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## MKU to train 15 apprentices and give them grants

Mt Kenya University on Sunday unveiled the second cohort of its Graduate Enterprise Academy. Fifteen MKU alumni have been selected for training to improve their enterprise skills. Each will get a grant of Sh800,000. Council vice chairman Dr Vincent Gichuru Galtho said five experts have been brought in to do the training.

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## Matiang'i visits campus

Education Cabinet Secretary Fred Matiang'i with Mount Kenya University Vice-Chancellor Stanley Waudu (left), when he made an impromptu visit to the institution's Thika main campus yesterday. Dr Matiang'i said a coordinated approach in the accreditation of academic programmes offered by universities in Kenya will be adopted.

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# Minister challenges universities to develop human capacity

BY JAMES WAKAHIU

**Thika, April 7, 2016** - Education Science and Technology Minister Dr. Fred Matiangi yesterday challenged Universities to develop adequate human capital to accelerate national growth and prosperity.

The Cabinet Secretary made the remarks when he made an impromptu tour of Mount Kenya University Main Campus in Thika of Kiambu County.

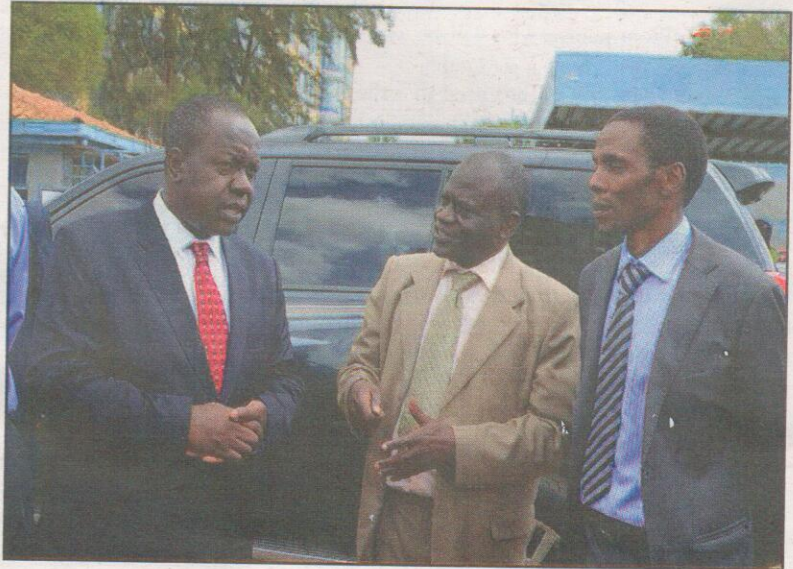
Dr. Matiangi said Kenya had a serious deficit of human capital in various fields and therefore universities in the country should start and invest heavily to produce human capital.

In reaction to the Minister's call, MKU Vice Chancellor Professor Stanley Waudo said in order to achieve this goal Universities need to train graduates who can become competitive in the emerging technologies in the global market. He said this would save the country a lot of resources used to import labour.

Mount Kenya University (MKU) Vice Chancellor Prof. Stanley Waudo said that there is a training gap in the course offered in Universities as compared to the skills needed by the economy.

Prof. Waudo said that for universities to offer these courses they either have to send lecturers to go out of the country so that they can be trained or to import professors who can lecture on these courses.

"Another challenge we are facing



*CS Matiangi, Prof. Waudo and DVC in Charge of Campuses Prof. Evans Kerosi. affordably.*

the equipment used to train in these emerging technologies as we have to source them from outside the country," said Waudo.

The vice chancellor said in order to produce post graduate students universities will be required to hire professors from outside the country and send students to learn in other universities so that they could become trainers.

He called on the government to help universities to source professors for this purpose in order to help in developing requisite Human Capacity.

He said in area of research equipments were very costly since they were imported from abroad and called on the government to put mechanism to ensure such equipments were acquired

He said there is need for a fair accreditation system for the university. He said the university has been teaching law for the last five years adding that the hitch that was recently in the school of law had been resolved.

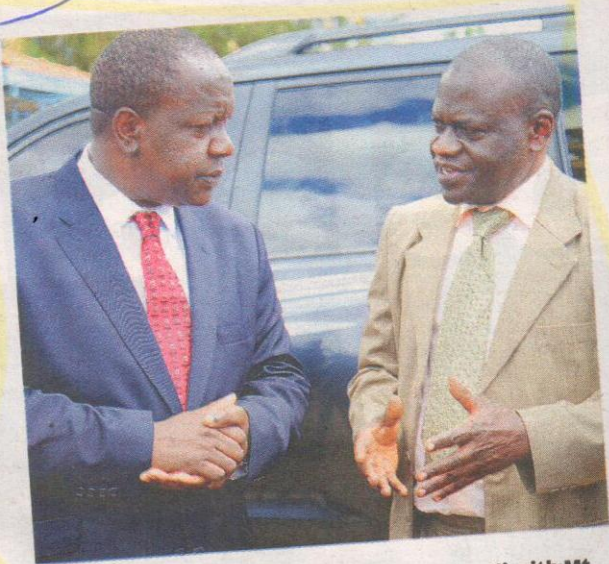
Dr. Matiangi said the government was committed in bringing all stakeholders in order to harmonise a credential process for the university to avoid a situation where our children suffer. "Court battles will not solve anything by arguing forever because at the end it is our children who will continue suffering. I will call all stakeholders and professional bodies in a round table meeting to be chaired by the Attorney General to resolve this matter once and for all," said Dr. Matiangi.

## Boda boda operators urged to be law compliant

BY MATHEW NDUNG'U

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**Former Arsenal and Nigerian Star Nwankwo Kanu gives a word of advice to young players during a football clinic at Eastleigh High School last week.**



**Education Cabinet Secretary Dr Fred Matiang'i with Mt Kenya University Vice Chancellor Prof Stanley Waudo (right) when he made an impromptu visit to the institution. The CS assessed the facility at the campus.**

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