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• Editorial •

warm greetings from the editorial board, the management and staff of the Southeast Zonal Biotechnology Center, UNN. We remain thankful to you our esteemed audience for you time.

We are equally grateful to the University of Nigeria, Nsukka (UNN) and the National Biotechnology Development Agency (NABDA) for their unalloyed support to the center. It is worth mentioning, at this point that the center owes to her Director, Prof Obi Njoku, a debt of gratitude for the successes enjoyed by the center, since he mounted the saddle. Due to his tireless efforts, the center has evolved into a beehive of sound research and innovation. The various units have been granted a new lease of life, and are functioning in full capacity.

> Mrs. Nwokolo, Chinwe and Mr.Enoyi Austin O.



August was a productive month for us as a research institute. Amongst others, the center engaged in several activities as follows:

Fineapple Production

In our July edition, we did mention our drive to engage in pineapple production. Thankfully, the University has graciously allocated a piece of land for its cultivation. This desire has now come to fruition, as the center took delivery of about three hundred (300) pineapple suckers from the Bioresource Development Center, Effraya, Cross River State.



The Director, SEZBC, UNN and staff with Mr Amesiorah, Victor A BIODEC Staff, Effraya, Cross River State who delivered the pineapple



The Director, SEZBC, UNN receiving the 300 pineapple suckers from Mr Amesiorah Victor A BIODEC Staff

The suckers brought in by a NABDA staff, Mr Amesiorah, Victor has already been planted as at the time of filing this report. The center is working assiduously to be a major hub for pineapple plantation in the University community and the society at large





We train individuals and organisations on modern hatching techniques. Students on Industrial Attachment to the center, equally availed themselves the opportunity to get trained on fish farming and hatchery within the month of August.

CONFERENCE

 ${f T}$ he Southeast Zonal Biotechnology Center is organizing a virtual conference which bothers on biotechnological research. Preparations are in top gear, and we will communicate our audience accordingly.





Members of staff who marked their births in August are: Mr. Onuigbo, T., Mrs. Anulobi A. and Mr. Entonu, S. The center wishes them more fruitful vears in sound health.



he father of Miss Etim, Victoria was laid to rest within the month of August at Ndon, Uruan Local government of Akwa Ibom State. The center was well represented at the funeral.



Lab Work Training for IT Students