

AIUWA to Be Established in Sierra Leone

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The Ministry of Technical and Higher Education (MTHE) has at its office in New England Ville had an engagement with the Chancellor and Founder President of American International University West Africa (AIUWA), Dinesh Shukla, with a view to establishing the University in Sierra Leone and expanding its academic programmes to the country.



The American International University, having been established in The Gambia in 2011, is a registered and approved institution of higher education by the Government of The Gambia, offering medical programmes leading to Doctor of Medicine Degree.



In his opening statement, the Minister of Technical and Higher Education, Prof. Alpha Tejan Wurie, welcomed the Chancellor and Team and applauded them for such a laudable venture. He entreated them to give considerable importance to Medical Laboratory Sciences, urging members present to put more resources into medical academia. "Science is a major investment indeed...we as a country need further expansion of medical training," he said.

AIUWA 's Chancellor and Founder President, Dinesh Shukla, noted that the institution has gotten the finances to move forward in an expeditious manner but that they will have to follow due process in achieving the overall goal. He appreciated the Management of MTHE for being very receptive, registering their commitment as an institution to ensuring that the entire process becomes a success for Sierra Leone's Academia.



According to MTHE's Permanent Secretary, Mr. Gilbert Cooper, the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) is responsible for regulating tertiary education in the country, and therefore, there is need for a Committee to be set up to engage the TEC on how to enhance the process.



The meeting was attended by a host of dignitaries including the Deputy Minister of Technical and Higher Education, Mr. Sarjoh Aziz-Kamara; Sierra Leone's High Commissioner to The Gambia, Her Excellency Mrs. Lucretia Marian Shereef; MTHE's Chief Technical and Higher Education Officer, Dr. Josephus Brimah; Deputy Chief Technical and Higher Education Officer, Mrs. Musu Gorvie; and Director of Research, Planning and Development, Ms. Sia Fasuluku.



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