

DEDICATION

To start with, I am grateful to Allah for providing me with strength, wisdom, and guidance throughout this journey. Your divine presence has been a source of inspiration and comfort.

All of this will not in a billion years be possible without you (Allah) deeming it so, your servant will always be grateful, for you (Allah) deserve all the glorification and worship...

And I will pause by saying Alhamdulillah for bringing me thus far.

Secondly, it would be unwise for me to be under the misapprehension that my accomplishments are mine alone, this body of work is not just a recognition of my achievements, but a testament to the power of collaboration and the support of those around me.

To my dear mother, **Mama Fatmata Mansaray**, all the discipline you've instilled in me ever since I could pronounce the word Mama and all the uncomfortable hours you have to put in just to see me get to a height where even I was skeptical of ever reaching... yet you believed I would get there someday, somehow.

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Thank you Mama FA for being my first-ever teacher, thank you for believing in my abilities, thank you for being this smart (smiles) for I guess it is true what they say, an apple doesn't fall far from its tree after all. I pray that Allah rewards you with all that you seek Mama and I say

thank you for I remain eternally grateful for all that you have done for me.

To my elder sister, **Mariama**, thank you for being my role model and source of inspiration. Your guidance, encouragement, and belief in my potential have motivated me to overcome challenges and strive for excellence throughout all these years.

Your undoubted belief in me has been one of the factors that has been propelling me to reach greater heights every day (smiles) and I will continue making you proud as a big sister and the workflow of never to disappoint continues...

Mariama, I am and will forever be grateful for all that you have done to ensure that I never lacked anything whatsoever, and I will conclude by saying thank you and may Allah continue to guide and protect you in all that you do.

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And to a wonderful soul who is no more here with us, **Mohamed Shavers**, May your soul rest in peace brother, and thank you also for all the beautiful times we had together.

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Your constant thrive to making me a better person has and will never go unnoticed for I will be eternally grateful to you for helping me in making this journey seamless and beautiful

Thank you for peace, for happiness, for not leaving when things were bad, for constantly reminding me that I need and should be better, for hope that things will get better someday.

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I also want to dedicate this body of work to all those behind the scenes supporting and wishing me well for you have all paved the way for my discoveries and personal growth.

It is through this collective support that I continue to grow, and I write this dedication as a testament to the power of friendship, love, and the pursuit of knowledge. Thank you all for being a part of this incredible journey, this body of work is dedicated to every one of you.