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Nigeria, South Korea to collaborate on multimedia training

The Ministry of Education has indicated interest in collaborating with the South Korea government on training Nigerian students on multimedia knowledge and skills.

This is on the recognition of the crucial role of technology in the attainment of the nation's developmental objectives.

The Minister of Education, Adamu Adamu, disclosed this recently in Abuja when the South Korean Ambassador to Nigeria, His Excellency, Maj. Gen Lee In-Tae (Rtd), paid him a working visit.

Adamu, who said that the government is aware of the importance of education in development, expressed its interest in utilizing the sector to achieve the developmental goals of the present administration.

He emphasised that technical, vocational education and training is an area the Federal Government is interested in exploring to achieve its development mandate.

The Minister also urged the Korean delegation to explore more areas of collaboration with the Federal Government adding his Ministry is keen on working with capable development partners.

Apart from the multimedia sub-sector, Adamu also enjoined the Ambassador to explore ways of helping Nigerian government tackle issues of Out-of-School children, the girl- child and technical education, as well as encourage exchange programmes between South Korean and Nigerian universities. Speaking earlier, the South Korean Ambassador informed the Minister that the visit was necessitated by the interest of his government in seeking areas of cooperation in the education sector to assist in the development of the country.

In this light, he disclosed that the South Korean government is interested in establishing a multimedia institution in the country aimed at training Nigerian students on current knowledge and skills of the multimedia world.

Maj. Gen In-Tae said that the institution, a product of Korea International Cooperation Agency, (KOICA), is keen on providing world class multimedia knowledge and skills to its trainees.

In his remarks, Country Director of KOICA in Nigeria, Woochan Chang, said that the establishment of the institution is indicative of the interest of the Korean government in developing the manpower of the country.

He disclosed that the Korean model school is to be established in November this year, with the knowledge and cooperation of the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC).

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