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**SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE  
UNIVERSITY OF IBADAN AND ABAYOMI FARM ESTATE (NIG.) LTD., OSUN  
STATE**

The Head, Department of Forestry Resources Management, Professor B.O. Agbeja has facilitated the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the University of Ibadan and Abayomi Farm Estate (Nig.) Ltd., Ikoyi-Osun, Osun State.

The University has thus entered into collaboration with the Farm Estate on Sustainable Forest Management of 247,383 Acres (100,111 Hectares) of Secondary Private Natural Forest Reserve owned by Professor E. Akinola Abayomi.

The main objective of the collaboration is to use the Forest Reserve for the Practical Year Training Programme (PYTP) at 400 Level with a view to fulfilling the Students Industrial Work Experience Scheme (SIWES) as well as undergoing research in the pristine forest by members of academic staff and postgraduate students in the immediate future.

The MOU was also signed in the spirit of supporting scientific enquiries and posterity of pristine Ikoyi-Osun Private Forest Resource Project with emphasis on conservation and preservation of Biodiversity.

**O.I. Olukoya, MNIM, FPA**  
**Registrar**