

MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY VICE CHANCELLOR'S ROUND UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, 21⁵⁷ OCTOBER, 2022

- Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) has signed a
 Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Konza Technopolis Development
 Authority (KoTDA). The partnership, which was signed on Monday 17th October
 2022 will enable the two institutions to collaborate in Career Development,
 Community Outreach, Research, and Innovation. This partnership will also
 contribute to accelerating the digital transformation of the Kenyan economy.
- The First Lady of Kakamega County, Prof. Janet Kassily Barasa on 18th October, 2022, paid a courtesy call to the Vice Chancellor, to discuss possible areas of collaboration between the University and the County government of Kakamega. Prof. Janet Barasa, who is also a professor of Religion and culture in MMUST's Department of Social Science Education (SSE), pointed out teenage pregnancies, Gender-based Violence (GBV) and sickle-cell anemia as some of the areas that the two (2) institutions can partner in to carry out research.
- MMUST donated one thousand, two hundred and twenty-three mattresses to the Kakamega main prison on Tuesday, 18th October 2022. This exercise was led by the University Disposal Committee chairman, Prof. Robert Egessa. He noted that the exercise is part of community outreach to improve the livelihoods of inmates and the services offered by the Kakamega Prison. It is also a method of disposal referred to as 'transfer to another public entity.'
- The Mahiakalo Ward's Member of County Assembly (MCA), Hon. Modesta Auka, on 19th October 2022, paid a courtesy call to the Vice Chancellor to discuss the twin cosmic project on road safety and bio-san bio-digesters. The MCA, who was accompanied by the coordinators of the project; National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) member, Mr. Prince Chitechi, and Mr. William E. Kiritu said that she will be back in the University to discuss future collaborations between MMUST and Mahiakalo Ward.
- Prof. Josephine Ngaira of MMUST led a technical team from the School of Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance (SDMHA) on 21st October, 2022, to conduct a follow-up Humanitarian Intervention Outreach for People Living with

Disability (PLWD) in Manda-Shivanga Ward, Kakamega County. This initiative has attracted key players including medical officers from the University clinic, MMUST Optometrists, experts from the Department of Health Promotion and Sports Science as well as a group of SDMHA students currently on attachment at the Kenya Red Cross, Kakamega branch.

• MMUST has today, 21st October, 2022, hosted the Social Science Research Council (SSRC), Africa Peace Building Network (APN) and the Next Generation Social Science in Africa (Next Generation) Board of Directors and the CEO to undertake an outreach event with MMUST early career scholars (staff) and graduate students. The aim of the outreach is to familiarize MMUST community with SSRC grant opportunities for early career African scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities.

I wish you a blessed weekend!

Prof. Solomon Shibairo

Vice Chancellor

Signature

Date