



MOUAAU's rising visibility excites VC, as students win laurels in national competitions

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I now wake up every morning, by the grace of God, with excitement and a sense of fulfilment and gratitude to God, that this University, under my watch, is now being recognized in Nigeria and all over the world, as a serious-minded tertiary institution, as our students compete with other universities and win laurel for the University”.

Those were the words of the 6th Vice-Chancellor of MOUAAU, Prof. Maduebibisi Ofo Iwe, while receiving 2 teams of the University Students that won laurels in national competitions recently.

The 1st team that was presented to the Vice-Chancellor and the University Management was the University Debate Team which won the Silver Trophy at the 12th All Nigerian Universities Debate Championship, held in the University of Ilorin recently.

Presenting the Team, Dean of Student Affairs, Prof. Onwuchekwa Ralph Iheke, said the Students were led to the competition by the Deputy Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Idowu Eluwa and the Team's Coach, Dr. Daniel Obilor, and that they competed with 1st and 2nd generation universities and proved that MOUAAU can now be counted among universities with serious-minded and knowledgeable students, not only in

agriculture and sciences, but in Public Speaking. He thanked the VC for approving sponsorship to the Team.

The 2nd team that was presented to the University Management was the Emerald Team, from the College of Engineering and Engineering Technology, which won the 2nd position in the 8th National Committee of Deans of Engineering and Technology (CODET) competition.

Presenting the Emerald Team, Dean of CEET, Prof. Berthrand Nwankwojike, appreciated the Vice-Chancellor for his leadership and praised the students for their exploits.



MOUAU's CVM trains 53 Isuachara Youths in Animal Health Mgt. as Philanthropist empowers indigenes with startup funds

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No fewer than 53 youths of Isuachara community in Ebonyi State have been trained in various aspects of animal health management by experts in the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM), Michael Okpara University of Agriculture, Umudike, Abia State, under Isuachara Agricultural and Skill Acquisition Programme (IASAP).

The training, which started on August 1 and ended on August 27, 2025 was sponsored by a Philanthropist from the Community, Dr. Ifeanyi Chukwuma Odii, and aimed at empowering youths from the Community with practical skills and knowledge in animal health management.

Speaking on behalf of the trainees, during a courtesy visit to the Vice-Chancellor of MOUAU, Prof. Maduebibisi Ofo Iwe, on Wednesday, August 27, 2025,

Evangelist Daniel Chijioke Nwali, disclosed that the University was deliberately selected by the Sponsor, because it has the requisite expertise, learning environment and animals in the College of Veterinary Medicine to execute the training satisfactorily.

“These 27 days, MOUAU has proven to us that our Sponsor did not make a mistake in choosing the University for this training. We have been sufficiently informed and equipped with basic knowledge in managing common health challenges faced by fish, pig and poultry”, Evangelist Nwali said.

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Maduebibisi Ofo Iwe applauded the Sponsor of the Training Programme, Dr. Odii, for investing in people through agricultural empowerment, and noted that such initiatives align with the

University’s mission of equipping individuals with practical skills to drive food security and national development.

During a closing ceremony, held earlier in the day, at the College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM), to mark the end of the programme, the Dean of the College, Prof. C.C. Ogbu, urged participants to put both the knowledge gained and the financial support from Dr. Odii to profitable use, and assured them of the continued support of the College.

Highpoint of the closing ceremony was the presentation of certificates to the beneficiaries, who were trained in fishery, poultry, and pig production.

MOUAU News gathered that each of the youth would receive the sum of 3 million Naira each for agribusiness ventures.



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