

AFRICA CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE (ACE)
CENTRE FOR NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES AND FORENSIC
BIOTECHNOLOGY (ACENTDFB)
AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY,
ZARIA – NIGERIA

1ST MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7TH OCTOBER, 2013 AT
CONFERENCE ROOM CBRT/A.B.U. ZARIA.

	ACTION
1.00 ATTENDANCE	
1.01 Prof. A. J. Nok - Chairman	
1.02 Prof. J.K.P. Kwaga - Member	
1.03 Prof. Y.K.E. Ibrahim - Member	
1.04 Prof. I. Ndams - Member	
1.05 Dr. H. M. Inuwa - Member	
1.06. Dr. J. Kabir - Member	
1.07. Dr. (Mrs) H. Makun - Member	
1.08 S. K. Yashim - Secretary	
2.00 OPENING	
2.01 The meeting commenced at 2.20 p.m.	
2.02 The Chairman, Prof. A. J. Nok happily welcomed members to the meeting and congratulated the committee on the preliminary success of the research proposal submitted titled " <i>Centre of Excellence on Neglected Tropical Diseases and Forensic Biotechnology</i> ". He disclosed that of all the four research proposals submitted by Ahmadu Bello University, only the proposal " <i>Centre of Excellence on Neglected Tropical Diseases and Forensic Biotechnology</i> " went through.	
3.00 <u>AAU Visit</u> : Following the success of the research proposal, the Association of African Universities (AAU) would be visiting Ahmadu Bello University on 17 th October, 2013 to consider the followings:	
3.01 The leadership and management capacity of Ahmadu Bello University and the proposed Centre of Excellence.	
3.02 To ascertain the feasibility or otherwise the implementing the proposed project, given the existing academic capacity and infrastructure to hold meetings with: (i) the Vice Chancellor and the Senior Management (ii) Key personnel of the proposed Centre of Excellence (iii) Postgraduate students randomly and (iv) would take a tour of the university to inspect the facilities and personnel available for the proposed centre of excellence.	
3.03 The Chairman sought the cooperation of all members, especially at this crucial t stage. He implored the sub- committees to double their efforts and dedication to ensure a successful visitation.	
4.00 DELIBERATIONS	
4.01 On the need for financial management experience on this kind of funds; Mr. Ishaya Nuhu of Bursary Department, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria had earlier been proposed as the accountant, having similar experience as the accountant, A.B.U. Step-B. Fortunately enough, members of the ACE research team are highly experienced in managing similar funds.	
4.02 The Committee resolved to see the Vice Chancellor on 13 th October 2013	

<p>in respect of the AAU's visit in order to brief, discuss and seek the cooperation of the University administration, especially in the areas of finance, accommodation and logistics for a successful hosting of the august visitors. Profs. Nok and Abbah were expected book for appointment with the Vice Chancellor against October 13, 2013,</p> <p>4.03 <u>Finance.</u> Financial assistance was to be solicited from the university for transportations, fueling, payments of honorarium, cultural dance entertainers, souvenirs (gifts) for visitors.</p> <p>4.04 <u>Accommodation:</u> The university was expected to provide accommodation for the visiting team, foreign scientist(s) i.e. Prof. Jonka from Cameroon.</p> <p>4.05 About twenty (20) postgraduate students for ACE were expected to meet and discuss with the AAU randomly during the visit. It was calculated that a total of N100,000=00 would be needed to take care of 20 Postgraduate students at N5,000=00 each.</p> <p>4.06 The following members were requested give five (5) postgraduate students each:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Prof. J.K. P. Kwaga (Chairman on Rabies. (b) Prof. I. Ndams (Chairman on Filariasis) (c) Prof. Y.K. E. Ibrahim (Chairman on Capacity Building/ (d) Dr. J. Kabir (e) Dr. H.M. Inuwa <p>4.07 <u>Research Facilities:</u> The visiting team would to be taken round to inspect the following laboratory facilities at: (a) Centre for Biotechnology Research & Training (b) Multiuser laboratories (c) Biochemistry Department (d) Veterinary Public Health& Preventive Medicine Department, (e) Nigeria Institutes for Trypanosomiasis Onchocerciasis Research (NITOR)</p> <p>4.08 <u>Availability of ICT Services:</u> The meeting stressed the need to have an uninterrupted ICT facilities during the AAU visit. The Chairman, Prof. Nok offered to contact Dr. Dajab, Director of ICT or Mr. Adewale to seek for their cooperation in making the services of ICT facilities available.</p> <p>3.9 <u>Precautionary Measure Against Disruption of AAU Visit</u> On whether or not to seek for the cooperation of the unions during the AAU's visit, the House opted out, allowing the university management to handle the issue with the unions.</p> <p>5.00 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> The house adjourned the meeting at 4.17 pm to be reconvened as the Need arises before 17th October, 2013.</p> <p>Prof. A. J. Nok (MFR, NNOM) Chairman</p> <p style="text-align: right;">S. K. Yashim Secretary</p>	<p>Chairman Prof. Nok & Prof. Abah</p> <p>sub- Committees & others.</p> <p>CBRT, Vet, Biochem. NITR & Multiuser</p> <p>Chairman Prof. Nok</p> <p>Chairman Prof. Nok</p>
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