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INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION DAY

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As the world marks International Education Day, the Management of Ikirun College of Health Technology has reiterated its unwavering dedication to delivering quality, inclusive, and forward-looking health education that empowers students and strengthens the healthcare system in Nigeria. International Education Day, set aside by the United Nations to celebrate the power of education in shaping sustainable development, provides a timely opportunity for the institution to reflect on its mission of producing competent, ethical, and community-driven health professionals.

Speaking on the significance of the day, the Rector of Ikirun College of Health Technology, Mr. Salaudeen Ajibola Oyewale emphasized that education remains the backbone of national development, especially in the health sector where skilled manpower determines the wellbeing of society.

"At Ikirun College of Health Technology, we believe that quality health education is not a privilege but a responsibility. Our commitment is to train professionals who are not only academically sound but also compassionate, innovative, and prepared to meet modern healthcare challenges," the statement read.

Over the years, the college has continued to invest in modern teaching methodologies, qualified personnel, improved learning facilities, and practical-oriented training to ensure students receive education that meets national and global standards. The institution also prioritizes discipline, research, community service, and continuous curriculum development to align with evolving health demands.

The Rector further noted that in a rapidly changing world, health education must go beyond classrooms by equipping students with critical thinking, technological competence, and ethical values necessary for effective service delivery. "On this International Education Day, we reaffirm our pledge to nurture future health practitioners who will contribute meaningfully to public health, disease prevention, and healthcare innovation across Nigeria and beyond," the Rector added.

As the global community celebrates education as a driver of peace and development, Ikirun College of Health Technology remains steadfast in its vision to be a center of excellence in health training, producing graduates capable of transforming lives and communities through knowledge and service.



Community Health Technology Students Engage Public in Supervised Field Exercise, Showcase Information, Education and Communication Skills

As part of the requirements for the award of the National Diploma (ND) in Community Health Technology, ND II students of the Department on 15th January, 2026 successfully conducted a Supervised Community-Based Experience (SCEBE), with emphasis on Information, Education and Communication (IEC) skills.

The academic exercise, which formed a critical component of the students' professional training, was moderated by the College Public Relations Officer, Mr. Adewuyi Simeon Adedotun. In his welcome remarks, the Course Coordinator, Mr. Sodiqla Olaye, reiterated essence of the exercise, noting that effective communication lies at the heart of community health practice. He emphasized that the programme was designed to equip students with practical skills required to educate, sensitize and mobilize communities on vital health matters. He encouraged the students to approach the exercise with seriousness and professionalism, as the skills acquired would be essential in their future careers.

During the programme, students demonstrated various communication techniques, including speech and lecture delivery, drama presentations, songs and dance, among others. Through these creative approaches, the students effectively educated participants on key health issues such as family planning, proper use of condoms, exclusive breastfeeding, maternal and pregnant women's health, and other community health concerns. The students' performances were described as impressive and impactful, as they displayed confidence, clarity and a good understanding of community health communication strategies.

At the conclusion of the exercise, the Rector of the College, Mr. Salaudeen Ajibola Oyewale, represented by the Registrar, Mr. Abdullah Adeoye Adeniyi, commended the Course Coordinator and the students for a job well done. He noted that the exercise reflected the College's commitment to practical, competency-based training in line with approved academic standards.

In his address, the Head of Department, Mr. Muritala Odewale, emphasized the importance of effective communication skills in community health practice. He advised the students to internalize the lessons learned, remain focused on their academic pursuits and continue to develop the skills that would make them effective health educators and professionals in society. The supervised community-based experience further reaffirmed the College's dedication to producing well-trained community health practitioners equipped with both technical knowledge and practical communication competence.

FIKSU Commends Ikirun College of Health Technology During Courtesy Visit, Set for Partnership on Health Education

The leadership of the Federation of Ikirun Students Union (FIKSU) on Wednesday, 14th January, 2026 paid a courtesy visit to the Ikirun College of Health Technology, Ikirun, in a move aimed at strengthening collaboration between the institution and the student body of the host community. The delegation was led by the President of FIKSU, Comrade Jimoh Toheeb Olamilekan, who was accompanied by key members of the Union's executive council, including the General Secretary and other officials.

During the visit, Comrade Jimoh Toheeb Olamilekan lauded the management of Ikirun College of Health Technology for its consistent commitment to quality health education, discipline, and community-oriented training. He described the institution as a pride of Ikirun land and a critical contributor to manpower development in the health sector. According to the FIKSU President, the college has continued to play a vital role in shaping the future

of young people within and beyond Ikirun through its academic programmes, professional standards, and contributions to public health awareness. He noted that the Union recognizes the strategic importance of the college and remains committed to supporting initiatives that will further enhance its growth and reputation.

The visit provided an opportunity for robust engagement, as various issues of mutual interest were discussed. These included student welfare, community-institution relations, scholarship award to Ikirun Students, peaceful coexistence between students and host communities, and areas where collaboration could be strengthened for the overall development of Ikirun. The discussions were described as frank, constructive, and forward-looking.

Members of the FIKSU executive also emphasized the Union's readiness to serve as a bridge between the institution, students of Ikirun origin, and the wider community. The General Secretary,



speaking on behalf of the executives, reiterated the Union's commitment to dialogue, advocacy, and responsible leadership.

The management of Ikirun College of Health Technology, in response, welcomed the FIKSU delegation and commended the Union for its proactive engagement and interest in educational development. Speaking through the Registrar, Mr. Abdullah Adeoye Adeniyi, the management assured the visitors of the institution's openness to collaboration and continuous improvement in line with its mandate.

The visit ended on a cordial note, with both parties expressing optimism that the interaction would foster stronger ties, mutual understanding, and sustained cooperation in the interest of education, youth development, and community progress.



The Ikirun College of Health Technology on Thursday, 15th January, 2026, successfully hosted its Maiden Entrepreneurship Exhibition tagged "Trade & Enterprise Fair 2026" at the college premises, as part of activities designed to strengthen practical skill acquisition among students and in compliance with the requirements of the National Board for Technical Education (NBTE). The exhibition, organised by the Centre for Entrepreneurship Studies, attracted members of the College Management, staff, students and invited guests, and served as a platform to demonstrate the institution's commitment to the NBTE mandate on entrepreneurship education as a compulsory component of technical and vocational training.

Speaking at the event, the Rector, Mr. Salaudeen Ajibola Oyewale, represented by the Registrar, Mr. Abdullah Adeoye Adeniyi, stated that "the Trade and Enterprise Fair was not only an academic exercise but a deliberate institutional effort to meet and sustain NBTE standards." He explained that the NBTE requires tertiary health and technical institutions to expose students to practical entrepreneurship training capable of translating classroom knowledge into real-life business opportunities.

According to the Rector, the exhibition provides verifiable evidence of students' participation in hands-on entrepreneurial activities, which is a key requirement for programme accreditation and quality assurance by the NBTE.

"This exhibition is in line with NBTE guidelines, which emphasize practical entrepreneurship education, skills demonstration and students' readiness for self-reliance after graduation," he noted.

He further emphasized the importance of entrepreneurship in today's economic realities, stressing that academic certificates alone can no longer guarantee survival. He therefore charged students to consciously develop and perfect the skills acquired through the Entrepreneurship Development Course, with a view to transforming them into sustainable sources of income. Delivering the keynote address on the theme "Turning Skills into Sustainable Businesses for Self-Reliance," the Guest Speaker, Mr. Adeshina Oluwaseyi Osho, Chief Executive Officer of Kinetic Chords Media Limited, explained practical strategies for converting vocational skills into long-lasting businesses.

Mr. Osho highlighted the need for consistency, innovation, market research and financial discipline in business development. He advised students to start small, maintain quality standards, understand customer needs and leverage digital platforms for branding, marketing and business expansion. He also encouraged the students to see entrepreneurship as a long-term journey that requires patience, continuous learning and ethical business practices. Earlier, the Coordinator of the Centre for Entrepreneurship Studies, Mr. Idris Bello, explained that students had been trained in various vocational areas in line with NBTE-approved entrepreneurship modules. These include Tie and Dye, Tailoring/Fashion Designing, Catering and Events Management, Soap Making, and Hair Styling, among others.

According to him, the Trade & Enterprise Fair was designed to expose students to real market conditions, build their confidence and provide an avenue for practical assessment of skills acquired during the training period. During the exhibition, students displayed a wide range of products and services, receiving commendation from guests and visitors for their creativity, quality and entrepreneurial drive. The event once again reaffirmed the commitment of Ikirun College of Health Technology to NBTE standards, practical education and the production of graduates who are skilled, innovative and economically self-reliant.

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ND I Stream A Students to Resume Second Semester Feb. 9

The Management has announced Monday, February 9, 2026, as the resumption date for ND I Stream A students for the Second Semester of the 2025/2026 Academic Session.

The directive was contained in an official memo issued on January 25, 2026, and signed by the Public Relations Officer, Adewuyi Simeon Adedotun. According to the statement, all students are expected to return to campus on or before the stated date to enable full participation in academic and administrative activities for the semester.

The management disclosed that lectures would commence immediately upon resumption, urging students to be punctual and prepared for academic work from the first day of the semester.

Students were also advised to complete their second semester course registration within the approved period, warning that failure to do so may attract penalties and negatively affect their academic standing.

The institution further encouraged students to make adequate preparations and comply strictly with the resumption schedule to ensure a smooth start to the second semester.



Ikirun College of Health Technology Expresses Grief Over Death of Three Eminent Figures in Ikirunland

The Management, Governing Council, staff, and students of Ikirun College of Health Technology, Ikirun, Osun State, received with profound sadness the news of the passing of three highly respected and distinguished sons of Ikirunland, the Chief Imam of Ikirunland, Alhaji Yunus Ibrahim Balogun; the Asiwaju of Ikirunland, Alhaji Chief Gazali Dewale Lawal (DIG Rtd); and Prince Dr. Ismail Olanikanmi Adeyemi, a renowned medical professional and Chief Executive Officer of Crystal Hospital, Lagos. On behalf of the College community, we extend our deepest condolences to the Akirun-in-Council, under the leadership of the Eesa of Land, High Chief Kareem Adetoyese Lawal, traditional chiefs, National Ikirun Progressive Union (NIPU), community leaders, eminent sons and daughters, indigenes, and residents of Ikirunland over this monumental loss that has left a profound vacuum in the spiritual, security, and healthcare landscapes of our society.

The late Chief Imam of Ikirunland, Alhaji Yunus Ibrahim Balogun, was a pillar of faith, moral discipline, and peaceful coexistence. His lifetime commitment to Islamic teachings, interfaith harmony, and community cohesion earned him respect far beyond Ikirunland. His calm leadership and wise counsel contributed immensely to the stability and unity enjoyed within the community.

The College also mourns the passing of Alhaji Chief Gazali Dewale Lawal, the Asiwaju of Ikirunland, whose illustrious career as a Deputy Inspector-General of Police symbolised selfless service, courage, and national loyalty. As a community leader and statesman, he remained steadfast in his commitment to justice, mentorship, and the development of Ikirunland, leaving behind a legacy of honour and exemplary public service.

Equally painful is the loss of Prince Dr. Ismail Olanikanmi Adeyemi, an accomplished medical professional and visionary healthcare administrator. As the Chief Executive Officer of Crystal Hospital, Lagos, his contributions to healthcare delivery, medical excellence, and human capacity development stand as a testament to his passion for saving lives and improving the well-being of society. His life embodied professionalism, compassion, and service to humanity; values that resonate deeply with the mission of Ikirun College of Health Technology.

At this moment of collective grief, Ikirun College of Health Technology stands in solidarity with the bereaved families, the Akirun-in-Council, and the entire Ikirun community. We pray that Almighty Allah, in His infinite mercy, forgives the shortcomings of the departed, grants them eternal rest, and admits them into Al-Jannatul Firdaus. We also pray that Allah grants their families, associates, and the people of Ikirunland the strength, comfort, and fortitude to bear these irreparable losses.

May the enduring legacies of faith, integrity, leadership, professionalism, and service to humanity left behind by these eminent personalities continue to inspire present and future generations.

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