

New NTI DG Calls on Emir of Zazzau

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The Director General & Chief Executive of the National Teachers Institute (NTI), Kaduna, Dr. Patrick Ndubuisi Onyekwere has pledged to strengthen the harmonious relationship between the NTI, the Kaduna State Government and Zazzau Emirate.

Dr. Patrick Onyekwere gave the pledge at the palace of the Emir of Zazzau in Zaria City when he led management staff of the NTI on a courtesy call on the Emir, Alhaji Shehu Idris recently to formally introduce himself following his posting from the Federal Ministry of Education, to succeed Dr. Ahmed Modibbo Mohammed, who is now the Executive Secretary of the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC).

According to a press statement by the Public Relations Officer of NTI, Mrs. Olayinka Salau, the GD said he considered it a top priority on assumption of office to introduce himself to the two most important people in Kaduna State – and assured them of the continued cordial relationship with the NTI in view of their invaluable support for the success of the Insitute's programmes.

Dr. Onyekwere also assured that all aspects of collaboration between the NTI, the Kaduna State Govrnment and the Zazau Emirate would be maintained and expressed his desire to seek the guidance of the Emir during his tenure as Chief executive of the NTI.

Responding, the Emir of Zazzau welcomed the DG and Management of NTI and declared his readiness at all times to offer his support and guidance towards the success of the Institute's programmes which are most beneficial to teachers.

The Emir remarked that Zaria has traditionally been a home to all Nigerians by virtue of its famous educational institutions such as the Zaria Middle School, Barewa College and the Ahmadu Bello University (ABU) which drew enrolment from all over the North and the entire federation.