

## MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY VICE CHANCELLOR'S ROUND UP FOR THE WEEK ENDING, FRIDAY, 20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2023

- Dr. Nicodemus O. Nyandiko from the School of Disaster Management and Humanitarian Assistance has been selected by the African Peer Review Mechanism (APRM) as one of the lead International Consultant to conduct the Targeted Review of the Republic of Mozambique on State Resilience to Food Security and Natural Disasters. The Field Mission is scheduled to take place from 15<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 in the Republic of Mozambique.
- Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (MMUST) academic titans on Monday, 16th October 2023, engaged in a heated debate as each one of them presented their manifestos for the Deanship position. A display of intellectual prowess unfolded as the distinguished academic figures who are vying for the highly coveted positions of Dean, shared their visionary plans and strategies for the future of the University through their Schools. The well-mobilized event was attended by scholars across the different faculties in the University, fostering a sense of shared responsibility and commitment to the institution's progress. The electorates' attendance was also key in ensuring that the elected Deans represented the collective interests and aspirations of the entire academic community.
- MMUST's Institute of Indigenous Knowledge, Cultural Studies, and Climate Change has partnered with other key stakeholders in the documentation and digitalization of indigenous knowledge intellectual assets in Kakamega County. This was evident during a four-day training workshop aimed at preparing data collectors to participate in the preservation of indigenous artistry within Kakamega County. The event, which has been underway within the University's grounds since Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 will officially come to a close on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023. This event was graced by the Governor of Kakamega County- H.E. Hon. FCPA Fernandes Barasa who was accompanied by the Vice Chancellor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Planning Research and Innovation.

- Faculties at the University ushered in a new era of leadership as they cast their votes to elect new Deans. With a competitive pool of candidates vying for the various faculties Dean's positions, the election turnout was remarkable as both candidates and voters demonstrated their dedication to shaping the future of the institution. The election held on 18th October 2023 was organized by the office of the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic and Student Affairs).
- MMUST and the University of Shanghai for Science and Technology (USST) on Wednesday 18th October 2023, officially appended their signatures on an agreement set to foster a collaborative partnership in various crucial domains. With a keen focus on enhancing education, research, and technological innovation in the critical realm of transportation and engineering, the two institutions are set to embark on a journey of mutual growth and development. The MoU signing ceremony, which was held at the Vice Chancellor's Boardroom, was attended by the Vice Chancellor together with delegates from USST.
- A collaboration between MMUST and Diamond Trust Bank has today 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023, yielded a launch of a Job Shadowing Program for students. This is a form of job training which involves observing a professional in their place of work to gain a better understanding of the role. The 1<sup>st</sup> cohort of students trained by DTB were awarded certificates during this event. The other key aspects covered in the collaboration include the Graduate Management Trainee Program and internship opportunities for students.

I wish you a blessed weekend ahead!

Prof. Solomon Shibairo

Vice Chancellor

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