



**Cabinet Secretary**

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## **RESEARCH CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION**

On the auspicious occasion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Graduation Ceremony of Kibabii University, I wish to applaud the class of 2018 for their sterling performance culminating in the conferment of degrees and award of diplomas and certificates in their various fields of professional training.

You have long anticipated this day. It is a mark of triumph following rigorous academic training, hard work and invaluable sacrifice. Ultimately your patience has shaped you into personalities you aspired to be. The skills acquired are the brick and mortar of a productive and satisfying future. I therefore expect the graduands to use the knowledge, skills, experience and competencies acquired here to continuously transform society.

The Kenya Government through the Ministry of Education lays great emphasis on research and innovation. It is for this reason that the Ministry of Education will continue availing funds for research activities in the universities. I note with pride the efforts and strategies you are laying to grow your development of fundable proposals, Intellectual Property portfolio as well as innovations and their patenting.

The strategies you have put in place to expand research activities and their scope is commendable. The fact that you were awarded Kshs. 64 million by the National Research Fund (NRF) has earned you pundits. There is no doubt that this will contribute to positive social and economic development in Kenya and beyond. Indeed, the recent Webometric ranking of Kibabii University at position 10 among Universities and colleges in Kenya is testimony of that potential.

I wish to commend Council, Management, Senate, Staff, Students and other Stakeholders for the exemplary work.