WAZIRI

he title of Waziri belonged to the Sullubawan Dabo in the 19th Century; and even with the British conquest the first Waziri was Abdu, the son of Tafidan Kano Muhammadu who was also considered the Waziri and the eldest son of Sarkin Kano Abdullahi Maje Karofi. Zangi, in his book Taqvid al-akhar (Ado-Kurawa 1989), referred to Tafida Muhammadu as Waziri; he also referred to Galadima Sani and other chieftains of Sarkin Kano Sulaiman as Wuzra (plural of Waziri). These officials held other titles but performed the duties of the *Waziri*. When Waziri Abdu son of Muhammadu was deposed, Abdullahi Bayero was appointed but he was later demoted to Ciroma, and Dan Rimi Allah Bar Sarki, a royal slave, was appointed. Later the Dan Rimi was deposed and Alkalin Kano Gidado was promoted to Waziri.

Waziri Gidado held the position from 1909 to 1937. He worked with Emirs Abbas, Shehu Usman and Abdullahi Bayero. Maaji Sulaiman was promoted to Wali when he declined to accept the title of Waziri and performed the functions of the office as the Legal Adviser of the Emir and Councilor Shari'ah supervising Area Court Judges. Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi revived the title of Waziri and conferred on Abubakar the son of Gidado in 1961. Isa succeeded Shehu in 2000. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero a few days to his death on June 6, 2014 turbaned Shaykh Muhammad Nasir as Wazirin Kano but Kano State Government refused to approve the appointment later the



Wazirin Kano ALH. SA'ADU SHEHU GIDADO

Kano Emirate Council decided to rescind the decision. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II decided to appoint Sa'adu Shehu Gidado as Waziri less than two weeks after he ascended the throne of the Emir.

Waziri Sa'adu son of Waziri Shehu and grandson of Waziri Gidado, was born in 1966 at Kurawa Quarters, Kano and he attended Jarkasa Primary school from 1972 to 1978 from where he proceeded to Government Arabic Secondary School Gwale from 1980 to 1986. For his tertiary education, he attended Aminu Kano College of Islamic and Legal studies from 1986 to 1989. He studied Islamic subjects under the tutelage of his father *Wazirin* Kano Shehu Gidado who was an erudite Islamic Scholar. He assumed the annual Ramadan lessons of *al-Shifa* of Qadi Iyad in the palace when his uncle *Waziri* Isa died during the reign of Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero. He was appointed a Registrßar in the Emirate Council in 2001 and held that position until Sarkin Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to Waziri and was turbaned on June 19, 2014.



Galadiman Kano
ALH. ABBAS SANUSI

GALADIMA

here are suggestions that the title of *Galadima* originated from Borno. Since the introduction of the title during the pre-Jihad period, after the relegation of the original titles of Dan prefix (Dan Isa,) the *Galadima* became the highest-ranking official after the Sarki. During the Emirate period (1807-1903) it ranked after the *Waziri* where such a title existed separately as during the reign of Sarkin Kano Alu when the title of *Waziri* was held by his elder brother Ahmadu. During the Emirate period the Sullubawan Dabo did not hold the title exclusively. For example *Galadima* Sani during the reign of Sulaiman, *Galadima* Sulaiman Ango during the reign of Ibrahim Dabo and *Galadima* Ibrahim Bazazzzagi during the reign of Abdullahi Maje Karofi. Sarkin Kano Usman Maje Ringim made Abdullahi Maje Karofi, his younger brother, the *Waziri* with a concurrent title of *Galadima*; and he was very influential. When Abdullahi Maje Karofi became the Emir he appointed his younger brother Abdulkadir as the *Galadima* but later removed him. According to Smith (1997: 284) he was removed because he made allegations against the Emir but the *Kano Chronicle* did not report the reasons of the removal. It should be noted that as the most powerful Emir of the 19th century Abdullahi Maje Karofi removed and appointed chiefs as he wished.

Alhaji Abbas Sanusi was born in 1933. He attended Kofar Kudu Elementary School, Kano Middle School, School for Arabic Studies, and Technical School Torquay Devon, England, where he earned a Diploma in Public Administration. He was the Supervisor, Kano Native Authority Commercial undertakings, Councilor in charge of Health Department and Chairman Finance and Tenders Board, Kano Local Government at various times between 1958 and 1976. He was appointed *Sarkin Dawakin Tsakar Gida* in 1959 and later promoted to Dan Iya in 1963, and posted to Ungogo. He later moved to Nassarawa as the first District Head, then transferred to Kiru; and in 1981 was transferred to Kunci and later back to Kiru in 1982; and then back to Nassarawa again in 1983. He was appointed acting senior councilor, Kano Emirate Council, in 1987; and was confirmed substantive Senior Councilor in 1987. He was promoted to Wambai in 1989. And he was appointed *Galadiman Kano* in 2014.

MADAKI



Madakin Kano
ALHAJI YUSUF NABAHANI IBRAHIM

t has been suggested that the title of Madaki is a contraction of "Madawaki" or "Maidawaki" (the owner of horses). The title dates back to the time of Sarki Waris () of the pre-Jihad era. It has been associated with brave warriors and as the name suggests it was the title of the leader of the cavalry. The Madaki was the leader of the advance guard who mostly wore lifidi (quilted or cotton amour) or sulke (coats of mail) and garkuwa carried shields. The Madaki could lead the Kano contingent without the Sarki unlike the Makama, who could only lead in the presence of the Sarki. Many Madakis have lost their lives defending Kano hence the praisesingers still praise incumbent Madaki as "Kaura ba'a yika dan ka dade ba" (lit: Kaura you have not been installed to last long).

Throughout the Emirate period (1807-1903) the title of *Madaki* ranked second in precedence where there was no distinction between the *Waziri* and *Galadima* but where such distinction existed, it ranked third. Mandikko son of Mallam Bakatsine the patriarch of the Jobawa was the first to hold the title after the Jihad. He later relinquished it to Umaru Nayaya of the Yolawa clan and the title has since remained with them. According to the Yolawa version Sarkin Kano Dabo removed Mandikko because he wanted to bestow it on his most favorite chief and son-in-law, Umaru Nayaya.

Yusuf Nabahani Ibrahim Cigari was appointed Madakin Kano to succeed his cousin Madaki Sanusi Ciroma Yusuf. He was born in 1956, and attended Shahuchi Primary School, Dambatta Secondary School and Kano State Institute for Higher Education. He worked in both public and private sectors before his appointment as *Magajin Rafi* and District Head of Kiru in 1994. While serving in Kiru, he converted many *Maguzawa* to Islam. He was promoted to Dan Maje and District Head of Dawakin Tofa in 2000. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero promoted him to the rank of Madakin Kano in 2012, but remained as District Head of Dawakin Tofa.

WAMBAI

his title is derived from the two Hausa words wan (lit. elder) bayi (lit. slaves) during the pre-Jihad era. The Wambai was usually a slave eunuch and he was the head of the slaves. Temple reports that, the Wambai took care of the "rear guard and looked after the wounded" at the time of battles in the pre-jihad period. It is now the second most senior Sullubawan Dabo title. The first Wambai of the Emirate period was a slave named Jubo this was during the reign of Sarkin Kano Sulaiman when pre-Jihad titles were used by slaves and servants. And when Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo reintroduced these titles he conferred it on his close friend Sulaiman Ango and when he was promoted to Galadima the title of Wambai was conferred on Haruna one of Sarkin Kano Dabo's children the title has since then remained with the Sullubawan Dabo.

Alhaji Aminu Ado Bayero was born in 1961, the second son of Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero. He attended Kofar Kudu Primary School, Government Secondary School Birnin Kudu, Bayero University Kano, and Flying College Oakland, California, USA. He did his National Youth Service at the Nigeria Television Authority, Makurdi.



Wanban Kano
ALH. AMINU ADO BAYERO

He worked at Kabo Air as Public Relations Officer before coverting to a Flight Engineer after the relevant training. In 1990, he was appointed Dan Majen Kano and District Head of Dala. He was promoted to *Dan Buram* in October 1990, *Turakin Kano* in 1992, and then *Sarkin Dawakin Tsakar Gida* in 2000. He is the Chairman of the Kano Emirate Durbar Committee. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to Wamban Kano in 2014 and was transferred from Dala to Kano Municipal as the District Head to succeed Galadiman Kano Tijani Hashim.



Walin Kano
ALH. MAHE BASHIR

WALI

arkin Kano Alhaji Abdullahi Bayero was the first to introduce the title of Wali when he appointed Sulaiman to the position in 1937. It was Walin Kano Sulaiman who suggested that he preferred that title instead of Waziri. It originated from Zazzau where Sulaiman was a student in the school of the famous Walin Zazzau Umaru. When it was introduced in Kano the Wali served functioned as the Waziri. Wali Sulaiman, was succeeded by Abubakar who was in turn succeeded by Bashari (the father of the present Wali) followed by another Abubakar and then Aminu. Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi restored the title of Waziri while Aminu was Wali.

Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero revived the title of Wali in 1990 and conferred on Mahe the son of Walin Kano Bashari. Mahe Bashir was born in 1937. He attended Kofar Kudu Elementary School, Kano Middle School, School for Arabic Studies, Institute of Administration Ahmadu Bello University, and the National Institute of Policy and Strategic Studies Kuru. He served as Kano Native Authority Police Chief (*Wakilin Doka*) before he transferred his services to the Nigeria Police Force. He served as Commissioner of Police in Kano, Borno, Adamawa and Sokoto States before his promotion to the position of Deputy Inspector General of Police. He retired in 1990 and was appointed Walin Kano and Councilor Finance, Kano Emirate Council.

MAKAMA



Makaman Kano ALH. SARKI ABDULLAHI IBRAHIM

he title of *Makama* was perhaps derived from the word *makami* (lit. weapon) but Temple has suggested that the title was "Derived from the word 'kama' to 'seize' hence to 'commence work'. He apportioned the work on the walls of the town to the builders. Also he divided up Kolas or anything that the Emir wished to distribute. He immediately preceded the Emir in battle" (Lovejoy et al 1993: 75). Throughout the pre-jihad era *Makama* was a member of *Tara ta Kano*. During battles and at *Sallah Durbar* processions *Makama* is always the first.

Alhaji Abdullahi Sarki Ibrahim succeeded Alhaji Ibrahim Cigari his father as *Makaman Kano*. He was born in 1945. He attended Wudil and Ungogo Elementary Schools, Birnin Kudu Secondary School, Ahmadu Bello University, University of Ife and other institutions for various courses. He served in the Kano State Civil Service from 1971 to 1980 where he reached the position of Under Secretary before he transferred to the Bank of the North where he reached the position of Assistant General Manager. In 1990, he was appointed Special Adviser to the President on

Police Affairs, and in 1992 he became Director of Administration in the Presidency; and in the same year was appointed Makaman Kano. In 1993, he was appointed Principal Private Secretary to the Head of State and was transferred to the Ecological Office in 1997 as Permanent Secretary where he remained until his retirement from the Civil Service in 1999. A seasoned Public Administrator, Abdullahi Sarki Ibrahim brought his wealth of experience to the Emirate Council where he has been serving in various committees.



Sarkin Dawaki Maitu Kano ALH. ABUBAKAR BELLO

SARKIN DAWAKI MAITU

he title of *Sarkin Dawaki* replaced the title of *Sarkin Jarumai* of the pre-Jihad era in precedence and perhaps functions. Sarkin Dawaki was one of the military commanders of Kano. The *Mai Tuta* (lit. owner of the flag) was added to the title because of the flag of Mallam Jamo elder of Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo and the ancestor of the 19th century holders of the title of *Sarkin Dawaki Mai Tuta*.

Alhaji Bello Abubakar the Sarkin Dawaki Maituta was born in 1949. He attended Gwarzo Primary School, Zaria Commercial College, Federal Training Center and Kaduna Polytechnic. He started his working career as a clerk of the Electricity Corporation of Nigeria (ECN) before he transferred to the Kano Native Authority. He served later in various Local Government Councils. In 1988, when Shanono Local Government was created, he was appointed Bunun Kano and District Head; and in 2004, he was promoted to the position of Sarkin Dawaki Mai Tuta and District Head of Gabasawa.

SARKIN BAI

he title of *Sarkin Bai* literarily means king of the slaves. During the pre-Jihad era the *Sarkin Bai* was usually a eunuch and a member of the *Tara ta Kano* (Council of State) and all slaves were under him. When Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo reintroduced habe titles he conferred it on the Head of the Dambazawa Clan Mallam Yunusa Dan Umaru who was also popularly known as Dabon Dambazau.

Sarkin Bai Mukhtar Adnan was born in Dambatta in 1926. He attended Dambatta Elementary School (1935-1939), Kano Middle School (1939-1944), Clerical School Zaria (1946-1947), Rapid Results College UK for GCE Advanced Level Diploma Course in Parliamentary Procedure and Practice at Westminister UK.

He held key positions in the Native Authority and Government Services: Senior Scribe Ringim and Dambatta Districts (1944-1946), Colonial Audit Service (1947-1949), Accountant Treasury Department Kano Native Authority (1952-1954) and Sarkin Bai and District Head Dambatta 1954 he has been the longest serving district head in the history of the Emirate for sixty three years (as at 2017). He was an elected Member of the Federal House of Representatives from 1954 to 1966. He was one of the Delegates of Independent Nigerian Federation to the United Nations in October 1960.



Sarkin Ban Kano ALH. MUKHTAR ADNAN

Alhaji Mukhtar Sarkin Bai served as the first Kano State Commissioner for Education (1967-1973), Chairman Kano State Rural Electricity Board and Council Member of the defunct Bagauda University of Science and Technology. He is a community leader who lives by example hence he is one of the largest farmers in the state thereby encouraging his citizens to engage in farming. He is the only Kingmaker who participated in the selection of three Emirs: Sarkin Kano Muhammadu Inuwa, Sarkin Kano Ado Bayero and Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II. The Federal Government of Nigeria honored him with the Officer of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.



Sardaunan Kano
MAL. IBRAHIM SHEKARAU

SARDAUNA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero introduced the title of Sardauna from Sokoto where the descendants of Shehu Usman Danfodio hold. Sir Ahmadu Bello the Premier of the Northern Region is the most famous holder of the title in its history. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was reluctant to introduce until he finally decided to bestow it upon Mallam Ibrahim Shekarau who was serving as the Governor of Kano State (2003-2011) when he was conferred in 2009.

Sardaunan Kano Mallam Ibrahim Shekarau was born in 1955. He attended Gidan Makama Primary School, Kano Community Commercial College (now Aminu Kano Commercial College) and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria. He started his working career as a secondary school teacher. He later became a Principal, Director in the Kano State Ministry of Education and then Permanent Secretary in Ministry of Education, later Ministry of Water Resources from where he was transferred to the Office of the Secretary to the State Government, and later the Civil Service Commission. He was demoted to the position of a teacher at the College of Arts, Science and Remedial Studies from where he retired. He worked briefly for the Dantata Organization before joining partisan politics. He contested and won the Gubernatorial Election in 2003 and was re-elected in 2007. In 2011, he was the Presidential Candidate of the All Nigeria People's Party (ANPP). He served as the Honorable Minister of Education from 2014 to 2015.

CIROMA



Ciroman Kano
ALH. NASIRU ADO BAYERO

his was a *Tara ta Kano* title when the *Turaki* was expelled from the Council (Fika 1978:9). The favorite son of the Sarki always held this title. In the 19th century when Ibrahim restored the title many of the prominent princes held it. For example Sarkin Kano Tukur conferred it on his favorite son Abdu Lele and Sarkin Kano Alu also conferred it on his favorite son Abdulkadir Majeli. Sarkin Kano Abbas conferred it on his second son Abdulkadir but was later removed and the title was conferred on Abdullahi Bayero the eldest son. Abdullahi Bayero was also the first Ciroma to become Sarkin Kano in the Sullubawan Dabo dynasty. He appointed Muhammadu Sanusi his eldest and favorite son to the title, who in turn appointed his favorite son Aminu to the position although he did not become Emir but his son Muhammad Sanusi became Emir fifty one years after the abdication of Sir Muhammadu Sanusi. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero also appointed Lamido Sanusi his eldest and favorite son as the Ciroma.

Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi appointed Nasir Ado Ado Bayero his favorite uncle (his father's cousin) and brother in law (elder brother of his wife) as the Ciroman Kano. Alhaji Nasir Ado Bayero was the first child of Sarkin Kano Ado Bayero to be born in Gidan Rumfa in Febraury 1964. Therefore, he is honored with the sobriquet of *Kilishin Sarkin*

Kano, a favorite status amongst the princes. He attended Kofar Kudu Elementary School, Government Secondary School Birnin Kudu, Science Secondary School Dawakin Kudu and the University of Maiduguri. He started his career in the Presidency as an Assistant Secretary before moving to Intel Petroleum Service Company, a private organization, as a Director. He was appointed Tafidan Kano and District Head of Nassarawa. He was later transferred to the newly created Tarauni Local Government as its first District Head in 1996. He was promoted to Turakin Kano in 2001; and in 2007 he was transferred to Nassarawa to succeed his deceased uncle, and his younger brother was appointed to replace him as District Head of Tarauni.



Dan Iyan Kano ALH. YUSUF BAYERO

DAN IYA

he literal meaning of *Dan Iya* is son of *Iya* (Queen Mother). Sarkin Kano Muhammadu Kisoki (c. 1509-65) was the first to institute and he confirmed it on his full brother (Palmer 1928). The *Dan Iya* displaced the *Barde* in the *Tara ta Kano* (Council of State). Temple reported that the *Dan Iya* used to be an intercessor for any headman who "committed a fault" (Temple 1909: 23). During the Emirate period the title became associated with the descendants of Mallam Danzabuwa one of the Jihad leaders (Ado-Kurawa 19898). And since early part of the colonial period it has become a Sullubawan Dabo title but early in the twentieth century Muhammadu Nata'allah from the Dutsawa held the title before his elevation to the position of *Sarkin Dawaki Mai Tuta* (Smith 1997).

Dan Iyan Kano Alhaji Yusuf Bayero was born in 1933. He attended Kofar Kudu Elementary School and Kano Judicial School. He was a scribe in the Kano Native Authority and had served in subdistrict offices of the cityof Kano. He was a Member of the Northern Region House of Assembly where he became Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Kaduna Affairs. He returned to Kano after the Military Coup of 1966 and was appointed Dan Ruwata and the first District Head of Ajingi. He was retired by the PRP Government of Alhaji Muhammadu Abubakar Rimi in 1981, but was returned by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero in 1983 as the Dan Ruwata and the District Head of Bichi. He was subsequently promoted to Dan Isa, Dan Buram and then Barde, but in all cases remained in Bichi until he was promoted to Dan Iya in 1993 when he was transferred to Dawakin Kudu where he is still serving.



Barden Kano
ALH. IDRIS BAYERO

BARDE

he title of Barde is a military command position and the holder was a member of the Tara ta Kano until the office was removed from the council and replaced by Dan Iya during the reign of Sarkin Kano Kisoki (1509-1565). During the Emirate period the descendants of Bagel of the Mundubawa clan held the title most of the time. But after the civil war it was taken by the Sullubawan Dabo but later conferred it on the Yolawa during the colonial rule. Barde Habibu younger brother of Walin Kano Abubakar of the Zarawa clan also held the title during the reign of Sarkin Kano Alhaji Abdullahi Bayero.

Alhaji Idris Bayero *Barden Kano* was born in 1934. He attended Kofar Kudu Elementary School, Kano Middle School and Institute of Administration Ahmadu Bello University Zaria. He started his working career in the Kano Native Authority and served as Secretary of the Emirate Council. He also served as Secretary of various Local Government Councils before joining the Nigeria Arab Bank. He was appointed *Dan Darman* and District Head of Rimin Gado in 1990; and in 1992, he was promoted to *Dan Buram* and District Head of Bichi, and later elevated to Barden Kano in 1996, a position he retains presently.



Sarkin Dawakin Tsakar Gidan Galadiman Kano ALH. AHMADU ADO BAYERO

SARKIN DAWAKIN TSAKAR GIDA

uring the pre-Jihad era the holder of this title was a eunuch and according to Temple it was the title of the Chief Steward of the Sarki's Palace. During the emirate period it became a title of Sullubawan Dabo one of its most prominent holders was Sarkin Dawaki Abbasi the maternal grandfather of Sarkin Kano Abdullahi Bayero. Sarkin Kano Abbas was Sarkin Dawaki before he was elevated to the position of Wambai. There was also Sarkin Dawaki Idrisu son of Abdullahi Maje Karofi.

Alhaji Ahmad Ado Bayero the fourth son of Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was born in 1966. He attended Kofar Kudu Elementary School, Government College Kano, Kaduna Polytechnic, Al-Azhar University, Cairo Egypt, and the Islamic University, Madina Saudi Arabia. He started his working career with a brief engagement with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines in 1998, and in the same year he was appointed *Dan Ruwata* and District Head of Kumbotso to succeed his uncle Alhaji Haliru Bayero. He was promoted to *Dan Amar* in 2000, *Dan Lawan* in 2001, and *Dan Buram* in 2007 and to *Tafida* in 2013. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to *Sarkin Dawakin Tsakar Gida* in 2014. He still remains the District Head of Kumbotso.



Turakin Kano
ALH. ABDULLAHI LAMIDO SANUSI

TURAKI

lhaji Abdullahi Lamido Sanusi was born in 1950. He attended Kaduna Capital School, Birnin Kudu Government College, Kaduna Polytechnic, Trans-world Tutorial College ▶Jersey Britain, College of Marketing Berkshire England and Century University Los Angeles California, USA. He was an insurance officer with the Royal Exchange Insurance Company before he joined Local Government Service as Assistant Co-operative Officer and Head of Department in the former Kano Local Government Authority. He was later promoted to the position of Co-operative Officer and Head of Social Development, Bichi Local Government Area. He went back to the private sector in 1978 as Assistant Sales Manager, Richard and Hashim Motors Kano. He later in 1979 joined Giwarite Asbestos as Sales Representative. In 1981, he was appointed Advertisement Manager at Triumph Publishing Company Limited. He was appointed Director of Administration and Company Secretary at the Kano State Agricultural and Rural Development Authority (KNARDA) in 1984. In 1991, his uncle Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him San Turakin Kano and District Head of Warawa. He was promoted to Dan Ruwatan Kano in 1999, Dokajin Kano and then to Dan'isan Kano. His nephew Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to Dan Buram in 2014 and deployed as the District Head to Dala from Warawa. He was promoted to Turakin Kano in 2015.

SARKIN SHANU



Sarkin Shanun Kano ALH. SHEHU MUHAMMAD

arkin Kano Kutumbi (1623-1648) was the first to institute this title and he confered it on his trusted slave Ibo. He was responsible for collecting jangali (cattle tax) from the Fulani.

Ibo also used to act for the Sarki during the latter's absence (Palmer 1928: 119). During the Emirate period the function of acting for the Sarki continued the last Sarkin Shanu of this period fought the British but the duty of collecting the jangali became a function of the Jakadu (Muffet 1971: 39).

Alhaji Shehu Muhammad Dankadai, was born in 1949. He attended Wudil Elementary School, Barewa College Zaria, Kings College Lagos for his Higher School Certificate, Worthing Sussex College London and Slough College Berkshire where he was trained as a chartered accountant and obtained his ACCA Certificate in 1973.

He started his working career in Northern Nigeria Development Corporation before moving to Kano State Hotels Management Board as Chief Accountant. He later became Acting General Manager before he transferred to First Bank of Nigeria as

Principal Manager where he rose to become an Executive Director in 1988. From there he moved to Allied Bank as Managing Director in 1990.

He started his private consultancy company EMES in 1998 after leaving Allied Bank. He was appointed *Falakin Kano* and District Head of Tofa in 2000; and he was promoted to *Magajin Rafi* in 2007, and in 2008 he was transferred to Rimin Gado as District Head where he is still serving. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to the title of Sarkin Shanu in 2017.



Tafidan Kano
ALH. MAHMUD ADO BAYERO

TAFIDA

hroughout the emirate this title has been associated with the sons of the sarki. Tafida According to Temple it was the title of the most trusted son of the sarki, who used to carry water for the sarki. It was contracted from "Teffi da rua" (go with water) (Lovejoy et al 1993: 23). Muhammadu who was the eldest son of his father Sarkin Abdullahi Maje Karofi was the Tafida and Waziri at the same time. He was the commander of the Kano, during the reign of his father. He was successful in several battles against the Ningawa. He was also successful against the Warjawa and was able to defeat their leader Abubakar Dan Maje at Tufai (Ado-Kurawa 1989: 63 and Lovejoy et al 1993: 60). His son Abdullahi was the first to be appointed Waziri during the first few years of the colonial rule but he was removed and Abdullahi Bayero was appointed.

Alhaji Mahmud Ado Bayero Tafidan Kano was born in 1969. He attended Kofar Kudu Primary School and Kaduna Polytechnic. He started his working career in the Nigeria Customs Service in 1992 and he reached the position of intelligence officer. In 2007, he was appointed *Dan Darman* and District Head of Tarauni; and he was later in the same year transferred to Fagge where he still remains the District Head. He was promoted to *Dan Buram* in 2013 and in 2014 Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to Tafidan Kano.



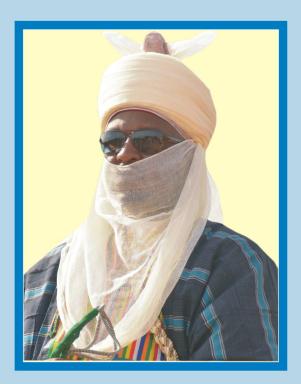
Dan Galadiman Kano ALH. HARUNA SANUSI

DAN GALADIMA

he title of Dan Galadima was first introduced by Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II and was borrowed from Sokoto where it is associated with the family of Wazirin Sokoto.

Alhaji Haruna Sanusi was born in 1943 in *Ciroma's* mini palace at Ciranci quarters. Studied the Qur'an under the guidance of Hajiya Mallama Iya and attended Dandago Primary School from 1949 to 1953, from where he proceeded to Birnin Kudu Senior Primary School in 1954. He completed Provincial Secondary School (now Rumfa College) in 1963. He went to Prisons Services Course but did not complete it and then he joined the services of Royal Exchange Assurance and after insurance training he served under Alhaji Nuhu Insuhura as an Assistant Manager.

He went back to the Prisons Service and was absorbed as an Assistant Superintendent and rose to become Assistant Controller General of Prisons and Zonal Coordinator of six states' commands. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II appointed him Dan Amar and District Head of Minjibir in September 2014 and was promoted to Dan Galadiman Kano in 2017.



Dan Buran Kano ALH. MUNIR SANUSI

DAN BURAN

his title was derived from Buram who was among the chiefs came to Kano with Bagauda. There was also another Buram who was close to Sarkin Waris, second sarki and son of Bagauda (Palmer 1928: 100, Smith 1974: 194 and Fika 1978: 5). Title of Dan Buram has been associated with the royal family during the pre-Jihad era and after the Jihad it became a title of Sullubawan Dabo. While Temple has reported that the title was instituted to honor a Mallam (Islamic schola) from Buram in Bornu who came to Kano during the reign of one of the earliest Sarkis of Kano (Lovejoy et al 1993) but this is doubtful since it is earlier mention in the Kano Chronicle.

Alhaji Munir Sanusi is one of the uncles of Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II and he was the last son of Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi who was born in Gidan Rumfa. After completing his university education he went into private business where he was very successful. He became one of trusted aides of Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II before he became the Emir. And he appointed him *Dan Maje* in August 2014. Munir Sanusi is apparently one of the Hakimai that will have influence in the Emirate of Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II the fact he took the position vacated by the latter is an indication of his special position in the heart of the Emir.



Dan Isan Kano
ALH. KABIRU TIJJANI HASHIM

DAN ISA

sa was among the chiefs who came with Sarkin Kano Bagauda and conquered Kano. His son who succeeded in the royal council was called Dan Isa. Later it became a title conferred on the descendants by the Sarkin Kano. In the 19th century it became a title of Sullubawan Dabo

Kabiru Tijani Hashim was appointed *Dan Isa* and District Head of Warawa by Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II in 2014. He was brought into the *Sarauta* to succeed his father Galadiman Kano Alhaji Tijani Hashim who died after several years of service to the *Sarauta* and the people of Kano. Kabiru has been in business since completing university education. One of his major businesses is leather processing. He is also very amiable, friendly and helpful like his father. His investiture was well attended by the many friends and clients of his father. He is also an alumnus of the National Institute of Policy and Strategic Studies.



Dan Lawan Kano
ALH. BASHIR ADO BAYERO

DAN LAWAN

his title was first mentioned in the Kano Chronicle during the reign of Sarki Bawa (1660-70) who conferred the title on Abdullahi after the death of incumbent (Palmer 1928: 122). According to Temple when Sarki Rumfa built the new palace Gidan Rumfa a man with the name of Lawal came with charms thus name of the title was derived from this name (Lovejoy et al 1993: 23). This account is doubtful this is because the chronicle has reported that it was introduced after Sarkin Kano Muhammadu Rumfa. Since the re-introduction of the title it has remained with the Sullubawan Dabo.

Alhaji Bashir Ado Bayero was born in 1967. He attended Jafaru Estate Primary School Kaduna, Government College Kaduna, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria and the University of Maiduguri. He worked as Registrar Kano High Court from 1989 to 2007 when he was appointed Dan Lawan and District Head of Takai where he is still serving.



Magajin Garin Kano ALH. NASIRU INUWA WADA

MAGAJIN GARI

arkin Kano Shehu Usman II introduced the title of Magajin Garin Kano during the colonial period. The first *Magajin Gari* and District Head of Kano City was Mahmudu son of Sarkin Kano Abdullahi Maje Karofi. He was the former *Galadima*n Kano during the reign of Sarkin Kano Alu (Fika 1978: 223). In 1959 Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi turbaned Alhaji Muhammadu Inuwa Wada who was the highest ranking political appointee from Kano and a Minister of the Federal Republic of Nigeria as the Magajin Garin Kano.

Alhaji Nasiru Inuwa Wada was born in 1960. He attended Kaduna Capital School, Barewa College Zaria and Richmond College London. He has been in mining business for several years. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II turbaned him Magajin Garin Kano in 2016 to succeed his father Alhaji Muhammadu Inuwa Wada.

DAN MAJE



Dan Majen Kano ALH. YAHAYA INUWA ABBAS

arkin Kano Muhammad Kisoki (1509-1565) was the first to institute this title and he conferred it on Umaru (Palmer 1928). From the Kano Chronicle the title of Dan Maje could be traced to Tsoron Maje one of the chiefs of pre-Bagauda period. During the reign of Sarkin Kano Naguji the non-Muslims were revolting against Bagaudawa and the Sarki attacked and killed their leaders who were Samnagi, the son of Mazadau, Dorini soil of Bugazau, Burtsar Ganguta son of Tsoron Maje, and Buzuzu son of Jandodo. When they were dead the rest of the people said, "We, are willing to follow you, 0 Sarki, because we must" (Palmer 1908: 67).

According to Temple One of the early Sarkis of Kano having occasion to call the *Galadima*, no messenger was at hand. He called a talaka [commoner] named Maje and sent him to fetch the *Galadima*. The Sarki's messenger to the *Galadima* was after wards called after him i.e. *Dan Maje*. The post has been abolished" (Lovejoy 1993). In the 19th it was associated with the Sullubawan Tuta and from the colonial period it became a Sullubawan Dabo title.

Yahya Inuwa Abbas is the son of the late Emir of Kano Alhaji Muhammadu Inuwa Abbas (1963). He attended Government College Kano (Rumfa College) and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria where he graduated in Mathematics. He was a successful entrepreneur and active member of the Shareholders Association. He served as Special Adviser on Chieftiancy Affairs to the Kano State Governor from 1999 to 2003. He served in various committees and associations before joining the Kano State Government in 1999. He was appointed Dokaji and District Head of Gwale Local Government Area in August 2014. He was promoted to Dan Majen Kano in 2016.



Dan Kadan Kano
ALH. MUHAMMAD BASHIR

DAN KADE

he title originated from Dan Kado Abdullahi, who was the eldest son of Sarkin Kano Abubakar Kado (1565-1573). He was also a favourite son of the Sarki (Palmer 1928: 115 and Fika 1978: 11). The title was associated with the princes during the pre-Jihad era and during the Emirate period it became associated with Sullubawan Tuta descendants of Mallam Jamo elder brother of Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo and one of them Dan Kade Malle of the Sullubawan Tuta held this title in the 19th century he was the grand father of Shehu Maihula one of the famous scholars of 20th century Kano. During the colonial period when Tudun Wada District was created one of the village heads was appointed the District of Tudun with this title later another chief from the Dambazawa clan was appointed and then Ibrahim from the Yolawa Clan was appointed him and he was succeeded by his son Muhammadu Inuwa who flourished for over fifty years. Ibrahim (father of Bashir) succeeded his father Muhammadu as the Dan Kadai.

Dan Kadan Kano Muhammad Bashir was born in 1950. He trained as a Dentist and worked at the Nigeria National Petroleum Corporation. The Emir of Gwandu Alhaji Mustapha Jokolo conferred on him the title of Dan Majen Gwandu and the Emir of Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero granted him permission to participate in the Kano Durbar in the contingent of his father Dan Kadai Alhaji Ibrahim Abba Muhammad. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero turbaned him Dan Kadai and appointed him District Head of Tudun Wada to succeed his late father.



Dan Amar Kano
ALH. ALIYU HARAZIMI UMAR

DAN AMAR

pre-Jihad princely title revived by Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo, who conferred it on the junior branch of the family of Sarkin Kano Sulaiman, his predecessor (Fika 1978: 20). Since the colonial period the title became a Sullubawn Dabo title.

Dan Amar Alhaji Aliyu Harizimi Umar was born in 1942. He attended Gidan Makama and Kano Senior Primary Schools, Shahuchi Judicial School, Provincial Secondary School and several courses at home and abroad. He started his working career at the African Continental Bank in 1963 before he moved to Shell Oil Marketing Company and the Central Bank of Nigeria in 1967. He transferred his services to the Kano State Ministry of Finance in 1974. He retired in 1980 and joined the private sector. He worked at Isiyaku Rabiu and Sons Ltd, and later at Trans Air Nigeria Ltd. In 1991, he was appointed the first *Ubandoman Kano* as well as the first District Head of Doguwa by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero. He was promoted to Makaman Gado da Masu in 1993, and he is still serving as the District Head of Doguwa. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to the position of Dan Amar in 2017.



Sarkin Fulanin Jaidanawan Kano ALH. ABUBAKAR BUHARI

JAIDANAWA FULANI

he Jaidanawa Fulani clan descended from Malam Ja'e a fulani chief who came to Kano during the reign of Sarki Alwali Kutumbi. Mallam Jae was living in a village 32 kilometers north of Kano city, which was named Jaen after him. He was later called to Kano city by Sarki Alwali to live with him in *Gidan Rumfa* (the palace of Sarkin Kano). According to Sarkin Fulanin Jaidanawa Alhaji Gwadabe Buhari Sarkin Kano Alwali Kutumbi the last Sarkin Kano of the Kutumbawa Dynasty first instituted the title (Ado-Kurawa 1989: 67n). While Fika reported that Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo established the title (Fika 1978:20).

Alhaji Abubakar Buhari Alhaji Abubakar Gwadabe Buhari was born in 1959. He attended Masallachi Primary School, Government Secondary School Gwarzo, Government College Kano, University of Sokoto (now Usman Danfodio University) and Bayero University Kano. He started his working career in the Kano State Ministry of Works as assistant secretary from where he moved to the Triumph Newspapers as an assistant editor. He also worked at Mainasara Company Limited before joining Allied Bank where he served until 1998. In 2000, he was appointed Sarkin Fulanin Ja'idanawa and District Head of Garun Mallam to succeed his late father by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero where he is still serving.



Barde Kerariyar Kano
ALH. SHEHU KABIRU BAYERO

BARDE KERARIYA

arki Kutumbi (1623-1648) created this title and the holder was made one of the cavalry commanders (Palmer 1928:115 and Fika 1978: 11).

Alhaji Shehu Kabiru Bayero, a retired Commissioner of Police, was appointed Barde Kerarriya by his uncle Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero. He was born in 1949. He attended Dandago and Dutsen Ma Primary Schools, Government Secondary School Katsina and Bayero University Kano.

He joined the Nigeria Police Force in 1969. He rose through the ranks to become a Commissioner of Police and he served in Gombe and Osun Police Commands before his retirement in 2004. His uncle Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Barde Kerarriya*, the title of his late father, and he was posted to Takai as District Head; and in 2007 he was transferred to Gwarzo where he is still serving.



Dan Makwayon Kano
ALH. SARKI ABDULLAHI AMINU

DAN MAKWAYO

arkin Kano Muhammad Kisoki (1509-1565) created the title of Dan Makwayo and the first was Jigu and throughout the pre-Jihad period it was the title of princes and during the Emirate period the Sullubawan Dabo conferred it on the Danejawa but after the civil war it became a Sullubawan Dabo title (Palmer 1928:113 and Fika 1978:11).

Alhaji Sarki Abdullahi Aminu was appointed *Dan Madamin Kano* by his uncle Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero. He was born in 1934. He attended Bichi Elementary School, Kano Middle School and Kaduna Polytechnic. He started his working career in the Kano Native Authority as a clerk in the Works Department. He became Chief Clerk of the Water Unit of the Kano Native Authority before the creation of Kano State, after which he transferred to the Ministry of Works. He was appointed the first Dan Madamin Kano and District Head of Tsanyawa in 1977. He was promoted to Dan Ruwata in 1984 and then Dan Makwayo and District Head of Gwaram in 1988. When Jigawa State was created in 1991, Gwaram District became part of Dutse Emirate. He returned to Kano and his uncle Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero reappointed him Dan Makwayo and District Head of Tsanyawa in 1999 where he is still serving.



Magajin Malam Kano
ALH. ABDULKADIR AHMAD

MAGAJIN MALAM

iterarily this title means successor of the scholar it was first conferred on the family of Mallam Usman Bahaushe by Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo (Ado-Kurawa 1989: 27n). This was because Mallam Salihu Dattuwa succeeded Mallam Usman Bahaushe as the Alkali (Judge) of Kano and Yusuf his son was appointed as the representative of his people in the Emirate Council and when the titles were restored Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo conferred the title of Magajin Malam on him.

Alhaji Abdulkadir Ahmed was born in 1937. He attended Shahuchi Elementary School, Kano Middle School and Institute of Administration Ahmadu Bello University Zaria for a Diploma in Treasury Management. He started his working career in the Kano Native Authority's Central Office in 1954. He transferred to the Northern Regional Government as Secretary of the Minister for Local Government in 1962. He returned to Kano Native Authority in 1966 after the collapse of the First Republic and served as Chief Accountant. In 1972, he was appointed Magatakarda; but he retired in 1981 and started working for the private companies Royal Foam and later J. Beartle. In 1991, he was appointed Falakin Kano and the first District Head of Tofa. He was promoted to Magajin Malam and District Head of Ungogo in 2000 where he is still serving.



Dokajin Kano ALH. MUHAMMAD ALIYU

DOKAJI

arkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo was the first to institute this title and the holder was the spokesman of the Sarki (Fika 1978:20). Abubakar Dokaji son of Waziri Gidado who was appointed by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Abdullahi Bayero is the most popular Dokaji in history being the author of Kano Ta Dabo Cigari and one of the pioneers of Katsina College he was number in the school's register.

Alhaji Muhammad Aliyu, the son of Dan Darman Aliyu and grandson of Makama Muhammadu was born in 1969. He attended Wudil Primary School, Government Secondary School Rimi, Science Secondary School Dawakin Tofa, Usmanu Danfodio University Sokoto and Bayero University Kano. He started his working career as a teacher at the Government Technical College Wudil, from where he was transferred to Government Girls Science Secondary School Garko. He left public service and joined Unipetrol PLC in 1995; and in 1999 he and some of his colleagues started their private consultancy company, HRD Consultants. In 2003, he was appointed *Dallatun Kano* and the first District Head of Garko by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to Dokaji in 2017.

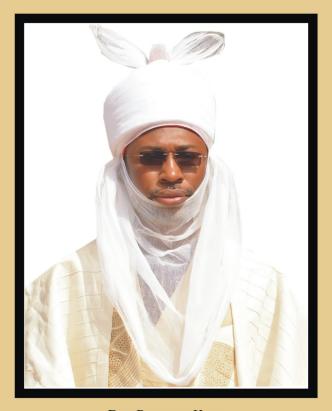


Dan Darman Kano
ALH. BELLO ADO BAYERO

DAN DARMAN

arman was among the chiefs who came to Kano with Bagauda (Palmer 1928:100). His descendants held this title among the most prominent Dan Darmans of the pre-Jihad period era was Korau who was Darman during the reign of Sarkin Kano Muhammadu Kisoki (1509-1565) (Palmer 1928: 112).

Bello Ado Bayero one of the sons of Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was involved in business and politics after completing his education and before his appointment as San Turaki and District Head of Kura and was promoted to Dan Darman in 2014.



Dan Ruwatan Kano
ALH. IBRAHIM ADO BAYERO

DAN RUWATA

his was the last royal title introduced in Kano in the category of *Dan* (son of). The others according to their precedence when Sarkin Kano Bagauda introduced them were Dan Buram, Dan Isa, Dan Amar, Dan Kududufi, Dan Goriba and Dan Akasan. Other Sarakuna introduced Dan Iya, Dan Lawal and Dan Maje and gave them higher precedence than the original seven.

Alhaji Ibrahim Ado Bayero was born in 1970. He attended Kofar Kudu Primary School. He attended Junior Secondary School Sharada, Government Secondary School Dambatta and Police Training School, Challawa Kano. He started his working career in the Nigeria Police Force in 1990 in the Katsina Police Command where he was posted to Funtua. In 1993, he was posted to the Office of the Assistant Inspector General of Police Zonal Area Command Kano, and later to the Kano Police Command. In 2007, his father Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him Dan Ruwata and District Head of Sumaila.



Matawallen Kano
ALH. ALIYU IBRAHIM AHMAD

MATAWALLE

arkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi introduced this title, which was borrowed from Katsina and conferred it on one of his protégés Muhammadu Munir who was Councilor Finance and later Councilor Native Authority Commercial undertakings. Sarkin Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed Alhaji Ibrahim Ahmad who was a retired Judge of Upper Area and had served as Member of Northern Muslim Court of Appeal before the creation of the Shari'a Court of Appeal in the First Republic.

Alhaji Aliyu Ibrahim Ahmad was born in 1955. He attended Gidan Makama Primary School, Government College Kano, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, the Nigeria Law School and the University of London. He was a Magistrate and later Chief Magistrate before his promotion to the position of Chief Registrar, Kano High Court, from where he transferred his services to the Nigeria National Petroleum Corporation where he is currently an Executive Director. In 1993 Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero conferred the title of Matawellen Kano on Alhaji Aliyu Ibrahim Ahmad a position that was also held by his father.



Marafan Kano
ALH. ABUBAKAR SULE MINJIBIR

MARAFA

arkin Kano Muhammadu Inuwa (Emir 1963) was the first to institute the title, which was borrowed from Sokoto and was conferred on Alhaji Sule Minjibir who was appointed Councilor of the Kano Native Authority. He later served as Kano State Commissioner of Finance during the regime of Colonel Sani Bello.

Alhaji Abubakar Sule Minjibir was born in Kano on November 1, 1965. He attended Rimi Primary School, Barewa College Zaria and Bayero University where he graduated in 1989 with a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry. He has attended several courses in Nigeria, United Kingdom and the United States. He is currently studying for Masters degrees in Nigeria and the United Kingdom. He started his working career at the Federal Civil Service Commission after his National Youth Service. He then moved to Oando PLC when it was still Unipetrol. He served in various positions and finally attaining to the position of Head of Department at the Oando Headquarters. He became General Manager Valtha Oil and Gas Limited from 2006 to 2007 and then became the Chief Operating Officer of the Company from 2007 to 2008. He was appointed Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Abuja Automotive Limited where he worked from 2008 to 2009. He became Special Adviser to the Governor of the Central Bank on Currency Production and Nigerian Security Printing and Minting in 2009. He was appointed General Manager Tawada Limited a subsidiary of Nigerian Security Printing and Minting PLC in 2012. He restructured the company to a lean structure and returned it to profitability within the first year from N100 million loss to N425 million net profit. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II turbaned him Marafan Kano to succeed his late father in 2017.



Dallatun Kano
ALH. BASHIR MAHE

DALLATU

arkin Kano Muhammadu Inuwa (Emir 1963) was the first to institute this title and he conferred it on Alhaji Also Wudil who was appointed Councilor Works. The title was borrowed from Zazzau Emirate.

Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II turbaned Bashari Mahe as Dallatun Kano in 2017 being the first descendant of Sarkin Kano Aliyu Babba to hold a title in the last fifty years. Alhaji Bashari, a grandson of Sarkin Aliyu Babba has worked in the Health Department before joining his late brother Alhaji Lamido Mahe to work in their facility management company based in Mallam Aminu Kano International Airport.

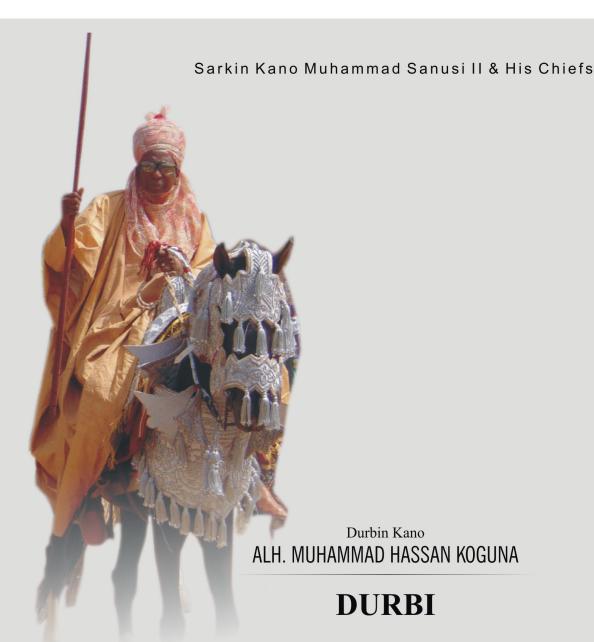


Magajin Rafin Kano ALH. NURA SHEHU AHMAD

MAGAJIN RAFI

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first Emir to institute this title when he conferred on Alhaji Ibrahim Cigari Mahmud in 1964. It was borrowed from Sokoto and it has since remained within the Yolawa Clan.

Alhaji Nura Shehu Ahmed, son of Madakin Kano Shehu Ahmed, was born in 1957. He attended Shahuchi Primary and Dambatta Boarding Primary Schools, Government College Kano, London School of Accountancy and Kaduna Polytechnic. He started his working career in the Kano State Ministry of Health in 1977. After the death of his father in 1984, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Dan Madami* and District Head of Bagwai. Since that year, he has remained in that position and District.



arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first to institute this title when he conferred on Alhaji Abdulkadir Koguna a former Minister of State in 1968. It was borrowed from Katsina Emirate.

Alhaji Muhammadu Hassan Koguna was born in 1938. He attended Dambatta Elementary School, Kano Middle School and several other institutions in and outside Nigeria. He worked for twenty-five years in the United Africa Company (UAC) after he established his businesses. He and his friend established Koguna and Babura, one of the most reputable insurance brokerage companies in Nigeria. He has been the chairman of many public quoted companies including Costain PLC. He is also Honorary Consul of the Republic of Turkey. In 1993, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero conferred on him the title of Makaman Gado da Masu; and he was promoted to the title of *Durbin Kano* in 1994.

SARKIN FADA



Dan Goriban Kano MALAM ADO KURAWA

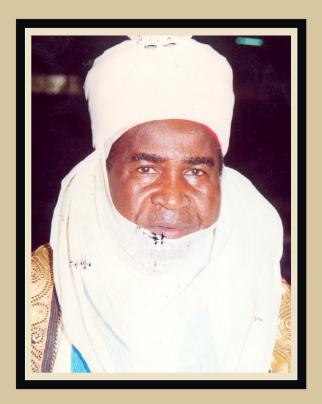
arkin Kano Bello (1885-1893) was the first to introduce the title of Sarkin Fada and he conferred it on his loyalist Nagyatum. The Kano chronicle reports the influence & Nagyatum.

Mallam Ado Kurawa was born in 1930. He attended Dandago Elementary School, Kano Judicial School and Maru Teachers Training College where he qualified as a teacher. He served as Headmaster at Gwaram Elementary School and Fagge Primary School.

Some of his prominent students include Late General Sani Abacha, Justice Tijani Abubakar former Chief Judge Jigawa State, Alhaji Bello Maitama Yusuf Sardaunan Dutse and former Federal Minister and Alhaji Hamza Ibrahim former Managing Director NEPA

He resigned from Government Service in 1961 and later became the Managing Director of Sayen Company Limited one of the largest haulage companies in Northern Nigeria. He was one of the Directors of Northern Merchants and Transporters Syndicate in 1968.

He served on Boards of Federal and State Corporation. He was the Chairman of the Federal College of Education Technical 2000 to 2003. He was turbaned Dan Goribar Kano and District Head of Tarauni by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero in August 2007. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II elevated him to the position of Sarkin Fada on April 26, 2019.



Sarkin Yakin Kano ALH. WADA ALIYU GAYA

SARKIN YAKI

his title was usually associated with brave warriors in pre-colonial Hausa states. Dan Waire was one of the most prominent holders of this title in 19th century Kano. Alhaji Wada Aliyu was born in 1942. He attended Gaya Primary School, Birnin Kudu Senior Primary School, Provincial Secondary School, Abdullahi Bayero College/Ahmadu Bello University and the University of Ibadan.

He started his working career in the Kano Civil Service as an Administrative Officer. He reached the position of Permanent Secretary before he transferred his services to the Federal Civil Service where he also reached the position of Permanent Secretary from 1994 to 2001. He later served in the Presidency, Federal Capital Development Authority and the Federal Ministry of Water Resources. In 2002, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Sarkin Yaki* and District Head of Ajingi. He had an illustrious career in the Federal Civil Service where he mentored many Kano State indigenes and was a very good ambassador of Kano Emirate. The Federal Government conferred on him the honor of the Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON).



Bunun Kano
ALH. UMARU SUNUSI

BUNU

e was the first son of Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi who was born in Gidan Rumfa in 1956. He started his Qur'anic studies in Gidan Rumfa before enrolling in Primary School in 1961. After the resignation of his father he was taken to Sumaila and put under the care of his uncle *Dan Buram* Sani Bayero where he continued with his primary from there he was moved to Wudil and put under the care of *Dan Darman* Alu from 1964 to 1968 when he was taken to Rano Secondary School and after completing this school he worked briefly in the Kano State Local Government Service. He went to the United States and studied business administration he returned in 1984 after which he did his National Youth Service before joining the Kano State Board of Internal Revenue. He moved to the Savannah Bank in 1988 and then Oceanic Bank in 1992 and in 1994 he joined the Zenith Bank Plc where he became Deputy General Manager.



Bauran Kano ALH. MUHAMMAD MAHARAZ

BAURA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero (1963 to 2014) was the first to institute this title in 1976 when he conferred it on Alhaji Mustapha Tata son of Galadiman Kano Abdulkadir.

Alhaji Muhammad Maharaz was born in 1955. He attended Karaye Primary School, Birnin Kudu Secondary School, Advanced Teachers' College (ABC/ABU) and Bayero University Kano. He started his working career as a library assistant. He became a secondary school teacher and was later promoted to the position of Principal before moving to the Ministry of Education as Deputy Director. He was Director, Kano State Primary Schools Management Board before moving to the National Primary Schools Commission as Assistant Director in charge of World Bank Assisted Projects. He was appointed the first *'Yan Daka* of Kano and first District Head of Rogo in 1997; and in 2004 he was promoted to Baura while maintaining his position as District Head of Rogo, where he is still serving.



Dan Madamin Kano
ALH. IBRAHIM HAMZA BAYERO

DAN MADAMI

e was born on July 14, 1977. He attended Kano Capital School for primary and junior secondary education from 1985 to 1993 from where he proceeded to Day Science Secondary and then Kano State Polytechnic for his education where he obtained both National Diploma and Higher National Diploma. He joined the Local Government Service and was posted to Kiru Local Government Council in 2006 as an Assistant Executive Officer and he rose to become Principal Executive Officer in 2017.

A very obedient son he was very close to his deeply religious father, who made him to be his representative in most of his affairs since 2009. He proved to be a worthy successor of his forebears such that because of honesty and integrity after his father's death the people of the area requested Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II to appoint him to succeed his father and he was turbaned Dan Madamin Kano and District Head of Kiru on May 26, 2017.



Katukan Kano ALH. BASHIR ALBASU

KATUKA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first to institute the title of Katuka in 1988 when he conferred it on Alhaji Umaru Dambatta. The title was borrowed from Zazzau Emirate.

Alhaji Bashir Albasu was born in 1945. He attended Tsangaya, Gaya and Wudil Primary Schools, Birnin Kudu Secondary School, Ahmadu Bello University, University of Sokoto (now Usmanu Danfodio University), Nigeria Law School and Obafemi Awolowo University as well as several Police Courses and Institutions. He joined the Nigeria Police Force and rose through the ranks to become an Assistant Inspector General of Police in 1996.

He was retired in 1999. He started his private Law Practice and was engaged by the Kano State Government as Chairman, Kano State Radio Corporation in 2004 and then later as the first Executive Chairman of the Kano State Pension Trustees Fund. In 2007, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Katukan Kano* and the District Head of Albasu.

SAI



Sa'in Kano ALH. WADA WAZIRI

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado was the first to institute the title of Sai in 1983 when he turbaned Alhaji Mustapha Yusuf younger brother of the famous Mallam Aminu Kano and a descendant of Shaykh Abdulazeez al-Gyanawi. The title was borrowed from Sokoto where the holder was responsible for Zakat Collection.

Alhaji Wada Waziri, a descendant of Sarkin Bai Dabo Dambazau, was born in 1933. He attended Dala Elementary School, Kano Middle School, School of Nursing, Medical Auxiliaries Training School and the Higher Trade Union School Moscow. He started his working career as a Nurse in the City Hospital in 1953. He was transferred to Dambatta Dispensary, Miga Dispensary and was later returned to the City Hospital. Thereafter he became supervisor of several hospitals before he was transferred to Ministry of Health. He later became the Head of the State Task Force on Environmental Sanitation. He was an active trade union leader and the Chairman of the Nigeria Labor Congress Kano State Chapter in 1983. He also served as representative of the organized labor in the Kano State Civil Service

Commission. He was a part time member of the Kano State Primary Schools Management Board. In 1989, he became the State Commandant of the Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps and the Assistant Commandant General of the organization at the national level in 1992. He retired from the Civil Service in 1990. He was also the Chairman of the Kano State Parents/ Teachers Association from 1992-2003. He was the Director General, Special Services in the Kano State Governor's Office from 2001 to 2003. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Sa'in Kano* and District Head of Makoda in 2008, where he is still serving.



Yariman Kano
ALH. LAMIDO ABUBAKAR BAYERO

YARIMA

e was born in 1957. He attended Kura and Dawakin Kudu Primary Schools as well as Rano and Dambatta Secondary Schools and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria. He started his working career as a Clerical Officer at the Nigeria Television Authority NTA. He transferred to the Judicial Department as a Court Clerk in 1976 where he remained until 1982 when he moved to Kano State Agricultural and Rural Development Authority (KNARDA) as a Procurement Officer. He returned to the Judicial Department as a Senior Registrar in 1983 where he remained until 1991 when he joined Seven Up Bottling Company as Commercial Manager. He was Vice Chairman Afro-Asia Nigeria Limited when Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi turbaned him *Fagacin Kano* on May 12, 2018. The following year on May 4, 2018 he was promoted to the title of *Yariman Kano* and District Head of Takai Local Government Area.



San Turakin Kano
ALH. ALIYU ADO BAYERO

SAN TURAKI

e was born in Kano on February 3, 1971. He finished his primary school in 1984 and then proceeded to Government Secondary School Karaye where completed in 1990. He gained National Diploma in Business Administration in 1996 and Higher National Diploma in 2003. He also obtained Advanced Diploma in Career Management and Development in FCE Kano in 1998 and Diploma in Computer Education from International Business School Cairo in 2009. He contested for the position of Councilor Tudun Wizirci Ward in 1996 and won and he was Councilor Agriculture and Natural Resources Kano Municipal Local Government Council. He worked in WJ Bush as a clerical accountant from 1998-2001. He was a sales manager at CFAO/STRUCTEC 2004-2005, Senior Personnel Officer African Textile Manufacturing Limited 2005 and Assistant Manager PHCN 2007. He was turbaned San Turakin Kano and District Head Kunchi Local Government Area in 2014 he was the last person turbaned by Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero.

JARMA



Jarman Kano
PROFESSOR ISA HASHIM

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero instituted the title of Jarma and conferred it on the famous businessman Muhammadu Adamu Dankabo. In the pre-jihad period the Sarkin Jarumai was one of the Tara ta Kano established by Sarkin Kano Muhammadu Rumfa (). When Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo restored the titles he replaced Sarkin Jarumai with Sarkin Dawaki Maituta and conferred it on the descendants of his elder brother Jamo. This might be one of the reasons why Professor Isa Hashim a descendant of Jamo was conferred this title.

Professor Isa Hashim, was born in 1932. He studied the Qur'an and elementary Islamic books under the guidance of Malam Nasiru Kabara before proceeding to Shahuchi Judicial School. He also attended the Survey School Kofar Dan Agundi, the Institute of Administration Zaria, the University of Pittsburg, Michagan State University, South East California University and Ahmadu Bello University for his Law Degree. His doctorate is in Political Science. He started his working career in the Kano Native Authority before he moved to the Northern Regional Government. After the collapse of the first Republic and the creation of states,

he was transferred to Kano State Government Service where he started as a District Officer (D.O.) and reached the position of Permanent Secretary in the Military Governor's Office. He also worked briefly in Washington D.C. In 1983, he was appointed Special Adviser Budget and Planning in the Kano State Governor's office. In 1987, he became Head of Department of Local Government Studies, Kaduna Polytechnic and later the Director, College of Administrative Studies, Kaduna Polytechnic. He was appointed Professor Political Science at Bayero University Kano in 1992. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Jarman Kano* and Member of the Kano Emirate Council in 2007.



Talban Kano
ALH. AHMAD IBRAHIM

TALBA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero instituted the title of Talba, which was borrowed from Bauchi and conferred on Alhaji Garba A.D. Inuwa the famous Kano businessman and was also appointed Member Kano Emirate Councilor.

Alhaji Ahmad son of Matawallen Kano Ibrahim was born in 1959 he attended Kings College Lagos and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria where he graduated in 1980 with a Bachelor's degree in Qauntity Survey. He established his professional consultancy service before he was called upon to serve his country as Consul General of Consulate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria in Jiddah, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II, turbaned, him Talba in 2017.

DAN MALIKI

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first to institute this title in 1991 and he conferred on his nephew Alhaji Maitama Faruk Bayero.

Ambassador Ahmad Umar was born in 1958. He attended Government College Kano and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria. He joined the Foreign Service after his National Youth Service. He served in various Nigerian Missions including the United States, United Kingdom and Saudi Arabia. He was the Presidential Liaison Officer for General Sani Abacha. He was actively involved in the Haji Operations. He resolved several crises especially after the fatal stampede during the 2015 Hajj. He properly handled the visit of Mr. President to Saudi Arabia. He was also able for the first time to redeem Nigeria's image in Saudi Arabia through engagement with the Nigerian community and Saudi authorities for the first time honored the community for good behavior.

He crowned his diplomatic career with his last assignment as the Chief Protocol Officer of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He carried extensive overhaul and rejuvenation of the Department as he introduced a new digital ID card for the diplomatic community, established a Diplomatic Exchange Unit for the first time and also spearheaded the implementation of one China policy. There is no better eulogy for Ambassador Ahmad Umar than the

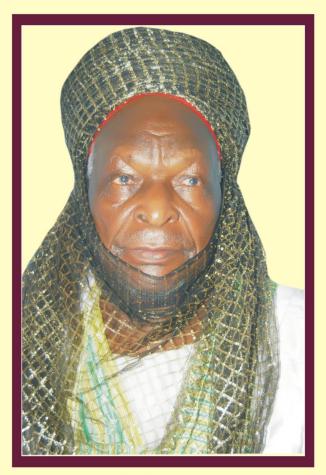


Dan Malikin Kano
AMBASSADOR AHMAD UMAR

valedictory commendation by His Excellency Geoffrey Onyeama, Honorable Minister of Foreign Affairs, on October 26, 2016:

"It is with utmost sadness that I received news of your retirement so soon after you took up your present assignment. Sadness because I have never witnessed in all my professional life, someone make such a major and positive impact in such a short time in the discharge of their professional assignment. You revolutionized the office of the Chief of Protocol. You have served the Ministry and your Country outstandingly well and we will miss you greatly...".

His Highness Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II honored him by conferring on him the title of Dan Malikin Kano, one of the Emirate titleholders in 2017.



Majidadin Kano
ALH. MUSA SALEH

MAJIDADI

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero instituted the title of Majidadi in 1991 when Madobi Local Government was created and he conferred it on Alhaji Maje Adnan the son of Sarkin Bai Adnan. Alhaji Musa Saleh was born in 1928. He attended the Qur'anic school in Kwankwaso before moving to other locations, including Borno, which is still famous in Qur'anic studies.

When he returned, he continued to assist his father in their family business. In 1950, he was appointed the village head of Kwankwaso. He held that position successfully without any misgivings for 50 years. Hence, as a token of appreciation, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him Majidadin Kano and District Head of Madobi in 2000, where he is still serving.



Falakin Kano ALH. MUJTABAH ABUBAKAR

FALAKI

arkin Kano Alhaji Abdullahi Bayero introduced the title of Falaki as a Sub District Head. Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi maintained it in that position while Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero elevated to the status of District Head in 1991 when he turbaned Alhaji Abdulkadir Ahmad and appointed District Head of the newly created Tofa Local Government Area.

Alhaji Mujtabah Abubakar

DAN ADALA

an Adala was the title of the Dagaci (Village Head) Tofa it was held by Yolawa Fulani ancestors of Alhaji Isiyaku Umar Tofa until during the reign of Sarkin Kano Aliyu Babba (Emir 1894-1903) when he conferred it on a Borno Prince who helped the Emir when the Damagaram forces attacked Kano. This Borno Prince was grandfather of Alhaji Bashir Othman.

The family of the Borno Prince held the title until 2002 when Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed Alhaji Isiyaku Umar as the Village Head and Dan Adala.

Alhaji Isiyaku Umar Tofa, a descendant of Ahmadu Jandaro of the Yolawa Clan, was born in 1947. He attended Tofa Elementary School, Kano Provincial Secondary School, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria and Pittsburg University USA.

He started his working career as an Administrative Officer in 1972; and after his retirement in 1977, he joined Mainasara Group of Companies as General Manager. He established his company, Tofa General Enterprises Limited, in 1979. This grew into one of the largest indigeneous



Dan Adalan Kano ALH. ISIYAKU UMAR TOFA

conglomerates, and currenty Tofa Textiles Limited, which took over the former Northern Textile Manufacturers (*Gidan Bargo*), is one of the most viable textile manufacturing industries in Kano. He served on the board of directors of several companies in Kano and other parts of Nigeria. In 2008, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero elevated him to the position of District Head of Tofa with the title of Dan'Adala. This was the first of such acts in the history of Kano Emirate. The Federal Government conferred on him the national honor of the Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON).



Uban Doman Kano
ALH. IBRAHIM SANI

UBAN DOMA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first to institute the title of Uban Doma in 1991 when he conferred it on Alhaji Aliyu Harazimi Umar and appointed him the District Head of the newly created Doguwa Local Government Area. The title was borrowed from Gombe Emirate where it is held by one of the Kingmakers of the Emirate.

Alhaji Ibrahim Sani, a descendant of Sarkin Gaya Attahiru of the Zakirawa Clan, was born in 1932. He studied the Qur'an and other Islamic subjects before joining the adult education class. Thereafter, he began to assist his father in various engagements. In 1959, he was appointed a village head with the title of Magajin Garin Gaya. He was a member of the Northern Region House of Assembly from 1959-65, and also a member of Kano South East Administrative Area Council in 1968. In 1993, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero appointed him *Ubandoman Kano* and District Head of Albasu. He was instrumental to the conversion of over 500 *Maguzawa* (Hausa Traditional Religion's followers) and the destruction of their last most important shrine in Eastern Kano as well as the construction of a Mosque on that location. He was transferred to Shanono in 2004 and he is still serving there.



Ajiyan Kano ALH. AMINU MUHAMMADU DANSARARI

AJIYA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first to institute the title of Ajiya in 1990 and he conferred on Alhaji Muhammadu Dansarari a businessman and philanthropist.

Alhaji Aminu Muhammad Dansarari was born in 1973. He attended Warure Primary School, Federal Government College Kwali Abuja and Bayero University Kano. He served in Dansarari Construction Company Limited, his father's company, and reached the position of its chief executive. He also established Amdan Investment, which is his own company. In 2007, his father Alhaji Muhammadu Dansarari died. He and other members of his family went to the Palace to pay the traditional condolence homage to the Emir, and in a rare surprise move, Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero informed them that he has decided to confer the title of *Ajiya* on Alhaji Aminu to succeed his father.

MAAJIN WATARI

he title of Maajin Watari was restored by Sarkin Kano Ibrahim Dabo and conferred on the descendants of Sarkin Kano Sulaiman. It was relegated to the status of sub District Head during the colonial rule. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero revived to status of District Head.

Alhaji Abba Bello, a descendant of Sarkin Kano Sulaiman, was born in 1944. He attended Zakirai Elementary School, Kano Senior Primary School, Kano School of Hygiene, London School of Hygiene and the American University of Beirut. He started his working career as Health Inspector in 1962 in the Northern Regional Government Service. He later transferred to Federal Government Service where he rose to become Prinicpal Administrative Officer of the Medical Unit of the Nigeria Ports Authority in 1978. He was the Manager of the Nigeria Ports Authority, London Office, before he transferred to the Nigeria National Supply Company where he became Assistant General Manager before General Ibrahim Babangida Administration abolished the company. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero conferred on him the title of Ma'ajin Watarin Kano in 1993, after several



Maajin Warin Kano ALH. ABBA BELLO

years without this title in the Kano Emirate hierarchy. The Administration of General Sani Abacha appointed him Executive Director (Chief Executive) of the Abuja Environmental Protection Agency in 1996. In 2003, he was appointed District Head of Kabo while keeping his title of Ma'ajin Watari. He is still serving there. In addition, he is the Chairman of the Board of Trustees Ma'ajin Watari Education Foundation, being one of the few wealthy people in Kano who are committed to supporting the education of the less privileged in the society.

YAN DAKA

he title of 'Yan 'Daka originated from Katsina Emirate where the holder is one the Kingmakers who select the Emir. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero borrowed it from there in 1997 and confirmed it on the first District Head of Rogo Alhaji Muhammad Maharaz. In 2017, he was promoted to the title of Bauran Kano. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II then appointed Alhaji Abbas M. Dalhatu as the second 'Yan 'Dakan Kano.

'Yan 'Daka Abbas was born in 1970 in Gwangwazo, Kano Municipal. His father, Alkali Muhammad Mu'Allayiddi (d.1975) was a prominent jurist-scholar, like his grandfather Alkali Dalhatu and his great grandfather Wazirin Gaya Abubakar who was a disciple of Shehu Usman Dan Fodio. His mother is from the Sullubawa Fulani clan and a daughter of Sarkin Kano Alhaji Abdullahi Bayero (d.1953).

He had his early primary and Islamic education in Kano. He attended Air Force Military School, Jos for his



Yan Dakan Kano
ALH. ABBAS MOHAMMED DALHATU

secondary school and basic military training. He was at Bayero University, Kano and Boston University in Massachusetts, USA where he graduated with degrees in Economics and Biological sciences.

He is an entrepreneur and business development expert with a remarkable record in manufacturing, energy, food processing and broadcasting. He is currently the Group Managing Director of Freedom Radio Group consisting of Freedom Radio 99.5, Kano; Dala FM 88.5, Kano; Freedom Radio 99.9, Dutse and Freedom Radio 92.9, Kaduna.

As a result of his competence the Emir of Kano has a lot of confidence in him hence he serves in several committees of the Emirate Council.



Kaigaman Kano
ALH. KABIRU TUKUR

KAIGAMA

arkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero was the first to institute the title of Kaigama when Kibiya Local Government Area was created in 1996 and Alhaji Sanusi Abubakar Ila was turbaned and appointed the District Head of the Local Government.

The current Kaigama and District Head of Kibiya is Alhaji Kabiru Tukur.

BARADEN KANO



Baraden Kano
GENERAL ABDURRAHMAN BELLO DAMBAZAU

e attended primary school before enrolling as student number 2479 at Barewa College. He gained admission into the Nigerian Defense Academy into the 17th Regular Course and he was commissioned Second Lieutenant in 1977. His quest for knowledge made him to pursue academic excellence after further military training at the US Army Military Police School in Fort McClellan in 1979 from where he proceeded to Kent State University for Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice and he graduated in 1982. He obtained two Master's degrees in International Relations and Higher Educational Administration. He earned his PhD in Criminology in 1989 from University of Keele before attaining the rank of captain.

He was Aide Camp to the Chief of Army Staff in 1979 before he became Commander and Special Investigator Military Police 1984-1985. He served as Registrar Nigeria Defense Academy 1993 to 1999. He became Chief Instructor Support Weapon Wing of Nigeria School of Infantry 1999 to 2001. He was Directing Staff National War College 2004 to 2006 and later Director, Higher Military Organization and Operations. He was appointed Principal General Staff Officer to the Honorable Minister of Defense in 2006. He became the Chief of Army Standards and Evaluation (CASE) in 2007. In the same year he was posted to Ibadan as the General Officer Commanding Second Division Nigeria Army Ibadan where he remained until his appointment as the Chief of Army Staff by President Umaru Yar' Adua in 2008. He retired from the army in 2010 after the death of President Yar' Adua.

General Dambazau is a scholar whose publications are used in Nigerian universities, which *Law and Criminality in Nigeria*, was published by University Press in 1994. After retiring from the Army he was a fellow at Harvard University before he joined politics and participated actively in the Presidential

Campaigns of the APC as the Director Security. President Muhammadu Buhari appointed him Minister of Interior. A highly decorated professional soldier he has received numerous awards and medals and the national honor of the Commander of the Federal Republic CFR. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II turbaned him the first Baraden Kano in 2018.



Kachallan Kano
ALH. Magaji Galadima

KACHALLA

e was born in 1961. He attended Ohio University, Athens Ohio for Certificate Course in News Production and Studio Operation Management (1981), University of Maiduguri for Diploma in Languages (1983-1985), Bayero University Kano for BA English Literature (1987-1993) and Ahmadu Bello University Zaria for MA International Relations and Diplomacy (1997-1999).

Served as News Director and Program Producer Kano State Television Corporation in 1982 and then moved to the PEN Newspaper Kano in 1986. He was a contract staff of the NNPC Kaduna Refinery from 1993 to 1996. He joined the French Oil Service Company the DBN where he served from 1998 to 2004 before moving to the Federal Capital Territory Administration (FCDA). He served as Manager Corporate Administration Abuja Geographic Information Service (AGIS) 2004-2007, Head of Administration AGIS 2007-2009, Chief Administrative Officer Abuja Metropolitan Management Council (AMMC) 2009-2010, Assistant Director Procurement AMMC (2010-2011) and currently (2019) Deputy Director Finance AMMC. He served as Head of Administration and Finance of SURE-P 2011-2012 and Director General of the Kano State Geographic Information Systems (KANGIS) 2012-2015.

He is a Director of Dambatta Community Bank since 2002 and Chairman Makoda Micro-Finance Bank since 2015, he is a Fellow of Nigerian Institute of Public Relations, Member of the Nigerian Guild of Editors, Member of the Nigerian Polo Association and the Nigeria Institute of Management. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II on April 26, 2019 turbaned him Kachallan Kano.

LIMAN



Limamin Kano
PROF. MUHAMMAD SANI ZAHRADDEN

e was born in Kano on June 22, 1940. He attended Shahuci Primary School, Kano Provincial Secondary School where he obtained Division in West African School Certificate, School for Arabic Studies for GCE A Level and he was one of the first set of students admitted into Abdullahi Bayero College of Ahmadu Bello University. He graduated with first class in 1966. He did his masters degree at the University of Khartoum (1967-1970) and his PhD at the McGill University, Montreal Canada (1972-1976).

Professor Sani Zahradeen returned to Abdullahi Bayero College (which later became Bayero University) and he continued to lecture at the Department of Islamic Studies where he became the Head of Department and later the first Professor of Islamic Studies in Northern Nigeria. He served as the Honorable Commissioner for Education Kano State 1978 to 1979. He returned to the university and served as Deputy Vice Chancellor and later Vice Chancellor 1991 to 1995. After completing his tenure, he returned to the Department of Islamic Studies where he supervised several PhD students and he remained the mentor of many outstanding scholars in the university and elsewhere.

Professor Sani Zahradeen has served Kano State and Nigeria in various capacities: Pro-Chancellor and Chairman University Council University of Benin, Member Political Bureau, Chairman Kano State Civil Service Commission, Chairman Kano State Pilgrims Welfare Board, Chairman Kano State Zakat and Hubusi Commission and Chairman Kano State Shari'ah Commission.

His Highness Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero

appointed him Grand Imam of Kano in 2011. His ancestors have been holding the position since 1820. He is the first Imam from the family to have been a Professor of Islamic Studies before assuming the position. He has chaired several committees of the Kano Emirate Council including the Organizing Committee of the 40th Anniversary of the Emir. And in 2016 His Highness Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II and Bayero University appointed him Chairman of the Committee on Social Reforms. He continues to supervise and teach postgraduate students as the first Professor Emeritus in the Department of Islamic Studies.

A distinguished scholar Professor Zahradeen was honored by Governments and reputable organizations the honors include: Officer of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Merit Award by the Government of Pakistan, Merit Award by Islamic University of Madina Saudi Arabia and Associate Award in Islamic Finance.



Maajin Kano ALH. LAMIDO SANUSI UMAR

MAAJI

his is an old Kano title but it became prominent with the establishment of the Native Authority Treasury. The Arab residents who were learned held the position of the Head of the Native Authority Treasury and Maaji. Alhaji Ali Rano was the first Kano indigene to obtain a Diploma in Native Authority Treasury Management and he held the position during the reign of Sarkin Kano Muhammadu Inuwa (1963).

Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II turbaned Alhaji Lamido Sanusi Umar as Maajin Kano in 2017. His father Alhaji Umaru Yolawa was the Maajin Kano during the reign of Sarkin Kano Sir Muhammadu Sanusi.



Makaman Gado Da Masun Kano ALH. AMINU AHMEDI

MAKAMAN GADO DA MASU

his title was associated with the treasury in the 19th century. Alhaji Aminu Ahmed Maiturare, son of the famous merchant Alhaji Ahmadu Maiturare, was born in 1950. He attended Ulumul Din School of Alhaji Sanusi Dantata where he studied the Qur'an and various Islamic Subjects before he started trading under the guidance of his father.

He has been an active member of the Kano Business Community being the head of one of the Traders' Union and popular amongst the progressive businessmen and traders. Sarkin Kano Alhaji Ado Bayero conferred on him the title of *Zannan Kano* in 1995 in recognition of his contribution to the development of commerce in particular and the Kano Community in general. Sarkin Kano Muhammad Sanusi II promoted him to the position of Makaman Gado da Masu in 2017 he had earlier appointed Member of Kano Emirate Council to succeed Alhaji Garba A. D. Inuwa in the council.