

# Don't rename varsity after Saraki, say ACN, CPC, others

## •Govt: Kwara ought to be named after him

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— ARG

**S**HOULD the four-year-old Kwara State University (KWASU) be renamed Olusola Saraki University (OSU)? Yes, says the government, which is proposing the change;

"Some people claim that pressures here and there are necessitating the move. That should not be the reasons why a university should be named after an individual, especially a university that is funded from public purse. I know of a fact that the institution is not only funded by the state government but also all the 16 local councils."

— ACN

From Adekunle Jimoh, Ilorin

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"He was one of those who spearheaded the name of Kwara State. The commissioner was so kind by saying we can name the state after Saraki. We can name everybody after Saraki. I am proud to call myself Saraki. Let me tell you if there is politics in heaven, we are going to queue behind him."

— Kwara Govt

and at that time a governor was suspended much to the detriment of this state.

"I am of the view, that the Kwara State University, apart from what it will connote to the



•The late Saraki

"A name-change clearly violates the University Autonomy Act (2007). Autonomy characterises university system worldwide—it is freedom from external interference in and politicisation of, the nation's universities. It is the right to self-governance."

— CPC

late Saraki's achievements.

"I heard somebody was saying he is objecting to the renaming of KWASU after Saraki because the university was established with public funds. We've

## Herdsmen kill two, raze settlements in Nasarawa

### •Police: we're not aware of incident

From Johnny Danjuma, Lafia

**T**WO people have allegedly been killed by suspected Fulani herdsmen in an attack on Jengeru village, Awe Local Government Area of Nasarawa State.

Police spokesman Cornelius Ochoi, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), however, denied knowledge of the incident. He said the police only heard about a crisis in Guma Local Government Area of Benue State.

The police spokesman wondered how the Benue attacks could affect Awe Local Government.

But a source, who spoke in confidence, told The Nation on phone that the crisis was between Fulani herdsmen and Tiv residents in the area.

The source said the attacks had been recurring over the years.

The crisis, it was learnt, followed disputes on the areas for animal graze. It reportedly began on Saturday and lasted till yesterday.

Some settlements in the area, our reporter said, have been razed as the crisis raged on.

Scores of the residents have become homeless.

The Personal Assistant to the Commissioner for Community and Rural Development, whose name was given as Godwin Mbatsav, was said to have died in the attack.

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