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45 Aga Khan candidates to join world's top varsities

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Pupils of Aga Khan Academy Mombasa presents Oriental song during the Kenya Music Festival at Aga Khan Academy on August 10, 2014. About 45 of the 71 candidates at Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa, are set to join top universities in the world. FILE PHOTO | ANTHONY NJAGI | NATION MEDIA GROUP

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“Most of them have received at least three offers each from leading universities. Other have been granted scholarships,” said the academy’s acting head teacher, Simon Otieno.

“These admissions will in future help Kenya develop a sustainable pool of highly trained and competitive human resource. This will see Kenya a knowledge-based economy,” Mr Otieno said.

“They will also enhance economic development of this country, hence provide support for Vision 2030,” he added.

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Some of the universities the students will be admitted to include Cornell University, Kings College and Imperial College, both within the University of London.

Others are McGill University, Michigan State University, the University of Toronto and the University of British Columbia, among others.

Overall, British universities recorded an 8.2 per cent decline in the enrolment of Kenyan students in 2012.