



MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY

VICE CHANCELLOR'S ROUND UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING,
FRIDAY, 18TH AUGUST 2023

- On Friday 11th August, 2023, the Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology Professors' Forum held a meeting to discuss a number of issues affecting the University, among them the resumption of the inaugural lectures at MMUST. It was agreed that any Professor who is ready could give his lecture. Inaugural lectures are significant activities at all Universities of repute, as they provide Professors with the opportunity to share their achievements in research, innovation, engagement and teaching activities before an audience of members of the University community and the general public. They also avail the opportunity for Professors to share their achievements and showcase the difference their research, innovation, engagement and teaching is making to society.
- MMUST in conjunction with Malteser International (MI), on 14th August, 2023, launched the American Heart Association's Basic and Advanced Trauma Life Support training that went up to Friday, 18th August, 2023. The training, which was facilitated by the Kenya Council of Emergency Medical Technicians (KCEMT), targets all hospitals where MMUST students are undertaking their clinical placements. The activity was spearheaded by the School of Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedical Sciences (SONMAPS).
- On 14th August 2023, a research team from MMUST held a meeting with the Bungoma County representatives led by the Director of Climate Change at Ministry of Environment, Ms. Jane Gitau, and representatives from the Kenya Red Cross Society, Ms. Loreen Orembo and Ms. Margaret Wanyonyi at the Green Valle hotel. The aim of the meeting was to discuss the drivers and impacts of climate change as well as the measures put in place for mitigation and adaptation to the climate change crisis. This follows ongoing research on '*The Impact of Environment and Human Security in the Lake Victoria Basin*', that is being carried out by the team.
- Delegates from Malteser International (MI) on 16th August, 2023, paid a courtesy call on the Vice Chancellor, to discuss the ongoing projects between the two (2) organizations, specifically the refurbishment and equipment of the University's high-fidelity simulation laboratory, under the Upesi Health Project. The meeting, also attended by the project leader-Dr. Tecla Sum, revealed that MMUST is home to the second largest state of the art simulation center in Kenya. The delegates were accompanied by a team from the Kenya Council of Emergency Medical Technicians

(KCEMT), which is currently facilitating Basic Life Support (BLS), and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) training at MMUST. The week-long training has been funded by MI and is aimed at ensuring a standardized curriculum for Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs).

- The Vice Chancellor, on 17th August, 2023, graced the Basic Life Support (BLS), and Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS) training, which was taking place at MCU 002. The Malteser International-sponsored training kicked off on Monday, 14th August, 2023 and went up to Friday, 18th August, 2023. He commended Malteser International, as well as the facilitators of the training for this initiative, which he said was crucial to bridging the skills gap in health education. The Vice Chancellor also pointed out that Health Sciences is one of the flagship programmes at MMUST, adding that the University is dedicated to providing quality education and churning out skilled graduates.
- A team of researchers at MMUST have called for new techniques in higher education to provoke students to develop 21st century skills. The researchers, who were led by Prof. Judah Ndiku (Principal Investigator), revealed this when they presented the preliminary research findings of a study, '*Student Engagement in Evidence-Based to Learning and Educational Outcomes in Higher Education in Kenya*' on Thursday, 17th August, 2023 at Kakamega Sports Club. The Workshop was officially opened by the Director of Research and Postgraduate Support, Prof. Francis Orata.

I wish you a blessed weekend ahead!

Prof. Solomon Shibairo



18/08/2023

Vice Chancellor

Signature

Date