



## **MZUMBE UNIVERSITY (CHUO KIKUU MZUMBE)**

### **PRESS RELEASE**

#### **PROF. JOSEPHAT STEPHEN ITIKA APPOINTED DVC A- MZUMBE UNIVERSITY**

Mzumbe University Chancellor, Hon. Rtd Chief Justice Barnabas Samatta pursuant to Part III, Article 13 (1) of the Mzumbe University Charter, and Section 37 (3) of the Universities Act, 2005, has appointed Prof. Josephat Stephen Itika as the Deputy Vice Chancellor responsible for Academic Affairs for four years with effect from December 20, 2011.

The appointment follows the completion of Prof. Magishi Nkwabi Mgasa's tenure in December 19, 2011 after four years of exemplary academic leadership and immense contribution in the running of Mzumbe University.

Prof. Itika was born in 1964 in Kileuo village Kirua Vunjo, Moshi. He completed standard seven at Legho Kilema Primary School in 1979 and joined St. James Seminary for form one up to form six between 1980-1986; and thereafter National Service (JKT) in 1986-1987.

Prof. Itika has Advanced Diploma in Public Administration from the Institute of Development Management (IDM)Mzumbe(1991), Postgraduate Diploma in Human Resource Studies from University of Manchester (1996), Master of Economics in Social Development Planning and Management from the University of Wales Swansea (1997), and PhD from Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA) (2007).

He joined the then Institute of Development Management (IDM Mzumbe) which is currently transformed to Mzumbe University on 24/10/1991 as a Tutorial Assistant. He rose through various ranks until July first 2011 when he was promoted to full Professor of Development Management.

Prof. Itika has held various administrative positions at Mzumbe University which includes Head of the Department of Research (1999-

2001), Acting Coordinator, Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development Research Cluster (2002-2005), Project Supervisor, the Netherlands Programme for the Institutional Strengthening of Post Secondary Education and Training Capacity in Tanzania (2007-2010), Project Supervisor, the Netherlands Initiative for Capacity Development in Higher Education for Decentralisation by Devolution in Local Authorities in Tanzania (2011-2015), Dean, Faculty of Public Administration and Management (FPAM) from November 2007-June 2011, Acting Dean, School of Public Administration and Management (SOPAM) from June 2011 to December 2011.

Before joining Mzumbe University, Prof. Itika has worked temporarily with National Agricultural Food Corporation as Field Assistant at Dakawa Rice Farms Irrigation Project from January-June 1984, taught temporarily Geography and Economics (July 1987-July 1988), Administrative Officer, Chunya District (June-October 1991).

Prof. Itika has researched, published, trained and provided professional services in areas of human resource management, general management, social and economic development and institutional analysis.

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