The government of Ondo State will collaborate with the Federal University of Technology, Akure in a renewed effort to boost technical education and enhance skill acquisition by the generality of its people. The Governor of Ondo State Dr Olusegun Mimiko stated this while receiving members of the university’s governing council led by its chairman Mahmood Yahaya, SAN, who paid a courtesy call on him at Government House, Akure. Describing the institution as the best University of Technology in the county, Dr Mimiko said FUTA has impacted the State positively since its establishment over three decades ago. He said with the proposed collaboration in the area of technological education and skill acquisition, the partnership between the institution and the people and government of Ondo State would be taken to a new level that would be mutually rewarding.
‘FUTA is undoubtedly the best in the country. It has been lucky to be blessed with a succession of progressive and productive management and council. And with the pedigree of Mahmood Yahaya, an erudite lawyer and tested administrator, and members of the newly inaugurated council, it is clear that FUTA will continue to make progress and impact the Nigerian society especially Ondo State positively. We hope to strengthen the partnership with the institution. We will continue to leverage on FUTA expertise in technology, agriculture especially in the area of cocoa production’. Mimiko said while pledging to continue to support the institution. Earlier Yahaya who served as a member of the National Youth Service Corp in Ondo State in 1978 described his posting to FUTA as homecoming. He assured the Governor of the readiness of the Council to make the collaboration successful while also ensuring that FUTA continues its progressive march to greatness under his watch as the helmsman of the council. He lauded Dr Mimiko for his developmental stride while urging him to continue to collaborate with and support FUTA. Other members of the council who accompanied the Chairman included Engr. Lukman Erogbogbo, Arc. Benjamin Chijoke Nnaji, Hon. Jelani M. Yauri Chief Joel Madaki, Mr. Ebenezer Fayemi, Prof. J. O. Afolayan, Prof. D. R. Ogunsemi, Prof. A. S. Ogunlowo, Prof. (Mrs.) I. A. Fuwape, Prof. E. A. Aderinola, Prof. O. K. Koriko, Dr Jonathan Onyekwelu, Prof. Adebiyi G. Daramola, Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Adedayo Fasakin Deputy Vice Chancellor, Academics, Prof. Tolulope Akinbogun Deputy Vice Chancellor, Development, Dr. (Mrs.) Modupe Ajayi, Registrar, Mr. F. Z. Oguntuase, Librarian and Mr. Raphael Aladetimi, Bursar.