KENYATTA UNIVERSITY

SPEECH

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Official Opening of the Health Unit & Engineering Workshops
Tuesday 26th January, 2016
Our Chief Guest - Dr. Benson Wairegi;
The Vice – Chancellor -Prof. Olive Mugenda;
Members of University Council;
Members of University Management;
Senate;
Invited Guests,
Staff & Students;
Ladies and Gentlemen.

Good Afternoon.
It is a pleasure for me to be at Kenyatta University today for this auspicious event. As we embark into 2016 I would like first to thank God for all the blessings bestowed upon our institution, Kenyatta University, and the guidance that has brought us to the opening of the Student Health Centre and the Engineering Workshops.

I am delighted to see the facilities at the Student Health Centre - the laboratories, pharmacies and waiting bays. They are an indication of the concern about the health of students. Good health is critical to the studies of students. In the unfortunate event that
one falls ill it is comforting to know that there is a facility where one can get quality health care.

As we toured the Engineering Workshops, I was impressed by the state of the art machinery that has been installed. The staff and students who showed us around are confident that the equipment will facilitate practicals for both Civil Engineering, and Agricultural and Bio-systems Engineering. This will ensure that our students will now be able to use the modern training equipment installed in the workshops to relate theory to practice in soil science, concrete and hydraulics for the benefit of meaningful engineering education.

Looking at the synergy between engineering and medicine, it gives me great pleasure to witness the official opening of the two facilities – the Student Health Centre and the Engineering Workshops. The best results in health care are determined by use of state of the art equipment. I therefore hope that we will continue fostering that close relationship between health and engineering. The Council will continue supporting the development of infrastructure that adds value to learning, teaching and research.
With those remarks, it is now my pleasure to invite the Chancellor, Dr. Benson Wairegi, who is our Chief Guest today to address us.

**Thank You.**