

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

4 TH	4TH TH GENERAL MINUTEST OF ACNTDFB MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 15th JULY 2014 AT 3.00 PM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF CENTRE FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY RESEARCH & TRAINING AHMADU BELLO UNIVERSITY, ZARIA	ACTION
1.00	PRESENT	
1.01	Prof. A. J. Nok (MFR, NNOM) Chairman/Centre Leader	
1.02	Dr. H. M. Inuwa Deputy Project Leader	
1.03	Prof. I.S. Ndams Member	
1.04	Prof. Y. K. E. Ibrahim Member	
1.05	Dr. H. J. Makun Member	
1.06	Mr. S. K. Yashim Secretary	
2.00	APOLOGY	
2.01	Prof. J. K. P. Kwaga Member	
2.02	Dr. N. M. Useh Member	
2.03	Prof. M. Mamman Member	
3.00	ABSENT	
3.01	Dr. A. A. Dzikwi Member	
3.02	Dr. N. M. Useh Member	
3.03	Mr. Ibrhaim Salisu Member	
3.04	Mr. Umar Abubakar Member	
4.00	IN ATTEDNDANCE	
4.01	Mal. A. Y. Mohammed (Representing Dr. J.Kabir)	
5.00	OPENING	
5.01	The meeting commenced at 3:20 am with individuals praying according to their faith as usual. The Chairman, Prof. A.J. Nok welcomed members to the	Chairman
5.02	4 th general meeting.	
5.03	He told the House that the Steering Committee Meeting would be held this	
5.04	Month – July, 2014.	
5.05	He told the World Bank that the Centre for Neglected Tropical Diseases and	
5.06	Forensic Biotechnology (ACENTDFB) had commenced training since	
5.07	February, 2014.	
5.08	He disclosed that training at the Nigerian Institute of Tripanosomiasis	
5.09	Research & Onchorcerciasis Research (NITOR) had been carried out. while	
5.10	field trips/training to Yankari and Ngauoundere had taken place.	
5.11	On that basis, the Capacity Building Officer, Prof. Ibrahim requested for the	
5.12	training data for documentations.	
5.13	The House was impressed that ACENTDFB had significant number of	
5.14	students. According Prof. Ndams, thus far, Filariasis' students were about 17	
5.15	as at the time of the meeting. Among the list were four (4) Cameroonian	
5.16	students, which included: (i) Bechemagbor Ashutaka, (ii)Matouke Moise, (iii)	
5.17	Difo Voukang Harouna and (iv) Gouegni Edwige Flore etc.	
5.18	The Chairman said that more students were being enrolled for the	
5.19	ACENTDFB programs.	
5.20	He told the House that Prof. Soerge Kelm and Petra Berger from the	
5.21	University of Bremen Germany were billed to arrived on Tuesday,15 th July,	
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5.23	2014 with reagents for practicals for the 2-week training. The ACENTDFB	Prof. Kelm
5.24	would pay the cost of the reagents and their flight tickets.	
5.25	The ACENTDFB's students would be trained on: Basic Recombinant Protein:	
5.26	Theory and Practice. Registration would be free. Also, certificates and	Dr.
5.27	training manuals would be given to the participants.	Inuwa,
5.28	The following scientists would be engaged as facilitators in the laboratory	Profs.
5.29	practical sections during the two-week training: Dr. Timothy Bulus, Chechet	Ibrahim
5.30	Gloria, Dr. T. Gbem, Mr. Idowu Aimola and ,Mrs. Bintu Iliya,	Ndams.
6.00	MATTERS ARISING	
6.01	The Chairman was reminded by the Capacity Building Officer on the necessity	
6.02	for the executive committee members to be officially given their appointment	
6.03	letters. He also re-emphasized the need for the inauguration of of the Africa	Chairman
6.04	Centre of Excellence for Neglected Tropical Diseases and Forensic	
6.05	Biotechnology by the University.	
6.06	In his comment, the Chairman, disclosed that the inauguration of the	
6.07	ACENTDFB would be done within the two weeks visit of Prof. Soerge Kelm	
6.08	before their departure.	
6.09	A member suggested that the Vice Chancellor should serve as a member of	
6.10	the ACENTDFB's committee, so that he could send someone to represent	
6.11	him at the meeting. The Chairman responded that he had already made	
6.12	move on that.	
6.13	The Meeting recommended that the following be invited to attend the	
6.14	inauguration ceremony of the ACENTDFB, which included:	
6.15	(i) Dr. Adekola of the World Bank Representative in Nigeria;	
6.16	(ii) National University Commission;	
6.17	(iii) Nigerian Institute of Medical Research Lagos;	
6.18	(iv) Nigerian Institute of Tripanosomiasis & Onchocerciasis Research;	
6.19	(v) Principal Officers of Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria;	
6.20	(vi) Head of Biochemistry Department, A.B.U. Zaria;	
6.21	(vii) Head of Biological Sciences Department, A. B. U. Zaria, A.B.U;	Chairman
6.22	(viii) Head of Veterinary Public Health & Preventive Medicine, A.B.U.	
6.23	(ix) and others.	
6.24	A member advised that the Secretary should start developing the minutes of	
6.25	meetings that had been held. A member responded that he had been	
6.26	developing the minutes.	
6.27	The Capacity Building Officer stressed the importance of mounting a training	
6.28	program for Diploma in Entomology, which would attract a great number of	
6.29	participants.	
6.30	The House unanimously agreed to conduct such a important training course,	
6.31	but in the near future.	
6.32	On the training of Monitoring & Evaluation Officer (Dr. J. Makun), the	
6.33	Chairman, said he would liaise with Dr. Adekola, the World Bank	Chairman
6.37	Representative in Nigeria to source and advise him on the needed training.	
7.00	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
7.01	A member reminded the Chairman on the need settle the outstanding balance	
7.02	of allowances to those who attended the meeting with the World Bank's	
7.03	Consultants and the inauguration ceremony between 14 th – 15 th and 20 th 22 nd	
7.04	May, 2014 in Abuja.	
7.05	The Chairman thanked Dr. J. Makun on behalf of all the members for her	
7.06	kindness by entertaining the members with NAPRI Yoghurt during the	
7.07	meeting.	

8.00	ADJOURNMENT	
8.01	Prof. Ndams moved for the adjournment of the meeting and he was seconded	
8.02	by Dr. Makun.	
8.03	The meet was adjourned at 5.07 pm.	
	Prof. A. J. Nok (MFR, NNOM) Project Leader/Chairman	S.K. Yashim Secretary