



NALV Director/CEO Present Reports Template to Federal Ministry of Education (FME) Road Map Committee

By Umar Sanda & Musa Hamisu Musa

The Director Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala had on 3rd October 2023 presented the reporting template to the Road Map committee of the Federal Ministry of Education (FME) in Abuja.

In his effort to repositioning the Education sector in Nigeria, the Honourable Minister of Education Prof. Tahir Mamman, SAN, had constituted the Road Map Committee to look forward on how to promote the educational sector in Nigeria.

The Honorable Minister after being briefed by the Parastatals, agencies, Ministerial departments on the programmes, activities, projects and challenges of their organizations, he deems it necessary to prepare a strategic plan that will enhance and promote the education sector within his tenure 2023-2027.

Based on the above he ordered for the designing of a Ministerial Performance Bond. This was done in order to achieve Presidential priority and deliverables that were planned as an agenda of the present administration for the agencies to achieve their goals in the educational sector. In view of that, Parastatals were invited and Nigeria Arabic language Village Ngala was among.

The Director had presented his report to the Road Map Committee. In his presentation he talked on the historical background of the Nigeria Arabic Language Village, its mandate, Vision, mission,

objectives and the reasons for the establishment of the village. He also mentioned the programmes and activities of the village, which among others include the following; Language Immersion programme, acculturation, train the trainers, out of school children, training and retraining of Almajiri Teachers and Islamiya school, capacity building and continues professional development of teachers. He specifically mentioned the success recorded in running those programmes during the period under review.

The Director had also presented the reporting template for the achievement of the Ministerial Performance Bond (MPB) agenda, which is also in line with the presidential priority and deliverables for 2023-2027.

The aim of the template was to showcase the objectives the Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala has that would enable it to achieve and promote education in Nigeria. And it also displayed the target of the village, the deliverables, the turnaround strategies, the baseline, the current activities and projection of the Village. All these were populated in the reporting template and was submitted to the Ministry.

The Chairman of the Road Map Committee Dr. Nur appreciated the Director and thanked him for the presentation.

NALV Signs Memorandum of Understanding with Umaru Musa Yar'adua University (UMYU)

By Musa Hamisu Musa

The Director CEO, Nigeria Arabic Language Village, Ngala, Professor Ibrahim Muhammad had on Thursday 5th October, 2023 paid a courtesy visit to the Umaru Musa Yar'Adua University, Katsina State.

Earlier on in his opening remarks, Professor Ibrahim had introduced his entourage to the Management of Umaru Musa Yar'adu University, thereby setting the stage for collaborative discussions.

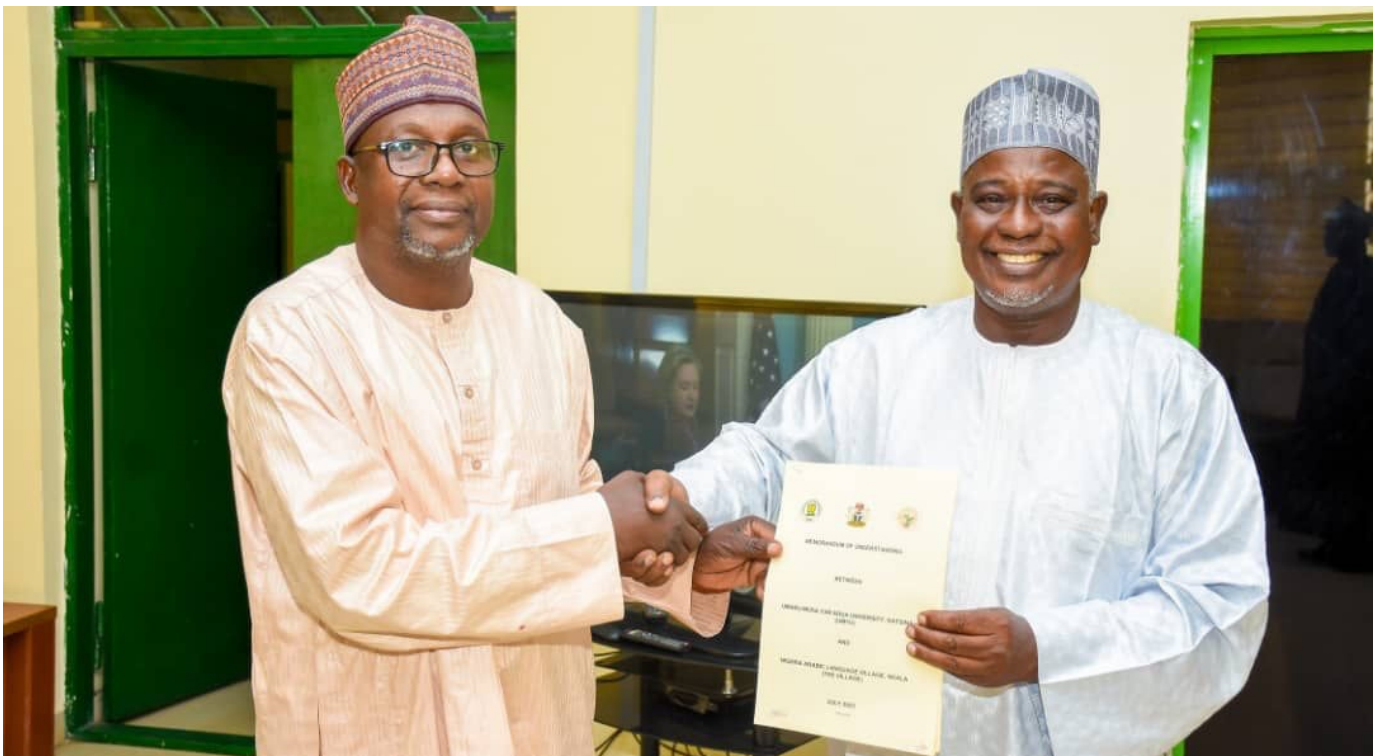
opening a vista of a positive stride in the growth and development of Arabic Language in Nigeria.

He wholeheartedly endorsed the MoU, pledging the University's commitment to sending students for immersion programme.

The VC welcomed the idea of signing the MoU and appreciate the effort of the village in the area of teaching and spreading of Arabic language in Nigeria, saying that, he is looking forward to work with the village beyond Acculturation and immersion programmes.

Professor Shehu said, he would like to be partnering with the village, because he intends to establish a language Village, where French, English and Arabic would be taught.

The NALV Director praised the VC's visionary plan. And suggested to him that, when the Languages



The purpose of the visit was to discuss with the University on issues that has to do with partnering and collaboration, emphasizing that, with the restoration of peace in Borno State, the Village has started expanding its frontiers for collaboration and partnering with Universities across Nigeria.

Professor Ibrahim Muhammad had also informed them that, a draft copy of MoU was earlier presented to the University, outlining many areas of mutual interest for the two institutions were captured.

He highlighted some specific areas where the MoU has focused, which include; Proficiency Programme, Workshops, Seminars, and joint conferences among others.

The Vice Chancellor of Umaru Musa Yar'Aduwa University, Professor Shehu Saleh Muhammad has expressed gratitude to the Director and his entourage for the visit. Adding that, the visit would go a long way in

Village is established, the University should also add Mandarin to be taught alongside the three languages mentioned. Adding that, he derived the idea of establishing the Mandarin centre from Governor Zulum, when he called for the Federal Government to establish centre for Mandarin study, Zulum said this, when he declared open the 39th Conference of National Association of Teachers of Arabic and Islamic Studies NATAIS in Maiduguri on 18th December, 2022.

The formal signing of the MoU was witnessed by the University Registrar, the DVC Administration and also DVC Academic.

On the side of the Arabic Village, Dr. Kasim Alkali, Head of Tsangaya and Out-of-School Children, Malam Muhammad Auwal Isa, the Program Coordinator, Babagana Baba Kura Head of Revenue and Special Duties and Musa Hamisu Musa also witnessed the signing of the MoU

NALV Signs Memorandum of Understanding with the National Board of Arabic and Islamic Studies (NBAIS)

By Musa Hamisu Musa

The Director Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala Professor Ibrahim Muhammad had on 9th October, 2023 the NALV some senior Staff of the Village to the National Board of Arabic and Islamic Studies, NBAIS in Kaduna State. The primary objective of the Follow-up visit was to formalize the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) earlier on initiated between the Village and NBAIS.

the 66th official session on National Council on Education, NEC meeting which took place on 30th October, 2022, the Nigeria Arabic Language Village was mandated for the training and retraining of Tsangaya and Islamic school teachers.

In view of the above, he further reiterated when the MoU was finally put in place, some of the areas highlighted in the proposed MoU the training of Staff of the NBAIS by



On arrival at the Headquarters of NBAIS Professor Ibrahim Muhammad and his entourage were received by the Registrar and Chief Executive Officer Professor Imam Yahuza Suleiman.

In his introductory remarks the Director had briefly outlined the purpose of the follow up visit, which he said was to formalize the earlier arrangement made in respect of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the two institution.

It could be recalled that, the Director CEO Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala had on 17th July, 2023 paid visit to NBAIS where issues of partnering and collaboration were set in motion. And the followup visit was in connection with the earlier visit.

Professor Ibrahim Muhammad had emphasized on the significance of signing the final MoU between the two institutions, which said, it would provides for and enable the two institions to operate with the legal framework.

Professor Ibrahim Muhammad has informed the NBAIS Registrar and Chief Executive Officer that, during

the village in Modern Techniques for Teaching of Arabic language. Also highlighted were contextualizing and developing curricula for Arabic examaminations. In this regard, there was plans for establishing an NBAIS examination center in Nigeria Arabic Language Village, Ngala

After the formal signing of the MoU, the NALV Director has presented some copies of publications of Arabic village such as magazines and Bulletin to the NBAIS Registrar Professor Imam Yahuza Sulaiman.

The Registrar in his response expressed his satisfaction and gratitude to the Director and his entourage for the visit. The Registrar has directed the NBAIS information unit to liaison with the NALV of ICT Musa Hamisu Musa to initiate discussion and share knowledge on matters of publications.

Musa Hamisu Musa highlighted various aspects of the publications and shared valuable information with the NBAIS information team.

NALV Signs Memorandum of Understanding with SKYLINE University

By Musa Hamisu Musa

On October 10, 2023, Professor Ibrahim Muhammad, the Director and Chief Executive Officer Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, visited Skyline University in Kano State. Upon arrival, he and his entourage were warmly welcomed by the Vice Chancellor, Professor V.V Kumar, and key management personnel of the University.

Expressing gratitude, the Director CEO acknowledged the University's significant collaboration with the village, since its establishment, culminating in the formal signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The focus of this MoU encompasses:

- Implementation of a Language Immersion Programme for 300-level Arabic language students, aligning with the Village's founding Act.
- Conducting Capacity Building Trainings and Workshops for Arabic language lecturers.

- Engaging in teaching and innovative research within Arabic Studies. Facilitating the exchange of Academic Staff through Sabbatical and Visiting of adjuncts, Students Exchange, and Excursion visits.
- Joint organization of lectures, seminars, conferences, and any other initiatives enhancing the teaching and learning of Arabic language.

The Vice Chancellor, during the MoU signing, commended the Director CEO for his dedicated



efforts in advancing Arabic Language education in Nigeria. He emphasized that the collaboration through this MoU would mutually benefit both institutions.

The signing ceremony was witnessed by Mr. Abubakar Sadiq Ismail, the University's Director of Marketing and Communication, along with Dr. Kasim Alkali, Head of Sangaya and Out-of-School Children and Village Liaison Officer to the Federal Ministry of Education, Muhammad Auwal Isa and Baba Gana Baba Kura, Head of Revenue and Special Duties, were present.

NALV Management Pays Visits to National Teachers Institute (NTI) in Kaduna

By Musa Hamisu Musa

The Director CEO Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, Professor Ibrahim Muhammad has on 9th October 2023, paid a visit to the National Teachers Institute - NTI Kaduna. On arrival the Director and his entourage were received by the Personal Assistant of the NTI boss Yahaya Mohammed Lawan

It could be recalled that, Professor Ibrahim Muhammad had on 8th June, 2023 paid a similar visit to the NTI boss Professor Musa Maitafsiri, where the issues of collaboration and partnering between the village and the institute were initiated. And the visit of today is thus connected with the earlier visit.

During the visit the NTI Director and Chief Executive Officer Professor Musa Garba Maitafsiri was said to have traveled out of the country for an official assignment in commemoration of the international Teachers Day in America.



Professor Ibrahim Muhammad has said, the purpose of the visit is a follow up to the earlier visit, where important issues that has to do with sharing of a Draft Copy of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala and National Teachers Institute-NTI, Kaduba.

It's worthy to note that, the visit of Professor Ibrahim Muhammad to NTI signifies a potential

collaboration between the two institutions, as evidenced by the exchange of the Draft Copy of MoU.

Professor Ibrahim Muhammad was accompanied by Dr. Kasim Alkali, Head of Tsangaya and Out-of-School Children, who is also the Village Liaison Officer to the Federal Ministry of Education, Muhammad Auwal Isa, the Programmes Coordinator, Babagana Baba Kura Head of Revenue and Special Duties and Musa Hamisu Musa of the Information and Public Relations office.

Independent Corrupt Practice and Other Related Offences Commission (ICPC) Inducts NALV ACTU Members

By Muhammad Suleiman (Baffa)

The Independent Corrupt Practices and Other Related Offences Commission officials were today being 26th October, 2023 at the Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala to officially Induct Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit Members. The occasion took place at Village New City Campus at the former Kashim college of Education, Maiduguri.

The three-man team from ICPC which include; Barrister Ahmad Muhammad Wada Head of Legal, David Samuel Damdakalak head of Education and Public enlightenment and Abdullahi Dawani head of system study.

Declaring the induction training open, the Director CEO Professor Ibrahim Muhammad welcomed the team warmly and expressed his appreciation to the ICPC for finding the village Worthy to established ACTU in the institution which is in line with the Act establishing the Commission. He further assured them that, the village management is always ready to comply with all rules and regulations in conducting government's activities.

He also said that, the establishment of ACTU in the Village would go a long way in establishing working synergy with the Commission.

While responding, the leader of the team Barrister Ahmad Muhammad Wada expressed his appreciation to the Director/ CEO for providing an enabling environment and absolute cooperation which saw to the success of the induction programme.

Barr. Wada said that, ACTU was established in 2001 by Federal government of Nigeria for the

purpose of achieving transparency and accountability in the conduct of government organization.

During the induction training, the following papers were presented;

1. The Role of ACTU in the fight against Corruption (Overview of the Standing Order) by Abdullahi Dawami

2. Preliminary investigation by Barrister A. M. Wada

3. Corruption in the Workplace; types, risk and manifestation was presented by David Samuel Damdakalak. There was also a session for Questions and answers.

The Chairman of ACTU in the village, Dr. Kasim Alkali has expressed his appreciation to ICPC and particularly to the paper presenters for their wonderful presentation. He also expressed his profound appreciation and thanked the management of Nigeria Arabic Language Village, Ngala led by the Director CEO Professor Ibrahim Muhammad for finding him worthy and nominated him to serve as Chairman of the ACTU village branch.

Dr. Alkali assured the management that, he would assiduously work together with his team members in order to justify the responsibilities reposed in them.

Other members of the village ACTU were; Engr. Babagana Audu, Babagana Ali Mala, Umar Sanda Mohammed, Asabe Yakubu, Babagana Baba Kura and Barrister Abubakar Alhaji Usman as Secretary.



NALV Director Pay Courtesy Visits to Aminu Kano College of Education Kano

By Fatima Ashemi

The Director/CEO Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, Professor Ibrahim Muhammad, had on 10th October, 2023, paid a courtesy visit to Aminu Kano College of Education, Kano (Private). Director from Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala has visited.

On arrival, the Director and his entourage were received by Dr. Ayuba Ahmed Muhammad, the Provost of the college alongside his management team among whom were the Registrar, Mr. Ayoola Olufemi, and the Bursar, Hizbullahi Ahmed.

Nigeria Arabic Language Village, Ngala, is an Inter-University Centre for Arabic Studies saddled with the statutory responsibilities of conducting Immersion and Acculturation programmes.

The Director in his opening remarks informed them that, he had visited many colleges of Education since he assumed duties as Director and Chief Executive Officer, Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, however, he is visiting the College for the first time. In this regard, he reiterated to the management that the Village being responsible for conducting the Acculturation Programme, he therefore called on them to start patronizing the Arabic Village.

The Acculturation programme is a mandatory course for all students studying Arabic language in Colleges of Education across Nigeria.

While responding, the provost of the college expressed his appreciation for the visit of the Director and his entourage. He also acknowledged that since the establishment of the college, this is the first time a



He also assured the Director that, considering the importance of the Acculturation programme for their Arabic student, the college is ready to co-operate and partner with the village in some areas of collaboration for the mutual benefit of the two institutions.

During the visit, the Director was accompanied by Dr. Kasim Alkali Head of Tsangaya and out of school children who is also the Village Liaison Officer to the Federal Ministry of Education, Muhammad Auwal Isa the Programme Supervisor and Baba Gana Baba Kura the Head of Revenue and Special Duties.

NALV Girl Child Education Unit Commemorates International Girl Child Day

By Fati Musa Sheriff

The International Day of the Girl Child is an international observance day declared by the United Nations; October 11, 2012, was the first Day of the Girl Child. The observation supports more opportunity for girls and increases awareness.

The Head of Girl Child Education Unit (Arabic), of Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, Hajiya Faiza Garba Umar has in Maiduguri joined the global community to Commemorate 2023 International Girl Child Day.

During the celebration, she was quoted as saying that, "Let us unite in the mission to create a world where every girl feels confident, empowered, and safe. Education plays a vital role in achieving this vision as it equips girls with knowledge, skills, and opportunities to fulfill their potential".

She further said, "Education for a girl-child is not just a dream, but a mighty force that ignites her spirit, amplifies her voice, and paves the path to a future of

endless possibilities".

The Girl Child Education (Arabic) Unit of the village was created in 2022, in response to the phenomenon bedeviling the Girl-Child Education and out of school children in Nigeria. Since the establishment of the Unit, it has succeeded in training a number of girl Child in Maiduguri through many trades and Education. Many Girls have passed through the programme, to

become self-subsistence and self-reliant rather than roaming in the street. And those who needed to be enrolled to continue with their Education also benefited from the Girl Child Education (Arabic) programme of the village.

Hajiya Faiza Garba Umar wishes all Girl Child a Happy International Girl Child Day.



NALV Holds 41st Principal Officers Meeting

By Muhammad Suleiman (Baffa)

The principal officers of the Village led by the Director Chief Executive Officer Professor Ibrahim Muhammad has today being 30th October, 2023 held its 41th series of the POs meeting. the meeting took place at the village City campus, former Sir Kashim Ibrahim College of Education Maiduguri.

While welcoming the members, the Director used the forum to once again expressed his appreciation to the Executive Governor of Borno State Professor Babagana Zulum for approving some facilities to the Village at the former sir, Kashim Ibrahim College of Education, Maiduguri. He said, the facilities at the new city campus are enough to accommodate all village staff and also to conduct all its programmes.

The Director has also briefed the members on the recent Ministerial briefing he attended in Abuja. He also informs them that, there was a Road Map committee set up by the Honourable Minister of Education for the development of educational sector.

Adding that, the committee had organized a training where the Arabic village was opportune to have participated and presented a memo on; Tsangaya and Out of School Children as well as Girl Child Education, which were all accepted by the committee.

He urged the members of the committee to get prepared, as the village is going to host this year 2023

Conference of Academic Society for Arabic Language and Literature in Nigeria (ASSALIN) in December.

In view of the above development, the committee for the preparation and arrangements of the conferences should start preparing ahead of time in order to ensure the success of the conference.

The POs has resolved that, there would be reintroduction of compulsory Arabic course for all village staff, as the issue was clearly stated in the Act establishing the Village. It was also resolved that, henceforth promotion will be based upon the presentation of Arabic certificate as a criterion for promotion of Staff.

On the issue of ICESCO Second Phase training, it's is going to commence soon. And it's expected to hold in the village as approved by the ICESCO headquarters in Rabat Morocco.

The second phase of the training would be slightly different with the previous one, because participants from various Universities and Collages of Education would be invited to participate in the virtual training workshop.

The 41 POs Meeting was attended by; the Registrar Ali Abdullahi Ali, the Head of Tsangaya and out of school Dr. Kasim Alkali, the village Ag. Librarian Muhammad Zanna Badia, the Deputy Coordinator Works and Physical Planning Department Engr. Babagana Audu, and the internal Audit of the village Usman Jibrin Kaira.

NALV Director/CEO Holds Meeting with Head of Departments and Unit

The Director /CEO of Nigeria Arabic Language Village had on 31st October, 2023, held an interactive meeting with the Heads of Department and Units at the City Campus, former Sir Kashim Ibrahim College of Education, Maiduguri. The special interface with the Heads of Department and Unit was presided over by Professor Ibrahim Muhammad, the Director/ CEO of the Village.

In his opening remarks, he welcomed them to the Meeting and thanked all for their Commitments towards achieving the mandates of the Village. The dedications they have been collectively exhibiting in discharging their roles and responsibilities in their various Departments/Units he said, is commendable and should be maintained for an improved service delivery. He also said, the Management is solely relying on them for implementing all policies and programmes of the village.

The Director /CEO further reiterated that, all Heads of Department and Unit must get ready to make their quarterly presentations of reports to the management. He added that, it is mandatory on each of the Head to keep the Management informed about issues and developments in their various Department and Units.

The Director had equally said, their cooperation will go a long way in assisting the Management in carrying

out its functions and responsibilities effectively.

He also stated that, henceforth, there would be an attendance in the various Departments and Units under the strict supervision of the Heads. The attendance will be compared and contrasted to the central one for utmost consideration by the Management for further necessary actions. In addition to this, the Director also mentioned that, all purchases should be approved by Heads of the Department and must emanate from the units to the purchase and supply committee of the Village.

In the same vein, the Registrar on his part shaded lighter on the issue of Arabic learning in regards to Staff, where he informed the Heads of Department and Unit that, all staff must have undergone a Proficiency Program to enable them become proficient in Arabic Language.

In his brief presentation, Dr. Kasim Alkali who is the Chairman of Anti-Corruption and Transparency Unit (ACTU) of the Village, had sought for the cooperation of all Staff for effective running of the ACTU in the village.

Dr. Kasim Alkali further highlighted on the Road Map presented to the Ministerial briefing, which he said, all programmes presented by the village have been captured in the templet



Official Handover of Ultra-Modern Library to NALV New City Campus Takeover Committee

By Fati Musa Sheriff

The Committee on Taking Over Facilities at the new City campus of the Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, had on Tuesday 17th October, 2023 officially took over the Ultra Model Library facility at the new City Campus of the village, former Sir Kashim Ibrahim College of Education, Maiduguri.

The committee led by the Deputy Director Dr. Idris Ahmad Yunus. The latest official taking over of the Ultra Model library, marks the completion of receiving all the facilities approved for the village at the new city campus.

It could be recalled that, His Excellency the Executive Governor of Borno State Professor Babagana Umara Zulum has compassionately and graciously approved some facilities to the Arabic Village at the former Sir Kashim Ibrahim College of Education Maiduguri, which are to be used for their academic and administrative activities pending the final relocation of the village to its permanent site at Gamboru, Ngala.

With the latest taking over of the library, all the facilities approved for the village are being officially taken over by the village.

The official handing over was performed by the store officer Mala Abatcha of the former college of

Education alongside Mohammed Kajima the Chief security officer (CSO).

Before finally receiving the facility, the committee members have gone round and inspected the facility before taking over the possession.

The handing and taking over formalities were performed in the presence of the following members of the committee; Meremi Bukar, Babagana Ali Mala, Engr. Baba Gana Audu, Baba Gana Mustapha Ngala, Asabe Yakubu and some members of the village community.



NALV Tender Board Committee Holds Meeting

The Tenders Board Committee of Nigeria Arabic Language Village Ngala, chaired by the Director CEO Professor Ibrahim Muhammad has today 18th October, 2023 held its meeting at the New City Campus of the village at the former Sir Kashim Ibrahim College of Education Maiduguri.

The Committee has the responsibilities of; awarding contracts, recommendations and supervision of the project. Also, it's the committee's mandate to scrutinize and determine the authenticity and genuines of



company's certificate before awarding a contract.

In his welcome address, the Director/ CEO who is the Chairman of the committee has put for discussion one important issue that has to do with insufficient Computer facilities, which he said has hindered the village to operate optimally. In this regard he called for a paradigm shift from analog to digital through the provision and utilization of computers in the

daily operation of the institution.

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