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WAAPP SCORES FUTA HIGH

The Vice-Chancellor of the Federal University of Technology, Akure, Professor Adebisi Daramola has said that success remained the Trade Mark of the institution. He stated this while receiving a team from the Agricultural Research Council of Nigeria, (ARCN), Abuja who paid him a courtesy call recently. The team led by Professor Olusola Onaolapo Ojo, Director, Coordination of Technical Research (CTR) Programme, ARCN was on inspection of the FUTA based West African Agricultural Productivity Programme (WAAPP).

Professor Ojo had with him the Programme Officer (CTR), Mr. Malomo Gabriel Adebayo. Expressing his impression about FUTA and the WAAPP Programme, Professor Ojo said “We have gone round your beautiful campus and I want to say you are doing a wonderful job here. We are greatly impressed by what we saw having gone round your cassava plantation, secondary schools and other villages where you have taken WAAPP Programme to. Your team has done very well and we are happy with your institution. You have really justified the investment and that will give us the impetus to want to do more. We have identified some areas where we can do more to perform better. WAAPP is a project that will further sell FUTA, so join us in assisting WAAPP to take the project to its lofty height so as to rejuvenate agriculture in Nigeria and West Africa. It’s a partnership that worth its while.”

Responding, the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Daramola said “The success of FUTA-WAAPP in Akure and its environ is typical of FUTA. We have participated in several projects and we have a reputation for achieving success. The Honourable Minister of Agriculture, Dr. Akinwumi Adesina and other eminent national and international figures that have delivered lectures here and interacted with us keep saying positive things about FUTA. Their first

impression about our operations continues to linger on their minds. That is why success is our trade mark.”

Speaking further, Daramola said FUTA has given total support to the WAAPP Programme and willing to do more. “We have given total support to WAAPP and we are ready to do more because we have a reputation for performance. We are ready to go into producing day old chicks through our collaboration with WAAPP. We want to capture the South West in the production of day old chicks with our hatchery equipment. I trust our team to deliver and assure you that we will not disappoint.”

Speaking earlier, Dean, School of Agriculture and Agricultural Technology, (SAAT), Professor Shadrack Akindele expressed his delight at the visitation by the team, saying “your visitation and suggestion will help us to do more.” He also commended the continued support FUTA-WAAPP is receiving from the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Adebisi Daramola.