stools were to be fixed in the laboratories for the purpose of the exam.

The Deputy Vice Chancellor, later inspected the proposed venues and the laboratory stools.



The DVC (Academics) Professor Bala Sidi shortly after inspecting the furniture.

ACCREDITATION OF THE UNIVERSITY BURSARY DEPARTMENT

FUTB Bursar Receives Officials from the Office of the Accountant General of the Federation

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The University Bursar Malam Ibrahim Alhassan who is the chief financial officer of the University received a team of officials from the Office of the Accountant General of the Federation on 24th November, 2023. The Bursary Department is the financial management hub of the university.

The department performs the financial and accounting functions of the university and it is also in charge of maintaining financial records, rendering financial services, managing financial resources and the efficient application of the accounting procedure, principles and standards.



The University Bursar Mal. Alhassan Ibrahim seated (2nd right) alongside Officials from the Accountant General Office: (1st from right) Muazu Mustapha and Abba Ringim From (1st left)

The team inspected the Bursary facilities in three divisions of the department: Expenditure and Control, Central Pay Office and the Final Account Divisions. The visitors expressed their satisfaction with what they saw and advised the account officers and their unit heads to ensure proper recording, categorization of expenses, preparation of financial reports and book keeping- monthly, quarterly and annually as the case may be. They also pointed out that regular analysis of financial data enhances efficiency.



Malam Abba Ringim in a discussion with the FUT final accounts team

In his response, the Bursar expressed readiness of the Department to uphold the expected standards of service and professionalism.



(1st right) Malam Abba Ringim with his colleague Thabitha Yamtu (1st left) examining ledgers



(1st left) Malam Abba Ringim with Tabitha Yamtu (first right) in discussion with Principal Auditor, Mukhtar Kamilu Abdu

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