**SSANU Cautions Service Chiefs to Address Incessant Killings in Nigeria**

The Senior Staff Association o0f Nigerian Universities (SSANU) has cautioned the service chiefs in the country to take stringent measures to against incessant killings in Nigeria and called on them to exercise their responsibilities of protecting the lives and property of Nigerians.

Speaking at the National Executive Council meeting of SSANU on Thursday at Bayero University, Kano, the National President, Comrade Samson Chijioke Ugwoke said it is only when there was free movement of people and property that the country would progress, saying that the continuous killings are jeopardizing the corporate existence of Nigeria.

The President also cautioned politicians to desist from using thugs before, during and after election, because, according to him since democracy has come to stay, it would only thrive if rancour free elections are held in the country.

Comrade Ugwoke urged the federal government to as a matter of urgency pay the N8 billion as part of the agreement with three non teaching staff unions of universities when they suspended a three-month industrial action in March. He said the government promised to pay the earned allowances money within five weeks, “but it is seven weeks now the government has not fulfilled the agreement.

The Accountant General of the Federation, Alhaji Ahmed Idris, who was at the occasion, said SSANU has brought a new dimension to unionism in the country by identifying some prominent people in the country to recognize for the contributions they rendered to the development of the country.

He said unionism is not all about embarking on industrial action, but serving as critical stakeholders in addressing challenges that bedevil the country, noting that the award of excellence given to them would boost their morale to do better for the country.

Vice Chancellor, Bayero University, Kano, Professor Muhammad Yahuza Bello welcomed all members to the University and wished for successful deliberation.

Earlier, the SSANU Chairman, Bayero University, Kano branch, Comrade Haruna Aliyu said BUK was honoured to host the 33rd NEC Meeting and told the participants that SSANU BUK was currently making effort to collaborate with Kano State Agricultural Resources and Development Agency (KNARDA) to provide training to its serving and retired members on different forms of agriculture in order to combine their work with agriculture and be self-reliant after retirement.

The NEC meeting featured the commissioning of an ultra modern secretariat of SSANU-BUK.