

Vice Chancellor Receives Representatives from Raw Materials Research and Development Council

The Vice-Chancellor, Covenant University, Professor Aize Obayan recently received representatives from the Raw Materials Research and Development Council (RMRDC), Abuja, who paid a courtesy call to her office as part of their official visit to the University's Research and Development Centre (CUCERD).

The Delegates were in the University to discuss possible areas of collaboration between the two Institutions on silicon and its derivatives.

The Vice-Chancellor while welcoming the RMRDC's delegation comprised of Mr. Aminu Haladu, the Silicon Desk Officer and Mr. Lawal Abdulkareem of the Council's Lagos office, commended the efforts of the Council for working with Universities and other Research Institutions to promote research and development.

Professor Obayan also commended the efforts of the Council for using available raw materials in the country to develop products for our use as a nation.

She stated that Covenant University was poised to be a research university being conscious of the importance of research in expanding the frontiers of knowledge and its place in national development.



The delegate from the Raw Material Research & Development Council in a group photograph with CUCERD team

The Vice-Chancellor recalled the continuous support of the University's Governing Body, the Board of Regents and the David Oyedepo Foundation in promoting research.

She noted that the University within its nine years of existence has won laurels in Science and Technology, particularly at Research Fairs organized by the Council.

She frowned at the actions of most of the multinational organizations, which though based in the country have their Research and Development Units outside the country: this, she observed, results in colossal losses to the nation.

She was however excited at the level of the issues covered and possibilities opening up and said that, by the grace of God, it would yield great dividends. She added that the meeting was a step in the right direction in achieving robust collaboration between the two Institutions.

Earlier, Mr. Haladu expressed excitement at being in Covenant University. He lamented the importation of as much as N9 billion worth of silicon into Nigeria.

He said he saw great possibilities in Covenant University for the application of silicon and allied products covering several areas and promised that the project would see the light of the day as the collaboration with the University is the best thing to happen at this period.

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