USAID Dedicates Fendall Faculty Resource Center

A Faculty Resource Center worth more than US$50,000.00 has been renovated and dedicated at the Natural Science Building at the University of Liberia Fendall Campus. The United States Agency for International Development USAID, in partnership with the Universities of Massachusetts Medical School and Indiana provided funding to the renovation and refurbishing of the Faculty Resource Center.

The modernized resource center comprised digitized computer networks, service providers and upgraded scientific software to aid faculty in the process of training and research. The resource center also includes projectors that will assist the faculty in making power point presentations.

Faculty teaching courses in the Life Sciences will be trained to teach basic life science courses and prepare resource materials and deliver them through power point using the networks.

Handing the keys of the resource center to the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Dr. Wede Elliott Brownell, the Country Director for the Center for Excellence in Health and Life Sciences, Ansahta Garnett, thanked USAID and its partners for the support in setting up the resource center. She pointed out that the resource center will go a long way in enhancing the research skills of UL Faculty.

Mrs. Ansahta Garnett expressed hope that the UL Faculty will make good use of the facilities by acquiring basic knowledge to in turn impact such knowledge to their students.

In an acceptance remarks on behalf of the University of Liberia, the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost, Dr. Wede Elliott Brownell, thanked USAID, the Universities of Massachusetts and Indiana for the renovation and setting up of the resource center.

At the same time, Mr. Charles Reafsnyder, Associate Vice President of International Affairs at Indiana University, thanked USAID, the University of Massachusetts, the Center for Excellence, the cooperation from the University of Liberia, describing the resource center as a significant step forward to capacity building. He said USAID is in discussion with its partners to also provide funding for the renovation of part of the Science Building.

Mr. Reafsnyder noted that USAID and its partners would like to point to higher quality of instruction and evidence based Health and Life Sciences program in Liberia as a major achievement.