

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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PLACE & DATE OF BIRTH Misira Mbayen Village (Sabah Sanjal), Upper Badibu District, North Bank Division; Fri.2<sup>nd</sup> January 1970  
The Gambia

MARITAL STATUS Married (Without children)

EDUCATIONAL STATUS

Sept. 1998 to Nov.1999 **MA** in Economic Policy and Management, United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (UN-IDEP), Dakar, Senegal.  
**Main Subjects Covered:**  
Macro and Multi-Sectoral Modelling  
Public Finance, Expenditure Policy & Mgt.  
International Trade, Finance & Debt Mgt.  
Regional Economic Integration  
Monetary Integration & Trade Liberalisation

Nov. 1997 to Aug. 1998 **Postgraduate Diploma** in Economic Policy and Management; United Nations African Institute for Economic Development and Planning (UN-IDEP), Dakar, Senegal  
**Main Subjects Covered:**  
Microeconomic Theory and Policy  
Macroeconomic Theory and Policy Analysis  
Quantitative Techniques for Economic Mgt  
Econometric Methods and Applications

Oct. 1992 to June 1996

**BSc. in Economics**, Faculty of Economics, Fourah Bay College, University of Sierra Leone

**Main Subjects Covered:**

Economic History of Sierra Leone  
Mathematics for Economist  
Introduction to the Social Sciences  
Elements of Economics  
Statistical Methods  
Quantitative Methods I & II  
Economic Analysis I & II  
Advanced Economic Theory I & II  
Applied Economics

Oct. 1988 to June 1990

GCE A'Level\_(West African Examinations Council);  
Gambia High School, Banjul, The Gambia.

Sept. 1983 to June 1988

GCE O Level (West African Examinations Council),  
Gambia High School, Banjul, The Gambia

Current Status

**Economist**, West African Monetary Agency  
11-13 ECOWAS Street, P. M. B. 218  
Freetown, Sierra Leone.

**Main Duties:**

- Undertaking Multilateral Surveillance Missions
- Sending and Receiving ECOWAS Monetary Cooperation Programme (EMCP) Questionnaires periodically to Member Central Banks
- Disseminating Macroeconomic Data/Information to Central Banks & Other Relevant Institutions
- Undertaking Research Studies on Macroeconomic and Monetary Policy Issues of Current Relevance
- Preparations of Various Reports (i.e. Annual, Multilateral Surveillance, Progress and Meeting Reports/Documents) and Providing Inputs for WAMA Publications

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:**

Jul 2002-Nov 2003

**Economist**, Economic Research Department,  
Central Bank of The Gambia,  
1-2 ECOWAS Avenue, Banjul, The Gambia

**Main Duties: -**

- Compilation and analysis of macroeconomic data
- Work with IMF missions on monitoring of performance benchmarks under structural adjustment programmes.
- Participate in writing Central Bank Quarterly Bulletins, Annual Reports and Research Papers.
- Provide and monitor data on macroeconomic convergence towards the West African Common Currency.
- Write briefs for the Governor and Secretary of State for Finance & Economic Affairs on recent economic developments

Apr. 2000 - June 2002

**Senior Economist**, Policy Analysis Unit, Office of  
The President, State House, Banjul

**Main Responsibilities:**

- Coordination of all UNDP- UNFPA and UNICEF-supported programmes and Projects
- Participate in Project Monitoring and Evaluation in collaboration with the Project Evaluation and Monitoring Unit (PEMU), Department of State for Finance & Economic Affairs
- Participate in the formulation/preparation of an Aid Coordination Document
- Participate in the Development of Indicators of Good Governance under the National Governance Programme
- Participate as a taskforce member of the Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper/Document Preparation/Review
- In collaboration with the staff of the Central Bank of The Gambia and Department of State for Finance & Economic Affairs undertake special studies on the state

of the economy

- Collect, collate and assist in carrying out data analysis on macroeconomic variables
- Participate in surveys/research conducted by the Central Statistics Department and the planning units of line Ministries of Health, Education, Finance, Agriculture and Works

Oct. 1996-March. 2000

**Statistician**, National Accounts Section; Central Statistics Department; Department of State for Finance and Economic Affairs; Banjul.

**Main Duties:** -

- (i) Supervision, Collection, compilation, analysis, tabulation, presentation and dissemination of micro- and macroeconomic variables.
- (ii) Designing Questionnaires, using a personal computer for various sectors of the economy useful in National Accounts estimates.
- (iii) Production of National Accounts of the Gambia (using a Personal Computer)
- (iv) Production of Consumer Price Index of the Gambia.

Dec. 1990 - Sept.1996

**Statistical Clerk**, National Accounts and Consumer Prices Sections, Central Statistics Department; Ministry Finance and Economic Affairs; Banjul.

**Main Duties:-**

- (i) Weekly Collection and Compilation of Consumer prices from markets in Banjul and Kombo St Mary for the low-income population.
- (iii) Collection, Compilation, Presentation and Tabulation of Education Statistics.
- (iv) Conduct surveys on key establishments relevant for compilation of National Accounts

## **EXTRA CURRICULA DUTIES; RESEARCH / SURVEY EXPERIENCE**

- (1) **Responsibilities :**
- (i) ECOWAS National Consultant (1999 & 2000)
  - (ii) Part-Time lecturer in Econometric Applications, University of The Gambia (2002/2003)
  - (iii) Secretary General and Public Relations Officer: National Union of Gambian Students in Sierra Leone (1995/96)
- (2) **Research:**
- (i) The Impact of Trade Restrictions on The Gambian Economy: The Senegalese /Gambia Border Closure as a Case Study (A project Paper Submitted at FBC) 1996
  - (ii) Interest Rate Liberalisation, Domestic Savings Mobilisation and the Demand for Money in The Gambia (recommended for publication under IDEP best thesis series) (1999)
  - (iii) Investment in Education & Economic Growth in The Gambia, 1975-2001: A Cointegration Approach (funded by IDRC) (being reviewed for publication)
  - (iv) Implications of Implementing the UEMOA Common External Tariff (CET) on The Gambia's Current Account Balance (November 2003) (Funded by USAID on behalf of ECOWAS)
  - (v) Capital and Financial Account Liberalisation in ECOWAS: A Review (Nov. 2005)
  - (vi) Impact of Petroleum Price Fluctuations on Macroeconomic Convergence: A VAR Approach (on-going)

## **COMPUTER PACKAGES HANDLED**

- (1) Econometric Views Programme (Versions 2.0,3.1 & 5.0)
- (3) Microsoft Word and PowerPoint
- (4) Excel/SPSS/Access/Stata 8
- (5) Development Co-operation Assistance System (DCAS) developed by UNDP (useful for Project Monitoring and Evaluation)

**LANGUAGES:** Bilingual in English and French

## **SUMMARY OF INTERNATIONAL COURSES/WORKSHOPS ATTENDED**

- **Balance of Payments Compilation and Policy Analysis**, conducted by WAIFEM in Banjul 4-15 April 2005
- **Research Proposal Development on Costing School Health and Safe Motherhood Programmes**, organized by WHO April 14-19 2003, Kampala, Uganda
- **Meeting to Develop a Proposal on Networking of Research Institutions/Centres in West and Central Africa**, organized by IDRC/SISERA 7-8 March 2003, Dakar, Senegal
- **Regional Course on Financial Programming and Policies**, jointly conducted by IMF and the Joint Africa Institute January 13-24 2003, Accra, Ghana
- **Drafting of Specific Clauses in Loan Agreements**, jointly conducted by the West African Institute for Financial & Economic Management (WAIFEM) and United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), April 15-19 2002, Freetown, Sierra Leone
- **Investment Analysis and Management**, conducted by the Eastern and Southern African Management Institute (ESAMI), 13<sup>th</sup> Aug. - 7<sup>th</sup> Sept. 2001, Arusha, Tanzania,
- **Study Tour on Aid Coordination**, August 16-23, 2000, Accra, Ghana
- **Study Tour on Aid Coordination**, June 22- July 1, 2000, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
- **Techniques of Economic Analysis**, April 24- May 12, 2000, WAIFEM, Lagos, Nigeria

- REFEREES:** (1) Dr. Abdoulie Sirreh Jallow  
(Former Director of Policy Analysis Unit, now with UNDP Zambia)  
Office of the President, State House  
Banjul, The Gambia.
- (2) Prof. Mohamed Ben Omar Ndiaye, Director General  
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- (3) Mr. Basiru A. O. Njai, First Deputy Governor (Policy)  
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