



# **PROFILE SUMMARY**

**PROF. ISAAC JUMBA (BSc, MSc, (PhD)**

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**Prof. Jumba was born in Vihiga County of Western Kenya on 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 1954. He is married with children, the oldest aged 30 years and the youngest aged 26 years old.**

**His academic life started with primary education at Womulalu and Gavalagi Primary Schools (1961-1967) before joining Kakamega High School (1968-1971), and Murang'a High School in Central Province(1972-1973) for "O" and "A" levels, respectively. He then proceeded to the University of Nairobi for a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry and Biochemistry (1974-1977), Master of Science in Chemistry (1978-1980) and finally Doctor of Philosophy in Chemistry (1986-1989) with special attachment in Analytical Chemistry and Animal Nutrition at the Moredun Research Institute and University of Edinburgh, Scotland (1988-1989).**

**His working career started in the Civil Service when he was employed by the then Ministry of Agriculture, Research Division as a Research Officer in 1977 and posted to several research centres of the Kenya Agricultural Research Institute, now Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KALRO) until 1985. He then joined the University of Nairobi as a Tutorial Fellow in September 1985 where he progressed to Lecturer (1987), Senior Lecturer (1993), Associate Professor (1998) and**

**finally Professor (2006) in the Department of Chemistry. As he was pursuing these academic functions, he also took up administrative duties as Chairman, Faculty of Science Postgraduate Studies Committee (1993-2001), Chairman, Department of Chemistry (2001-2007); Associate Dean Science, Kenya Science Campus (August 2007-October, 2007). Deputy Principal, College of Education and External Studies in charge of Kenya Science Campus (formerly Kenya Science Teachers College) (October 2007-May, 2013), and finally Ag. Principal, College of Education and External Studies (May 15<sup>th</sup> 2013 to January, 2014). He was confirmed Principal, College of Education and External Studies in February, 2014.**

**Prof. Jumba therefore has 8 years of experience in the Civil Service; 14 years of dedicated service in the University of Nairobi Management; 14 years as a member of the University of Nairobi Senate – the supreme governing body of the University; and overall almost 30 years of teaching experience at the University of Nairobi.**

**Prof. Jumba has published over 50 internationally vetted scientific journal articles, book chapters, and research papers. He has also successfully supervised through research, chemical laboratory**

**work and examination numerous postgraduate students at masters and PhD levels**

**Prof Jumba has also received a number of awards and certificates in recognition of his achievements. Notable among these are the World Bank End-of-Project Certificate of Merit award for being ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 145 Agricultural Research Grant Projects evaluated; and the Silver Medal award by the County Government of Vihiga in recognition of his contribution to the development of Science education in the County.**