

AUTO BIOGRAPHY OF REAR ADMIRAL SINSY NDESHI BAMBA NGHIPANDUA

Rear-Admiral Sinsy Ndeshi Bamba Nghipandua, born on 08 August 1960 at Omundundu village, Ohangwena Region, is the current Namibian Navy Commander since 1st September 2017.

Prior to his Appointment he occupied the following positions:

- 2009-2017: Commander Naval Operations
- 2005-2009: Commanding Officer Naval Base, Walvis Bay
- 2002-2005: Ship Captain NPV ORYX
- 2000-2002: Second in Command to the Brazilian Navy as a ship Captain under-instruction
- 1995-1998: Attending the Naval Surface Warfare Course (Deck) in Brazil as the first officers who established the NDF Maritime Wing
- 1990-1995: Staff Officer 3 Military Intelligence Branch DHQ

Rear-Admiral Nghipandua joined the liberation struggle in 1978 at the age of 17. He received his military education in the former USSR, Cuba and in the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Admiral Nghipandua has also held several command and staff appointments during the liberation struggle of Namibia.

His Military training includes:

- Command and Staff Course and NDC programme in Kenya
- Naval Senior Staff Course in USA
- Naval Officers Formative Course in Brazil
- Junior Staff Course (BMATT)
- Recce Training in Lubango, Angola
- Intelligence and Special Operations in Cuba
- Counter Intelligence
- Advance military Law

Admiral Nghipandua holds Bachelor of Technology in Business Administration from the University of South Africa and a National Diploma in public administration from the then Polytechnic of Namibia.

He has also attended various course such as The Caris Lots (Law of the Sea); the UN Trainers on Peace Support Operations (PSO); the Executive Course in Defence Management as well as the Executive Course in PSO management with the university of Witwatersrand.

Rear-Admiral Bamba Nghipandua is decorated with the following medals:

- Namibia's Independence medal
- Meritorious Services (10) years' services medal

- Meritorious Commendation Certificate
- The Naval Merit Order
- The Namibian Navy Achievement Medal
- The Sea Services 250days Medal
- The ten (10) years (Navy) Meritorious Services Medal
- The Namibian Navy Pioneer Medal
- The Silver Star Medal
- The Southern Cross Medal