

## Brief on Shu'aibu Usman Leman

Precedent to his appointment as the National Secretary of the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ) in 2002, **Shuaibu Usman Leman** was the Editor In Chief/ Managing Director, of Bauchi Publishing and Printing Company and Printing Company Nigeria Ltd, publishers of the *Trumpeter & Kakaki Newspapers*. He was Editor of the state owned Newspapers for several years.

He was also the founding Managing Director and Editor-In-Chief of Bauchi based National *Digest Magazine* before proceeding to Lagos from 2000-2002 as one of the Editors of the defunct *Post Express Newspapers*.

An activist and crusader, the challenge of re-positioning the Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ) in particular and Journalism to attain its rightful position as the fourth estate of the realm became his concern, hence actions targeted towards achieving the patriotic and capacity building of the media in Nigeria has been of uppermost concern to him.

This is based on his conviction that it is only when such is attained that we can reposition ourselves effectively to ensure accountability and good governance and to fight corruption and electoral fraud.

A teacher, researcher and resourceful person in media and Public Communication, **Shuaibu Usman Leman** has many publications amongst which are Media Ethics and Promotion of Democratic Culture in Nigeria, the Media, Socio-cultural and political Integration, Thoughts on policy, the Press and Ethics, and the Media and Challenges of Sustaining Democratic Government at the 3<sup>rd</sup> tier of government in Nigeria. He was a Media and Public Communication Consultant to the Prestigious National Institute for Policy and Strategic Studies, Kuru June 12009-31 May 2010.

This experience has brought him in contact with Journalists all over Africa through solidarity in trade union activities. **Shuaibu Usman Leman** is a member of International federation of Journalists (IFJ) Federation of African Journalist (FAJ) West Africa Journalists Association (WAJA) and Nigeria Union of Journalists (NUJ).