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I'm a retired Deputy Permanent Secretary - President's office - Regional Administration and Local Government, from January 2016 to June 2016, assisting the Permanent Secretary in ensuring that quality health interventions were equitably distributed and implemented in all 26 regions and 185 councils and accessible to all the people, as per Health Policy of 2007 (under review), MMAM 2007 & Health Sector Strategic Plan IV 2015, and as per specific interventional strategies; RMNCH, NCDs, CDs, NTDs etc. and met the expectations of the people.

Prior to this position, I was a Deputy Permanent Secretary, responsible for initiating and establishing the Department of Health and its Decentralised by Devolution (DbyD) Network of Service Delivery Facilities to undertake the implementation roles and responsibilities of all sectoral issues, under the Prime Minister's office, Regional Administration and Local Government, from August 2013 to December 2015.

I also was the Chief Medical Officer, at the Ministry of Health & Social Welfare, responsible for ensuring that health sectoral policy, programs and strategy formulations were well guided and coordinated, to meet national and international standards, from March 2007 to 2013. I worked as a District and Regional Medical Officer for Ilala District and Dar es Salaam Region, respectively, between July 1980 and March 2007. I graduated in Medicine in 1979 from the University of Dar es Salaam, and I obtained a PhD in Internal Medicine from Hiroshima University in Japan (October 1985 - October 1990). While in these leadership positions, I participated in implementing various innovative health programs, research activities and in several publications. I was born in 1954, in Iringa. I'm married and have three children who are young adults.

During this retirement period, I have participated in various social, cultural, faith and professional issues of public interest, to continue serving the people and the country. I have been appointed to several boards, foundations and councils, as a chair or a member, where I use my knowledge, skills and experience to support the ongoing efforts by various bodies, governmental and nongovernmental, for the development of the people and the country, and promote collaboration with other interested bodies in and outside the country.