

Hon. Jumaa Hamidu Aweso (MP)
Minister for Water
Biography

Honourable Jumaa Hamidu Aweso is a Member of Parliament for Pangani Constituency in Tanga Region, North East of Tanzania. Hon. Aweso is the Minister for Water in the United Republic of Tanzania since December 2020. Before raising to the top office of the Tanzania Water Sector, he served as Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Water from October 2017 to October 2020 following his election as Member of Parliament from October 2015. In October 2020, he was re-elected Member of Parliament for the aforementioned Pangani Constituency. Hon. Aweso is a seasoned politician with personal, organization and strategic leadership skills.

Hon. Aweso holds Masters degree in Governance and Leadership from the Open University of Tanzania between 2019-2021. Additionally, Hon. Aweso who is professionally a Chemist holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry Degree from University of Dar es Salaam that he obtained between 2010-2013. His education ladder is built on the foundation of a Diploma in Teaching that he pursued between 2007-2009 from Morogoro Teachers' Training College.

Leading a heart-touching, life-giving and political-sensitive Water Sector, Hon. Aweso works on transforming the sector through increasing water services to the Tanzania citizens. The portfolio has put him at the centre of building enabling environment to other water related sectors such as irrigation and energy. He is a renowned hardworking, tireless and result –oriented. During his tenure, a remarkable achievements has been recorded by increasing access of water supply in both rural and urban area.

Being a Minister for Water, Hon. Aweso served in different capacities in the region. He served as Member of Executive Council of African Ministers' Council on Water (AMCOW) from 2020-2022; Co-Chair of Council of Ministers of the Joint Songwe River Basin Commission, and Member of Council of Ministers of Nile Equatorial Lakes Subsidiary Action Program Coordination Unit. Furthermore, in 2022 Hon. Aweso was the Chair of Council of Ministers of Nile Basin Initiative (NBI). Currently, Hon. Aweso is the Vice President of AMCOW East African region and Chair of Zambezi Watercourse Commission (ZAMCOM).