FUTA HOLDS CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP FOR CORP MEMBERS

The Federal University of Technology Akure, FUTA, Centre for Gender Issues in Science and Technology (CEGIST) has organized a capacity building seminar for National Youth Service Corp, NYSC, members serving in Ondo State.

While declaring the seminar open, the Registrar, Dr. (Mrs.) Modupe Ajayi stated that NYSC was one of the good things that had ever happened in Nigeria and had brought togetherness to Nigeria as a nation. She added that many youths in the course of serving their nation had mixed with other tribes and some in the process got married people from other parts of the country and fellow corpers. She therefore enjoined the corps members to rediscover themselves by bringing out the best in them in the course of their service year.

The State Coordinator of NYSC, Mr. Isiaka Olanrewaju Kuoye who was represented by Mr. Olu Fadairo thanked FUTA management and CEGIST for putting in place a capacity building seminar. He stressed that the seminar would open the eyes of the corps members to self-development. He however advised the corps members to treasure what FUTA has given to them and use it to develop themselves and for the progress of Nigeria.

While delivering a paper titled “Self Promotion”, Dr. Omotayo Dairo, the Chief Executive Officer of Quintal Energy stated that they (the Youth Corps Members) should work very hard to be celebrated rather than celebrating others as it was their skills, passion and dreams that could make them sought after as people of influence in the society. He stressed that they should endear themselves to people in their communities of service through values, intellectual capability, emotional stability, physical strength and spiritual development.

In her own lecture titled “Finding Love during the Service Year”, Professor (Mrs.) Ibiyinka Fuwape, Dean, School of Sciences stated that it was with love that mankind could live together as one and in it that a nation could grow. She stressed further that “love is selfless and long lasting as it could not be pigeonholed”. She added that they should first love God and appreciate themselves because they are the image of God, adding that they should be interested in each other’s progress and encourage one another to fulfill their dreams. She further advised them to be prayerful and be dedicated to God in the process of finding love as it was a home that would bring out the best in a nation.

Earlier, the Director of the Centre, Dr. (Mrs.) Moji Edema thanked the management of the University for its Interest in the Centre at all times. She said that the Centre decided to take the capacity building workshop to the Youth Corps members so as to promote self-development and make them realize their great potentials. Corps members drawn from different place of their primary assignments attended the seminar.