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**Speech**

**By**

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**Rt Hon Prime Minister of Uganda**

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**Celebrating Professor William Senteza Kajubi Service to**

**Education**

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I am pleased to participate in the celebration of Professor Senteza Kajubi's service to Education. I was requested to talk about him as a former student.

I wish to state that Professor Senteza Kajubi was a versatile Vice-Chancellor of Makerere University. Professor Kajubi who received a Masters Degree from the University of Chicago which I later attended, taught me Geography. There was a wrong colonial view that American education was inferior to that of the British. Consequently, Mr Timothy Cobb, a Cambridge educated Headmaster of King's College Budo, monitored him by attending lessons while he was teaching students. When he attended one lesson, he was so impressed by Kajubi's teaching that he never came back to monitor him.

Professor Kajubi had the following attributes as a Teacher: He mastered the subject of Geography so well that we were able to understand it very well. He made the subject relevant to Uganda and other parts of Africa. His delivery skills were very good. He was, therefore, able to capture and sustain our attention. He used to

assign homework to us and diligently mark our scripts. He would indicate the good points in the work and the weak areas, an approach which enabled us to cure our weaknesses.

Fortunately, we were very few. We were about 30 (thirty) students and therefore it was relatively easy to carry out this exercise unlike today when the student: staff ratio is very high.

His articulation of the subject was captivating. A Teacher must have a proper dress code. Professor Senteza Kajubi dressed very well and he introduced a new attire from America and we used to call him Zampewo (He wore fashionable light shirts and Jackets from America).

A Teacher must be morally upright. King's College Budo was a co-education School. He did not disturb any of the girls. In contrast, we had an ugly incident later on where a Teacher competed over a girl with a student and the student was expelled from School. This was one of the major issues which caused a strike at King's College Budo and the School was closed. I supported the strike

because the Headmaster Mr Ian Robinson, had wrongly dismissed the student from the school.

Later on, I was his Colleague at Makerere University where Professor Kajubi lectured. Later on he became a Vice-Chancellor of Makerere University.

I must point out that he was a versatile Vice-Chancellor of Makerere University, a matter which have been well covered by other Speakers.