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SPORTS RESUME

SUMMARY

A dynamic, outgoing, reliable and dependable sports man with strong communication skills. A strong leader as well as a team player, who enjoys dealing with and inspiring people and adapts to a variety of tasks and environments. A goal-oriented, responsible and focused individual with an in-depth knowledge of the sports world.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ❖ Appointed by ESPN, Ten Sports, Nimbus, SABC and Nation (Kenya) as TV and radio commentator for international cricket matches.
- ❖ Writing a column for 'Sports Monthly' (Kenya) Magazine since 2000.
- ❖ Played for Kenya cricket from 1980 2003 23years (4 I.C.C. Trophies & 3 World cups and 1998 Commonwealth games in Malaysia).
- Played 29 matches (highest for Kenya) in the International Cricket Conference (ICC) Associate Tournament. (1986,1990,1994,1997)
- ❖ Man of the match award in 2003 during a World Cup Match against World Champions, Australia.
- ❖ Appointed captain of the Kenya Cricket Team in 1997. Played 35 international one-day games since then, captaining the team in 21 matches.
- Played Davis Cup Tennis in 1988 against Egypt and President's Cup in Nigeria in 1989
- ❖ Winner of the prestigious "Bjorn Borg" Junior Tennis Tournament in 1981, which led to a Junior circuit tour all over Europe representing Kenya.
- ❖ 4 yrs Tennis Scholarship in U.S.A. (Palm Beach Junior College) & (Howard University)
- * Experience as Chairman/Captain level at sports clubs for several years.

OBJECTIVES

- ❖ Providing Radio and television Commentary for International Cricket Tournaments.
- Enhancing the image of Kenya Sports personalities at the National and International Level.
- Providing written commentary on the Kenyan sports scene with an in-depth analysis of Kenya Cricket.
- Inspiring and coaching youngsters.
- Sports Academy

TENNIS

1987-1992

Represented Kenya in the 4th All Africa Games as well as the Davis Cup against Egypt. Was the Kenya closed champion in both singles and doubles in 1988. In 1989 I represented Kenya as player/Manager in the 2nd President's Cup in Nigeria and in 1992 was runner up in Kenya Open Singles and doubles. At this time I retired from active tennis due to my commitment to Kenya Cricket.

1981-1985-Collegiate Tennis USA

A 2 year tennis scholarship at Palm Beach Junior College in Lake Worth, Florida, USA as well as a further 2 years scholarship at Howard University, Washington DC, USA.

Played #6 singles and #3 doubles for P.B. J. C. (All-state Florida) in 1982. Played #1 singles and doubles for Howard University. Won the M. E. A. C. singles and doubles at #1 in 1984 and was runner-up in 1985. In 1984, I also won the prestigious Salisbury State Tournament in singles.

***** 1981

Won the Bjorn Borg tournament against 16 top Kenyan junior tennis players which led to a junior circuit tour all over Europe in 1981.

4 1975-1980

Won the coast open junior championship. Was also the under 12 singles championship and winner of several junior titles in Kenyan tournaments during this period. Won my first senior tournament in 1979 at the age of 16 in Mombasa, Kenya and remained Mombasa champion for over a decade until moving to Nairobi in 1991.

CRICKET

***** 2003:

Was recalled to the Kenya Cricket Team for the Cricket World Cup to be played in South Africa. I was awarded Man of the Match in the quarter-finals against World champions, Australia with historic bowling averages 8.2-6-7-3. 2nd best economical bowler in the World Cup 2003. Kenya lost in the semi finals to India.

***** 2001:

Organised a benefit cricket match in Kenya and raised over 1 million Kenya shillings for the Gujarat India Earthquake Fund.

***** 2000:

Launched A sports magazine in Kenya (Sports Monthly)

! 1999:

Towards the end of the year, I announced my retirement from International Cricket & Tennis at age 36.

***** 1999:

Led Kenya to its first win against M.C.C (England) in the one day series with a 4-0 result. Also captained Kenya in a triangular tournament played in Bangladesh between Bangladesh, Zimbabwe and Kenya. Kenya was the runners-up. Later, captained Kenya in the World Cup played in England.

* 1999 to date:

Assisting youngsters in coaching (cricket & tennis) when called upon.

1998:

Captained Kenya in a triangular tournament (Coca Cola Trophy) in India between India ,Bangladesh and Kenya. Kenya got its 2^{nd} biggest win in World cricket against India in the preliminary rounds but lost in the finals to India .

***** 1998:

Later in the year I captained Kenya cricket during the Common wealth Games in Malaysia.

***** 1997:

Represented Kenya as Vice Captain in the International Cricket Conference in Malaysia. Kenya lost in the finals to Bangladesh but qualified for the 1998 Commonwealth Games and 1999 World Cup. At this time, Kenya attained world recognition by getting one-day international status and I had the honour of being appointed the captain of the Kenya Cricket Team.

***** 1996:

Represented Kenya as Vice Captain in the World Cup played in India. Kenya performed credibly with a historic win against West Indies. I was the 4th best economical bowler in the tournament.

***** 1994:

Represented Kenya in the International Cricket Conference in Kenya. Kenya lost in the finals to U.A.E but qualified for the World Cup 1996

***** 1990:

Represented Kenya in the International Cricket Conference in Holland where Kenya lost in the semi-finals to Holland

***** 1986:

Represented Kenya in International Cricket Conference played in England where Kenya finished 10th overall.

***** 1984:

Represented Washington Cricket League, USA on a tour to Jamaica, while a student at Howard University.

4 1980-1981:

Represented Kenya against Zimbabwe and was awarded the best up-coming player in Kenya

Media Broadcasting/Journalism:

***** 2015:

ESPN – Live streaming Red Bull Campus Cricket – Dehradun – India (Semi –Finals & Finals)

***** 2010:

Brief Radio work on IPL 2010 (Semi Finals & Finals) for East FM Radio (Kenya)

***** 2008:

Provided T.V. and radio commentary for S.A.B.C. in South Africa (Kenya vs South Africa).

***** 2006:

Provided TV commentary for ESPN in Bangladesh. (Kenya vs Bangladesh)

***** 2006:

Provided T.V. commentary for Nimbus in Kenya (Kenya vs Bangladesh).

***** 2004:

Provided T.V. commentary for Ten Sports during the Tri series in Kenya . (Kenya / Pakistan/India A)

4 2003:

Provided TV commentary for Ten Sports at the Sharjah International Cricket Tournament. (Kenya, Pakistan A, Sri Lanka, Zimbabwe)

***** 2000:

Provided TV and Radio Cricket Commentary for Nation (Kenya) during the ICC Mini World Cup Trophy.

* 2000: to date:

Provide articles for Sports Monthly Magazine (Kenya) for every issue.