The Minister of Technical and Higher Education, Prof. Alpha Tejan Wurie, has on 25th February 2021 at his ministry's conference room at New England Ville in Freetown held a meeting with Principals and Vice Chancellors as a way of transforming the country's tertiary education sector.

Speaking to the Principals and Vice Chancellors, the Minister of Technical and Higher Education, Prof. Alpha Tejan Wurie, started off by welcoming the Vice Chancellors and Principals, stressing the importance of such a meeting especially at a time when the tertiary education sector needs a positive change. He mentioned the need for a centralized university or college admission services that will actually work out which student goes where and which of the courses is done in each of the institutions.

He further mentioned the need for universities to revisit their entry requirements, noting that the higher learning institutions should not limit college entry requirements just to five credits in WASSCE. He said that the country needs to have gradations of tertiary education entities because the provision of the universities is for government to provide learning services to people at different levels, recommending that undergraduate certificate courses be done in upcoming universities or polytechnics rather than in old ones like Fourah Bay College.

Prof. Wurie expressed his desire for the colleges that are already registered to be incorporated into the University Act and urged the university authority to form a committee that will start the higher education analysis and work along with the Teaching Service Commission.

He concluded by requesting the opening of colleges, reminding the attendees of a signed document with Academic Staff Association that led to the calling off of the industrial strike action.