

## **A CITATION OF**

### **PROFESSOR DANJUMA ABUBAKAR MAIWADA**

Abdulwahab, more popularly known as Danjuma Maiwada, was born on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 1951 at Tsofuwar Kasuwa, Katsina. He had primary and secondary education at Rafindadi Primary School, Katsina and Government Secondary School, Katsina, between 1958-1963 and 1964-1968 respectively. He proceeded to St Pauls' College, Zaria (now Kufena College, Zaria) for Higher School Certificate (H.S.C) in 1969 which he completed in 1970. In 1971, he gained admission for one-year Pre-degree course of Ahmadu Bello University at Abdullahi Bayero College, Kano. Having passed the course, he was admitted to B. A. Ed degree course in the Faculty of Education, at the same College in 1972. He graduated with 2<sup>nd</sup> class Upper division and Best Graduating Education Student in 1975.

On 31<sup>st</sup> May, 1976 while at National Youth Service, he was offered appointment by Bayero University, College, Kano, as Graduate Assistant in Education, a position he assumed in August 1976. At the same time, he was admitted for the pioneer M. Ed degree course of the Faculty of Education which he completed in December 1977. At that time a Linkage Programme had been established between the Faculty of Education of the Bayero University, Kano and the institute of Education at University of London. Mal Danjuma Maiwada was admitted at the institute for an M.Phil/Ph.D degree in January 1978 with the guidance of Miss Penfold, a specialist in Tests and Measurement he constructed and developed the data collection instruments for his research and subsequently produced a draft of Chapter II: Review of Related Literature. However, in the process of compiling Chapter III: Methodology and subsequent production of the research proposal he encountered difficulties due to non-cooperation of the supervisor who was hurt by the sudden termination of the Linkage Programme. With this development, Mal Danjuma Maiwada withdrew from the M.Phil/Ph.D degree in July 1978. Subsequently, he registered for the Ph.D degree of the Faculty of Education at Bayero University, Kano and completed in 1983. He was the first among the students of the Ph.D degree to complete and earned Excellent in all columns of his Higher Degree Examiner's Report.

Dr. Maiwada's scholarship, diligence and hard work earned him the chair of Professor of Education in 1994 after a Sabbatical Leave at Ahfad University for Women, Omdurman, Sudan.

In 1996 he was elected Dean Postgraduate School consecutively for two terms which lasted to January 2001. In August 2001 he was appointed Head, Department of Special Education and re-appointed in August 2003. Just a few days after he was nominated by Senate as Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academics) and confirmed so by the Governing Council of the University. A year after in 2004, he became Ag. Vice Chancellor and contested for the post of substantive Vice Chancellor. During the process, Katsina Islamic Foundation, proprietor of Katsina University, Katsina (now Al-Qalam University, Katsina) appointed him Pioneer Vice Chancellor of the University, a position he assumed on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2005. Being a two-year appointment he completed it in August 2007 and resumed his tenure appointment at Bayero University, Kano.

Northwest University, Kano was established in 2012 and it needed the services of experienced Professors for the take-off of the University. Having learnt of it Professor Maiwada applied for a Sabbatical Leave in 2013 and it was approved. The Vice Chancellor of Bayero University, Kano endorsed the Sabbatical Leave and Professor Maiwada proceeded to Northwest University, Kano in March 2013. He was appointed Founding Dean of Faculty of Education and participated in Lectures at the Faculty. At the end of the Sabbatical Leave in 2014. Professor Maiwada was granted a one-year Secondment that provided him the opportunity to complete his two-year appointment as Founding Dean of Education. In December 2014, following the completion of the two-year appointment of the First Vice Chancellor of Northwest University, Kano, Professor Mohammad Razali Agus (a Malaysian), the Governing Council of the University appointed Professor Maiwada Ag. Vice Chancellor, a position he held up to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2015, following election of substantive Vice Chancellor Professor Mustapha Ahmad Isa.

Professor Maiwada resumed his tenure appointment on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 until the completion of the appointment on 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2021 having attained 70 years. He served BUK for 45 years, First 21 years in the Department of the Education and next 20 years in the Department of Special Education. He was reposted to that Department of Special Education in August 2001 as there were no senior academic staff in the Department.

Professor Maiwada has received several honors and awards, the notable ones include Doctor of Education (Honoris Causa) of the Commonwealth University, and Fellowship of the Institute of Corporate Executives of Nigeria. He is member of Nigeria Society for Educational Psychologists. He is married with eleven offspring's, two females and nine males.