

Remarks by Mr.Kaura at the MOU signing ceremony

I am quite elated to be present at this auspicious signing ceremony of MoU between The Namibia Institute of Pathology and your esteemed University of Science and Technology, with specific emphasis to the School of Health and Applied Sciences.

The Namibia Institute of Pathology (NIP) was established as a State-owned commercial entity in August 2000 and started operations on 1st December 2000 with the objective of providing medical laboratory services to all state healthcare facilities as well as other customers and clients in Namibia.

When we learned that the Polytechnic of Namibia was to open the School of Applied Science and Technology (Biomedical Science) than, we were pleased as that meant an opportunity for our own students to study locally. The Polytechnic of Namibia and NIP has been enjoying a courteous relationship in the past and we hope that will continuou. As I speak, we have a number of students from the Polytechnic of Namibia doing their internship at the benches of NIP. This is where theory is being put into practice which is valuable and more insightful to the interns. By doing their internship at NIP it exposes the students to the behind the scenes happenings and real world experience of medical laboratory practices and standards.

I further hope and believe that the signing of this MOU will further strengthen the bilateral ties between the two institutions as we are striving to attain our vision 2030 goals and readying Namibia to compete against the best globally. We are determined to produce more medical technologist that will add value to the services they will be providing in the health sector of our country.

With these few remarks, let me thank the Rector, staff and the entire Council of the Polytechnic of Namibia who tirelessly work around the clock to be the innovative University of Science and Technology with the imminent name change soon.