

Meet the Executive Secretary

Dr. Joseph S. Nule is a distinguished academic, researcher, and consultant with over a decade of professional experience in teaching, research, and technical capacity development. He currently serves as the Executive Secretary of the Benue State Sports Marketing, Gaming, and Lottery Board, where he is leading a comprehensive reform agenda to reposition the sector for transparency, innovation, and sustainable revenue generation.

Dr. Nule's educational journey began at Alex Memorial Nursery and Primary School, Zaki-Biam, where he obtained his First School Leaving Certificate (FSLC) in 1997. He then proceeded to Benue State University Science and Technical College, Makurdi, where he earned his National Technical Certificate (NTC), Federal Craft Certificate (FCC) and Trade Test Certificates (Grades II & III) in Wood Work all in 2005, further reflecting his strong practical background in technical and vocational education.

He went on to obtain a Bachelor of Science in Education (B.Sc Ed) in Technology from Benue State University, Makurdi, in 2012, followed by a Master of Science (M.Sc) in Technology Education (Construction) from the same institution in 2018. Dr. Nule completed his academic pursuits with a Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Building/Wood Work Technology Education from Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki, in 2022.

Before his appointment as Executive Secretary, Dr. Nule lectured in the Department of Industrial Technology at Rev. Fr. Moses Orshio Adasu University, Makurdi (Formerly Benue State University, Makurdi), where he contributed to curriculum design, practical instruction, and research supervision in Entrepreneurial Studies and Construction Technology Education.

He has served as a TVET and ICT Skills Development Consultant for projects supported by the World Bank, UNICEF, UNESCO, the Federal Ministry of Education, and the Universal Basic Education Commission (UBEC) across the six geopolitical zones of Nigeria. Through these engagements, he has played a pivotal role in teacher training, competency-based curriculum implementation, and the integration of ICT tools in technical and vocational learning environments.

Dr. Nule brings extensive experience in the sports marketing and lottery sector. He has provided consultancy and advisory services to several State Sports Marketing and Lottery Boards. His advisory work has focused on improving operational efficiency, enhancing transparency, and empowering youth through sports and entrepreneurship-driven projects. Notably, Dr. Nule served as President of the Bet9ja Sports Betting Association, Benue State Chapter, from 2014 to 2022, giving him first-hand knowledge of the gaming industry and its regulatory landscape.

Dr. Nule is an active community leader who has held several notable positions. He served as Secretary of the Department of Industrial Technology at Rev. Fr. Moses Orshio Adasu University, Makurdi, and as Public Relations Officer of the Technology Education Practitioners Association of Nigeria (TEPAN) Benue State chapter. He is also the National Youth Leader of the Jechira Youth Development Association (JEYDA) and the Director of Research, Planning and Strategy for the Benue Youths Movement (BYM). In previous years, Dr. Nule served as Director of Voter Education for the All Progressives Congress (APC) 2023 Governorship Election Campaign Council and as Chairman of the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) at Reckons International Schools, Makurdi.

Dr. Nule maintains active membership in several reputable professional bodies. He is a Member of the International Technology and Engineering Educators Association (ITEEA), a Fellow of the Empirical Research Institute of Nigeria (ERIN), and a Member of the Teachers Registration Council of Nigeria (TRCN). He also holds membership in the Technology Education Practitioners Association of Nigeria (TEPAN) and the Association of Vocational and Technical Educators of Nigeria (AVTEN).

Dr. Nule is deeply committed to transforming the Benue State Sports Marketing, Gaming and Lottery Board into a model regulatory agency in Nigeria. His priorities include updating the legal framework to suit modern gaming realities, leveraging digital technology to improve service delivery and revenue collection, and building partnerships with credible local and international investors. He is equally passionate about promoting responsible gaming, protecting vulnerable persons from gambling-related harm, and generating sustainable revenue for sports development and social welfare programmes across Benue State.

Dr. Nule is happily married with three children. In his spare time, he enjoys reading, listening to music, watching football, and following current affairs.