

In the name of ALLAH, The Most Beneficent, The Most Merciful

## MUSLIM STUDENTS' SOCIETY OF NIGERIA

Motto: There is no deity worthy of worship except ALLAH and Muhammad (SAW) is His Messenger

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Communiqué issued at the end of the 79th Islamic Vacation Course (IVC) of the Muslim Students' Society Of Nigeria MSSN "A" Zone held at the Federal Government College, Ilorin (Brothers) and Queen Elizabeth School, Ilorin (Sisters) from 28<sup>th</sup> Jumada Ula to 4<sup>th</sup> Jumada Thaniyah 1444AH (22<sup>nd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 CE).

### *Introduction*

The Muslim Students' Society of Nigeria 'A' Zone Coordinating Committee comprising nineteen Northern states and Abuja organized its 79th Annual Islamic Vacation Course. The IVC had in attendance over one thousand nine hundred participants from the Northern States and Abuja. It was officially declared open on the 24<sup>th</sup> December, 2022 at the Kwara State Stadium Complex, Ilorin. The theme of the programme was "The New Dawn: MSSN on Call"

The ceremony had in attendance his Excellency, the Executive Governor of Kwara State, Mallam Abdulrahman Abdulrazaq. Other dignitaries present at the ceremony included HRH, Mai – Martaba, Emir of Ilorin, Alhaji (Dr.) Ibrahim Sulu-Gambari CFR, ably represented by the Balogun Agba of Ilorin, Alhaji Aliyu Adebayo; HRH the Emir of Shonga, Alhaji (Dr.) Haliru Yahaya,; His Excellency, the Sardaunan Kano, Senator Mallam Ibrahim Shekarau CON, PEN who doubled as the representative of the former Vice President, Alhaji Atiku Abubakar, Wazirin Adamawa; His Excellency, Senator Bola Ahmad Tinubu ably represented by Alhaji Abdulaheem Adedoyin; Chairman of Hosting FatheMeHolsaJusticeJusticeJustice Idris Abdullahi Haroon (Rtd) OFR; Chairman of the Occasion, Turaki of Ilorin, Mallam Saliu Mustapha; National Amir, MSSN, Mallam Shehu Uthman Abubakar; MSSN 'A' Zone Amir, Mallam Muhammad Bin Isa; among others.

The keynote address was delivered by Alhaji Abdulrahman Ahmad Olarinwaju, National Missioner, Ansarudeen Society of Nigeria. He spoke extensively and passionately on the theme "The New Dawn: MSSN on Call."

After a week-long intensive training, instructors' workshop, classroom instructions, Da'awah outreach, seminars and panel discussions, mentoring sessions, video shows, lectures on topics such as Reviving the lost Glory of

Muslims, The New Dawn: MSSN on call, Muslim Women and SMEs, Community Service as a Tool for Growth and Development among others, the following observations and resolutions formed the basis of this communiqué.

***Observations:***

1. It is disgraceful the level of decadence in the Tarbiyah or good manners among the general ummah.
2. The attitude of Nigerians is the architecture of the present predicament facing the society today.
3. Western civilization has negative societal influence on children upbringing most especially the crave for mobile phones acquisition rather for human development programmes.
4. The denial of farmers in the major food producing rural areas due to threat of kidnapping and banditry calls for serious concern.
5. The trending manifestations of insecurity including kidnapping, banditry and ethno-religious disharmony is saddening and condemnable.
6. It is worrisome the skyrocketed increase in PMS contributing to rising inflation on goods and services, lack of clear and strict cash flow policy and unstable fluctuations of Nigeria currency.
7. The need for Muslim youth in particular to use their PVC in the 2023 general election to elect credible Muslim leaders has been stressed.
8. The consequential lack of political will of the government towards ending the lingering ASUU strike causing a devastating setback leading to academic insecurity is destructive.
9. While the recent Supreme Court ruling on the use of hijab by the female Muslims is desirable, the persistent insult or denial of female Muslim students of their freedom of expression in other parts of the country is offensive, discriminatory and a violation.
10. The persistent injustice against some Islamic nations in the world, especially the Palestine without significant effort by the United Nations is intolerable.

**Recommendations:**

1. There is need for religious leaders and parents to redirect their focus towards attitudinal change, character development, orientation and role modeling.

2. Muslims should absolutely reflect and act upon the life of the Prophet Muhammad (SAW) in the evolving world with a view to reviving the lost glory of the Muslims.
3. There is need for spiritual and moral training, active defense and promotion of Islamic cause and investment using Islamized digitalization and ICT content development for the preservation of our future generation.
4. Government should provide a secured conducive environment in the banditry spot areas to enable farmers carryout their farming activities towards ensuring food security in the country.
5. Security agencies need to collect and monitor information so that they can be proactive and predict potential crimes near perfect accuracy and not reactively.
6. As a matter of urgency, Government should implement all the regulatory controlled economic policies including price control mechanism for stable economy with a view to ease the hardship of the average Nigerians.
7. MSSN calls on Muslim youths to form a unifying force and avoid been used as political thugs before, during and after elections that will jeopardize the success of the 2023 general elections.
8. The Government and ASUU should as a matter of urgency, find a common ground and put the interest of Nigerian students at heart in order to permanently address the lingering strike action with the government living up to their part of agreement so as to uphold the standard of education.
9. Muslim Ummah and MSSN in particular should adopt all legal measures possible against any infringement on the freedom and religious rights of the Muslim sisters with appropriate sanction on violators.
10. We call on United Nations to prevail on the Israeli government to abide by the UN Charter on human rights thereby granting equal state right for the Palestine while the Muslim nations as a matter of brotherhood fight for a common cause for the liberation of the Palestine.

***Muhammad Bin Isa***  
Zonal Chairman

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