**TEXT FOR HOMEPAGE**

**A Welcome Message From Mohamed**

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*I am proud of the overwhelming support I have received from across Bombali District’s many diverse communities. As council chairman, I promise to bring our district together and represent the interests of all of Bombali District.****I hope you will join our grassroots campaign that is bringing Bombali District together like never before. Get involved today!***

*Talk to you soon,*

YOUR DIGITAL SIGNATURE TO COME HERE

Mohamed Barbah Sisah  
Candidate for Bombali District Council Chairman

**TEXT FOR ABOUT MOHAMED**

Mohamed Barbah Sisay is running to become the next Council Chair of Bombali District. He was born in Bombali District, Mekeni City in 19XX to working class parents and raised in Makeni City. He attended Bombali District schools through the primary school grade before going to X Secondary School.

After graduating high school, Mohamed earned his undergraduate degree from X University before earning a graduate degree from Princeton University and a PhD degree from the University of XXXX.

He has been married to his wife, XXXX, for X years. Together they have XX children (1 girl and 1 boy), X (4) and X (1). They are members of X Church of Christ.

Mohamed has been working in diverse development areas in Bombali District for the past fifteen years. He even served the Bombali District Council for X years as a XXXX. During his tenure in the Bombali District Council, Mohamed has served on different development issues and is proudly opting for highest position as a District Council Chairman to continue with his mission to make Bombali great.

Mohamed has served his district and his community throughout his entire life. He has served on the following Bombali area non-profit boards and commissions: XXXXXX

**TEXT FOR ISSUES UNDER THE LINK ABOUT MOHAMED**

**A Champion for the Issues That Matter Most**

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**A Champion for All of Bombali District**

I want to bring our district together and lead it boldly and intelligently into the future. I fear that our district government is becoming more and more disunited, with factions increasingly dug in against one another instead of being one strong team. The tone at District Council Hall is also becoming angrier and our district government less productive. I am running a campaign that mirrors my leadership style: I am reaching out across our district, to everyone, to build a diverse, winning coalition.

The next District Chairman of Bombali District must be a person of the highest integrity who possesses both intelligence and good judgment and who also has proven leadership abilities. By this high standard, I am uniquely qualified to serve as Bombali District’s next Chairman. My career in the Bombali District Council has been completely devoid of ethical lapses, and I have been among the members most focused on ethics reform. My education has prepared me to work closely with central government on the intricacies of public policy where desirable and appropriate. I have been a leading advocate for funding full-day pre-kindergarten to improve educational outcomes for our kids, providing police officers with body cameras to enhance the safety of our neighborhoods, and a range of other vital issues.

**An Education Champion**

I want to serve Bombali District as Chairman because Bombali District is where I found educational opportunity. I grew up here, in very modest circumstances. But with a lot of hard work and support from my family, church, neighbours, and teachers, I was able to graduate from some of the finest institutions of higher education in the world. Then I came back to Bombali District to raise a family and help more Bombalians find and develop their potential. By serving as District Chairman, I can inspire kids who come from the same humble beginnings that I did, and I can use the weight and the visibility of the office to lead our district in a direction that will give our youth more educational opportunities in order to find their own success.

As District Chairman, I will leverage the influence of the office to be Bombali’s education champion. I will focus on the issues that need to be addressed — quality education, better alignment of our schools with 21st century workforce needs, and better access to affordable child care — and build momentum and energy around addressing these issues.

**An Ethics Champion**

Like my friends and neighbors, I was disheartened to read recently another account of people choosing bribes over serving our district's interests. Bombali District deserves better from its leaders — and it shouldn’t fall to our district's residents to root out political corruption. I’ve fought political corruption when I served the Bombali District Council by making sure that projects are implemented as desired, and I’m ready to take that fight to District Council Chairman to ensure our families have leadership we can trust.

Honesty and integrity have been my guides as a father, husband, and leader, and that’s the kind of District Chair I’ll be.

**A Crime-Fighting Champion**

As the son of a modest family that respects law and order, I see three things that will help end attrition and increase the hiring of new officers: a salary increase focusing first on the lower end of the pay scale, securing the police officer pension, and improving morale.

Police officers do not become police officers to get rich, but they do care how much money they make, particularly compared to their peers in other West African countries. We should never again allow our police pay scale to fall so far out of line with other countries. As Districts, I will closely monitor officer compensation and work with our central government to make sure we are compensating officers fairly and competitively.

No one running for District Chair better understands the complexity and difficulty of our police officer pension situation than I do as an experienced former district council employee. I would use this experience for the benefit of our city, as I have for the past 15 years as a development officer.

Finally, if you ask Bombali District Police Department officers – like the current officers I talk with almost daily – they will tell you that improving morale is just as important, if not more important, as compensation when it comes to attracting and retaining talented officers. Our police officers want to hear from the District Chair regularly, and they want to know the District Chairman has their back. I can think of no better person than the son of Bombali District to serve as District Chair and to let these valued public servants know that they are appreciated.

**A Land Use Management Champion**

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**A Youth Empowerment Champion**

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**A Gender Champion**

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**A Poverty Alleviation Champion**

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**A Health Champion**

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**A "Smooth Streets" Champion**

Bombalians want and deserve to drive on smooth, well-maintained streets in their neighborhoods and on their way to work and school. Vehicle damage from potholes should not be considered a fact of life. Count me and my wife, Barnadette, among this crowd.

When street conditions start to affect your life – as they have for thousands of Bombalians – this naturally becomes one of the city’s most important issues. But these issues can only be solved when we come together to address them. As Bombali District Chairman, I will work to fast-track street repairs the best way I know how: by leading the community in a comprehensive study and dialogue around what the best districts do to prioritize, commence, and complete street repairs. I will work closely with the district manager and district engineers who deal with these issues daily, and I will make sure that we prioritize fixing the most high-impact streets first, regardless of where they are located in our district. Most importantly, I will work to ensure that the district completes street repairs quickly, so that the cures to these problems do not themselves make traffic worse.

**A Infrastructure Champion**

I grew up in Bombali District. My family still resides in this district. No one in this race knows this district better or cares more about tit than I do. My concern for this district is not the product of a poll or focus group, and therefore my commitment to this district is not subject to change.

My experience in the District Council, along with my graduate-level public and development policy education, has taught me that solutions to problems like equitable neighborhood revitalization are complex. The best outcomes occur when an experienced leader guides a diverse, community-wide exploration of national best practices to find policy tools that will actually help those we want to protect.

This is exactly what I will do as District Chair. We will consider every policy tool that districts have used to increase affordable housing and minimize displacement of low-income residents in neighborhoods like those we want to revive. As District Chairman, I will guide community conversations about a range of solutions – including some we haven’t even discovered yet.

We must also connect workforce readiness with neighborhood revitalization and affordable housing strategies. We can make housing more affordable by moving more Bombalians from unemployment or low-skill jobs to mid-skill jobs, increasing wages in the process. I was the first candidate in this race to identify workforce readiness as a major issue facing our district. As Bombali District Council Chairman, I will appoint a workforce strategist and work with him/her to move thousands of Bombalians out of poverty and into the middle class through formal partnerships with a range of organizations.

**A Transportation Champion**

As Bombali District Council Chair, I will work toward solutions that move Bombalians around their district as quickly and safely as possible, and at the lowest cost, so they can spend more time enjoying their lives and less time in traffic.

I will move to improve the most dangerous and inefficient intersections. Possible redesigned intersections will be safer for cars, cyclists and pedestrians, feature new green spaces, move cars more efficiently, and shorten commutes for thousands of Bombalians.

Bombali District needs a Council Chairman who can get our city and our regional transportation entities working together. And getting people to work together just happens to be my specialty. The key is leadership — leadership that can bring different perspectives together, help all sides bring out the best in each other, and leverage everyone’s strengths around innovative solutions focused on people. I have been doing this my entire life. The diversity of my coalition speaks to my success in finding common ground and creative solutions to difficult problems.