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ONDO LIBRARY BOARD SEEKS PARTNERSHIP WITH FUTA

In an attempt to reposition and re-engineer library services in Ondo State, the Board of the State's Library led by its Executive Chairman, Dr. Basorun Banjo Abitogun recently paid a courtesy call on the management of the Federal University of Technology, Akure to seek partnership and work out a synergy that will lead to the improvement and development of library services in the state. Dr. Abitogun said "The state government cannot do it alone without the support of FUTA and other institutions. That informed our visit to seek the way forward so as to reposition library services in Ondo State. We saw the importance of library services to learning and development of humanity and we know your unique institution with track record and positive achievements can help us."

The Chairman said his team came to identify areas the Board could collaborate with FUTA in Information Technology. "As a University of Technology, we believe you will add value to our operations in the area of ICT because at the moment we are not yet there in terms of IT- compliance" Abitogun stated. In his response, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Daramola said one of the social responsibilities of FUTA was to affect its immediate environment positively by strengthening its Town and Gown relationship. Daramola said "Sharing of resources should be encouraged and there is nothing wrong if the state library becomes an extension of FUTA library, with the deployment of IT, this is possible. There is a need for institutions to complement each other for the benefit of knowledge, humanity and the nation."

Daramola further said FUTA realizes the importance of the library to her operations and that informed the ongoing extension of its library from the current 420 capacity to 2,000. He also encouraged the State Library Board to be IT compliant because the world has become a global village.