

# Secretary to the Government of Niger State

## MR. DANIEL C. SHASHERE



**M**r. Daniel Clifford Shashere is the current Secretary to the Government of Niger State. He was born on September 21, 1957 at Sarkin Pawa in Munya Local Government Area of Niger State. He was enrolled in L. E. A Primary School, Sarkin Pawa in 1963 and finished in 1967. He equally attended L. E. A Primary School, Erena, between 1968 and 1969. He went to Ahmadu Bahago Teachers' College, Minna in 1970 and passed out in 1974, after which he proceeded to the College of Education, Sokoto, from 1975 to 1978. He attended Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria between 1980 and 1982 and again from 1983 to 1987.

He obtained his First School Leaving Certificate in 1969; Grade II Teachers' Certificate (1974); National Certificate of Education (1978). He bagged his Bachelor Education (Hons) in Physical and Health Education in 1982 and Master Education in (Psychology of Exercise) (PHE) in 1987.

Mr. Shashere joined the public Service as Organizing Secretary, Niger State Sports Council, Minna in 1979 until 1982 when he got elevated to the post of Higher Organizing Secretary, Niger State Sport Council, Minna from 1982 to 1983. Between 1983 and 1984, he was the Head of Division, Public Relation Research and Documentation, Niger State

Sports Council, Minna. He became Assistant Lecturer, Department of PHE, College of Education, Minna in 1984 until 1987 and rose to the position of Lecturer II, Department of PHE, College of Education, Minna from 1988 to 1990. He was also Lecturer I in the same Department at College of Education, Minna between 1990 and 1995. Other positions he had held as an industrious and patriotic Nigerian include: Member, Shiroro Local Government Caretaker Committee (1994 to 1995); Sole Administrator, Munya Local Government, Sarkin Pawa, Niger State (1996 to 1997); Director of Sports, Niger State Sports Council, Minna (1995 to 2008); Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forestry Resources, Minna (2008 to 2009); Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Science and Technology, Minna (2009 to 2011). He was appointed Secretary to Government of Niger State by the present Administration in Niger State in June, 2011

He also held a number of responsibilities, some of which include Class Monitor, Ahmadu Bahago Teachers' College, Minna (1974); Captain, Badminton Team, College of Education, Sokoto (1978); Secretary, Table Tennis and Hockey Associations, Niger State Sports Council, Minna (1979 to 1980); Secretary, Ceremonial and Protocol Committee, 3rd Niger State Sports Festival, Minna (1981); Head, Documentation

Committee, Niger State Contingent to the National Sports Festival Bendel '81' Benin (1981); Secretary General, National Association of Physical, Health and Recreation, ABU Zaria (1981 to 1982); Member Documentation Committee NUGA Games ABU, Zaria (1982); Member, Consultancy Group Physical Fitness for All Niger State (1984); Member, Continuous Assessment Workshop of Physical and Health Education, College of Education, Minna (1984); Member, Technical Committee, All Nigerian Secondary School Games, Minna (1986); Director of Sports, Senior Staff Association, College of Education, Minna (1985 to 1988); Vice Chairman, Niger State Amateur Athletics Association, Minna (1986 to 1989); Acting Head of Department, PHE, College of Education, Minna (1987); Chairman, Publicity Committee, Convocation Ceremony, College of Education, Minna (1988); Coordinator, NCE by Correspondence, PHE Department, College of Education, Minna (1988 to 1994); Coordinator/Director, Bosso Campus College of Education, Minna (1989 to 1991); Secretary, Technical and Documentation Commonwealth Handball Championship, Minna (1989); Chairman, Niger State Amateur Athletics Association, Minna (1989 to 1992); Member, Organizing and Technical Committee, First Intra-Zonal Sports Festival Asa Dam '90' Ilorin (1990);

Chairman, Organizing Committee, Milo Marathon Zone IV, Minna (1990); Facilitator in Health Communication Sponsored School Health Education Programme in Rijau, Magama Local Government Area (1990); Supervisor, Niger State Child Spacing JET Project First Media Monitoring (Baseline) Survey (1991); Chairman, Community Service, College of Education, Minna (1992 to 1993); Data Collector, FGN/World Survey on out of School Education for Children and Youth, Niger State (1993); and Deputy Dean, School of NCE by Correspondence, College of Education, Minna (1993 to 1994).

Mr. Shashere participated in a number of seminars and courses: Citizenship and Leadership Training Course, Sea School, Apapa, Lagos (1978); Citizenship and Leadership Training Course, Shere Hill, Jos (1992); The Administrative Staff College of Nigeria, Topo Badagry Seminar on Improved Management and Public Service Delivery, Organized by the Federal Republic of Nigeria, Ministry of State and Local Government Affairs/ASCON/ABU, Minna (1994); International Olympic Committee (IOC) Course for Sports Leaders of the Olympics Solidarity Itinerant Administration School, Abuja (1997) and Federal Ministry of Sports and Social Development Seminar on Sports Development in Nigeria in the Next Millennium, Abuja (1999).

He has written a number of research papers: Problem of Women Participation in Sports; A Case Study of Niger State B. Ed. (PHE) (1982); Components of Physical Fitness – A Paper he delivered at Napher Week, College of Education, Minna (1992); Strategies for Achieving Co-operation Between States and National Sports Association, presented at the 12th Sports Psychology of Nigeria Conference, Minna (1997); Sports and Politics, presented at National Seminar on Sports Development in Nigeria, Organized by SWAN, Niger State Branch at Shiroro Hotels, Minna (1998) and a paper he presented on Unity in Diversity in Sportsmanship, Jogging exercise as impetus at the FCT Launching of Minister Monthly Jogging Exercise (1998).

As a sports master who has performed excellently both within and outside his profession, he has received various awards: Shehu Kangiwa Award – Best Student in Physical Education, Sokoto (1978); Niger State Sports Award –Contribution to Sports Development in Niger State (1999); Sports Writers Association Award for Patron of Niger State Branch (1995) and NULGE Munya Local Government Area 1st Sole Administrator of Munya LGA.

He is married and blessed with children.