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Federal University, Oye-Ekiti  
(2011 - 2015)**

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**WHITE PAPER ON THE REPORT OF THE VISITATION PANEL INTO THE AFFAIRS  
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(2011–2015)**



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**SCHEDULE**

**WHITE PAPER ON THE REPORT OF THE VISITATION PANEL INTO  
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1. The Federal Government White Paper on the Report of the Visitation Panel into the affairs of the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti (2011–2015) as provided in the schedule to this Notice is hereby published in the Federal Government Gazette.

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2. This Notice may be cited as the “White Paper on the Report of the Visitation Panel into the affairs of the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti (2011–2015)”.

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**1.0. INTRODUCTION**

The Visitor to the Federal University Oye-Ekiti, President Muhammadu Buhari, GCFR, set up a Visitation Panel to the University with the charge to produce two reports, one each for the periods 2011 - 2015 and 2016 - 2020.

**1.1. Members of the Panel were:**

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| (i)   | Professor Chukwunonso E.C.C. Ejike | .. | .. | .. | <i>Chairman</i>  |
| (ii)  | Captain Bala Jibrin                | .. | .. | .. | <i>Member</i>    |
| (iii) | Professor Ezenwa C. Ngwakwe        | .. | .. | .. | <i>Member</i>    |
| (iv)  | Mrs. Mercy Foluso Kolajo           | .. | .. | .. | <i>Member</i>    |
| (v)   | Mallam Mohammed I. Dan'lya         | .. | .. | .. | <i>Member</i>    |
| (vi)  | Dr. Mohammad I. Jawa               | .. | .. | .. | <i>Member</i>    |
| (vii) | Engineer Hassan Y. Adamu           | .. | .. | .. | <i>Secretary</i> |

Following inauguration, the Panel was given sixty days beginning from 13th April, 2021 to carry out its assignment. The Panel travelled to the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, obtained relevant records, books and documents of the University, interacted with key actors and stakeholders, received memoranda, and engaged in other activities relevant to eliciting the information required to write a detailed objective and fact-driven report for the attention of the Visitor.

**1.2. TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Panel's Terms of Reference were to :

- (i) enquire into the level of implementation of the White Paper on the last visitation report ;
- (ii) look into the leadership quality of each university in terms of the roles of the Governing Council, the Vice Chancellors and other Principal Officers;
- (iii) look into the financial management of each institution, including statutory allocations and internally generated revenue over the recommended period, and determine whether it was in compliance with appropriate regulations ;
- (iv) investigate the application of funds, particularly the special grants and loans meant for specific projects, in order to determine the status of such projects and their relevance for further funding ;
- (v) examine the adequacy of the staff and staff development programmes of each university ;
- (vi) determine the relationship between the University and the various statutory bodies it interacts with according to its Law, for the purposes of supervision, planning, finance, discipline, guidance and any other relationship (i.e. the Governing Council, the National Universities Commission and the Federal Ministry of Education);

**(vii)** examine the Law establishing the University including the relationship between the various internal organs, units and offices, and indicate the ways the Law has been observed by the competent authorities, and also suggest any modifications to the Law ;

**(viii)** trace the historical evolution of the University and take stock of its net achievements and problems as well its style and direction ;

**(ix)** examine the general security in the University and how the University has dealt with it, and recommend appropriate measures ; and

**(x)** examine the processes and structures of discipline of students in the University in line with due process of the rule of law.

1.3. Details of the Findings/Observations and Recommendations of the Visitation Panel, as well as the Comments indicating recommendations accepted, noted, or rejected by the Visitor are contained in a tabular format in sections 2 – 11 of this gazette. The highlights of the Visitor's directives include :

**(i)** the Visitor to inaugurate Governing Councils on time;

**(ii)** the recommendations of the External Audit Report must be implemented immediately;

**(iii)** the University should adhere to extant financial regulations and circulars, especially the Financial Regulation and the Public Procurement Act 2007;

**(iv)** Council should immediately commission specialists to assess the structural integrity of the buildings and determine which ones require renovation and which ones require reconstruction ;

**(v)** the University should embark on aggressive library and laboratory development, including the procurement of relevant books, resource materials and equipment ;

**(vi)** the University should immediately develop a landscape plan and carry it out so as to improve the general aesthetics of the two campuses.

**(vii)** the Visitor should urgently direct that the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Establishment Act, 2015 be revised;

**(viii)** the FME should formally request the Ekiti State Government to fulfil its obligation of compensating the host communities for their land, and getting the members of Oye-Ekiti community to vacate the University lands ;

**(ix)** the FME should formally request the Ekiti State Government to release the Certificate of Occupancy for the University lands to the University ;

**(x)** the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Students' Handbook of Information should be revised to include the composition and functions of the Students' Disciplinary Committee of the Senate ; and

**(xi)** the Students' Disciplinary Committee of the Senate should have two (2) student representatives as members, just as representatives of the staff Unions to which a member of staff belongs are required to be in a staff disciplinary panel.

**TERM OF REFERENCE ONE**

*"Inquire into the level of implementation of the white paper on the last visitation."*

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2.1.		This is the first visitation to the Federal University Oye-Ekiti so nothing was observed and nothing was found for this term of reference.	Recommendation not applicable.	<i>Visitor notes this observation.</i>

## TERMOFREFERENCETWO

*“Look into the leadership quality of the University in terms of the roles of the Governing Council, the Vice-Chancellors and other Principal Officers.”*

S/No.	Item	Observations/Findings by the Visitation Panel	Recommendations by the Visitation Panel	Comments by the Visitor
3.1.		<p>The University operated without :</p> <p>(a) Council from 2011 to June 2015.</p> <p>(b) The first Council, led by Chief (Engr.) Bawa Magaji Kufana as Pro-Chancellor, had its first meeting from June 3rd to 4th, 2015, that is in the last six months of the period under review.</p> <p>(c) The absence of an enabling law and a Council, especially during the formative years of the University created governance challenges. Indeed, the fact that there was no law could imply that there were no valid breaches. However, the Officers of the University relied on relevant Government circulars, acceptable practices, norms and culture, in other Federal Universities in Nigeria.</p> <p>(d) For the short period there was a Council however, Council's minutes and testaments from the University community indicate that Council exercised its regulatory and oversight functions effectively.</p> <p>(e) Two Vice-Chancellors served for two</p>	<p>(i) The Visitor should always comply with the laws and acceptable traditions of Federal Universities in Nigeria, with respect to ensuring that the University always has a Council. This will ensure that the University is guided by Council as provided for by the law.</p> <p>(ii) The transparent and sound systems of academic leadership established by the 1st and 2nd Vice-Chancellors, such as the committee system used in the administration of the University, and the use of consultation as a tool (especially prior to sensitive appointments) should be sustained.</p> <p>(iii) The use of a lean but efficient administrative structure is an efficient and effective process, especially for a young University, and therefore should be sustained.</p> <p>(iv) The University should ensure that officers appointed to the position of Registrar are not below the rank of</p>	<p>(i) Visitor notes recommendations (i), (ii), (iii), (v), (vii), (viii) and (ix).</p> <p>(ii) Visitor notes recommendations (iv) and (vi) in line with extant law of Federal Universities.</p>

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		<p>and three years each, during the period under review. The pioneer Vice-Chancellor, Professor Chinedu O. Nebo (appointed in 2011) was appointed a Minister in February 2013, and the Visitor appointed Professor Isaac U. Asuzu who served from February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 to the end of the period under review. The implication of having two Vice-Chancellors within a term of five years apparently may have affected the development and management of the University at that point in time.</p> <p>(f) Both Vice-Chancellors nonetheless provided good quality leadership to the University, particularly as Chairmen of Senate. Their academic leadership is evident in the foundations for academic culture which they laid as seen in the proper recruitment exercises and appointments of University Managers (HODs, Deans and Directors) they supervised and the staff to student's ratios maintained in the said period. Many of the University Managers interviewed reported that whereas the first Vice-Chancellor was very aggressive with the</p>	<p>Deputy Registrar (and who have served in the rank for a minimum of five years).</p> <p>(v) The University should comply with extant regulations and immediately advertise for, and through a thorough interview process recruit, quality Principal Assistant Registrars and Deputy Registrars to help the Registrar provide appropriate administrative leadership to the University community.</p> <p>(vi) The University should ensure that officers appointed to the position of Bursar are not below the rank of Deputy Bursar or Deputy Director of Audit (who have served in the position for a minimum of five years).</p> <p>(vii) The University should comply with extant regulations and advertise for, and through a thorough interview process recruit, quality Chief Accountants, Chief Internal Auditors, Deputy Bursars, and Deputy Directors of Audit to help the Bursary and</p>	

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		<p>development of physical infrastructure, the second Vice-Chancellor was particularly methodical in decision making and the observance of rules, and consolidated on the foundations laid by his predecessor.</p> <p>(g) The University Management was structured in line with the best traditions in the Nigerian University system with the Vice-Chancellor and other Principal Officers at the head of the administration.</p> <p>(h) The Senate was properly constituted and run through the committee system which allowed for detailed study of critical matters before discussion by Senate.</p> <p>(i) The Deans of Faculties were Professors and they provided leadership in their Faculties while the Heads of Departments, appointed by the Vice-Chancellor after consultations with the Deans, provided leadership in the Departments.</p> <p>(j) There were no significant violations of due process in the running of the University during the period under review.</p> <p>(k) The Visitor appointed Dr. Modupe O. Ajayi Registrar of the University at inception. However, Dr. Ajayi could</p>	<p>Internal Audit provide appropriate financial records services to the University.</p> <p>(viii) The University should advertise for, and through a thorough interview process recruit, quality librarians of the Librarian I and Senior Librarian cadres to help the University Librarian provide quality leadership in the Library.</p> <p>(ix) Finally, the University should desist from using the services of retired individuals when there is an abundance of qualified candidates to hold offices as principal officers.</p>	

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		<p>not take up the appointment for personal reasons. Consequently, Mr. Abiodun Adeyemo was appointed Acting Registrar in her place and he held the position until he was appointed substantive Registrar in May 2015.</p> <p>(l) Given that Mr. Abiodun Adeyemo was a Principal Assistant Registrar at the Federal University of Technology, Akure, at the time the mantle of providing administrative leadership fell on him, his limited experience did not allow for a robust administrative development of the University at its formative days. Indeed, the absence of senior administrators within the Registry may have affected the development of the initial regulatory instruments of the University and their application. Mr. Adeyemo served till the end of the period under review.</p> <p>(m) During the period under review, the University had Mr. Obadiah Dyltu as Account Officer. Mr. Dyltu was until his appointment a Chief Accountant at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. Reports from the External Auditors (Annexure 6) dur-</p>		

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		<p>ing the said period indicate that the Bursary did not have the type of quality leadership expected of a new University. External audit recommendations such as :</p> <p>"management should put good and sound accounting system in place..." "...immediate introduction of these important books and records (store ledger, bin card, requisition register, store register) in the store so that proper documentation can commence in the store", "... standard fixed assets register be acquired and introduced to capture all the tangible assets of the University without any delay", and "...on the job training programme for the Bursary/Internal Audit staff..."</p> <p>were largely unimplemented during the period.</p> <p>Mr. Dyltu served till May 2015 when Mr. Bashir Oyeniye Badmus, a Deputy Bursar from the University of Ilorin, was appointed Bursar.</p> <p>(n) The Internal Audit Unit did not produce any proper internal audit report for the years 2011, 2012 and</p>		

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		<p>2015. Indeed, the External Auditors consistently reported the failure of the Internal Audit Unit to make available to them the internal audit report, even for the years for which reports were produced (2013 and 2014). The clear inefficiency of the Internal Audit during the period under review would have rubbed off negatively on the University's internal mechanisms for checking financial recklessness.</p> <p>(o) The pioneer University Librarian, Mr. Michael Oluwale Afolabi, was a retired Librarian from the Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, who though competent may have lacked the energy and drive needed to pioneer library development for a young University. During the period, the University Library had very few professional librarians. The Library was nonetheless provided quality leadership as is evidenced in the existence of appropriate (but short-staffed) Library sections and systems. Mrs. Afolabi served as University Librarian until June 2015 when Dr. Gboyega Adio, a former</p>		

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		University Librarian at Ladoke Akintola University, was appointed University Librarian.		

**TERM OF REFERENCE THREE**

*"Look into the financial management of the Institution including statutory allocation and internally generated revenue over the recommended period, and determine whether it was in compliance with appropriate regulations."*

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4.1.		<p>There were minor differences in the figures presented by the Acting Bursar when compared to those presented by the External Auditors. The differences appear to be presentational. For example, while the Bursar reported that no IGR was generated in 2011, the External Auditors reported that IGR of sixty-two million, two hundred and fifteen thousand, three hundred naira (N62,259,400.00) was generated that year. For the following year, 2012, the Acting Bursar reported an IGR generation in excess of what is reported by the External Auditors by N62,259,400.00.</p> <p>The summary of the expenditure of the University between 2011 and 2015 as presented by the Acting Bursar (Annexure 7) :</p> <p>(a) The University maintained twelve (12) bank accounts in seven (7) commercial banks.</p> <p>(b) Proper internal audit reports were prepared only in the years</p>	<p>(i) The Bursar should always prepare adequate and up to date records;</p> <p>(ii) The External Auditors' recommendations should be implemented.</p>	<p>Visitor notes recommendation (i), accepts (ii) and directs that Council should ensure Management complies with (ii).</p>

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		<p>2013 and 2014. For the years 2011 and 2012, long essays on the state of the audit unit were written in place of proper internal audit reports; while none was prepared for the year 2015.</p> <p>(c) The first external auditing of accounts of the University was done at the end of 2014, for the period 2011 to 2014 (Annexure 6). The external auditors noted that "...there was no good accounting system put in place for all the periods examined". The said report pointed out that expenditures in excess of eighty million naira were not audited by the internal audit before they were incurred; while equipment and furniture worth more than sixteen million naira were delivered to the University, but not captured by the store. The above are indicators of poor financial management practices as they could have resulted to inflation of prices (in the case of non-auditing) and increased the chances of procured items being stolen (in the case of absence of store records).</p>		

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		<p>(d) The external auditors' recommendations as highlighted in 3.2 (d) above, especially with respect to the adoption of proper accounting systems and computerized operations were not implemented and were highlighted again in the 2015 external audit report.</p>		

## TERM OF REFERENCE FOUR

*"Investigate the application of funds, particularly the special grants and loans meant for particular projects, in order to determine the status of such projects and their relevance for further funding."*

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5.1.		<p>(a) Forty-three(43) projects were initiated in the period under review. Thirty-six (36) of them were also completed within the period, while seven (7) projects were completed later.</p> <p>(b) Other than the 500-capacity lecture theatre funded by the NEEDS Assessment intervention funds, all the projects were funded by TETFund.</p> <p>(c) A total of 42 per cent of the projects were reconstruction or remodelling of buildings inherited from the Agriculture Development Programme(ADP) Ikole.</p> <p>(d) All the projects have been eventually completed and as such, one may say the funds were properly applied, and no additional funding is needed.</p> <p>(e) As can be seen from the scores for some of the assessed projects (Table 2), approximately 82 per cent of the projects had scores below 60 per cent while 36 per cent of them had scores below 50 per cent. The poor state of the build-</p>	<p>(i) Given that the projects initiated during the period under review have been completed, no additional funding is needed to complete them.</p> <p>(ii) Council should immediately commission specialists to assess the structural integrity of the buildings and determine which ones require renovation and which ones require reconstruction.</p> <p>(iii) Based on the report of the commission mentioned in 5.2 (ii) above, the Visitor needs to intervene financially to help the University address the challenges.</p> <p>(iv) The funds spent on building "small" structures such as the security house, take-off library and administrative block, etc., should be aggregated and used in building imposing and enduring buildings in the future.</p>	<p>(i) Visitor notes recommendations (i), (iii) and (iv).</p> <p>(ii) Visitor accepts recommendation (ii).</p>

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		<p>ings may be attenuated by the fact that they were assessed after 8 to 9 years of their completion. Nonetheless, none of the buildings on both campuses of the University looks like the imposing and delicately finished buildings one would normally find in a University.</p> <p>(f) Based on the Infrastructure Assessment Tools output, the security house and the medical centre at the Oye campus are the worst structures constructed during the period, while the 500-capacity lecture theatre was the best.</p> <p>(g) The remodelled cafeteria and the male hostels at the Ikole campus are currently in decrepit conditions.</p> <p>(h) Almost all the buildings currently need urgent renovation or reconstruction.</p>		

## TERMOFREFERENCE FIVE

*"Examine the adequacy of the staff and staff development programmes of each university."*

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6.1.		<p>(a) The Federal University, Oye-Ekiti took off with four (4) Faculties viz: Agriculture, Engineering, Humanities and Social Sciences, and Sciences. No new Faculties were created during the period under review.</p> <p>(b) The Faculties and programmes were in line with development plans for the first phase of the University as seen in her Academic Brief, approved by the NUC.</p> <p>(c) In August of 2015, the NUC visited the University to accredit twenty-six (26) programmes. A letter from the NUC dated 3rd December, 2015 indicated that 21 (81 per cent) of the programmes had interim accreditation status, and only 5 (19 per cent) had full accreditation status.</p> <p>(d) The staff to students' ratios of the thirty (30) programmes offered in the University (with at least four cycles of student admissions), at the end of 2015, there were numerically sufficient academic staff for the</p>	<p>(i) The University should consolidate the existing programmes before any expansion.</p> <p>(ii) The University should utilise the resources available at TETFund (Academic Staff Training and Development, AST &amp; D) and some of its IGR to embark on the training of its junior academic staff so as to improve on the number with Ph.Ds.</p> <p>(iii) Given the staff to students' ratios for all the programmes, the University should not be in a hurry to hire additional staff, except in cases where it is of strategic importance for the advancement of the University's mandate, such as in the Library.</p> <p>(iv) The University should embark on aggressive library and laboratory development, including the procurement of relevant books, resource materials and equipment.</p> <p>(v) The University should immediately develop a landscape</p>	<p>(i) Visitor notes recommendations (i), (ii) and (iii).</p> <p>(ii) Visitor accepts recommendations (iv) and (v), directs Council to ensure compliance by developing an appropriate Master plan for the University.</p>

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		<p>student population of all the programmes. The data were derived from records on academic staff, technologists, senior non-teaching staff, and junior staff strengths, and students' enrolment submitted by the Acting Registrar.</p> <p>(e) However, the staff mix was largely poor as only 7 (23 per cent) of the programmes had up to 60 per cent of their academic staff as Ph.D holders</p> <p>(f) The distribution of all the staff of the University at the end of 2015 (shown in the Table 5 below) indicates that the staff strength of the University nearly tripled between 2012 and 2015. The University had only five (5) Librarians at the time, and only two (2) of them had a Ph.D.</p> <p>(g) A total of sixty-four(64) academic staff were sponsored to attend conferences between 2011 and 2015 (see Annexure 16). As much as 88 per cent of the grants were given to fund conference attendance abroad. During the same period, seventeen (17) academic staff received grants to pursue further studies. About 53 per cent of</p>	<p>plan and carry it out so as to improve the general aesthetics of the two campuses.</p>	

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		<p>the grants were to support postgraduate studies abroad.</p> <p>(h) It is difficult to assess the state of the Library and the laboratories for the period under review. Nonetheless, the fact that only 19 <i>per cent</i> of the programmes got full accreditation in 2015 indicates that the Library as well as the laboratories and workshops may have been inadequate.</p> <p>(i) Similarly, it is difficult to assess the physical environment of the University during the period under review. However, there is no indication that the landscape environment has ever been carefully planned and developed, resulting in the observed very poor general aesthetics of the two campuses.</p>		

## TERM OF REFERENCE SIX

*“Determine the relationship between the University and the various statutory bodies it interacts with according to its law for the purposes of supervision, planning, finance, discipline, guidance, etc. such bodies include the Governing Council, the Supervising Agency and the Federal Ministry of Education as well as the Visitor”*

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7.1.		<p>(a) The Act establishing the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti was enacted by the National Assembly and assented to by the President in 2015 and a Council was constituted shortly afterwards. The first Council meeting was held from the 3rd to the 4th of June 2015. For the period under review, the Council could meet only two times. Clearly (from the minutes of Council meetings) it had a good working relationship with the University.</p> <p>(b) There was a clear healthy relationship between the University and the National Universities Commission (NUC), the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board (JAMB), and the Federal Ministry of Education (FME) as shown by the absence of queries from any of the aforementioned bodies.</p> <p>The number of visits to the University by the NUC for accreditation and resource veri-</p>	<p>(i) The good relationship between the University and the Council should be sustained to enable proper checks and balances and healthy growth of the University.</p> <p>(ii) The good relationship between the University and the National Universities Commission, the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board, and the Federal Ministry of Education should be maintained and built upon to attract more resources for building the University.</p>	<p>Visitor notes recommendations (i) and (ii).</p>

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		<p>fication exercises and the positive outcomes of such exercises (in the sense that no programme was denied accreditation) indicate that the relationship was healthy.</p> <p>(c) Additionally, the continued hitch-free admission of students into the University and the University's continued hosting of JAMB examination centres indicate a healthy relationship with JAMB.</p> <p>Indeed, JAMB increased the admission quota of the University from 550 to 1500 at the end of 2015.</p>		

## TERM OF REFERENCE SEVEN

*“Examine the law establishing the University, including the relationship between the various internal organs, units and offices, and indicate the ways the law has been observed by the competent authorities, and also suggest any modifications to the law.”*

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8.1.		<p>(a) Though the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti was established in the year 2011, by an executive order of the President and Visitor, the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Establishment Act which provides details of its modus operandi was enacted in 2015.</p> <p>(b) It is apparently in response to this that the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Establishment Act 2015 provides some clauses that seem to have retrospective effect in terms of transitional provisions as to property, functions, etc. as referred to in Section 10(2) and elaborated in the Second Schedule of the Act.</p> <p>(c) The relevant instruments required by law to run the University are in existence and can be said to be validated by the provisions of Section 10(2) as mentioned above.</p> <p>(d) It is nonetheless apparently speculative, and a matter of interpretation that the provisions of Section 10</p>	<p>(i) The Visitor should urgently direct that the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Establishment Act 2015 be revised to provide for a more direct provision of retrospective approval of the existence of the University and the activities of its organs, including the Vice-Chancellor and Principal Officers, Senate, officers, staff, students and properties. This will be more holistic in capturing the entire spectrum of the University's life and actions prior to the enactment of the Act in 2015.</p> <p>(ii) The Vice-Chancellor should consistently seek the opinion of the Legal Unit on any matter bordering on, involving or related to, any of the issues regulated by the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Establishment Act, 2015 or any of the subsidiary instruments identified above.</p>	<p>(i) Visitor accepts recommendation (i) and directs Federal Ministry of Education to initiate the review of the Act establishing the University.</p> <p>(ii) Visitor notes recommendation (ii).</p>

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		<p>and its accompanying Second Schedule wholly covers the operations and activities of the University before the enactment of the Act in 2015. This is irrespective of the interpretation section of the Act.</p> <p>(e) The Federal University, Oye-Ekiti Establishment Act 2015 was largely observed properly for the less than one year it was in force during the period under review.</p> <p>(f) The provisions of the other aforementioned regulatory documents and their interpretation and application (particularly with respect to promotions) were however contested by staff unions.</p>		

## TERM OF REFERENCE EIGHT

*"Trace the historical evolution of the University and take stock of its net achievements and problems as well as its style and direction."*

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9.1.		<p>(a) Federal University, Oye-Ekiti is one of the nine Universities established by the Federal Government of Nigeria, pursuant to an Executive Order made by President Goodluck Ebele Jonathan, GCFR in 2011.</p> <p>(b) The University at inception adopted a 2-campus model - the Oye campus and Ikole campus.</p> <p>(c) The Oye Campus of the University sits on five hundred and seven (507) hectares of land while the land area of the Ikole campus is five hundred and thirty-eight (538) hectares.</p> <p>(d) Academic activities in the University commenced in July 2012, and on the 14th of September, 2012, the University matriculated her pioneer set of five hundred and two (512) students.</p> <p>(e) The pioneer Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti, Professor Chinedu Ositadimma Nebo, was appointed Minister of Power by President Goodluck Ebele Jonathan in February, 2013.</p>	<p>(i) The University should investigate the reasons why 512 students participated in the matriculation exercise in 2012 but there were only 434 students at the end of the year. The remote and immediate causes should be identified and lessons learned for the future.</p> <p>(ii) The University should make deliberate efforts to collate her achievements and those of her staff and students and document same in permanent retrievable forms.</p> <p>(iii) The University should encourage staff to apply for prestigious awards and fellowships, and to compete for grants from local and international bodies.</p> <p>(iv) The Vice-Chancellor through Senate should create an office in the Directorate of Research and Development, charged with supporting staff to apply for and win grants and fellowships.</p>	<p>Visitor notes recommendations (i) (ii), (iii) and (iv).</p>

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		<p>(f) Professor Isaac Uzoma Asuzu was appointed second Vice-Chancellor of the University in February of 2013 and served till the end of the period under review.</p> <p>(g) Mr. Abiodun Adeyemo was the Acting Registrar at inception and served in that capacity till 2015 when he was appointed Registrar.</p> <p>(h) Mr. Odabiah Dyltu served as Account Officer from 2011 till 2015. Mr. Bashir Oyeniyi Badmus served out the rest of the period under review as Bursar.</p> <p>(i) Mr. Michael Oluwole Afolabi was appointed University Librarian (on contract) from 2011 to 2015. Dr. Gboyega Adio served out the rest of the period under investigation as University Librarian.</p> <p>(j) Federal University, Oye-Ekiti at the end of the 2011/2012 academic sessions had four (4) Faculties and twenty-eight (28) Departments, but had grown to thirty (30) Departments in the same Faculties at the end of the 2014/2015 academic session.</p>		

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		<p>(k) The students' population had grown from four hundred and thirty-four (434) at the end of the 2011/2012 session to two thousand, three hundred and four (2,304) at the end of the 2014/2015 session.</p> <p>(l) In the same period, academic and non-teaching staff strengths had also grown from one hundred and twenty-five (125) to three hundred and sixty-five (365), and four hundred and twenty-seven (427) to one thousand and ninety-eight (1,098), respectively.</p> <p>(m) Somestaff of the University won prestigious fellowships during the period under review.</p>		









