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GUAGING THE IMPACTS OF PROJECT RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER

Leadership in higher education is measured not only by administrative competence but also by the ability to inspire meaningful transformation. The emergence of Prof. Eric Eboh as Vice Chancellor of the University of Delta, Agbor, has ushered in a new era defined by a bold strategic roadmap known as Project RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER (PRUH), a vision aimed at repositioning the institution for academic excellence, innovation and sustainable educational development.

Project RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER is more than a slogan. It represents a comprehensive strategy designed to strengthen teaching, research, innovation, infrastructure, staff development and community engagement. The initiative reflects the belief that universities must evolve continuously to meet the demands of a rapidly changing world while producing graduates equipped with knowledge, skills and character.

By encouraging quality teaching, curriculum improvement and a research driven culture, PRUH seeks to create a conducive environment



Prof. Eric Chiedum Eboh, VC UNIDEL

for lecturers and students. A university's reputation is built largely on the quality of its academic output, and Project RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER places this objective at the centre of institutional development, by prioritizing research as the fulcrum of educational and societal development. Innovative research has potential to attract grants, strengthen partnerships and improve the institution's visibility within Nigeria and beyond.

Infrastructural development remains another critical pillar of the PRUH strategy. By prioritising improvements in the learning environment, the administration seeks to create conditions that enable students and staff to perform at their best.

Students stand to benefit significantly from this vision. Beyond earning degrees, they are expected to graduate with practical skills, leadership qualities, entrepreneurial abilities, and a strong sense of social responsibility.

The vision also underscores the importance of effective communication and stakeholder engagement. By strengthening relationships with students, alumni, government agencies, industry and host communities, the university can foster partnerships that support growth and innovation. Open communication also promotes transparency and builds confidence in the institution's direction.

Ultimately, Project RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER reflects a forward looking approach to educational leadership.

Its emphasis on academic excellence, research, innovation, infrastructure, human capital development, and stakeholder collaboration presents a framework for strengthening the university's capacity to fulfil its purpose to teach, research and render service to the community.

UNIDEL AFFIRMS PARTNERSHIP WITH SECURITY AGENCIES

The Divisional Police Officer (DPO) of Agbor Division, Chief Superintendent of Police (CSP) Joseph Sunmonu, has sought stronger collaboration with the University of Delta, Agbor (UNIDEL), in promoting peace, law, order, and security across the institution's campuses.

During a courtesy visit to the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Eric Eboh, on Tuesday June 9th, 2026, in his office, the DPO congratulated him and emphasized the need for genuine

cooperation between the Police and the University, particularly in matters affecting students and campus security.

Responding, Prof. Eboh commended CSP Sunmonu for his professionalism and commitment to security, assuring him of UNIDEL's readiness to work closely with the Nigeria Police Force.

The Vice-Chancellor stressed that security remained a top priority for the University and announced plans

to incorporate the DPO into the institution's enlarged security committee as part of efforts to deepen existing collaboration with security agencies.



The VC, Prof. Eric Eboh with DPO Agbor Division, CSP Joseph Sunmonu and DSP Queen Ojougboh during the visit.

NEWLY INAUGURATED UNIDEL SUG EXECUTIVE POISED TO CHAMPION THE RAISE STRATEGY

The newly elected President and members of the Students Union Government (SUG), has been assured of the support and partnership of the University Management. This assurance was given by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Eric Eboh, at their inauguration ceremony held in the University's Council Chambers. The Vice-Chancellor congratulated the newly elected student leaders, describing them as critical stakeholders and the focal point of the institution, urging them to initiate programmes and activities that would advance the RAISE Strategy of his administration.

The Vice-Chancellor emphasized that leadership was about inspiring people, adding positive value, and representing the aspirations of those being led. He charged the student leaders to be role models and worthy ambassadors of the University, assuring them that they would always find in him a partner, mentor, and father.

The oath of office was thereafter administered by the Registrar, Dr. Mrs. Esther Akpojuvie, and this



signalled the assumption of office of both the executive and legislative arms of the Students Union Government.

In his response, the SUG President, Eneni Kemesuodei, expressed gratitude for the confidence reposed in him and his team and pledged to provide responsible leadership. He also assured the University Management of the Union's commitment to work in line with the principles and objectives of the

RAISE Strategy.

The event was witnessed by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Patrick Ijeh; University Librarian, Dr. Vera Okonoko; Dean of Students Advisory Services, Dr. Rufus Ijeh; Director of ICT, Dr. Mrs. Bridget Malasowe; members of the Electoral Committee, executives of the UNIDEL Alumni Association, and other student leaders.

2025/2026 2ND SEMESTER EXAMINATION: UNIDEL STUDENTS COMMEND MANAGEMENT FOR CONDUCTIVE ENVIRONMENT

Students writing second semester examinations in Owa Alero Campus have commended management of University of Delta, Agbor for providing a peaceful and conducive environment at the just concluded second semester examinations.

The students, who spoke with our correspondents, praised the university administration led by Vice Chancellor, Prof. Eric Eboh for ensuring that the examinations were conducted in a student friendly atmosphere.

According to the students, lecture halls and examination venues were well organized, while adequate security, effective supervision, and

uninterrupted academic activities contributed to a smooth examination process.

Miss Favour Nathaniel Oluebube, particularly noted that the management's commitment to improving the learning environment has boosted their confidence and enabled them to write their examinations without unnecessary distractions. On their part, Miss Happiness Chukwurimazu Okafor and Miss Michelle Ekpang Adama who are 200 level students of Mass Communication, described the exercise as one of the most organized examination periods in recent times.

"The examination has been smooth

and well coordinated. The environment is calm, the invigilators are professional and students were able to concentrate on their papers," said David Ogheneruese Timothy.

Another student, Miss Mary Chioma Ossai applauded the university's efforts in maintaining cleanliness across the campuses and ensuring that examination timetables were effectively implemented.

They expressed optimism that the current standard would be sustained in future examinations and other academic activities, noting that a conducive environment remains essential for quality learning and academic excellence.

UNIDEL OPEN TO PARTNERSHIP, EBOH TELLS LG BOSSES

The Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Eric Eboh paid courtesy visits to the Executive Chairmen of Ika South and Ika North East local governments on Thursday, 11 June, 2026, as part of his familiarisation tour of the university.

Addressing the Executive Chairman, Hon. Engr. Jerry Ehiwarior and members of the executive and legislative arms of Ika South LGA, the Vice-Chancellor expressed appreciation for the Chairman's warm reception. He commended Hon. Engr. Ehiwarior and his team for the achievements recorded in Ika South LGA, noting that the Council's progress was clear proof that hard work pays.

He assured the Chairman that UNIDEL was ready and willing to partner with the Council in developmental strides, and emphasized that the University was committed to teaching, research, and community service through the Project RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER.

In his response, Hon. Engr. Jerry Ehiwarior expressed confidence that UNIDEL would grow rapidly under the administration of Prof. Eric Eboh, while recalling the successes of the Prof. Eboh as the Chief Job and Wealth Creation Officer & Head of Delta State Job and Wealth Creation Bureau.

He commended VC for distinguishing himself through purposeful leadership, and assured the Vice-Chancellor of the Council's full support to work together as one team for the progress of both organisations.

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The VC and his entourage with the Ika South Chairman and senior officers of the Council



The Ika North East Council top hierarchy with VC and his entourage.

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In his response, the Council Chairman Hon. Monday Hunkamma Odigwe congratulated Prof. Eric Eboh on his appointment as Vice-Chancellor. He expressed optimism about the Vice-Chancellor's leadership, and stated that he had heard about the "RAISE UNIDEL Higher" strategy.

Hon. Monday Hunkamma Odigwe also commended Prof. Eboh's compassionate leadership and commitment to people's welfare,

and assured him of the Council's support and guaranteed security.

In the Vice-Chancellor's entourage were the Registrar, Dr. Mrs. Esther Akpojue; the Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, Dr. Onyemaechi Ugboh



The VC and the Executive Chairman Ika South LGA

EPAC, UNIDEL LEADS ENVIRONMENTAL CRUSADE ON WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

The Environmental Protection Advocacy Club (EPAC) was officially launched at the University of Delta, Agbor (UNIDEL), and the 2026 World Environment Day celebration served as a platform to promote environmental sustainability, climate action, and public health awareness.

The event, held on Friday June 5th, 2026, in collaboration with the Departments of Environmental Management and Toxicology, Public Health, and Sociology and Criminology, attracted academics, government officials, health experts, community leaders, and students to the university's 1,000 Capacity Hall.

Speaking on behalf of the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Eric Eboh, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Patrick Ijeh, reaffirmed the University's commitment to raising a new generation of environmental advocates dedicated to protecting the ecosystem and advancing sustainable practices.

He stressed that environmental advocacy should extend beyond the university campus into surrounding communities, emphasizing that EPAC's mission must impact society at large. A major highlight of the programme was a lecture delivered,



EPAC exco with special guests at the occasion

by EPAC President, Dr. Paul Diagboya, titled "What Controls My Health: Village People or the Environment."

In his presentation, he challenged widespread misconceptions about the causes of many health problems, arguing that environmental degradation and harmful human activities are major contributors to disease and premature deaths.

He warned about the dangers posed by contaminated food, unsafe consumer products, indiscriminate use of insecticides and fertilizers, and poor food preservation methods, describing them as significant but often overlooked threats to public health..

The Commissioner for Higher Education, represented at the event, pledged support for intensified environmental awareness programmes across tertiary

institutions in Delta State. The celebration also featured educational drama presentations, which highlighted the strong connection between environmental practices and human health situations.

A key feature of the occasion was the inauguration of the EPAC Executive Council, patrons and patroness, which include Prof. Patrick Ijeh, Prof. Elliot Isibor, Dr. Florence Omumu, Dr. Juliana Ijare and Dr. Dominic Udu.



Prof. Patrick Ijeh

DR. AKPOJUVIE RALLIES STAFF BEHIND THE RAISE STRATEGY



Dr. Mrs. Akpojuvie

The Registrar of the University of Delta, Agbor (UNIDEL), Dr. Esther Iroko Akpojuvie, has called on staff of the Institution to fully embrace the Vice-Chancellor's Project RAISE UNIDEL Higher agenda, stressing that discipline, commitment, loyalty, transparency, diligence and quality service delivery were essential for the University's continued growth and transformation.

Speaking on Monday June 8th, 2026, during the June 2026 Monthly Training Programme for Administrative, Executive and Secretariat Staff, at the 1000

Capacity Hall of the Institution, Dr. Akpojuvie urged employees to demonstrate professionalism in their conduct and appearance, while actively supporting the University's digitalization drive.

She encouraged staff to obtain their institutional e-mail accounts through the ICT Centre, noting that official communications, including training materials, would henceforth be delivered electronically. She also emphasized teamwork and consultation, urging staff to seek guidance from deputy registrars whenever necessary.

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Delivering a keynote lecture titled "Administration of Public Service Rules for Effective Service Delivery", Deputy Registrar, Mr. Peter Makpamekun, advocated the establishment of a paperless registry at UNIDEL through comprehensive digitalization of records.

According to him, the system would ensure accountability, create a permanent audit trail, prevent the loss or concealment of files, and improve the speed and efficiency of administrative processes.

He further recommended the adoption of the "Hot Stove Rule" to guarantee immediate, consistent and impartial disciplinary measures, while ensuring that sanctions remained proportional to offences committed.

Mr. Makpamekun described the Public Service Rules as a blueprint for institutional greatness rather than a set of restrictions, maintaining that adherence to the rules was critical to UNIDEL's aspiration of becoming a world-class university.

He stressed that leadership must lead by example and ensure fairness in the application of regulations.

Also addressing participants, the Director of ICT, Dr. Malasowie, underscored the importance of data protection, urging staff to safeguard personal, confidential and institutional information from unauthorized access and disclosure.

The training programme attracted senior deputy registrars and other stakeholders.

UNIDEL LAUNCHES TWIN HOLIDAY SKILL PROGRAMMES TO EQUIP YOUTHS, UNDERGRADUATES AND GRADUATES FOR THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

The University of Delta, Agbor (UNIDEL), has unveiled two major holiday skill-acquisition programmes designed to equip youths, undergraduates and graduates with practical, entrepreneurial and digital skills capable of positioning them for the opportunities of the modern economy.

The programmes, UNIDEL Holiday Skill-Up Programme for Youths and UNIDEL Holiday Digital Skills Boulevard, are part of the university's expanding entrepreneurship and employability agenda under the leadership of its innovative Vice-Chancellor, Professor Eric Chiedum Eboh. The twin initiatives represent another strategic expression of the Vice-Chancellor's commitment to repositioning the University of Delta

as an institution where academic knowledge is deliberately connected to practical skills, innovation, entrepreneurship and economic empowerment.

They are also aligned with the broader vision of Project RAISE UNIDEL Higher, the strategic development pillar of the Vice-Chancellor, which seeks to raise the university higher through innovation, capacity building, entrepreneurship, digital

transformation and impactful engagement with society.

The programmes are being coordinated by the Centre for Entrepreneurship Development (CED), University of Delta, Agbor.

EXCITEMENT AS GLOBACOM LAUNCHES NETWORK SERVICE AT OWA ALERO CAMPUS.

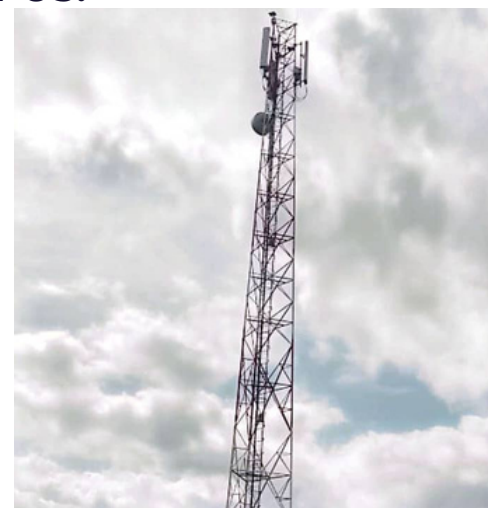
There was excitement among students and indigenes of one of the host communities of the University of Delta (UNIDEL), Owa Alero Campus as Globacom officially launched its network services in the university community.

The newly activated Globacom service is expected to address long standing challenges associated with poor network coverage, enabling smoother voice calls, faster internet access and improved digital communication for members of the university community.

Students who spoke with our

correspondent, described the development as timely, noting that reliable network connectivity has become essential for teaching, learning, research and administrative activities in today's digital environment.

They expressed optimism that the improved internet service would enhance access to online academic resources, virtual learning platforms, electronic library services and seamless communication between lecturers, students and university administrators.



The newly installed Mast

'OPERATION 3000 COMPUTERS': VC DONATES FIRST TWO SYSTEMS TO DRIVE AI REVOLUTION

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Delta, Agbor (UNIDEL), Prof. Erich Chiedum Eboh, has unveiled a digital transformation initiative tagged "Operation 3000 Computers," aimed at positioning the university as a leading technology-driven institution, capable of harnessing the enormous opportunities presented by Artificial Intelligence (AI) in teaching, learning, research, and innovation.

The landmark declaration was made on Tuesday during the Vice Chancellor's opening address at the Second International Symposium in the Academic and Research Capacity Building Series, organized by the Centre for International Collaboration, Research, and Linkages (CICOREL). The symposium, themed "Advancing UNIDEL through Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Learning, Teaching, and Research," brought together scholars, technology experts, researchers, and members of the university community to deliberate on the transformative role of AI in higher education.

The announcement marks yet another major milestone under "Project RAISE UNIDEL HIGHER," the Vice Chancellor's comprehensive blueprint for repositioning the University of Delta as a globally competitive institution through innovation, digital transformation, research excellence, and strategic partnerships.

Speaking passionately before an audience of academics and invited guests, Prof. Eboh highlighted the current shortage of computer systems within the university, describing the low computer-to-staff ratio as a major challenge to effective adoption and integration of Artificial Intelligence in the university.

According to him, no university can genuinely aspire to become globally competitive in today's rapidly

evolving digital ecosystem without first investing in the basic technological infrastructure that powers innovation. "The age of Artificial Intelligence is no longer approaching; it is already here," the Vice Chancellor declared. "If we are serious about preparing our lecturers, researchers and students for the future, then we must first provide them with the essential digital tools required to thrive."

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He explained that Operation 3000 Computers is designed to bridge the existing digital infrastructure gap by mobilizing the acquisition of at least 3,000 computer systems for the university, thereby creating an enabling environment for technology-enhanced teaching, cutting-edge research, digital scholarship, and AI-driven learning.

Rather than place the responsibility solely on government, Prof. Eboh extended a passionate appeal to alumni, philanthropists, corporate organizations, development partners, foundations, public-spirited individuals, and other stakeholders to join hands with the university to actualize the initiative.

He urged stakeholders of the university to consider donating at least one computer system to the institution, stressing that collective contributions, no matter how small, will transform the digital landscape of UNIDEL.

In what many participants described as leadership by example, the Vice Chancellor immediately backed his appeal with action by personally donating two brand-new

HP desktop computer systems as the pioneer contribution to the initiative.

The symbolic donation drew applause from participants, reinforcing the opinion that meaningful institutional transformation begins with personal commitment before public advocacy.

Prof. Eboh also disclosed that the university is making significant progress in expanding its digital assessment infrastructure. He announced that the launch of a Computer-Based Test (CBT) Centre at the Owa-Alero Campus would enhance operational efficiency, and provide a more conducive digital environment for students.

The symposium itself provided a vibrant intellectual platform for robust discussions on the opportunities, challenges, and ethical implications of Artificial Intelligence in contemporary higher education.

Renowned experts from across the globe served as resource persons, sharing practical insights into the rapidly changing AI ecosystem and its implications for universities seeking global relevance.



Prof. Erich Chiedum Eboh, VC UNIDEL

MAINTAIN HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES, PASTOR DANJUMA URGES STAFF

Staff of the University of Delta, Agbor (UNIDEL) have been urged to cultivate healthy relationships with their superiors and colleagues to promote peace, unity and productivity in the workplace.

The charge was given by Pastor Gajere Danjuma in a sermon delivered to members of the university community during the July edition of UNIDEL intercessory prayer held at Owa Alero campus in Ika North East Local Government Area of Delta State.

Pastor Danjuma in his sermon titled, employee - employer relationship emphasized that harmonious relationships among staff are essential for institutional growth and personal development.

Speaking on obedience, humility and peaceful coexistence, Pastor

Danjuma encouraged staff of the university to respect constituted authority and remain committed to their duties. He noted that maintaining cordial relationships with management and fellow workers creates a conducive environment for excellence and effective service delivery.

Citing the Bible book of Romans 13:1-7, he reminded the congregation that all authority is



Pst. Gajere giving the exhortation

established by God and urged workers to submit to lawful leadership with sincerity and respect.

Also referring to 1 Samuel 19:21, Pastor Danjuma stressed the importance of wisdom, humility and obedience even in difficult circumstances, urging staff to avoid actions capable of creating unnecessary tension or division within the university community.

The cleric advised employees to shun gossip, unhealthy rivalry and acts of insubordination, while embracing teamwork, integrity and effective communication in the discharge of their duties.

According to him, institutions thrive when workers cooperate with one another, respect their leaders and uphold ethical values in both words and actions.

SENATE APPROVES REFORMS TO BOOST RESEARCH.

The Senate of the University of Delta (UNIDEL), Agbor, has approved a number of reforms to help strengthen research, innovation, international collaboration, academic quality and student development in the institution.

The decisions were reached at the Senate meeting held on Wednesday 29th July 2026. Among the major initiatives approved by the Senate is the establishment of the Directorate of Research and Innovation, designed to promote research activities, innovation and knowledge creation within the university.

The Senate also approved the establishment of the Directorate of International Collaboration and Linkages, which is expected to enhance UNIDEL's relationships with international institutions and other global strategic partners. In order to reposition key administrative and academic support structures, the Senate further approved the rebranding of the Directorate of Student Affairs, the Centre for Continuing Education Programmes and the Career Development and

Counselling Centre. A Centre for Public Policy and Development, which is expected to provide a platform for research, policy engagement and development-oriented initiatives, was also approved for establishment.

Senate also approved the establishment of the Directorate of Academic Quality Compliance, aimed at strengthening mechanisms for maintaining and monitoring academic standards across the university. It was also recommended that the Career Development and Counselling Centre, would be strengthened to improve career guidance, counselling and other forms of support for students as they prepare for life and employment after graduation. Another major initiative approved by the Senate was the establishment of the Centre for Pre- and Non-Degree Programmes, which will expand opportunities for learners seeking alternative pathways to education and professional development.

These latest reforms are part of the

university's continuing efforts under the leadership of Prof. Eric Eboh, to reposition UNIDEL as a competitive institution committed to academic excellence, research, innovation, global partnerships and sustainable development.



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