

MD FMC AZARE, AND MEMBERS OF THE TOP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PAY SALLAH HOMAGE TO EMIRS IN BAUCHI STATE

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HRH ALH. AHMED SULEIMAN, mni, EMIR OF MISAU



HRH ALH. DR. RILWANU SULAIMAN ADAMU, CFR, EMIR OF BAUCHI



HRH ALH. UTHMAN BILYAMINU UTHMAN, EMIR OF DASS



HRH ALH. NUHU AHMED WABI, mni, EMIR OF JAMA'ARE

The Medical Director, Federal Medical Centre, Azare, Dr. Dauda Abubakar Katagum together with Members of the Top Management Committee have paid Eid-el Kabir sallah homage to the Emirs of Bauchi, Katagum, Misau, Jama'are and Dass on their palaces on 30th June, 2023 and 5th and 6th July, 2023 respectively.



The Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum with Management staff during sallah homage to Emir of Katagum

During the homage, which commenced with the Palace of the Emir of Katagum on Friday, 30th June, 2023, the Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum led a delegation of his Management team for sallah greetings to His Royal Highness, the Emir of Katagum, Alh Umar Faruk II, CON at his palace in Azare.



L-R The Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum with Head of Finance and Supplies Department, Mal. Lamara Zailani At the Emirs Palace during the visit

In his remarks, the Emir of Katagum, Alh. Umar Faruk II, thanked the Management for the visit and wished them Allah's blessings and guidance in their undertakings.

In a related development, the Management team was at Misau and Jama'are Emirate Councils on 5th July, 2023.



The Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum 2nd (L) with the Emir of Misau during sallah visit at Misau

At Misau, the Medical Director and his entourage visited the Emir of Misau, Alh. Ahmed Sulaiman, mni, as a mark of respect for the traditional institutions and to strengthen the existing relationship between the centre and royal fathers and their institutions in Bauchi state.



The Medical Director delivering his speech during sallah visit at Misau

In his speech, the Medical Director who is also the Zanna Dujima of Katagum revealed to the Emir that the Centre is catering for teeming number of patients from the neighbouring states of Yobe, Jigawa, Borno and Gombe states on daily basis.



1st From left, Medical Director with some Management staff during the sallah visit at Misau

The Medical Director further explained that the Centre has state of the art medical equipment and render services in line with the global best practices. FMC Azare Management is also working round the clock to ensure that patients are treated with sympathy and empathy.

On the issue of hospital charges, the Medical Director informed the Emir that Federal Medical Centre, Azare has the lowest hospital charges compared to other Tertiary Health Institutions in the country.

In a bid to further maintain the cordial relationship between the Centre and people of Misau, the Medical Director informed the Emir that the Centre will be sending some of its Doctors to General Hospitals Misau and Jama'are from time to time to help in mitigating the challenge of inadequate manpower.



His Royal Highness, Alh Ahmed Sulaiman, mni
Emir of Misau

In his response, the Emir of Misau, Alh. Ahmed Sulaiman, mni, expressed his appreciation for the visit and prayed for the Medical Director, his team and the centre to achieve greater heights and excellence in service delivery. He also pledge his continued support to the centre at all times.

The Top Management Committee was at Jama'are Emir's palace on 5th July, 2023.



The Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum 4th (L) with the Emir of Jama'are during the sallah visit at Jama'are

At Jama'are Emir's palace, after normal introduction by the Centre's Public Relations Officer, the Medical Director emphasized the importance of cordial relationship between the Centre and the traditional institutions.



The Medical Director delivering his speech during the sallah visit at Jama'are

Dr. Katagum informed the Emir of Jama'are that one of the illustrious sons of Jama'are Emirate is among the Top Management staff of the Centre. He is Malam Lamara Zailani, whose competence and vast knowledge have added greater value to the centre.



Cross section of Jama'are Emirates Traditional Tittle holders during the sallah visit

Dr. Katagum reiterated his administration's determination and readiness to work hand in hand with the Emirate Council and people of Jama'are towards providing efficient health care services to humanity through sending some doctors to General Hospital Jama'are to render services and alleviate the shortage of health care professionals.



His Royal Highness, Alh. Nuhu Ahmad Wabi, mni
Emir of Jama'are

In his remarks, the Emir of Jama'are, Alh. Nuhu Ahmad Wabi, mni, thanked the Management of the centre for the visit and added that he was delighted to hear that the centre will soon collaborate with Bauchi state government in the area of sending Medical Doctors to General Hospital Jama'are to assist the manpower level of the hospital.



The Public Relations Officer, Abdu Mohammed introducing Dallatun Jama'are to the Medical Director as the present Vice Chairman of League of Hospital Friends Azare during the sallah visit at Jama'are

The Emir assured the Management that he is ready to assist the centre in its drive towards providing efficient health care services to humanity.

On 6th July 2023, the Management team paid sallah homage to Bauchi and Dass Emirate Councils.



The Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum 3rd (R) with the Emir of Bauchi during sallah visit at Bauchi

Upon arrival at the Palace of the Emir of Bauchi, the Medical Director was received and ushered in to the waiting area of the Emir by Danrimin Bauchi.

Few minutes later, the Management Team met with the Emir.

After exchanging pleasantries, the Centre's spokesman informed the Emir and his Traditional Title Holders the purpose of the visit which include paying sallah homage and condolence to the Emir over the sudden death of his brother.



Cross section of Management staff during sallah visit at Bauchi

In his speech, the Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum thanked the Emir for the hospitality accorded to the Management Team and also condoled the Emir of Bauchi over the sudden death of his brother.

He prayed to Almighty Allah to forgive the soul of the deceased and make Aljannatil Firdausi his final abode.



Dr. Dauda A. Katagum, FWACS
Medical Director, Federal Medical Centre, Azare

Dr. Katagum seized the opportunity to informed the Emir about the services rendered in the Centre and the progress achieved so far in providing efficient and effective health care services to humanity. He further disclosed that the Centre is performing Phacoemulsification surgery and it is the only Tertiary hospital that has the equipment and trained personnel that

can perform such surgery in the whole North Eastern state.

Finally, the Medical Director informed the Emir that the centre is ever willing to strengthen the cordial relationship existing between the centre and Bauchi Emirate. He assured the Emir that the Management of Federal Medical Centre, Azare is always ready for fatherly advice by the Emir of Bauchi.

Responding, the Emir of Bauchi, Alh. Dr. Rilwanu Sulaiman Adamu, CFR, stated that he was happy and overwhelmed to receive a powerful delegation from Federal Medical Centre Azare paying sallah homage and condolence to him.



His Royal Highness, Alh Dr. Rilwanu Suleiman Adamu, CFR
Emir of Bauchi

The Emir stated that they were aware of the numerous accessible and qualitative health care services the Centre is providing to the people of Bauchi state and the neighbouring states of Jigawa, Kano and Yobe respectively.



Cross section of Bauchi Emirates Traditional Title holders

Finally, the Emir wished the Medical Director and his entourage journey mercies back to their destination safely.

Finally the Team met the Emir of Dass on 6th July, 2023



The Medical Director, Dr. Dauda A. Katagum 2nd (L) with the Emir of Dass during the sallah visit at Dass

The overjoyed Emir of Dass, Alh. Uthman Bilyaminu Uthman, warmly

received the Medical Director and his entourage into the palace.

As usual, the spokesman of the Centre, Malam Abdu Mohammed, informed the Emir that the Medical Director Dr. Dauda A. Katagum (Zanna Dujiman Katagum) is a brother to late Dr. Bello Katagum and that the Team was at his palace for sallah homage.



The Medical Director delivering his speech during the sallah visit at Dass

In his speech, the Medical Director, commended the Emir for the giant strides he is making especially in the area of health care delivery not only in Bauchi state but in the entire northern region.

Dr. Katagum informed the Emir that he was recently appointed as the substantive Medical Director of Federal Medical Centre Azare by the administration of the former President Muhammadu Buhari in August, 2022.

Dr. Katagum reiterated that the sallah homage to Emirs in Bauchi state was done to seek the blessings and guidance of the Royal Fathers and to

create a synergy between the Centre and Emirate councils in Bauchi state.

Finally, he said Federal Medical Centre, Azare is providing numerous health care services ranging from CT-Scan, OCT Digital X-Ray, Mammography, Ultra-sound and Phaco-surgeries among others. He pledged his loyalty to traditional rulers and maintained that he would accept fatherly advice from them.



**His Royal Highness, Alh. Uthman Bilyaminu Usman
Emir of Dass**

In his speech the Emir of Dass, Alh. Uthman Bilyaminu Uthman, thanked the Management of the Centre for the sallah visit despite their tight schedules and commended them for their solidarity and respect to Dass Emirate.



**Cross section Traditional Title Holders at Dass Emirate
Council during the sallah visit**

He stated that in the past people are more conversant with Federal Medical Centre Gombe not knowing that there are many services done in Federal Medical Centre, Azare.

The Emir reiterated that this kind of visitation increase awareness to the people to know that there are various health care services available within us. He further stated that it is incumbent on us to continue enlightening the general public on the importance of making visitations to hospital instead of patronizing road side chemist especially with the statement made by the Medical Director on the availability of many state-of-the-art-medical equipment at Federal Medical Centre, Azare.

Finally, the Emir expressed happiness of Dass Emirate Council and thanked the Management for the visit and wished them Allah's guidance and grace in their day to day activities.