



# KIRIRI WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## PRESS STATEMENT

Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology is an accredited University by the Government of Kenya through the Commission For University Education in accordance with Gazette Notice number 2913 dated ninth day of May 2002.

Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology would like to bring to the attention the statements that were stated on the print media mainly the Standard Newspaper on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2017 and the Nation Newspaper on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017 respectively.

Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology wishes to notify the public and the stakeholders mainly parents, students, staff, public and private institutions that the University is licensed to operate and carry out its mandate under the The Universities Act, No 42 of 2012: The Universities (Amendment) Act, 2016.

The University also notifies the public that the Commission for University of Education conducted a Quality Audit Inspection of all private and public Universities from 23<sup>rd</sup> January to 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2017. The purpose of the Quality Audit Inspection was to establish the extent to which Universities were complying with the Universities Act, No.42 of 2012: the Universities Regulations, 2014 and the Universities Standards and Guidelines, 2014.

The Kiriri University of Science and Technology Audit Inspection report dated 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 made the following recommendations amongst others:

- **Compliance to minimum standards on Instructional hours and workload.**

The report stated that the students completed the Institutional hours as follows Bachelor of Science Business Administration (BBA) - 2160 hrs, Bachelor of Science Computer Science - 2430 hrs, Bachelor of Science Mathematics - 2160 hrs, Bachelor of Business Information technology (BBIT) - 2160 hrs

These are the degree programmes approved by Commission for University Education.

- **Integrity of Examinations**

The Integrity of examinations at the University was confirmed. There was no evidence of missing exams.

The recommendation on examination was as follows:

Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology should keep up the good practice of examination process.

- **Award of Degrees**

Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology availed the Policy on issuing Award certificates which stipulates the graduation requirements: teaching, internship and community service. The university provided evidence of duly signed graduation lists and booklets for the years 2012, 2014, and 2016 as well as degree classifications.

The recommendation notably was Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology should keep up the good practice.

- **Appointment and promotion of Academic staff in accordance with the Commission for University Education harmonization criteria and guidelines;**

The recommendation noted that KWUST should continue hiring full time teaching staff; the university is progressing well in demonstrating their commitment to show the face of Kenya in terms of ethnicity and gender balance in appointment of staff.

- **The Conclusion of the Audit Report reads;**

"The University has to a large extent complied with the minimum requirements of the Audit Criteria. The effort in safeguarding of adherence to institutional hours, and integrity in examination is commendable. The University had also demonstrated good practice especially in providing with speed documentary evidence. However, there is need to improve in areas that have been identified and recommended for action.

Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology therefore expressly states that the statements in the print media and digital platforms are inaccurate and non-factual.

In view of all these the University hereby urges the public and the respective stakeholders to call or visit the University for any clarifications with due respect to the underlying statements and any other information that may need further explanation.

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