

**REMARKS BY DR. MARGARET GIKUHI**  
**CHAIRPERSON, UNIVERSITY OF EMBU COUNCIL, DURING THE 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
**CHANCELLOR’S STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY ADDRESS HELD ON 26<sup>TH</sup>**  
**MARCH 2019**

- ✓ The Chancellor, University of Embu – Prof. Paul Musili Wambua
- ✓ Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Daniel Mugendi
- ✓ Members of Council,
- ✓ Chairman and Board of Trustees, University of Embu Endowment Fund
- ✓ University Management Board,
- ✓ Members of the University Senate,
- ✓ Staff and students,
- ✓ Distinguished Guests,
- ✓ Ladies and Gentlemen

**Good Morning**

Receive warm greetings and welcome to the University of Embu family.

I take this opportunity to thank the Chancellor of the University of Embu - Prof. Paul Musili Wambua for gracing this important occasion and for his unwavering support to the University Council and Management as we seek to deliver on the mandate for which the University was established. Your ever fresh ideas bring hope and inspiration to all of us. You have continued to inspire us with your great sense of commitment to the University of Embu and your deeply held beliefs on the importance of higher education in allowing people to make the best use of their talents and hence make a difference in the world.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the University of Embu partners in Industry, Government, County and the Community, some of whom are here with us today; without you our valued partners we would not be where we are today. May the Almighty God continue blessing you so that you can continue with the same spirit. A decade from now, when we look back at what we have accomplished together, I know your contribution will clearly be visible as having been instrumental to the University's success.

Mr. Chancellor Sir,

In the same vein, allow me to express my appreciation to the Council Members for their presence today and their role in making the University of Embu what it is today. The achievements that we have witnessed at the University over the years are a product of focused and dedicated Council Members who have always been there whenever they are needed to share their ideas, expertise and time so as to come up with the best decisions for the growth and prosperity of this University.

I also appreciate the University of Embu Management led by the Vice-Chancellor – Prof. Daniel Mugendi for fostering a good working relationship between the Council and Management which has enabled the University to grow in leaps and bounds.

To the staff of the University of Embu - You are the real engines behind the success of this University. I thank you for choosing to work at the University of Embu despite the location in a rural set up and the teething challenges associated with a new University. I assure you of the University Council's commitment to providing you with the best working conditions and the best care in terms of your welfare.

To the students, I must say that you are our greatest asset in this University; you have worked well with the University Management and Staff to make this institution a respected world-class University through your commitment to the realization of the University objectives, academic success and community service; you are the reason why we are here; without you there would be no University and everything we do, we do it to enrich your experience in the University and to enable you to get the best education and professional formation for your future life.

Lastly, I allow me to recognize the students' leaders both the current and previous leaders for their commitment to see that issues affecting students are amicably addressed through dialogue and understanding. This is the true spirit of leadership that we should cultivate across our country. With this kind of leadership, the University has remained calm and able to execute its mandate with much ease.

Let us all continue working together to make University of Embu the University of choice for us and for generation to come.

**Ladies and Gentlemen,**

Since today is the Chancellor's day, it is now my pleasure to invite the Chancellor of the University of Embu Prof. Paul Musili Wambua to deliver the 2019 State of University Address.

Thank you.

Dr. Margaret Gikuhi  
**Chairman of Council**