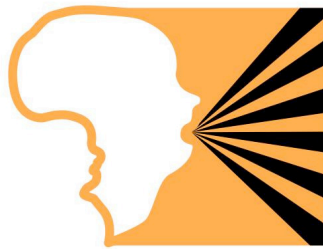


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My dear Salil,

It is with profound shock that we learnt of the untimely death of our brother and colleague, Comrade Tajudeen Abdul-Raheem. I personally am terribly distressed at the loss of such an ebullient person; one that was such a dear, committed and dedicated friend to Africa's well-being.

Taju, as he was fondly known, has spent a life of dedicated service to the Pan African cause for which he will be remembered and greatly missed.

We at African Monitor owe a debt of gratitude to Taju – it was his very presence at our launch at Bishopscourt, Cape Town, in 2005, and at many of our key events subsequent to that, that allowed us to reach hitherto inaccessible audiences and mobilise resources for the operationalising of this vision.

The only fitting tribute we can pay him is to commit to continue the work of fighting bondage, poverty, inequality and injustice.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, colleagues, and those closest to him.

**Archbishop Njongo Ndungane**  
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