

3 IBBU, ABU students remanded in prison over death of fellow student

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A Magistrates' Court sitting in Minna, Niger State capital has ordered the remand in prison of three students, Jibrin Attahiru and Idris Usman, both of whom are of the Ibrahim Badamosi Bangida University (IBBU), Lapai and one other student, Shehu Abdullahi from Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria for causing the death of their fellow student who they suspected of stealing an HTC smart phone.

The three students were docked on two count charge of criminal conspiracy and homicide, contrary to sections 97 and 221 of the penal code law.

The Police prosecutor, Sergeant John Steven, told the court that one Mohammed Aliyu, Chief Security Officer of IBB University, Lapai reported the matter at the station on July 24.

According to Steven, the complainant alleged that on July 23, the accused persons suspected one Mubarak Sanusi, a student of the same institution, to have stolen an HTC handset, valued at N32, 000 belonging to one

of them.

He said the accused persons picked up Sanusi and took him to their lodge where they beat him and detained him inside the toilet.

He further added that Sa-

nusi was said to have given up the ghost on the way to General Hospital, Lapai the following day.

When the charges were read to them, they all pleaded not guilty.

The prosecutor thereafter

prayed the court for adjournment as investigation into the matter was still ongoing.

Ruling, the magistrate, Fati Auna ordered the accused persons to be remanded in prison and adjourned the matter till September 3, 2018.

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THE Joint Action Committee (JAC) comprising of Senior Staff Association of Nigerian Universities (SSANU), National Association of Academic Technologists (NAAT) and Non-Academic Staff Union (NASU), of Ladokpe Akintola University of Technology (LAUTECH), Ogbomoso, Oyo State, has appealed to well-meaning Nigerians to help prevail on owner state governments to release adequate funds to the university not to jeopardise the future of over 30,000 students and staff of the university.

This was disclosed by the Chairman of the JAC and SSANU, Comrade Abim-

bola Muraina Alesinloye while addressing a press conference titled "A Cry Before the Sun Rises", at the regional office of SSANU, University of Ibadan, on Friday.

Alesinloye, who led other members of the executives of the unions, was flanked by Chairmen of NAAT and NASU, Comrades Wasiu Olusoji Sanusi and Timothy Oladosu Tunwagun, respectively, revealed that the unions considered it necessary to intimate the public of the current on-goings in the institution, just as he hinted that members of staff are currently being owed 10 months salaries.

The chairman explained that the unions agreed to suspend the almost 16 months protracted strike

in the institution, on 23 October, 2017, after series of interventions from all well meaning people of Oyo and Osun states, and Nigeria, in general.

He lamented that the current situation may take the institution back to the days of strike.

He added that after the strike was suspended, the new governing council, chaired by Professor Oladapo Afolabi, met with the unions, leading to signing of Memorandum of Action (MoA) which provided for template which eventually kick-started the academic year after strike.

Alesinloye lamented the breach of the MoA agreed upon by the parties. According to him, after reviewing of the situation, issued a 14-day ultimatum which expired on Tuesday

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