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## CYBERSECURITY ADVISORY: PROTECT YOUR UNIVERISTY EMAIL ACCOUNT

The University has observed an increase in phishing attempts and other malicious email activities aimed at compromising user accounts and gaining unauthorized access to personal and university resources.

### Have you received any message requesting that you

- Verify your account?
- Confirm your password?
- Prevent account suspension?
- Upgrade your mailbox?
- Validate your email quota, or
- Re-enter your login details through a link?

You can be sure that these are cybercriminals! They frequently impersonating trusted entities, including University administrators, technical support personnel, and system administrators, to deceive users into disclosing login credentials or other sensitive information. **These messages always carry a sense of urgency to force you to take impulsive action.**

### Please note the following:

(1) ITeMS will NEVER request your password, login credentials, OTP, or any other authentication information via email, telephone, text message, WhatsApp, or any other communication channel.

Any request of this nature should be treated as **suspicious** until **independently verified**.



(2) Before responding to any email, always verify:

- The sender's actual email address;
- The authenticity of any links or attachments.



(3) Never click on suspicious links or open unexpected attachments.



Report suspicious message immediately by forwarding it to the IT Help Desk (networksupport@ui.edu.ng) and marking it as spam.

- The compromise of a single account exposes sensitive institutional information, facilitates further attacks against colleagues and students, and disrupts critical University services.
- Cyber security is a shared responsibility. Vigilance, caution, and adherence to security best practices are essential to protecting both personal and institutional information assets.



***Remember: If in doubt, do not respond, do not click, and do not disclose your credentials. Verify first.***

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to maintain a secure digital environment for the University community.

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Thank you.

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