



HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY



2022 FOURTH QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT

DISTRICT PLANNING AND COORDINATING UNIT (DPCU)

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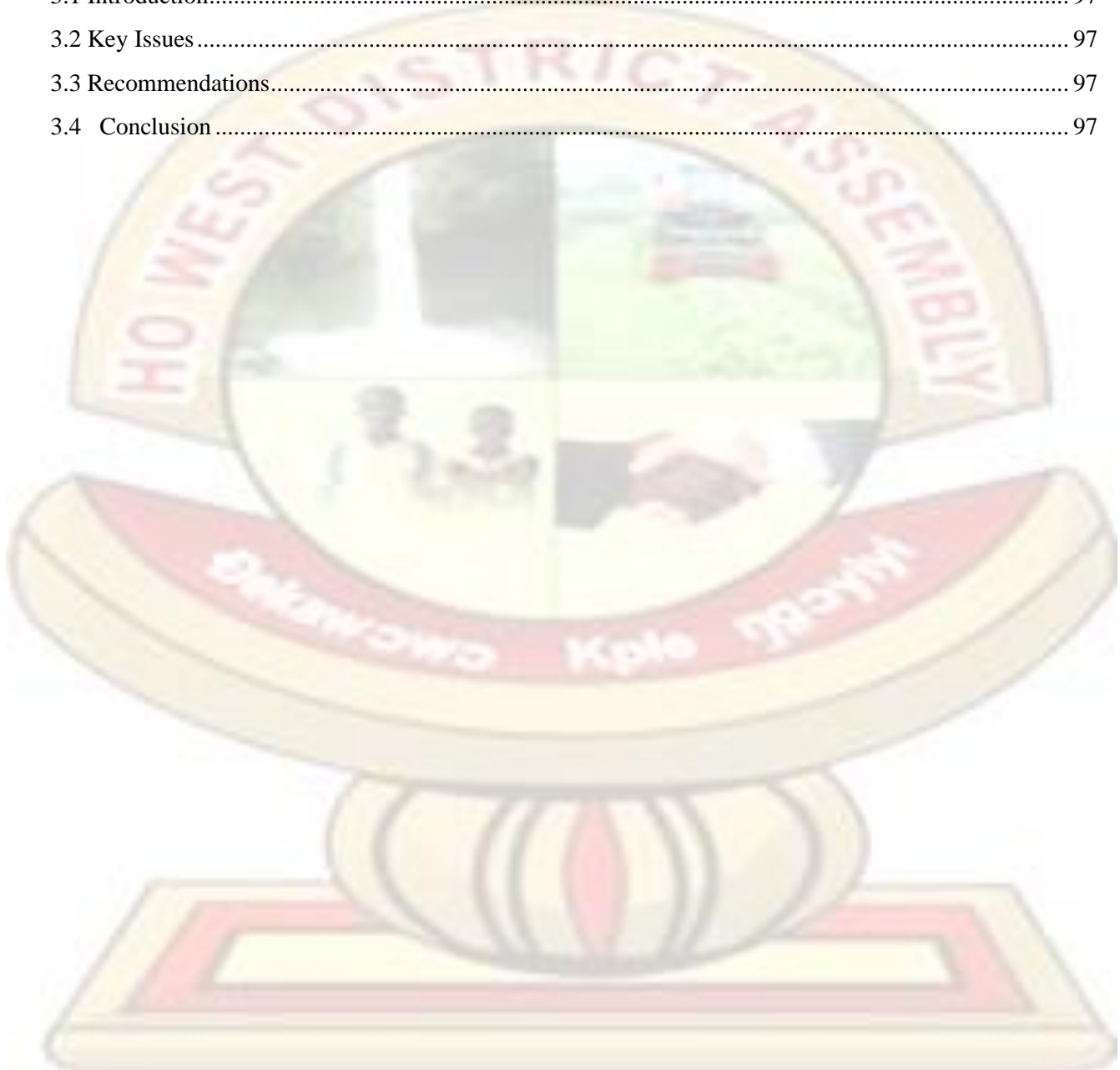
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CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Background

The 2022 Fourth Quarter Progress Report considered the assessment of progress made in the implementation of activities outlined in the District Medium Term Development Plan 2022-2025. The focused really for this report is on 2022 Annual Action Plan. It is a statement of progress made in respect of activities earmarked for implementation in the District Assembly Annual Programme of Work for 2022 and in further assessment of progress made in the attainment of specific objectives outlined in the District Medium Term Development Plan (DMTDP 2022-2025) The main goal of the District Medium Term Development Plan is **to enhance living standards of the people through improved access to basic social services, infrastructure and creation of enabling environment for economic growth and job creation.**

The plan provides focus and direction to the district development priorities. The development focus of the district is prioritized in line with the long-term national development goals (2018-2057) and the national development thematic areas under GSGDAII which has been aligned with the sustainable development goals. The Long-Term National Development Goals (2018-2057) are;

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- ✓ Build an inclusive industrialized and resilient economy
- ✓ Create an equitable, healthy and disciplined society
- ✓ Build safe and well-planned communities while protecting the natural environment
- ✓ Build effective, efficient and dynamic institutions
- ✓ Strengthen Ghana's role in international affairs

The National Development Policy framework on which the plan is based are stated below;

- ✓ Economic development
- ✓ Social development
- ✓ Environment, infrastructure and Human settlements
- ✓ Governance, corruption and public accountability
- ✓ Ghana and the International community

This Progress Report is prepared based on assessment of indicators and targets adopted for monitoring and evaluating the achievements of activities/interventions earmarked for the year 2022 from various departments.

1.1 Purpose for preparing the Report

Monitoring and Evaluation of the DMTDP is key to providing the needed data and information that informs and shows the extent of progress made towards the achievement of specific programme

objectives as outlined in the District Annual Action Plan. This annual progress report based on Monitoring and Evaluation exercise seeks to pursue the following specific objectives:

- Ascertain the extent to which specific DMTDP targets for 2022 were met
- Identify achievements, constraints and failures to inform future preparation of DMTDP and project design. to achieve better impacts.
- Provide District authorities, the government, development partners, community project management teams and the general public with better means for learning from past experience.
- To enhance service delivery and influence allocation of resources in the district.
- Serve as useful source of information for Regional Coordination Council and National Development Planning Commission in their decision making.

1.2 Processes involved and difficulties encountered

The District Monitoring and Evaluation exercise was preceded by a DPCU meeting to discuss and agree on the, tools and expected outcomes of the M&E. A working team comprising of the following were formed to spearhead the M& E activities and reporting:

1. District Development Planning Officer
2. District Budget Analyst
3. District Engineer
4. District Directorate of Ghana Health Services
5. District Directorate of Ghana Education Service
6. District Director of Agricultural Development Unit
7. Rep. of Traditional Authorities
8. Rep. of Civil Society Organisation

These key stakeholders visited the project sites and collected relevant data in order to assess progress of programmes /projects implementation against planned target.

1.3 Data Collection and Collation

The DPCU subsequently embarked on quarterly monitoring visits to all project/programme sites to collect needed data on the status of implementation of projects and programmes earmarked for the entire year.

The Monitoring team instituted two levels of monitoring to enhance sector participation at all levels; the first was the sector specific by sector Departments of their programmes and projects. Joint monitoring by two or more Departments coming together where an intervention is cross-cutting in nature. The second level of monitoring was undertaken by the DPCU on the overall District development programmes, projects and activities. In a situation where the District Chief Executive is unable to join the monitoring team, a debriefing on the outcome of the exercise is done to keep him abreast with developmental issues and progress made.

1.4 Data Analysis and Use

Microsoft excels and words were used in data collation and analysis.

CHAPTER TWO

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT STATUS UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT DIMENSIONS

2.0 Introduction

This chapter reveals specific programmes, projects and activities implemented during the quarter under review. It includes the summary of the status of programmes, projects, percentage completed, amount spent in carrying out the specific projects and challenges encountered during implementation. The programmes/projects are categorized into various thematic areas with respective departments spearheading implementation.

2.1 HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

2.1.1 Human Resource Analysis

2.1.1.1 Staffing

As an important component of every organization, the human resource base (staff strength) of the Ho West District Assembly for the 4th Quarter of 2022 was One Hundred and Fourteen (114). This comprised of Sixty- Eight (68) males and Forty-Six (46) females representing 59.65% and 40.35% respectfully.

2.1.1.2 Age Distribution

The Assembly has a relative youthful staff population judging from the table below.

S/N	AGE RANGE	NUMBER OF STAFF	PERCENTAGE
1	20 – 35	38	33.3%
2	36 – 45	43	37.7%
3	46 – 55	23	20.2%
4	56 and above	10	8.8%
TOTAL		114	100%

Source: HR Department – Ho West – December, 2022

2.1.1.3 Promotions Undertaken

Six (6) staff were promoted by the Office of the Head of Local Government Service during this period. Below are their details.

S/N	NAME OF STAFF	PREVIOUS (GRADE/) JOB TITLE)	NEW (GRADE/) JOB TITLE)	DEP'T/UNIT
1	DANIEL SANDY DARKU	SENIOR REVENUE SUPERINTENDENT	PRIN. REVENUE SUPERINTENDENT	ADMINISTRATIO N
2	KOTAH THERESA	ENV. HEALTH ASST.	SENIOR ENV. HEALTH ASSIST	ENV. HEALTH & SANITATION
3	CALEB DOTSE ASAMANI	ENV. HLTH ASST.	SENIOR ENV. HEALTH ASSIST	ENV. HEALTH & SANITATION

4	HARRY FELIX PENNI	ENV. HLTH ASST.	SENIOR ENV. HEALTH ASSIST	ENV. HEALTH & SANITATION
5	CYNTHIA MAWUFEMOR BALAME	SENIOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	PRINCIPAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	PHYSICAL PLANNING
6	LUCY YVONNE AKROMAH	HEADMAN LABOURER	CHIEF HEADMAN	ADMINISTRATIO N

Source: HR Department – Ho West – December, 2022

2.1.1.4 Conversion and Upgrading

There was no conversion/upgrading during the period under review.

2.2 Training and Development Undertaken

2.2.1 Implementation of 2022 Capacity Building Plan

Two (2) Capacity Building Plan was implemented in the 4th Quarter of 2022.

Table 1.0: Training undertaken in the Fourth Quarter

S/N	OFFICER(S)	M / F	WORKSHOP THEME	DURATION	CONSULTANT / INSTITUTION
1	DCEs DCD All Staff in Human Resource Class	Males = 4 Females=0 Total = 4	Maiden Volta Regional Human Resource Conference	7 th – 9 th December, 2022	OHLGS/VRCC/M DAs
2	Procurement Class Environmental Health Class Driver Class Quantity Survey Class	Males = 3 Females = 1 Total = 4	Refresher workshop for aspiring officers due for promotion and PSC Examination in various classes	21 st – 24 th November, 2022	VRCC

Source: HR Department – Ho West – December, 2022

2.3 Postings

2.3.1 Postings Out

No officer was posted out from the Ho West District Assembly during the period under review.

2.3.2 Postings In

One (4) officer was posted to the Ho West District Assembly during the period under review.

Table 1.1: Staff Posted in

S.N	NAME OF STAFF	GRADE/POSITION	POSTED FROM	POSTED TO
1	AMOADU PETER	ASSISTANT INTERNAL AUDITOR	VRCC	HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
2	ANANI RICHARD	ASSISTANT BUDGET ANALYST	VRCC	HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
3	JOY ADINYIRA ELIKPLIM	ASSISTANT BUDGET ANALYST	VRCC	HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
4	KUDIABOR GIFT ANANI	PROCUREMENT ASSISTANT	VRCC	HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Source: HR Department – December, 2022

2.4 Electronic Validation Salary Payment Vouchers

During the period under review, validation of three (3) monthly Electronic Salary Payment Vouchers were successfully performed from October to December 2022 in favour of Ho West District Assembly. After each successful validation, monthly reports were submitted to the Volta Regional Coordinating Council detailing the outcome of the validation process. Below is a summary of these validation reports.

Table 1.2: Monthly Electronic Salary Validation

S/N	MONTH	DATE OF VALIDATION
1	OCTOBER 2022	22 ND JULY, 2022
2	NOVEMBER 2022	20 TH AUGUST, 2022
3	DECEMBER 2022	14 TH SEPTEMBER, 2022

Source: HR Department – December, 2022

3.0 PHYSICAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- **Goal:** ‘Safeguard the natural environment and ensure resilient built environment’
- **Objective** ‘Enhance spatial orderly development of communities’

3.1 Development Applications

Table 2.0: Development applications receipt

S / N	Number Received	Number Processed	Percentage Processed	Number approved	Percentage approved (%)	Number rejected	Percentage rejected (%)	No. Deferred	Percentage Deferred
1	4	4	100	4	100	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

Source: Physical Planning Department-December, 2022

The department was mandated by Land Use and spatial Planning Act 2016, Act 925 to serve as the Secretariat to the Spatial Planning Committee (SPC) which is the Committee authorized by law to regulate and control Land Use and Spatial Development.

This it does through receiving development applications, processing these applications, organizing Technical Sub-Committee (TSC) and Spatial Planning Committee meetings for consideration of these applications and communicating the decisions to the developers.

Table 2.0 above shows the total number of development applications considered within the quarter under review.

In all four (4) applications were received within the quarter. Four (4) had been processed and approved. This implies that 100 percent of the applications received has been approved.

An amount of **five thousand, ninety- three Ghana cedis (GH¢ 5,093.00)**, was generated within the quarter. It is envisaged that the department will generate more revenue as development control exercises are carried out to create awareness of the need to acquire permit before embarking on various developmental projects within the communities.

3.1.1 Sales of Development Application Jacket

Table 2.1: Sales of Development Application Jacket

S/N	Number of jackets sold	Number of jackets return for processing	Percentage of jacket return	Amount released (GH¢)
1	4	4	100 %	200.00

Source: Physical Planning Department-September, 2022

Table 2.1 above depicts sales of development application jacket. The period under reviewed considered four (4) jackets sales, four (4) were returned for processing. This gave a return rate of 100 percentage. An amount of Two hundred Ghana cedis was generated from the sales.

3.2 Street Naming and Property Addressing Exercise

Due to the national digitization exercise embarked upon which resulted in generic streets names to the various streets in communities with no recourse to local existing street names. The District Assembly has directed that communities submit names of their street names for validation and amendment. That process is currently on-going.

3.3 Public Education and Development Control

One of the main aims of the department is to create awareness and ensure active participation of the populace in its activities. This was done through public education, development control activities in three (3) Communities namely; Vane, Akome communities and Avenui.

3.4 Revenue Generation

An amount of Five Thousand and Ninety-Three Ghana cedis (GH¢ 5,093.00).

3.5 Staff Position

The department has a staff strength of two (2) with three(3) National Service Personnel.

1. Emmanuel Doh ;- The Head of Physical Planning Department
2. Cynthia Baleme ;- In charge of Parks and Garden

Three National Personnel;

1. Adekpui Isaac Elikplim
2. Kormlah Enamiloso
3. Abru Torberth

The indeed lacks staff however with collaboration with works department, the department is poised to deliver cutting edge services to its valued clients.

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION UNIT

4.1 Waste Management (Liquid and Solid)

4.1.1 Liquid Waste

The district had no well-structured liquid wastes disposal site, so therefore Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between Ho West District Assembly and Ho Municipal assembly for disposal of liquid wastes from the District to Akrofu (Ho Municipal) liquid waste disposal site. Private companies were consulted to conduct dislodging within the district, thus Zoomlion Ghana Limited and “Na God Waste Services.

Table 4.0: Dislodging activities conducted in the District.

HOMES	SCHOOLS	CHURCH	PUBLIC (MARKET)
3	1	0	1

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

4.1.2 Latrine Promotion

TRENDS IN LATRINE PROMOTION									
TYPE	2018	Househo	2019	Househo	2020	Househo	2021	Househo	2022
KVIP	32		21		4		12		4
VIP	826		829		961		998		15
WC	424		432		512		643		40
IPL	0		0		0		0		0
STL	174		176		291		401		8
VAULT	336		367		391		434		21
BIOGAS	41		44		47		64		8
BIOFIL	267		289		333		493		25
TOTAL	1676		2158		2539		3045		121
COVERAGE	86600.00%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!		
ANNUAL INCREASE			22.34%		15.01%		16.62%		-2416.53%

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

4.1.3 Solid Waste

The Kpedze and Awudome Tsito though not pushed and levelled; were in good condition. Disinfection and disinfestations were carried out effectively on the site during the four quarter.

Zoomlion Ghana Ltd is the leading waste management company providing some level of Waste Management Intervention Services such as Waste Collection, Transportation to a dedicated site, Disinfection and Disinfestations Services which includes the National Malaria Control Programme (NAMCOP) as well.

The district Assembly's Solid Waste Disposal Site is being managed by Volta Waste Landfills Ltd. Pushing, leveling and creating of path way under the supervision of the District Environmental Health Officer was not carried.

Staffs on the grounds conducted health education households on the need to manage their waste properly through door-to-door procedure of dumping at central points (SIP containers). Communities without communal containers households were educated to acquire household litter bins from the Zoomlion Company for it to be collected on bi-weekly basis to avoid indiscriminate dumping, destruction of aesthetic value and green environment of the district since plastic is the highest component of waste generation.

Communities were also educated on proper maintenance of communal refuse dumping sites and on how to dispose their refuse directly into the containers to avoid scattering of refuse.

There was a frequent break down of haulage truck therefore lifting of the refuse containers were not regular.

Figure 4.0: Communal containers at some vintage points within the District



4.2 National Malaria Control Programme (NAMCOP)

The programme was focused on De-silting, Disinfection and disinfestation. De-silting of major public drains within the Central Business District was carried out every Wednesdays while Disinfection and Disinfestation went on every Thursdays and Fridays. The NAMCOP activities was conducted by Zoomlion Ghana Limited and supervised by the Environmental Health Officers in the various catchment areas.

Table 4.1: Disinfection and Disinfestations Activities Undertaken

Place	Number	Frequency	Area
Public Toilets	16	1	Kpedze, Tsito, Dzolo, Yingor
Container Sites	8	1	Tsito, Yingor, Abutia, Kpedze
Final Disposal sites	2	3	Kpedze, Tsito
Residential Premises (Assembly Bungalows)	4	1	Dzolo kpuita and Kpedze
Office of the District Assembly	1	1 (All offices)	Dzolo kpuita
Community dump site	3	1	Yingor, Anyirawase, Holuta

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

4.3 Food Hygiene and Hospitality Industry Inspection

- **Meat Hygiene**

Twenty-six (26) bovine were slaughtered and inspected with few localized disease conditions like Lymphadenitis, Pimple gut and Contagious Bovine Pleura Pneumonia (C.B.P.P). Total condemnation for the generalized C.B.P.P and Partial condemnations were carried out to make the carcass fit for human consumption.

Figure 4.1: Meat Inspection at Kpedze slaughter house



- **Food and Drink Establishment Inspection**

Three hundred and one facilities were inspected with 350 handlers. Twenty-eight of the facilities had its attendants/ occupants neatly dressed.

Figure 4.2: Pictures of some food vender inspections in within the districts



Improper dressing by a food vendor



A well-dressed food vendor at Akome

- **Store Inspection**

Store inspections were carried out to ensure safe consumption of can food products. Out of 218 stores/shops inspected 14 had expired products. These expired products were confiscated from the shop owners in the presence of the Officers. They were re-sensitized on the need to regularly check their product's expiring dates and also clean dust on their products especially before placing them in the cold system and or displaying them for sale.

Figure 4.3: Pictures of some Store Inspections within the District



Store inspection at Hlefi



Store inspection at Anfoeta Gbogame



Store inspection at Tsito



Store inspection at Akome

- **Market Health and Sanitation**

Table 4.2: Market Health and Sanitation activities carried out in the Fourth Quarter

No.	Item	Number	Remarks
a)	Number of food and drink handlers registered.	350	
b)	No. selling by the roadside	159	They were cautioned
c)	No. selling on the ground	12	•
d)	No. selling on a table.	102	•
e)	No. of food sellers inspected with food exposed	0	This is mostly fried, smoked and dried fish
f)	No. of food handlers inspected with improve facility	145	
g)	No. of food sellers inspected with good personal hygiene	253	
h)	No. of food sellers inspected with poor personal hygiene	97	They were Health Educated
i)	No. of stores inspected for expired canned foods and drinks	79	Items were confiscated

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

Figure 4.4: Some Market Inspection within the District.



Market inspection at Kisifflui



Market inspection at Kpedze

- **Hospitality and Industry and Recreational facility inspection**

Four (4) hospitality industries were inspected within the District.

Some of the common nuisances detected were accumulation of cobweb, insanitary drain, Reasonable Preventable Condition (RPC's), no cloak room for attendant and improper disposal of waste water.

4.4 Health Promotion and Publicity

- **Domiciliary Inspection**

During the quarter in review, hygiene educations were given to households during house to house inspection. Some nuisances detected during these inspections include overgrowth of weeds on undeveloped plots and back yards, accumulation of household refuse in broken containers, indiscriminate disposal of refuse with Reasonable Preventable Conditions (RPCs) and stagnant waste water at the back of bath houses or improper disposal of waste water. Some of these nuisances detected were abated instantly by the households in question. The various communities were sensitized effectively on Environmental Cleanliness.

Figure 4.5: Domicillary Inspection at Tsito and Anfoeta Gbogame



- **School Health Programme**

School health programme on personal hygiene (i.e., cutting of nails, shaving, bathing, oral hygiene), good nutrition, eating of fruits, hand washing, safe drinking water were organized. The schools' environments and Caterers under the School feeding programme were also inspected and given health education to ensure good and healthy environment.

Figure 4.6: School Feeding Caterer at Kpedze



Table 4.3: Data on Schools Inspected and Health Educated

Kindergarten	Primary	JHS	SHS/ Technical	College of Education
4	5	17	3	1

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

In all, 30 Schools were inspected and given Health Education on food and personal hygiene, menstrual hygiene and Hand hygiene.

Figure 4.7: Inspection activities some Schools



Inspection of Handwashing facility at Anfoeta Basic School



Inspection of school Dormitory at Akome SHST and Avatime SHST

- **Clean Up Exercise**

Communal labour was organized and carried out at Akoviefe, Dzolokpuita, Holuta, Saviefe Agorkpo, Dededo, Kpedze Market, Kpoeta Ashanti and Kissiflui.

The Assembly member of the various areas and the Environmental Health Officers were in attendance including the Honourable District Executive of Ho West. Activities carried out during the exercise were sweeping, clearing of weeds, de-silting of public drains, collection of refuse and Health talk.

Figure 4.8: Community labour and sensitization at Kpoeta Ashanti and Kissiflui



Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

- **Stray Animal Control**

General stray animal arrest was not carried but inspection of pen and sty with registration of owners of livestock and swine was done. The exercise commenced in November after declaration of the District as a “Green Environment” using WASH approach. Sixty-seven farmers were registered and sensitized on paying permits from four area councils namely Anyirawase, Yingor, Tsito and Abutia.

Figure 4.9: Inspections of Livestock and swine



Registration and inspection of livestock and swine

- **Community LED Total Sanitation (CLTS)**

Despite unavailability of support from donors to implement the program in the communities, follow-ups were carried out in ODF communities. Health education was given to other communities on the household latrine construction.

During the quarter, 121 new latrines were constructed district wide

4.5 Community Mobilization and Sensitization

Nine community meetings were organized on the following topics; latrine constructions, stray animal, communal labour, burial permit, disposal of refuse especially RPC's and Environmental Hygiene. The exercise took place at Abutia Kpota, Akoviefe, Awudome Avenue, Akoviefe, Dodome, Avatime Amedzofe, Avatime Biakpe, Dzolokpuita, Kpoeta Ashanti and Achem.

Figure 4.10: Community meetings at Kissiflui and Dodome



Table 4.4: Gender distribution of Community Meetings held

SN	COMMUNITY	MALE	FEMALE
1.	Abutia Kpota	27	49
2.	Dodome	41	63
3.	Kissiflui	12	26
4.	Awudome Avenue	26	39
5.	Avatime Amedzofe	29	48
6.	Avatime Biakpa	31	62
7.	Dzolo kpuita	32	68
8.	Kpoeta Ashanti	23	56
9.	Kpoeta Achem	21	44
TOTAL		213	407

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

4.6 Data on Residential Inspection and Others

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Total Population of Ho West District: **82,886**

Table 4.5: Data on Residential Inspection and Others

	CATEGORIES	entries
1	PREMISES	
	i. Total # of houses	20373
	ii. Total # of Houses entered	2633
	iii. Total # of Houses inspected	2633
	iv. Total # of Households	20875
	v. Total # of Households Inspected	3718
	vi. % of Households Inspected	17.81%
	vii. % of Houses inspected	12.92%
	viii. Total population	82886
	ix. Total Population inspected	40853
2	NUISANCES	
	i. Total # of households with nuisances (inspected)	414
	ii. % of Households with nuisances (inspected)	11.14%
3	SAFE WATER	
	i. Total population inspected with safe water	2329
	ii. % of inspected population with safe water	5.70%
4	LATRINES	
	i. # of latrine facilities (units) in premises inspected	407
	ii. # of Houses with toilet facilities	5332
	iii. # of New Latrines under Construction	121
	iv. District % latrine coverage (per houses) - based on available data	26.17%
5	WASTE WATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM	
	i. # of households inspected with proper waste water disposal system (unlikely to produce any form of nuisance)	640
	ii. % of households inspected with proper waste water disposal system	17.21%
6	EATING PREMISES	
	Total number of eating premises existing	1582
	# of Eating premises inspected	350
	% of Eating premises inspected	22.12%
	Number of eating premises inspected with Nuisances	114
	% of Eating premises inspected with nuisances	32.57%
	# of Eating premises inspected with safe water	309

	% of Eating premises inspected with safe water	88.29%
	# of Eating premises inspected with WASH facilities	102
	% of Eating premises inspected with WASH facilities	29.14%
7	DRINKING PREMISES	
	Total Number of Drinking Premises Existing	2257
	# of Drinking Premises Inspected	669
	% of Drinking Premises Inspected	29.64%
	# of Drinking premises with Safe water	352
	% of Drinking premises with Safe water	52.62%
	# of Drinking premises with at least Urinals	128
	% of Drinking premises with Urinals	19.13%
8	PUBLIC FOOD AND DRINK HANDLERS	
	Total # of Public Foods and Drinks handlers (Previous year)	1602
	# of Public Food and Drinks handlers medically screened (this year)	0
	% of Public Food and Drinks handlers	
9	METHODS OF REFUSE STORAGE	
	i. # of households with good refuse storage facility (unlikely to produce any form of nuisance)	502
	ii. % of households inspected with good refuse storage facility	13.50%
10	NOTICES	
	i. Total # of notices served	241
	ii. Total # of notices complied with	177
	iii. % of notices complied with	73.44%
	iv. # of summonses served	0
	v. # of successful prosecutions	0
	vi. % of successful prosecutions	0.00%
11	COMMUNITY MEETINGS	
	# of Communities visited by staff	
	# of Community Meetings held by staff	
12	CLTS	
	# of Clts Communities	76
	# of Clts Communities Visited within the period	51
	% of Clts Communities Visited	67.11%
	# of ODF Communities	12
	% ODF Coverage (based on CLTS)	15.79%

13	STATISTICS OF RELEVANT OTHER PREMISES AND FACILITIES	
	# of Hotels/Guest Houses	12
	# of Hotels/Guest Houses Inspected	4
	# of Schools	175
	# of Schools Inspected	30
	# of Eateries (chop bars)	216
	# of Eateries (chop bars) Inspected	146
	# of Public Community Toilets	69
	# of Public Community toilets Inspected	9
	# of Institutional Toilets	143
	# of Institutional Toilets Inspected	30
	# of Drinking Bars	2257
	# of Drinking Bars Inspected	125
	# of Pig Sties	12
	# of Pig Sties Inspected	8
	# of Boreholes	71
	# of Boreholes Inspected	8
	# of Functional Boreholes	57
	# of Drug Stores	45
	# of Provision Stores	313
	# of Drinking Spots	202
	# of Drinking and Provision Stores	221
	# of Agro Chemical Stores	18
	# of Public Skip Refuse Containers	11

Source: Environmental Health and San. Unit-December, 2022

4.7 OUTCOMES

- **Adverse Outcomes**
 - i. Household latrine construction was very slow.
 - ii. Continuous existence of stray animals in some communities
 - iii. Crude dumping and household burning remains the major waste management methods.
 - iv. Poor or low collection of solid waste from the Avatime enclaves.
 - v. Poor Communal labour turnouts
 - vi. Addition roles (direct revenue collection) by some Environmental Health Officers within the District.
- **Reasons for Adverse Outcomes**
 - i. Priority laid on household latrine construction by the landlords was poor.
 - ii. Topography of the land had a bearing on the collection of solid waste in the Avatime areas.
 - iii. Inadequate logistics and resources to cure mobility.
 - iv. Inadequate space in some premises for household latrines.

- v. Poor community enthusiasm/affection towards clean up exercise
- vi. Low community enthusiasm towards communal labour.

4.8 Common Nuisances

- **In Eating and Drinking Premises**

- i. Broken down hand washing facilities
- ii. Smoke nuisance
- iii. Crude/indiscriminate dumping of solid waste
- iv. dust and cobwebs
- v. Expired food or drink products
- vi. Reasonable Preventable Condition (R.P.C)
- vii. Noise nuisance

- **In the home and parts of the community**

- i. Exposure and or accumulation of anal cleansing materials
- ii. Growth of weeds
- iii. Improper disposal of waste water. (Poor drainage system and unavailable soakage pit)
- iv. Reasonable Preventable Conditions [RPC's]
- v. Crude/indiscriminate dumping of solid waste and uncovered waste bins/ containers
- vi. Open defecation in some communities
- vii. Stray animals

4.9 In Schools

- i. Insanitary institution latrine [urine/ faeces on floors, scattered anal cleansing materials, foul odour, dilapidated structures, etc.]
- ii. Crude dumping
- iii. Insanitary urinals [foul odour]
- iv. Broken down handwashing facility
- v. Growth of weeds
- vi. Poor lighting and ventilation in some schools

4.10 Management of Workplace environment

The working environment was supervised by the Environmental Health Officers as in clearing of weeds in the surroundings. Cleaners were also supervised daily during sweeping, moping, removal of cobwebs and other activities at in all the offices of the Assembly to make sure the environment is conducive for work. All washrooms and handwashing facilities at vintage points were thoroughly cleaned. Wastes within the Assembly were well managed and emptied weekly by Zoomlion Ghana Limited.

Hand washing facilities were washed regularly and filled with water for hand washing with provision of soap for hand hygiene.

4.10.1 General landscaping

The Assembly's front view was plan with ornamental plants with adequate pavement and avenue trees to enhance beautification effect as a model of greening the Environment.

4.10.2 Office space

The Assembly has allocated clean and spacious office spaces for all the thirteen stipulated decentralized departments and other central institutions of government, including Ambulances Service, NCCE, NABCO, National Identification Authority (NIA), etc.

4.10.3 Washrooms

The washrooms at convenient distances to all departments and units were all in good condition and cleaned daily. Plans were underway for construction of urinals outside the building for use in case of water shortage.

4.11 Collaborations

The unit has collaborated with a number of stakeholders within the period under review. These include;

- A routine and a very effective collaboration with Zoomlion Ghana Ltd
- An effective working relationship with the Health Directorate of the Ghana Health Service.
- Roman Catholic Church and Evangelical Presbyterian Church helped clean Dzologbogame and Dzolokpuita respectfully
- The Community Information Centres (CIC's) were also in contention by supporting the Assembly in giving Environmental Health Information's to the populace within its jurisdiction.
- Water Aid Ghana and Community Water and Sanitation Agency (CWSA)

4.12 Capacity building for staff

The period under review, the staffs were taken through the local government protocols.

4.13 World Toilet Day Celebration

Following the aspiration to tackle the global sanitation crisis and to achieve the Sustainable Development Goal(SDG) 6.2; which ensures safe toilets for all by 2030. The Ho West District Assembly led by the Environmental Health and Sanitation Unit on Saturday 19th November, 2022 celebrated the World Toilet Day at Akome Gbogame. This year's celebration was under the theme: **“Making the Invisible visible, the impact of sanitation crisis on ground water”**.

District Chief Executive, Hon. Ernest Victor Apau, in his speech said safely managing sanitation is key in the protection of our ground water since it serves as a major sources of drinking water in the district.

The District Environmental Health Officer (DEHO), Mr. Daniel Kumah said the celebration is to sensitize people to take action towards ending open defecation and exhibit good environmental practices in their endeavors. He urged those not having housing latrine in their homes to construct one to eradicate the menace. There was a float on the principal streets of Akome Gbota, Akome Gbogame and Akome Agate as well as role play and poetry recital from students to educate members on the need to keep our environment clean

Figure 4.11: Pictures from the World Toilet Day Celebration



Also present at the ceremony was Mr. Christian Agbesi, Special Education Coordinator took the opportunity to educate individuals present on HIV/AIDS and Covid 19, the Paramount Chief of Akome, Togebga Debrah III, District Coordinating Director, Heads of Departments/Units, Environmental Health Officers, Assembly Member for the Electoral Area, Unit Committee Members, NPP Constituency Chairman, Sanitation Guards of the Assembly, media, students and the general public.

5.0 NATIONAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION (NADMO)

5.1 Administration and Human Resources

5.1.1 Staff Situation

Ho West – NADMO continued to be under staffed

Zones such as Yingor B, Weto B and Awudome B still remain without Directors compelling some Zonal Directors to man up extra zones.

5.1.2 Strength and duties

Though the District is understaffed, the available staff continue to discharge their duties such as collection of disaster data, responding to disasters calls and other initiated activities satisfactorily.

5.1.3 Meetings

There was a DISEC meeting held on the 12th of October concerning a land issue between the Abutia-Norvisi and Abutia-Kpolukofe which was undermining security in the area. Relief items were distributed to some of the disaster victims.

5.1.4 Collaborations

Ho West NADMO held a joint community clean-up exercise at Akorviefie. The clean-up exercise was held in conjunction with the department of Environmental Health Health Services and Zoomlion. Choked gutters in the Akorviefie community were desilted and the bushy areas were weeded.

Figure 5.0: Clean-up Exercise at Akorviefie



Source: NADMO -December, 2022

5.2 Disaster event records

The 4TH quarter recorded a total of three 3 disasters; Abutia-Agordeke and AButia-Amesianyakofo experienced flooding leading to the collapsing of a total of nine (9) buildings whilst a domestic fire was recorded at Anfoeta-Wadamaxe where a 2-bedroom house was completely razed down.

Figure 5.1: Disaster Events Recorded



Source: NADMO -December, 2022

5.2 Public Education

The Districtwide Bushfire Bushfire Reduction Education campaign has not yet to started however, the Zonal Directors have been entreated to start educating their community members on bushfire hazards, safety and preventive measures. Plans are almost ready for the start of the intensive districtwide bushfire education campaign.

5.3 Hazard Surveillance

On the educational and monitoring tours, many dilapidated buildings as reported in previous monthly, quarterly and annual reports were still not demolished though some have partly collapsed.

Some of the building roofing were not in good conditions which pose danger to live and properties in the upcoming training season.

5.4 Disaster volunteer groups (DVGs)

Current strength of DVGs stands at 150 and this not encouraging due to lack of support and motivation.

Table 5.0: Disaster Volunteer Groups (DVGS) in the district

<i>Item</i>	Description	Quantity
1	Total Number of DVG Groups	11
2	Total Membership Numerical Strength	770
3	Number of Female	500
4	Number of Male	270
5	Total Number of Active Members	-
6	Total Number of Dormant Members	-

Source: NADMO - December, 2022

5.5 Disaster Response and Relief Item Distribution

Some relief items were distributed to some of the disaster victims in the fourth quarter of 2022.

Table 5.1: List of total relief items distributed in November, 2022 to Domestic Fire victims at Anfoeta-Wadamaxe

S/N	ITEM/DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
1	Rice (5kg)	1
2	Cooking Oil (l Litre)	3
3	Obolo Laundry Soap (Cake)	1 Carton
4	Mosquito Coil (Packet)	5
5	Marama Toilet Soap	1 Carton
6	Mosquito Net	3 Pieces
7	Plastic Cup	5 Pieces
8	Plastic Basin	1 Piece

Source: NADMO - December, 2022

Table 5.1: List of total relief items distributed in November, 2022 to flood victims of Abutia-Amesianyakofo

S/N	ITEM/DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY
1	Rice (5kg)	5
2	Cooking Oil (l Litre)	5
3	Jomo Laundry Soap (Cake)	1 Carton
4	Mosquito Coil (Packet)	5 Pieces
7	Plastic Cup	10 Packets

Source: NADMO - December, 2022

Table 5.2: Metro/Municipal/District Assemblies Disaster Data Sheet

METRO/MUNICIPAL/DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES DISASTER DATA SHEET

MMDAs: Ho West District

REGION: Volta

PERIOD: April 2022

S/ N	DA TE	TYPE OF DISAS TER	NO. OF OCCUR ENCES	MM DAs	NAMES OF COMMU NITIES AFFECT ED	NAMES OF COMMUNITIES AFFECTED												DAMAGES (DAM)/DESTRUCTION (DES)						
						DISPLACED				CASUALTY				MISSING		TOTAL	HOUSES	NO. OF HOUSE HOLD	SCHOOLS	BRIDGES	FARMERS	OTHER	ESTIM ATED COST (Ghc)	
										INJUR ED		DEAD												
						ADUL TS		CHILD REN		ADUL TS		CHILD REN												
						M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F									
1	10/ 10	Floodin g	1	HO WES T	Abutia- Amesianya kofe	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	4,300	
2	10/ 10	Floodin g	1	HO WES T	Abutia- Agordeke	2 2	2 8	47	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 6 3	1 4	17	0	0	0	0	32,500	
3	24/ 10	Dom. Fire	1	HO WES T	Anfoeta- Wadamaxe	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	12,700	

Source: NADMO - December, 2022

6.0 SOCIAL WELFARE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

6.1 Child Rights Promotion and Protection

Table 6.0: Cases Managed by the Department

S/N	Type Of Case	B/F	Fresh	Total	Handled	Withdrawn	Pending
1.	Child Maintenance	2	7	9	7	-	2
2.	Child custody	1	2	3	2	-	1
3.	Paternity	1	1	1	1	-	-
4.	Child abuse	2	2	4	2	-	2
5.	Family welfare/ Reconciliation	-	5	5	4	-	-
TOTAL		6	17	23	17	1	5

Source: DSW/CD –Ho West – December, 2022

6.2 Child Protection Programmes

- **Sensitization**

The Department organized four (4) community sensitization programme for discussion on Children's Rights issues. Table 6.1 below shows a summary of the sensitization done under period of review.

Table 6.1: Data Community Sensitization on Child Protection

NO	DATE	COMMUNITY	PARTICIPATION			TOPICS
			M	F	T	
1.	11/10/2022	Vane	27	16	43	Stakeholder's engagements on the child and family welfare policy and facilitate team building and active involvement in child protection implementation programmes. Theme: <i>"The child can no longer wait"</i>
2.	26/10/2022	Biakpa	37	29	66	
3.	9/11/2022	Dzogebe feme	21	20	41	
4.	25/11/2022	Fume	18	23	41	
5.	16/12/2022	Dzokpe	16	15	31	
			119	13	222	

Source: DSW/CD – Ho West – December, 2022

Figure 6.0: Social Welfare officers at Sensitization Programme on Child Right.



Source: DSW/CD - Ho West- December, 2022

6.3 Home Visit for discussion of other cross cutting issues on Child Protection

Table 6.2: Home Visit for discussion of Pressing Issues relating to Child Protection

NO	DATE	COMMUNITY /HOMES	TOTAL HOMES	REMARKS
1.	26/10/2022	DzoloKpuita	3	Fundamental roles of family and community to promote dignity and interest of children.
2.	27/10/2022	Dzolo Gborgame	1	
3.	18/11/2022	Akorme	3	
4.	25/11/2022	Dodome Aveha	2	
5.	9/10/2022	Dodome Tsikor	2	
			11	

Source: DSW/CD – Ho West – December, 2022

Figure 6.1: Officers of Department at a Home visit session



Source: DSW/CD – Ho West – December, 2022

6.4 Visit to Children Placed under Home Based Care by Institutional Homes

In collaboration with VIMA Ghana (NGO), the office provided home-based assistance to needy children in the communities. The children in this category have been reunited with their families and communities. The parents were encouraged to abide by the laws concerning children's upbringing and to perform the necessary skills and duties to protect their well-being and interests in society.

6.5 Justice Administration

6.5.1 Family Tribunals

- Number of Sittings	- Four (4)
- Total number of cases successfully handled	- One (1)
- Total number of new cases during the quarter	- One (1)
- Total number of cases brought forward	- Eight (8)
- Total number of cases on-going	- Eight (8)

6.5.2 Breakdown of On-going cases (pending)

- Child Maintenance	- Three (3)
- Child Custody	- Three (3)
- Family Reconciliation	- Three (3)

6.5.4 Juvenile Court (Cases)

- Number of cases reported under quarter	- None (0)
- Action Taken	- None (0)
- Number of cases pending	- Three (3)

6.5.5 Social Enquiry Report (SER)

- Social Enquiry Report	- There were no fresh cases and actions yet to be taken on report submitted to court in the quarter under review
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6.6 Community Care

6.6.1 Update of District Level Disability Album

During the review period, fifteen (15) names were added. This is made up of nine (9) males and six (6) females. No death recorded and no other person had relocated out of our jurisdiction.

6.6.2 Registration of Indigents/ PWDs into NHIS

A total of one hundred and twenty-three (123) names of indigents were listed and hooked onto the scheme. The figure is made up of Seventy (70) males and Fifty-three (53) females.

6.6.3 Collaboration with NGOs

The department closely worked with the following NGOs during the quarter under review.

- **VIMA**

In collaboration with VIMA follow-up visits were paid to eleven (11) children placed on Home Based Care.

- **FERN FOUNDATION**

The department referred (15) clients to their outfit during a health screening exercise organized by them. Some of the screening services they provided include ENT, Eye, Audiology and General consultation. One hundred and eighty (108) people made of 37 male and 71 female.

- **MOUNT SAVIOUR FOUNDATION**

Fifteen (15) extremely poor children were referred and recommended to the above NGO for educational support throughout their SHS courses. This is in addition to the twenty (20) already existing ones.

6.6.4 Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP)

The 77th/78th and 79th/80th LEAP Cycle Payments were effected on 14/10/2022 and 5/12/2022 respectively of which a total of **Twenty-Five Thousand, Eight Hundred and Forty Ghana cedis (GHc25,840.00)** was disburse to the LEAP beneficiaries. One hundred and four (104) households benefited from the programme with one hundred and thirty- three (133) being females and seventy-four (74) being males.

6.6.5 Disbursement of items to Persons with Disability

Twenty-seven (27) PWDs were assisted with various items to venture into alternative income levels. It is made up of 18 males and 9 females. A total amount of GHc117,160.00 was disbursed representing the following supporting items; Deep freezer, Poly tank, Plastic chairs, Fufu pounding machines, Cassava grinding machines, Palm kernel cracker etc.

Figure 6.2: Presenting of items to Beneficiaries



Hon. DCE presenting water storage facility (Polytank) to a caregiver

6.6.6 Follow-up visits to extremely poor clients

Table 6.3: Description of pattern of visits to parents of disabled children.

NO	COMMUNITY	NO OF CLIENTS VISITED		TOTAL	REMARKS
		M	F		
1.	Abutia Kissiflui	3	2	5	Discussing on a quest for inclusion of children with disability to create a sense of belonging and acceptance in society
2.	Dzokpe Old town	2	1	3	
3.	Dzogbefeme	4	4	9	
Total		9	8	17	

Source: DSW/CD – Ho West – December, 2022

6.7 Community Development Unit

6.7.1 Gender Mainstreaming

Table 6.4: Home visits and study group discussions itinerary

No	Date	Community	Participation		Total	Issues Discussed
			M	F		
1.	15/11/2022	Dzogbefeme	4	21	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The use of gender sensitive language• Integration of equal treatment of both gender
2.	29/11/2022	Kpedze Anoe	2	27	29	
3.	13/12/2022	Todome Tsikor	7	19	26	

Source: SW/CD- Ho West- December, 2022

6.7.2 Mass Meetings

Two (2) mass meetings were held in the Akorviefe and Dzolokpuita communities. Sixty-six people participated in the meeting with Forty-seven (47) participants being Male and Nineteen (19) being female participants. The issues discussed were on “The role of parents in preventing teenage pregnancy” and The need to generate extra income to improve livelihoods”

6.7.3 Home Science Extension/Local Economic Development

The unit has linked up with the Department of Agriculture to access technical support for Norvinyo gender group as they begin their farming activities this year as well as sought the support of management to help secure MASLOC loan for the group. Dodome Tsikor gender group has been taken through sensitization on group dynamics to help strengthen the group to enhance their economic activities.

1. Norvinyo gender group

Venue: Ho West District and Kpale Ga

Date: 7/10/2022, 23/10/2022 and 22/11/2022

Topic: Follow-up on MASLOC loan application and liaising with Department of Agriculture to access support for the group for this farming season.

No. of participants: Ho West District Assembly management and Department of Agriculture.

Decision taken: Follow-up to be done to MASLOC by management

Action on decision taken: Management reminded

2. Lornlornyo gender group

Venue: Lornlornyo gender group, Dodome Tsikor

Date: 20/10/2022

Topic: Group dynamics (Discussions for group to have regular meetings, keep financial records, and fine members who disregard rules of the group) and monitoring

No. of participants: 18

Decision/recommendations: Gari refined to be less refined, prepare site for cultivation of cassava, follow-up on proposal to get oven for the group

Actions taken: Farm land cleared and cultivation of cassava for this season underway.

7.0 FORESTRY COMMISSION - WILDLIFE DIVISION, KALAKPA RESOURCE RESERVE

7.1 Staff Strength

The staff strength stood at thirty-four (34) at the end of the period under review.

Table 7.0: Staff at Post

Category of Staff	PROF.	SR	CRG	PRG	SRG	RG	TOTAL
Number	3	2	9	6	3	11	34

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.2 Training/Meetings/Workshop

- **Ho West District Security Committee (DISEC) Meeting**

A presentation on the security situation in the Reserve was made by the Park Manager during the DISEC meeting of the Adaklu district Assembly. Present were district commanders of the Police, Fire Service, Immigration, Customs as well as officers from the National Investigations Bureau and the Intelligence Officers of the 66 Artillery Regiment who confirmed the activities of Western Togoland Secessionist groups and other criminal elements in the reserve, the Park Manager called for a collaborative effort to curb the wanton destruction of the reserve as well persistent attacks on patrol guards.

- **Second Ordinary Meeting of the Third Session of the Third Adaklu District Assembly**

The Park Manager used his participation in this meeting to urge Assembly members of Adaklu to educate their people about the benefits of protecting the Reserve and also to advise them to desist from attacking guards carrying out their lawfully mandated duties in the reserve. The Assembly members assured the Manager of their preparedness to intensify education in their communities.

- **Inter-Service and Sectoral Collaboration Cooperation Systems (ISCCS)**

The Ho West District Assembly held an Inter-Service and Sectoral Collaboration and Cooperation Systems (ISCCS) meeting. The meeting enabled Departments and Agencies review their performances, challenges and discuss ways to effectively collaborate with each other

7.3 Visitors

7.3.1 Official

The following visits were recorded during the quarter.

Table 7.1: Official Visits (Oct – Dec. '22)

DATE	NAME OF LEADER	ORGANISATION	NO	PURPOSE
18/10/22	Mr. Emmanuel Awuku	FC, Coporate	5	Inspection of vehicle and motorbike documents
24/10/22	Mr. Shafi Mohammed	Climate Change Advisors, Ghana	2	Donation of Camera traps
8/11/22	Mr. Umaru Farouk	WD, Accra	3	Official
11/11/22	DSP Sebastian Maya	Ghana Police, Ho West District	4	Introduce new district Commander
1/12/22	Mr. Evans Nyagbenu	Abutiavi Association	6	Discussions on pilgrimage to Agbenu mountain
9/12/22	Mr. Samuel Deh	Green Globe Ghana	2	Discuss pilot resettlement project
9/12/22	Mr. Chris Afenyo	Rotary Club of Ho	1	Discuss pilot resettlement project

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.4 Tourist Arrivals

The Park recorded a total number of fourteen (14) tourists in the reporting period. This comprises of fourteen (14) adults of non-nationals-non-resident. December recorded the highest of ten (10), November three (3) and October nil (0).

Table 7.2: Tourist Arrivals

MONTH	NATIONALS			NON-NATIONAL RESIDENT			NON-NATIONAL NON-RESIDENT			TOTAL
	Adult	Student	Pupil	Adult	Student	Pupil	Adult	Student	Pupil	
OCTOBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOVEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4
DECEMBER	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	10
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	14

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

Table 7.3: Country of Origin of Tourists

COUNTRY	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	TOTAL
Australia	0	0	2	2
Britain	0	1	6	7
USA	0	2	0	2
Italy	0	0	2	2
Holland	0	1	0	1
TOTAL	0	4	10	14

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.5 Revenue

Four hundred and seventy-six cedis (GHc476.00) was achieved in the reporting period. December recorded the highest fee of Three Hundred and eighty-two cedis (GHc382) and November had Ninety-four cedis (GHc94.00) as charges for Vehicles/car, Park entrance, nature walk/hiking and bird watching fees.

Table 7.4: Revenue generated

MONTH	VEHICLE/ENTRANCE FEES (GHc)	NATURE WALK/HIKING FEES (GHc)	BIRD WATCHING FEES (GHc)	TRADE IN BUSHMEAT/ GAME LIC. (GHc)	TOTAL (GHc)
OCTOBER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NOVEMBER	14.00	0.00	80.00	0.00	94.00
DECEMBER	32.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	382.00
TOTAL	46.00	0.00	430.00	0.00	476.00

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.6 Research

Four trap cameras were installed around the Zitoe dam inside the reserve for the purposes of monitoring flora and fauna and other anthropogenic activities.

7.7 Law Enforcement

Intensive law enforcement operations made up of local, extended and combined patrols were carried out to combat poaching, logging, farm extensions and charcoal production in the Reserve, even in the face of increasing hostility by settler and fringe communities. One charcoal burner was arrested in the Dzakpo area of the reserve but guards were compelled to release him after they were chased by irate mob from the field to the Zitoe camp, compelling the guards to abandon their camps and hide in the bushes. Combined patrols were carried out in areas suffering from heavy destruction by the settlers as well as the Adaklu fringe communities. About thirty heaps of charcoal were destroyed by patrol teams during these patrols while cattle rearing activities brought to a decline.

Figure 7.0: Guards being chased by mob after arrest of offenders



Figure 7.1: Illegal activities encountered on the field



Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.8 Summary of Patrol Effort

Table 7.5 Summary of Patrol Effort

ITEM	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL	MEAN
Effective patrol staff	13	17	18	48	16
Number of patrols (All types)	30	55	62	147	49
Effective hours of patrols/month	222.02	446.99	387.56	1056.57	352.19
Effective Patrol Man-Days (Standardized at 8 Hrs)	131.59	238.14	299.64	669.37	223.12
Average Patrol Days/Officer/ Month	10	14	17	40.65	14
Total Serious Offences encountered	130	207	30	367	122.33
C/E Serious Offences	0.9880	0.8692	0.1001	1.9573	0.6524
Total Large Mammals observed	61	124	133	318	106
C/E Large Mammals	0.4636	0.5207	0.4439	1.4282	0.4761

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.9 Signs of Illegal Activities

Table 7.6: Illegal Activity Signs During Patrols in the Quarter Under Review:

TYPE	OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER		GRAND TOTAL	
	NO.	C/E (EPMD)	NO.	C/E (EPMD)	NO.	C/E (EPMD)	NO.	C/E (EPMD)
Poacher arrested	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Logger arrested	0	0	0	0	1	0.0033	1	0.0033
Logging/Lumbering signs	30	0.2230	20	0.0840	5	0.01678	55	0.3238
Charcoal burning	39	0.2964	57	0.2394	24	0.0801	120	0.6159
Poacher/Logger observed	1	0.0076	4	0.0168	0	0	5	0.0244
Gunshot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Live Cartridges confiscated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Empty Cartridges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Cattle seen	60	0.4559	126	0.5291	0	0	0	0
Poacher footprint	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chainsaw confiscated	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	130	0.9829	207	0.8693	30	0.1002	181	0.9674

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.10 Animal Observation

Green monkeys dominated large mammals sighted in the quarter with a C/E (EPMD) of 0.7391. This is followed by Patas monkey and Kobs with C/E (EPMDs) of 0.1844 and 0.1943 respectively.

Table 7.7: Species of Animal in the Reserve

SPECIES	OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER		GRAND TOTAL	
	NO.	C/E (EPMD)	NO.	C/E (EPMD)	NO.	C/E (EPMD)	NO.	C/E (EPMD)
Bushbuck	10	0.0760	16	0.0672	2	0.0067	28	0.1499
Kob	17	0.1292	17	0.0714	61	0.2036	95	0.4042
Buffalo	0	0	2	0.0084	0	0	2	0.0084
Maxwell duiker	4	0.0304	6	0.0252	5	0.0167	15	0.0723
Patas Monkey	12	0.0912	55	0.2310	43	0.1435	110	0.4657
Green monkey	2	0.0152	7	0.0293	19	0.0634	28	0.1079
Red River Hog	15	0.1139	10	0.0419	3	0.0100	28	0.1658
Mona monkey	0	0	10	0.0419	0	0	10	0.0419
Grey monkey	1	0.0076	0	0	0	0	1	0.0076
TOTAL	61	0.4635	123	0.5163	133	0.4439	317	1.4237

Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

NB: All indices for illegal encounters and animal observations are based on encounter per Effective Patrol Man-days expressed as C/E

7.11 Arrests and Court Cases

There was no arrest and court cases made in the fourth quarter

7.12 Collaborative Resource Management Issues

- **Engagement with communities**

Following the assault on patrol guards by some communities, the Community unit of the Reserve in collaboration with the Adaklu district Police Command and the Adaklu District Assembly organised a community durbar for the Adaklu communities. The objective was to educate the communities on the negative impact of their destructive activities on the reserve and also to warn them to desist from attacking patrol guards of the reserve. This meeting was held at Helekpe and had in attendance management and staff of the Reserve, district Police Commanders of Adaklu and Ho West Districts, original landowners

of the Reserve, District Chief Executive of Adaklu and community members from Helekpe, Dzakpo, Kpetoe, Kpetsu and Hehekpo.

The CRM Unit also undertook Close Season Awareness programs at Zagadzakope, Wukpo and Dorkpo during the quarter. Communities and students were educated on the importance of the Close Season and environmental conservation and the need to protect and preserve the ecosystem. A total of Three hundred and Sixty (360) people were educated on the need for natural resources protection and its long term importance to human lives.

Figure 7.2: Community Durbar at Adaklu Helekpe



Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

- **Stakeholder Engagement**

Climate Change Advisors Ghana (CCAG) a Ho – based Non-Governmental Organization presented three Camera traps to the Park. The equipment will facilitate data collection and monitoring of floral and faunal resources as well as illegal activities in the reserve.

Figure 7.3: CCAG donates Trap Cameras to the Park



Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

- **Courtesy call by Outgoing and Incoming Police Commanders of Ho West District**

Management received a team from the Ho West District Police Command. The outgoing Commander DSP Sebastian Maya came to bid farewell to the Park Manager and also thanked him for a fruitful working relationship during his tenure of service. He also introduced the incoming Commander to management of the Reserve.

Figure 7.4: Outgoing Police Commander of Ho West Visit



Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.13 Civil Works

Minor works were done at the Zitoe camp to improve harvesting of rainwater for domestic use. Rain gutters were replaced and concrete reservoirs were also repaired to ensure constant supply of water for camp use.

Figure 7.5: Repair of Rain gutters at Zitoe camp



Source: Kalakpa Resource Reserve - December, 2022

7.13.1 Infrastructural Development and Maintenance

The Rangers quarters currently occupied by the Park Manager is in a deplorable state and requires immediate maintenance works. Currently none of the four camps have access to portable water and only one of them has electricity.

7.13.2 Boundary and Trail Maintenance

About 35km of the Park boundary has been cleaned at the end of the third quarter.

7.14 Summary of Achievements

Table 7.8: Summary of Achievements of the Reserve in the Fourth Quarter

OBJECTIVE	OUTPUT	ACTIVITIES	ACHIEVEMENT
<p>To reduce poaching and illegal activities in the Reserve.</p> <p>To guarantee PA Integrity.</p>	Poaching and illegal activities reduced in the Park.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Various patrol regimes Carried out - Gathering of security Information/investigations - Field data collection and analysis. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 14 EPD officer/month. - Avg. EPMD of 223.12 achieved compared to 174.78 in previous quarter - Several heaps of charcoal destroyed - Fulani herdsmen flushed out
	Enhanced capacity building for effective PA management	Capacity building for PA staff for effective output	Training held for newly recruited guards.
	Park boundary secured, trails maintained.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clearing and opening up trails and boundaries - Cutting off fallen trees on trails and boundary. -Tending of Green Ghana Seedlings carried out. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 35km of Park boundary cleaned. - Tourist trails maintained, accessible to staff and tourists. - 100% survival rate of planted Green Ghana seedlings.
Strengthen Collaborative Resource Management Structures	Conservation education in basic and JH Schools	Close season campaigns at at Zagadzakope, Wukpo and Dorkpo	A total of Three hundred and Sixty (360) people educated.
	Stakeholder Engagements enhanced	Operations Director held meetings with Volta Regional Police Command, CO of 66 Artillery Regiment, DCEs and Chiefs.	Stakeholders pledged their support for the protection of the Reserve.
To identify and Support research for improved wildlife management.	Research work carried out in KRR	Four Camera traps installed for research	Results will provide a fair assessment of presence and distribution of mammals in the Reserve.
To ensure sustainable, predictable and adequate financing	Improved services provided to tourist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Tourism facilities and sites were weeded, cleaned and cleared -Tourist trails cleared -Tourism staff gave professional service 	- GHC476.00 revenue generated this quarter.

8.0 DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

8.1 District Activity Implementation Efficiency Ratio

Table 8.0: District Activity Implementation Efficiency Ratio

Unit	Total number of activities planned (1)		Total Number of activities implemented and completed (2)		Number of activities implemented that are gender sensitive (3)		Activity implementation rate (2/1)		% of implemented activities that are gender sensitive (3/2)	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
Districts ¹										
MIS/SRID	12	3	4	2	0	0	0.3	0.7	0	0
CROPS	16	7	3	7	3	0	0.2	1.0	100	0
PPRSD	1		0	0	0		0		0	
WIAD	8	3	4	3	4	1	0.5	1.0	100	100
EXT	10	8	3	8	2	0	0.5	01.0	66.7	0
APD	8	3	3	1	3	0	0.3	0.3	100	0
ENG	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1.0		0
VET	3	3	-	1	3		0.4	0.3	100	
Totals	59	28	17	23	15	1	0.5	0.8	81.8	4.3

Source: DAD, 2022

8.1.2 Institution Collaboration

The department of agriculture collaborated with second cycle institution in the district to promote treated urine technology. Samples of treated urine were picked at various SHS campuses and used by AEAs for their crop demonstrations.

8.1.3 Collaboration with DP Projects (GIZ, USAID, WFP, JICA etc)

The department is collaborating with Ghana Productivity Safety Net Project to implement GPSNP2 of which four communities are beneficiaries. The communities are Abutia Kpota, Dzolokpuita, Avatime Biakpa and Kpedze Tordze. Beneficiaries who were enrolled for GPSNP2 started work in October.

Table 8.1: Collaboration with DP Projects (GIZ, USAID, WFP, JICA etc)

Name of Project / Activity	Beneficiaries					Achievement (Result from intervention)
	Male	Female	Youth	Aged	PLWD	
Ghana Productivity Safety Net Project, (GPSNP)	40	33	73	-	-	Planting of plantation crops has been done on 25Ha of land in some selected communities.

Source: DAD, 20222

8.2 Human Resources Development and Management

8.2.1 Agricultural Technical Staff Strength.

Analyse the data in the table on the implication of extension delivery in the region. Cite districts with extremely high staff gap and those with staff within the higher age bracket. Recommendations should be included.

Table 8.2: Agriculture technical staff strength

District Category	No. Required	No. at post		Total	Age Distribution								Total
		M	F		21-30		31-40		41-50		51-60		
					M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
M/DDAs	1	1		1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
DAOs	4	4	0	4	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	4
Vet DAOs	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AEAs	20	4	2	6	2	1	2	1	0	0		0	6
Market Enumerators	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Vet TOs	6	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
NABCo	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
YEA	0	0	0	0	0		0		0		0		0
Totals	49	9	4	13	3	1	4	3	1	1	0	0	13

Source: DAD/RAD, 2022

8.2.2 Capacity Development Training Programmes

Table 8.3: In-service training

Ho West	Name of programme by type	Year	Beneficiaries	
			M	F
1	Training on developing agricultural database	2022	1	0
2	Training on soil fertility management	2022	6	2

Source: DAD/RAD, 2022

Summary of Monitoring findings and Actions Taken

- Provide the names of programmes / projects / interventions (FAW, demonstrations, etc) monitored: Maize demonstrations, sedentary farming demonstrations, Planting for Export and Rural Development (PERD) nurseries.
- DAO's carried out monthly supervision of AEA's during the fourth quarter. AEA's home and farm visits were carried out effectively. Field note books were also up to date.

8.3 Crop and Livestock Production

• Highlights of District Weather Situation

The fourth quarter marks the beginning of harmattan which is characterized by a spell of drought. The weather is mostly windy with very low humidity (dry) as a result of the North-East trade winds and favourable for drying grains, cereals, and other produce which needs to be dried.

During this season of drought, dried grasses and excessive dry winds easily fuels bush fires. Tree crop farmers are mostly advised to avoid bush burning and also create fire belts to avoid loss of cash crops and other economic trees through bush fires.

8.3.1 Rainfall and its Effect on Agriculture

Rainfalls recorded for the minor season extended to the fourth quarter through to mid-November before onset of harmattan (dry season).

Table 8.4: District Monthly Average Rainfall Distribution

No	District	2021		2022		Percentage Change (%)	
		Rainfall (mm)	No. of Rain days	Rainfall (mm)	Number of Rain days	Rainfall (mm)	No. of Rain days
	Ho West	150.00	10	210.00	15	40%	50%

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.3.2 External Factors Impacting on Agriculture Production

Provide brief description of the effect on Agricultural Performance in the region. Indicate area of land and names of districts affected as well as the crops and the number of farmers for the following external factors.

- Flooding: there was no report of flooding in the district.
- Illegal Mining (sand & gold): No report of illegal mining in the district
- Bush Fire: No reports on bush fires for Fourth quarter, 2022.
- Alien Herdsmen Activities: There were activities of alien herds men in some communities in Abutia and Anyirawase.
- Poor Road network: Most of the farm roads are not in good shape and needed to be attended to.
- Price variation of inputs: cost of inputs such as fertilizer are relatively higher as compared to last year. This has affected the total area cropped for the year under review.
- Pest & diseases: there were no reports of pest and disease infestation
- Drought: Fourth quarter marks the onset of Harmattan (Dry Season).

8.3.3 Pest and Disease Situation

- **Fall Army worm**

The district did not receive fall army worm chemicals during this quarter.

8.4 Crop Production

8.4.1 Enhanced utilisation of Agricultural Inputs (Fertilizer & Seed)

- **Fertilizer distribution**

No bags of fertilizer was received and distributed in the fourth quarter.

- **Scheduled Disease Outbreaks and Control Mechanism**

Sensitizations were carried out by Veterinary officers in collaboration with AEA's to prevent Anthrax disease outbreak in the district. PPR and Rabies vaccinations were effectively carried out by District Vet. Officers during the quarter.

- **Quantity of Certified Seeds Distributed**

During this quarter the no seed was received by the district input stores participating in the subsidy programme.

Table 8.5: Number of Agro-Input Outlets in The District

Region	Number of registered input dealers		Number of unregistered input dealers		Total		Number of input outlets and sale points of which both registered and unregistered								Number of Districts Without Input outlet/sale points	
							Solely Crop input		Solely Livestock input		Solely Fisheries input		Mixed Input Outlet			
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	8	10	9	7	17	17	14	14	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.4.2 Enhanced Farmers' Access to Improved Technology

- **Access to Improved Agriculture Technology and Extension Services**

Even though there is a slight increase in extension delivery service, its far below the ideal ratio of 1:500 hence farmer access to extension services becomes more difficult. When extension delivery becomes inaccessible to some farmers it affects the production levels as they are usually unable to attain optimum yields. Farmers are unable to get access to new technologies to improve upon their production levels.

Training FBO's has helped the department to reach more farmers with improved technologies in both crops and livestock production and most of these farmers trained have started adopting these technologies. Some of these technologies adopted includes the IMO system in pig production, rapid multiplication of yam, plantain and cocoyam, farm calendar and budget preparation, etc.

Table 8.6: Access to Agriculture Technology and Extension Services

Indicator		Target	2021	2022
1. Number of improved Technology demonstrated to farmers:	Livestock		5	0
	Fisheries			
	Crop		7	2
	Others			1
Area (acres) under improved Technology demonstrated to farmers:	Livestock			
	Fisheries			
	Crop		5Ha	
2. Extension Agent-farmer ratio		1:500	1:2567	1:2917
3. Total number of farmers participating in demonstrations	Male	2000		
	Female	500		
4. Number of FBOs trained in extension services delivery			10	15

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

Table 8.7: Farmer Based Organizations

Type of FBOs	2021		2022	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Crop	732	510	732	510
Livestock	415	181	415	181
Fisheries				

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.4.3 Agricultural Extension Service Performance

Table 8.8: Availability of Agricultural Extension Services

	2021			2022		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Number of AEAs required	24	12	36	24	12	36
Number of AEAs at post	5	3	8	4	1	5
% AEAs at post compared to required	20.83	25	22.22	16.67	8.33	13.89
% of female AEAs at post		37.5			20	
Number of farmers	12,479	4,387	16,866	14,251	9,425	23,676
Ratio of farmer to AEAs at post			1:2188			1:4,735

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.4.4 Demonstrations conducted

Provide the type of demonstration eg. Varietal trials, nutrient management (fertilizer application or non-application), landforms, etc.

Table 8.9: Number and types of demonstration conducted

District	No. of Demonstrations conducted		Type of demonstration		Beneficiaries				Total
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022	
	0	0	Home gardening for improved nutrition		0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Feed formulation for monogastric		0	0	0	0	
	0	5	Mushroom cultivation		0	0	0	0	

	0	6	12 steps in maize production (GAP)	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Rice Demonstration (Varietal and nutrient)	0	0	0	0	
	0	6	Correct use of Agro-chemicals (farmer safety)	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Sedentary farming (land mgt)	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Orange Flesh Sweet Potato multiplication	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Citrus Budding	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	17 steps of rice cultivation	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Promotion of conservation agriculture of no tillage	0	0	0	0	
	0	0	Build capacity of farmers on steps in cassava production and its value chain	0	0	0	0	

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- **Improved Technologies Adopted by Farmers**

Table 8.10: Farmers Adopting Improved Technologies

No.	Type of Technology adopted		Male		Female	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
1	Home gardening for improved nutrition		16		125	
2	12 steps in maize production (GAP)		148	148	102	102
3	Correct use of Agro-chemicals (farmer safety)		2533	2533	1324	1324
4		Use of improved planting materials	387	387	342	342
5		Use of urine as organic fertilizer	177	177	263	263
6	Citrus Budding		22	22	45	45
7	Bond formation, SRI technology		20	20	12	12
8	Land preparation, fertilizer application, climate smart technology		148	148	102	102

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- **Research-Extension-Farmer Linkages Committees (RELCs)**

No RELCs meeting was held during this quarter under review.

- **Extension Home and Farm visit**

Farmer visit were made to advise them on practices that will help in achieving desired objectives which include adherence to good agronomic practices, identification of diseases and pest, supervision of demonstration protocols and linking farmers to appropriate market

Table 2.4.2.7 Number of extension home and farm visits conducted.

Table 8.11: Extension home and farm visited

District.	Total number of farmers visited	2021		Total number of farmers visited	2022	
		Male	Female		Male	Female
Ho West	4537	2609	1928	4552	2785	1767

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.4.5 Major Crop Performance (Non PFJ)

The lesson acquired in PFJ has affected crops that are not covered by the PFJ, in that farmers now want to use improve seeds. These have indirectly improved the production of other crops that do not cover by the PFJ. Most farmers also use the fertilizer earmarked for PFJ crops to non-PFJ crops.

Table 8.12: Improved Major Crop Proformance (Non PFJ)

No	Crops	Productivity (Mt/Ha)	Area of production (Ha)-estimate	Production (Mt)-estimate
1	OKRA	8.45	609	5146
2	YAM	20.65	1231	25420
3	GARDEN EGG	8.90	356	3168
4	PLANTAIN	10.75	485	5214
5	SWEET POTATOE	10.15	31	315
6	COCOYAM	7.20	491	3535

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.4.6 Major Crop Performance (PFJ)

Table 8.13: Improved Major Crop Performance (PFJ)

No	Crops	Productivity/Yield (Mt/Ha)	Area of production (Ha)	Production (Mt)
1	MAIZE	2.55	2219	5658
2	RICE	4.95	1211	5995
3	CASSAVA	23.71	3699	87703
4	COWPEA	2.90	322	934
5	TOMATOES	9.25	185	1711
6	PEPPER	6.65	176	1170

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

Table 8.14: PFJ Recovery (Fertilizer and seed - 2017)

Region	Total cost of input (Ghc)	Amount Recovered (Ghc)	Balance (Ghc)	Recovery %
	419549.20	272394.50	147154.7	65%

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

Table 8.15: PFJ recovery (Seed - 2018)

Region	Total cost of input (Ghc)	Amount Recovered (Ghc)	Balance (Ghc)	Recovery %
	7074	3266	3808	46.2%

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.5 Agricultural Mechanisation

Table 8.16: Availability of Agricultural Mechanisation

Indicator		2021			2022	
			Target	Actual	Target	Actual
i. Number of functional agricultural mechanisation service centres	New		1	0	1	0
	Existing					
	Number of farmers having access to mechanised services	M	5500	3800	5500	
		F	1520	1032	1520	
i. Area ploughed						

Indicator		2021		2022	
		Target	Actual	Target	Actual
i. Total number of trainees in the proper use and handling of farm machinery	tractor owners, operators, mechanics trained				

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.6 Emergency Preparedness

Twenty farmer groups were trained in eleven communities on climate change issues and climate smart approach in agricultural production. The training was to equip farmers with knowledge in afforestation and climate change mitigation measures. Some farmers were given seedlings to plant. Farmers were also trained on plant pest and disease management/control and the use of drought resistant seed varieties.

8.6.1 National Food Strategic Stock

There is no national buffer stock available in the district.

8.7 Livestock Production

- Enhanced Farmers' Access to Improved livestock production Technology**

No training was organized for livestock and poultry farmers during the quarter. Reporting template for the veterinary officers do not have beneficiaries included hence no information to be recorded.

Table 8.17: Farmers' Access to Improved livestock production Technology

Livestock technologies demonstrated	Males	Females	Total	% Female
IMO technology in pig production				
Urea-straw treatment for enhanced animal nutrition				
Vaccination of animals				

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- Farmers adopting improved livestock technologies adopted**

Improved housing, IMO technology, use of fortified feed, production breed selection, use of veterinary services in animal production are some of the improved livestock technologies been adopted. Farmer's productivity is expected to increase significantly.

Table 8.18: Farmers adopting improved livestock technologies

No.	Number of Technologies adopted		Male		Female	
	2021	2022	2021	2022	2021	2022
	55	55	35	35	20	20

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- Improved Livestock Productivity**

The district received 25 pigs (5 boars and 20 sows) last year as part of the RFJ programme. Five farmers were given 5 pigs each (1 boar and 4 sows) and are expected to pay back with 10 pigs to ensure the programs sustainability.

Table 8.19: Production and distribution of improved livestock breeds

Livestock	Births		% Achieved		No. of Breeding Stock Supplied	
	2021	2022				
	Target	Target	2021	2022	2021	2022
Pig (LW)	50	50	-	-	25	-
Cattle	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sheep	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goat	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rabbits	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pig (ABP)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- **Domestic livestock Population**

Table 8.20: Domestic livestock Population

Livestock	2021	2022	% Change
Cattle	1115	1115	-
Sheep	14,332	14,332	-
Goat	12434	12434	-
Pig	620	620	-
Poultry	23445	23445	-

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- **Livestock credit-in-kind programme**

Indicate recoveries made, number of recovered animals supplied to new beneficiaries, number of new beneficiaries and rate of recovery.

The district received 25 pigs (5 boars and 20 sows) last year (2021) as part of the RFJ programme. Five farmers were given 5 pigs each (1 boar and 4 sows) and are expected to pay back with 10 pigs to ensure the programs sustainability.

The district did not benefit from the credit- in- kind programme.

Table 8.21: Livestock Credit-In-Kind Programme

No.	District	2021							2022							
		No. of Beneficiary Farmers			No. of Ani. Received			No. of Ani. Recov.	No. of Beneficiary Farmers			No. of Ani. Given			No. of Ani. Recov.	No. of Ani. Remained
		M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.		M	F	Tot.	M	F	Tot.		
1	Ho West	4	1	5	5	20	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

8.9 Agribusiness Development

8.9.1 Increased Internal Agriculture Trade

The district supports farmers with training in packaging and labeling knowledge to improve their competitiveness in the domestic markets. This department also train farmers on processing/value addition of produce to improve their profit margins.

8.9.2 Production of Non-Traditional Agricultural Commodities.

Table 8.22: Production of Non-Traditional Agricultural commodities.

Commodity	Quantity (MT)		
	2021	2022	% Change
Fruits	-	-	-
Vegetables	10227.88	10227.88	-
Fish & Sea Food	-	-	-

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- No agreement was signed between producers and aggregators, processors within the fourth quarter
- No Farmer (male/female) was linked to the output market (processors, off taker) in the fourth quarter

8.10 Sustainable Management of Land and Environment

8.10.1 Enhanced Land and Environment Management

- **Climate Change Awareness and Sensitization**

The rainfall experienced during the quarter was quite promising. Farmers were advised to practice climate smart agriculture as they begin preparing their lands for the major season. The department also entreated farmers to improve on animal/livestock production and non-traditional agriculture such as bee-keeping and snail rearing which can serve as a good source of revenue and an effective land use.

Table 8.23: Climate Change Awareness/Sensitization Training

Activities	Number of Trainings	Beneficiaries		Total
		Male	Female	
Bush fire mitigation awareness/trainings	5	105	73	178
Cropping management (e.g., Crop rotation, cover cropping etc.)	5	10	53	125
Water use management (e.g., bunding in rice fields, Drainage construction in flooded fields, Irrigation etc.)	6	1217	329	1546
Integrated Pest Management (IPM)	5	72	53	125
Tree crop planting	14	655	486	1141
TOTAL	35			

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- **Conservation Agriculture Demonstrations**

The department has supervised farmers to prepare their fields in line with climate smart issues. Seventy-two farmers were involved to cover sixteen acres of land as demonstration. Conservation Agriculture fields were established alongside with the ordinary method. The farmers engaged so far have showed keen interest in the concept as it relates very much to the problems they are facing on their fields.

- **Adoption of Conservation farming Systems**

Table 8.24: Conservation Systems Adopted

Systems	Types of Crops	Beneficiaries		Total	Number Adopted		Total	Percentage Adoption
		Male	Female		Male	Female		
Crop rotation	Maize and cowpea	3744	1853	5597	2861	1195	4056	72.46
Mulching	Vegetables	347	229	576	71	105	176	30.55
Zero tillage	Maize, soya, cowpea	4949	2281	7230	3944	2053	5997	82.94
Cover cropping	Cowpea	3744	1853	5597	2861	1195	4056	72.46
Intercropping	Cashew, maize, cowpea	120	38	158	47	19	66	41.77
Others								

Source: District Agriculture Department – December, 2022

- **Environmental Management**

Most environmental issues are communicated to farmers during farmer fora and AEAs visit to farmers. Land pollution through indiscriminate disposal of agrochemical containers on the farm and near water bodies are high on the issue list AEAs educate farmers on.

8.11 Farmers' Day Celebration

The Ho West District celebrated the 38th Farmer's Day at Dodome Avexa on Friday 2nd December, 2022 to honour our gallant farmers for their hard work and contributions to national development. The theme for this year's celebration was "Accelerating Agriculture Development through value addition.

Hon. Ernest Victor Apau, District Chief Executive of Ho West in his speech explained that the concept of value addition in Agriculture will lead to additional revenue generation, job creation, foreign exchange earnings and effective post-harvest management. He encouraged members to patronize made in Ghana foods, since eating locally produced foods will not only help to increase income of farmers but will also help to exhibit our indigenous culture, expand the local economy and growth for district and national development. He used the opportunity to advise drivers plying the roads to exercise a lot of patience whilst driving as the Christmas festivity draw close.

The District Director of Agriculture, Mr. Seth Rashid Asuo also stressed the need for farmers to add value to their products to minimize post-harvest losses. He disclosed that a total of 6,4537 farmers have been registered to benefit from the Planting for Export and Rural Development (PERD) programme.

The Chief of Dodome Teleafenu, Togbe Kodzani III who was the Chairman of the program urged the Agric Department to train farmers in various farming techniques which include but not limited to crop planting, organic fertilizer preparation and application, pest control and packaging and other best practices to improve yield.

The Senior Community Nurse of the District Health Directorate, Mr. Elinam Ansawoe also took the opportunity to educate the public on HIV/AIDS and Covid 19 related issues. He noted that the increase in HIV cases in the country is alarming and therefore urged everyone to test for the virus to know his/her status. He further advised the public to adhere to all Covid 19 safety protocols and shun stigma against persons living with the virus/diseases since the fight against these diseases is a shared responsibility.

In all fourteen (14) farmers were awarded. The overall best farmer went to Biakpa Citrus Plantation and the 1st and 2nd runner ups wen to Mr. Zibrila Ibrahim and Mr. Ali Fawise respectively. Items received by the awardees included; Tricycle, Wellington Boots, Mesh, Knapsack Sprayer, Mattress, Refrigerator, TV Set, Agrochemicals, Cutlass among others.

Figure 8.0: Pictures from the Farmers Day Celebration





9.0 EDUCATION DIRECTORATE

9.1 Staff Strength

9.1.1 Management of Ho West Education Directorate

S/N	NAME	PORTFOLIO	CONTACT
1	MR. FRANCIS YAW AGBEMADI	DIRECTOR	0244653587
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3	MR. EDWARD BOACHIE	CIS	0243274301
4	MR. RUBIN GBEZE	HD PLANNING	0242322038
5	MRS. REBECCA FENUKU	HD HRMD	0244418159
6	MR. JACOB BASSAH	DIST. ACCOUNTANT	0557916782
7	VIDA KOTTO (MAD.)	INTERNAL AUDITOR	0244158133

9.1.2 Number of Central Administration

Enrolment of Central Administration – 73

9.2 Educational Facilities

Table 9.0: Available Educational Facilities

PUBLIC/PRIVATE	LEVEL	NUMBER
PUBLIC	SHS/SHTS/TVET	8
	JHS	65
	PRIMARY	84
	KINDERGARTEN	83
PRIVATE	SHS/TVET	1 DEFUNCT
	JHS	12
	PRIMARY	18
	KINDERGARTEN	18

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.3 Quality

9.3.1 Key Activities Identified for Performance During the Quarter

- Capacity building workshop for staff.
- Monitoring and supervision of schools.
- Reading festival for basic school pupils under USAID Learning.
- School support visits by Schedule Officers.
- Implementation of numeracy remedial lessons for primary schools
- National Renewable Energy Challenge competition
- Basic Education Certificate Examination

9.3.2 Key Activities Performed During the Quarter

- Capacity training on computerized school selection and placement system (CSSPS): Training was organized to build capacity of SISOs, PROs and Exams Officers on the processes involved in the 2022 CSSPS for BECE candidates. This training was cascaded at district and circuit levels where headteachers, teachers, parents/guardians and candidates got well informed about the process and how to apply the innovations therein.
- Routine monitoring and supervision of schools was intensified to ensure attendance, regularity, punctuality, positive attitude to work, academic interventions towards B.E.C.E candidates.
- Implementation of play base methodology and T2E plus USAID Learning in primary schools. 115 out of 116 basic schools representing 99% were visited. The remaining 1% was as a result of its hard-to-reach nature.

- **Energy Challenge Championship;** is a renewable energy competition for senior schools where schools are tasked to apply renewable energy concept to the benefit of society. Kpedze SHS presented a project on preservation of vegetables for one year in a solar powered fridge at the volta regional competition and won. They proceeded to compete at the southern zone and placed 3rd to qualify among six other schools for the national challenge championship. The national competition was held on 19th October, 2022 at Accra Conference Centre. Kpedze SHS fearlessly beat all its contemporaries to win the gold medal for the 2022 national renewable energy challenge. The award included 5 kilowatt solar energy plant, solar bulbs, solar street lights and other accessories all worthing in total, GHC205,000.00.

It is worth noting that the Ho West District Assembly supported their preparations with GHC1000.00. Other organizations eg. Foot Print of Glory (NGO)

- All 54 worth under GALOP submitted their progress report through the mobile school report system.

9.4 Access

Table 9.1: Supplies and Deliverables - Access

S/N	ITEM	QUANTITY	SOURCE OF SUPPLY	REMARKS
1	New classrooms	1# 3 unit classroom block	Avetakpo community	To begin a new primary school
2	Request for absorption of schools	1	Abutia Avetakpo	
3	Renovated classrooms	-	-	
4	Furniture supplied			
	a) Mono Desk	-	-	
	b) Dual Desk	-	-	
	c) Teachers tables & chairs	-	-	
	Toilet facilities provided (Water Closet)	-	-	
5	Urinals Provided	-	-	
6	Safe water provided	1# 25000 Litres polytank	VARAS (NGO)	Water project delivered to Norvisi D/A Basic
	a) Pipe borne water	-	-	
	b) Boreholes	-	-	

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.4 Other Access Activities

Table 9.2: Teacher Deployment & Other Information - Quality

S/N	ITEM	NUMBER	REMARKS
1	Teacher/staff Retired	3	Compulsory Retirement
2	Vacation of Post	-	None
3	Resignation	-	None

4	Deceased	2	
5	Transfer into District		applications in process
6	Transfer out of District		applications process
7	Teachers re-posted		none

Table 9.3: Staff/Teacher Professional Development (capacity building of all types) - Quality

S/N	ACTIVITY	OUTPUT	OUTCOME	REMARKS
1	Organization of remedial lessons for primary school pupils.	69 participants	4,456 students were impacted.	Classes are supervised by teacher/community volunteers

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.5 Management Efficiency

Table 9.4: Activities - Management

S/N	ACTIVITY	OUTPUT	OUTCOME	REMARKS
1	Schools Monitored			
	a) KG			
	b) Primary			
	c) JHS	71	71	
	d) SHS/SHTS	7	7	
	e) TVET	1	1	
2	Organization of Mathematics remedial lessons	4	69	Attended by DTO, PRO, CIS Stats Off

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.5: Other Management Efficiency Related Activities

S/N	ACTIVITY	OUTPUT	OUTCOME	FUNDING SOURCE
1	<u>Staff Meeting on Mondays</u> The staff were regularly updated and briefed on workshops, programmes and activities conducted within the weeks. Facilitators included the DDE, DTO, PRO, ICT Coord, GEO, etc	12	78	self

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.6 Basic Schools Report

Table 9.6 (a): Basic School Report - Teacher Enrolment

KG			PRIM			JHS			
PUB	PRIVT	T	PUB	PRIVT	T	PUB	PRIVT	TOTAL	
210	39	249	551	94	645	436	39	475	
PUBLIC SCHOOLS						PRIVATE SCHOOLS			
KG	PRIM	JHS	TOTAL			KG	PRIM	JHS	TOTAL
210	551	436	1197			39	94	39	172

Table 9.6 (b): Basic Schools Report - Students' Enrolment

KG			PRIM			JHS			SHS/TVET			GRAND
PUB	PRIVT	T	PUB	PRIVT	T	PUB	PRIVT	T	PUB	PRIVT	T	TOTAL
4889	636	5525	10279	1090	11369	4490	219	4709	8501	-	8501	30,104
PUBLIC SCHOOLS						PRIVATE					GRAND	
KG	PRIM	JHS	SHS/TVT	TOTAL	KG	PRIM	JHS	SHS	TOTAL	TOTAL		
4889	10279	4490	8501	28159	636	1090	219	-	1372	30,104		

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.7 SHS/SHTS Report

Table 9.7: Number of Schools

S/N	Type	Number
1	SHS	4
2	SHTS	3

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.8: School Enrolment (for both SHS and SHTS)

S/N	ENROLEMNT	DAY		BOARDING		TOTAL
	LEVEL	BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	
2	YEAR 1	175	97	1,000	1,200	2,472
3	YEAR 2	181	138	1,226	1,169	2,714
4	YEAR 3	230	156	1,065	1,010	2,461
TOTAL		586	391	3,291	3,379	7,647

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.9: Teacher Population (for both SHS and SHTS)

S/N	GENDER	NUMBER
1	MALE	376
2	FEMALE	112
	TOTAL	488

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.10: Non-Teaching Staff

S/N	GENDER	NUMBER
1	MALE	127
2	FEMALE	134
	TOTAL	261

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.11: Core Subjects & ICT Teachers (for both SHS and SHTS)

S/N	SUBJECT	NUMBER	REMARKS
1	English	46	5 needed
2	MATHEMATICS	67	5 needed
3	Integrated Science	47	5 needed
4	Social Studies	40	
5	ICT	18	5 needed

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.7 Furniture Data Report

Table 9.12: Other School Supplies (for both SHS and SHTS)

S/N	SUPPLIES RECEIVED	QUANTITY	SOURCE/SUPPLIER
1	Computers & Accessories	-	-
2	Classroom Furniture	-	-
	mono desk	-	-
	Dual desk	-	-
	tables/chairs	-	-
3	Bungalow	-	-

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.13: Furniture Data Staff

FURNITURE	AVAILABLE	DEFICIT
SHS/SHTS	3,494	3783

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.14: Furniture Data Students

FURNITURE	AVAILABLE	DEFICIT
SHS/SHTS	244	434

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.7 TVET Report

Table 9.15: Number of Schools

S/N	Type	Number	Remarks
1	Technical	1	Amedzofe TI
2	Vocational	0	0
3	Technical/Vocational	0	0

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.16: School Enrolment (Technical Vocational)

S/N	ENROLMENT/ LEVEL	DAY		BOARDING		TOTAL
		BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	
1	Year 1	125	15	0	0	140
2	Year 2	86	18	0	0	104
3	Year 3	91	03	05	01	100
	TOTAL	302	36	05	01	344

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.8 Staff Population

Table 9.17: Teacher Population (Technical/Vocational)

S/N	Gender	Number	Remarks
1	Male	25	Two are NABCO Personnel
2	Female	3	
TOTAL		28	

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.18: Core Subjects and ICT Teachers

S/N	Subject	Number
1	English	2
2	Mathematics	3
3	Int. Science	3
4	Social Studies	2
5	ICT	1
	TOTAL	11

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

Table 9.19: Non-Teaching Staff Population (Technical/Vocational)

S/N	Gender	Number
1	Male	9
2	Female	14
TOTAL		23

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.9 Other Supplies (Technical/Vocational)

Table 9.20: Other Supplies (Technical/Vocational)

S/N	Supplies Received	Quantity	Source of Supply
1	Computers & accessories	-	-
2	Classroom furniture	-	-
3	Dining tables/benches	-	-
4	Beds	-	-

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.8 Special Schools Report

Table 9.21: Number of Special Schools

S/N	TYPE	NUMBER	REMARKS
1	SPECIAL BASIC	0	No special basic school in the district
2	SPECIAL SECOND CYCLE	0	No special basic school in the district

Source: Education Directorate – December, 2022

9.9.0 Any Other Information Critical to the Health of Education Delivery:

E.g; Disciplinary issues, Vacancies, School Assessment, Special & Inclusive Education, Co-curricular Activities, PTAs/SMCs/DEOCs, Personnel and Payroll, Audit issues, etc.

9.9.1 Legal Issue (If Any)

There was no legal issue in the fourth quarter.

9.9.2 Vacancies

- Driver – 1 (for the Education Office)
- Teachers needed 120 for basic schools and 30 for senior high schools.

9.9.3 B.E.C.E and WASSCE, 2022

The 2022 B.E.C.E which started on the 17th December and ended on the 21st December, 2022 was conducted in serene atmosphere. Candidates comported themselves and there was no incident of misconduct. A total of one thousand, four hundred and nineteen (1,419) candidates' registered for the exams out of 1,415 were present 99.72% in attendance. The remaining 4 candidates representing 0.28% had issues with migration, child birth and parental neglect.

9.10 National Standardized Test (NST)

The NST was conducted in two cohorts for basic two (2) and basic four pupils. The basic 2 NST was conducted from 5th of December, 2022 and ended on the 14th December, 2022 with Test Administrators administering the test items one – on – one with the learners using tablets. The basic 4 one which was paper sitting exams was conducted on the 17th December, 2022 across the country. Both exams were conducted in English and Mathematics.

10.0 HEALTH DIRECTORATE

10.1 Number of Health Facilities in the District

Table 10.0: Number of Health Facilities in the District

S/N	Type of Health Facility	Number
1	Polyclinic	1
2	Health Centre	13
3	Clinics	3
4	CHPS Compound	12
5	District Hospital	0 (under construction)
	Total	29

Source: Health Directorate – December, 2022



10.2 Distribution of facilities by sub-district

Table 10.1: Distribution of facilities by sub-district

NO.	NAME OF FACILITY	SUB - DISTRICT	LOCATION	OWNERSHIP
1	Abutia Agorve Health Centre	Abutia	Abutia Agorve	Government
2	Abutia Kloe Health Centre		Abutia Kloe	Government
3	Abutia Norvisi CHPS		Abutia Norvisi	Government
4	Kissiflui CHPS		Kissiflui	Government
5	Ameco Clinic	Avatime	Amedzofe	Quasi – Government
6	Amedzofe Health Centre		Amedzofe	Government
7	Fume Health Centre		Fume	Government
8	Gbadzeme CHPS		Gbadzeme	Government
9	Vane H/C	Kpedze	Vane	Government
10	Ashanti Kpoeta CHPS		Ashanti Kpoeta	Government
11	Luvudo CHPS		Luvudo	Government
12	Kpedze Health		Kpedze	Government
13	Honuta CHPS			
14	Avenui CHPS	Tsito	Avenui	Government
15	Dededo CHPS		Dededo	Government
16	Tsibu Health Centre		Tsibu	Government
17	Tsito Health Centre		Awudome Tsito	Government
18	Anyrawase CHPS			
19	Anfoeta CHPS	Weto Hedzefe	Anfoeta Zongo	Government
20	Hlefi Health Centre		Hlefi	Government
21	Akome CHPS	Yingor	Akome Gbogame	Government
22	Dodome Awuiasu Health		Dodome Awuiasu	Government
23	Dodome Teleafenui Health Centre		Dodome Teleafenui	Government
24	Dzologbogame Health Centre		Dzolo Gbogame	Government
25	Dzolokpuita Health Centre		Dzolokpuita	Government
26	Saviefe CHPS		Saviefe Agorkpo	Government
27	St. Francis Clinic		Saviefe Agorkpo	Government

Source: Health Directorate – December, 2022

10.5 Activities Performed during the Fourth Quarter of the year 2022

- Out Patient Department Services
- General Consultation
- Laboratory services
- Health Education
- Counselling
- Conducted fixed vaccination sessions, outreach services and school vaccination sessions.
- Conducted both passive and active surveillance on epidemic prone diseases
- Conducted register review

- Carried health week celebrations
- Executed services to hard-to-reach communities
- Conducted (1) technical support visits to all facilities in the district
- Undertook advocacy, communication and social mobilisation two (2) communities
- Conducted supportive supervision on TB/HIV to all the facilities
- Conduct two (2) integrated monitoring and supervision to all facilities
- Organize community durbars on reproductive issues and family planning as well as involve the males in Family Planning services
- Conduct monthly data validation and verification sessions for all CHNs under the jurisdiction of the district
- Provide both focus and outreach ANC Services
- Performed TB screening sessions in two (2) communities in the district.
- Organize services on market days to commercialize services to clients eg.
 - i. Family Planning
 - ii. Immunization Services
 - iii. Post Natal Services
 - iv. And all basic Child Health Services
- Intensify home visit which also includes tracking of pregnant women
- Held 2022 annual year performance review meeting
- Supportive supervision and mentoring visit to CHPS Zones
- Routine Growth Monitoring and Promotion
- Supportive supervision to schools to educate student on Iron Folic Acid tablets
- Conduct district monthly data validation meeting
- Conducted Nutrition Clinic
- Micronutrient deficiency control
- Collaborated with Marie Stopes to provide free long-term family planning services to the community.

11.0 CENTRE FOR NATIONAL CULTURE (CNC) AND TOURISM DEVELOPMENT

11.1 Staff

The Ho West Centre for National Culture has only one (1) substantial officer which is the District Cultural Officer.

11.2 Visits Undertaken

The Centre visited some performing groups in the district to supervise their performances as the Centre had two (2) programmes namely the Regional Festival and District Festival to execute.

These Performing groups were;

- i. Dodome Awuiasu Lornonyo Zibo Borborbor Group
- ii. Tedeafenu Agbeye Borborbor Group
- iii. Amedzofe Agbeyeye Borborbor Group

- iv. Biakpa Ayape Borborbor Group
- v. Biakpa Power Youtth Group
- vi. Kpalongo Group
- vii. Kpedze Todze Zitor Borborbor Group
- viii. Dodome Aveha Unity Borborbor Group
- ix. Anyirawase Marranatta Borborbor Group
- x. Kpoeta Desiadenyo Borborbor Group
- xi. Kpoeta Achem Borborbor group

11.3 District Festival/Cultural Expo

Infanta Malaria Prevention Foundation together with the District Chief Executive and the Ghana Health Service Health Service joined the Chiefs, Queens and people of Avatime to commission the Community-Based Health Planning and Services (CHPS) compound at Avatime Biakpa as well as to celebrate the 2022 Amu Festival with the people of Avatime. This year's event was on the theme: "Re-engaging for Unity and Development in Avatime, through Mountain Brown Rice Culture and Ecotourism.

The newly constructed facility which is fully furnished has Maternity ward, lying in ward, consulting room, pharmacy, Out Patient Department, Store, reproductive child unit and two nurses' quarters.

The Director of Infanta Malaria Prevention Foundation, Mrs. Ruth Nylander in an address read on behalf of Her Excellency the First Lady, Mrs Rebecca Akuffo Addo congratulated the people of Avatime for celebrating an important milestone. She said the foundation chaired by the First Lady, focuses on supporting communities to improve health care especially that of women and children. She stated that the CHPS compound remains a significant concept of promoting health care delivery as well as bringing health care to the door steps of Ghanaians.

The Paramount Chief of Avatime Traditional Area, Osie Adza Tepor thanked the First Lady for building and equipping the CHPS compound. Osie Adza Tekpor noted that the celebration of the Amu Festival is aimed at mobilizing citizens to foster unity and initiate social and development activities in Avatime. He indicated that plans are underway to upscale and secure an investor for the production, processing, storage and marketing of the Avatime Mountain Brown Rice. He also called for peace and unity in Avatime and assured of his continuous support to work for unity and peace in Avatime. He also took the opportunity to outline some tourism potentials in the Avatime enclaves and urged investors to take advantage.

Figure 11.0: AMUFEST Celebration and Commissioning of CHPS compound at Avatime Biakpa





The celebration was graced by members of Infanta Malaria Prevention Foundation, the Member of Parliament, Hon. Emmanuel K. Bedzrah, the Presiding Member of Ho West, Hon. Rita Semanu Eglegbe, Executives of the New Patriotic Party, Executives of Koko Plus Limited, Chiefs and people of Avatime, the media and the general public.

11.4 Regional Festival of Art and Culture

The Regional Festival of Arts and Culture, a programme which came off at Lume Atsiamé at the Ho Municipality on the 27th October, 2022 with its theme being; **Reviving Patriotism, Peace and Unity through Cultural Diversity for Sustainable Development.**

Fifteen participants from various Municipal/Districts all over the Region represented their Municipal/Districts and exhibited some wealth of their Municipals/Districts but due to financial constraints, Ho West District Assembly was unable to support the Centre as requested by the Honourable Minister of the Region. Notwithstanding, the District Cultural Officer was able to gather some exhibition materials and did the exhibition.

11.5 Exhibition

The theme for the Exhibition festival was dubbed “**Unearthing the worth of Ho West**” had some exhibitors their arts namely; Beads, Fashion Designs, Batik/Tie & Dye clothes, Foodstuff and Traditional medicines to mention a few.

Due to the unavailability of funds only six groups were able to perform at the festival, they were, Dodome Avexa, Unity Borborbor, Amedzofe Agbeyeye Borborbor, Kpoeta Borborbor, Dodome Tedeafenu Avatime Biakpa Ayape Borborbor groups and Avatime Biakpa Power Youth Kpalongo Group.

At the end of the programme, a certificate of participation was awarded to the participating groups. The successful programme was graced with the presence of the Hon Chief Executive, Hon. Earnest Victor Apau, Representatives of Member of Parliament, Hon. Emmanuel Kwasi Bedzra, Regional Director, Madam Patience Amexo Centre for National Culture, Volta Region and her Deputy Mr Kasim Mireku and staff of the Regional Directorate to list a few.

11.6 Tourism Development

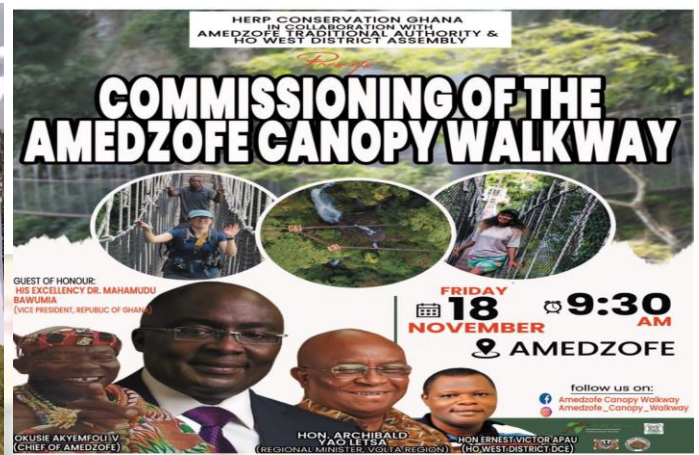
11.6.1 Commissioning of the Amedzofe Canopy Walkway

The Volta Regional Minister, Hon. Archibald Yao Letsa commissioned the Amedzofe canopy walkway on Friday 18th November, 2022. Speaking at the commissioning, the Hon. Regional Minister revealed that the adventure he had on the canopy walkway was exhilarating, breathtaking and spectacular. He therefore called on all to visit the first canopy walk in Volta Region and have the experience. He added that the canopy walkway would help boost ecotourism as well as create income for residents. In attendance was also the District Chief Executive, Hon. Ernest Victor Apau, the District Coordinating Director of the Ho West Assembly, the Regional Director of Ghana Tourism Authority, Mr. Alexander Nketia, Dr. Caleb Ofori Boateng, Founder of HERP Conservation Ghana and Member of Amedzofe Ecotourism Board among other dignitaries.

In a speech read on behalf of Osie Akyem Foli V, the Mankrado of Amedzofe explained that World Tourism Day has been adopted as a festival by the community to raise funds to promote tourism and to continuously raise awareness of protecting our environment. Furthermore, he stated that the community will engage in tree planting along watercourses in order to protect the environment while discouraging illegal tree felling. Additionally, he requested the construction of roads leading to tourist sites.

Figure 11.0: Pictures from the Commissioning of Amedzofe Canopy Walkway and the Ote Waterfalls and the Launching of the World Tourism Day





The Amedzofe Canopy Walkway was constructed by HERP Conservation Ghana (Herp-Ghana) with active support from the District Assembly and Traditional Authorities and the community members.

The canopy walkway is a 140m bridge that spans across the Ote waterfalls. It is a 25 minutes hike from the town center to the falls and canopy walkway. When walking down the walkway you will descend 259 stairs. The canopy walkway offers you a stunning view of both the Ote water fall and the forests that comprise the endangered Onepone species. The Amedzofe community which is the highest settlement in Ghana has numerous tourist attractions such as the unique weather, caves, evergreen forest cover, Ote falls, German Missionary Cemetery and Mount Gemi which is the second highest mountain in Ghana.

Dr. Caleb Ofori Boateng, Founder of HERP Conservation Ghana and Member of Amedzofe Ecotourism Board called for the protection of the environment to mitigate climate change and also help conserve plant and animal species that are getting extinct.

The Regional Minister also launched the Amedzofe Tourism Festival.

12.0 GOVERNANCE, CORRUPTION AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY

- **Inter-Service and Sectoral Collaboration Meeting**

The Ho West District Assembly on Wednesday 29th November, 2022 held its Inter-Service and Sectoral Collaboration and Cooperation Systems (ISCCS) meeting at the District Assembly Hall, Dzolokpuita. The meeting was to enable Departments and Agencies review their performances, challenges faced in executing their functions and ways to effectively collaborate with each other.

The meeting saw presentation from the Security Agencies which include the Fire, Police and Immigration Services, Small Water Systems, Community Water and Sanitation Agency, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Ambulance Service, Forestry Commission, National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE), Commission for Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ), Ghana Education Service and Heads of Departments of the Assembly.

Figure 12.0: Pictures from the Inter-sectoral Meeting



- **Second Ordinary Meeting of the Third Session of the Assembly**

The Ho West District Assembly on Friday 23rd December, 2022 held its General Assembly Meeting for its third session ending the year 2022. The Presiding Member, Hon. Rita Semanu Eglegbe in her welcome address indicated that the meeting is in fulfilment of the Assembly's mandate to take decisions that will help improve the well-being of its citizens. She took the opportunity to thank Hon. Assembly Members and staff of the Assembly for their hard work, contribution and cooperation to ensure the development goals of the district is achieved.

Figure 12.1: Pictures from General Assembly Meeting



- **DCEs Community/Public Engagements**

The DCE on his engagement programmes, interacts with the various traditional councils in the communities every quarter on various developmental activities. He takes the opportunity to explain the current internal and global economic issues and also updated them on progress made in Ho West as well as new initiatives while answering questions posed.

Table 12.1: Summary of Hon. DCEs Community/Public Engagements

S/N	DATE	VENUE	ACTIVITY/TOPIC OF DISCUSSION	GROUP
1	14/10/2022	Kpoeta	Clean-up Exercise	Kpoeta Community
2	26/10/2022	Awudome Bame	Empowerment of Teenage mothers	Awudome Bame Community
3	30/10/2022	Dzolokpuita, Holuta	Reviewing of the Joint Advocacy Activities with DCE in the area of Breast cancer, Teenage Pregnancy and Women Entrepreneurship training Sensitization on the upcoming Household Registration Exercise	Queen Mothers Association
4	7/11/2022	Dzolokpuita	Inspection of Ongoing Projects	Monitoring Team

5	11/12/2022	Abutia Avetakpo	Abreasting the people of the community with the issues of development in the district	Abutia Avetakpo Community
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Hon. DCE Engagement with Abutia Avetakpo Community



13.0 WORKS DEPARTMENT

13.1 Introduction

The department is mandated to implement policies on works and to advice on matters relating to works in the District as well as facilitate the construction, repairs and maintenance of all public roads, buildings and water systems within its jurisdiction.

The Department is made up of Three (3) main units, manned by Engineers who then report to the Head of Works Department. These Units include:

- Building
- Feeder Roads
- Water and Sanitation

13.2 Staff Strength

The department has a staff capacity of nine (9)

13.3 Project Supervision

The works Department is currently supervising construction of District Chief Executive Bungalow and renovation of Abutia Kloe area council office at Kloe including the following;

Projects funded under DPAT V

- a. Construction of Canteen for decentralized Department
- b. Construction of reinforced underground tank for GNFS
- c. Construction Of 2-bedroom residential accommodation at Dzolokpuita

- d. Rehabilitation of maternity ward at Kpedze Clinic

Getfund Projects

- e. Construction of 2-unit Kindergarten classroom block at Abutia Teti
f. Construction of 2- unit Kindergarten classroom block at Dodome Dogblome

Table: 13.0 Clerks of Works Assigned Projects

S/N	NAME OF PROJECT	CLERK OF WORKS	RANK
1	CONSTRUCTION OF CANTEEN FOR DECENTRALIZED DEPARTMENT	HOLY AVORNORKADZI	ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR
2	CONSTRUCTION OF REINFORCED UNDERGROUND TANK FOR GNFS	WILSON AGBENU DANIEL LARBI	ASSISTANT ENGINEER
3	CONSTRUCTION OF 2-BEDROOM RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION AT DZOLOKPUITA	WILSON AGBENU	ASSISTANT ENGINEER
4	REHABILITATION OF MATERNITY WARD AT KPEDZE CLINIC	ETORNAM ANIPAH	ASSISTANT QUANTITY SURVEYOR
5	CONSTRUCTION OF 2-UNIT KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM BLOCK AT ABUTIA TETI	SOLOMON HORMEKU AND GETFUND CONSULTANT	SENIOR QUANTITY SURVEYOR
6	. CONSTRUCTION OF 2-UNIT KINDERGARTEN CLASSROOM BLOCK AT DODOME DOGBLOME	SOLOMON HORMEKU AND GETFUND CONSULTANT	SENIOR QUANTITY SURVEYOR
7	CONSTRUCTION OF DCE RESIDENCE	EMMANUEL NUTSUKPO	ASSISTANT ARCHITECT

Source: Works Department – December, 2022

13.4 Development Control

The building inspector together with other staffs assigned in collaboration with the Physical Planning Department carried out periodic field exercises to check on developers who build without the required permit to undertake such developments. Total of four (4) permit application were received.

A Technical Committee Meeting was held in the quarter which saw four (4) applications recommended to Spatial Planning Committee for approval representing 100%.

During the quarter under review the department generated Five Thousand and Ninty-Three Ghana cedis GHC 5,093.00. through development control.

Five visits were made to the following communities to prevent haphazard development; Amedzofe-Vane, Akome and Kpedze. Over twenty (20) building were marked to stop work and produce development permit.

13.5 Physical Projects

Table 13.1: List of Physical Projects

No	Project Description	Loc.	Brief Narrative	Executing Firm	Consultant	Start Date	Anticipated Completion Date	Cost (Contract Sum)	Payments To Date	Out. Payt	Funding Source (GH¢)	% Work Done	Status/ Progress
1	Const. of Tsito Town Council Office.	Tsito	Improve accesses to Local governance	Royal September	HWDA	3/8/2015	28/02/2016	109,197.27	51,027.70	58,169.57	DACF	55%	Abrogated
2	Const. of CHPS Compound at Tsyome	Tsyome Afedo	Improve accesses to quality Health	Genefos Gh Ltd	AESL	10/11/2016	30/4/2017	188,219.76	178,208.55	10,011.21	DDF	100%	Completed and yet to be handed over for use
3	Construction of CHPS Compound at Awudome Avenui	Awudome Avenue	Improve accesses to quality Health	Selack Limited	HWDA	03/11/2018	31/05/2019	274,124.20	98,872.20	217,173.94	DACF	35%	Abrogated
4	Construction of DCE Residence at Dzolokpuita	Dzolo-kpuita	Improve security	Yandeg Company Ltd	HWDA	5/11/2020	5/11/2021	539,957.00	80,993.55	458,963.45	DACF	47%	Ongoing
5	Renovation of Area Council Office at Abutia Kloe	Abutia Kloe	To strenghten local structures	Cavirrius Vent. LTD	HWDA	14/7/2021	12/11/2021	89,220.60	31,564.00	57,656.60	DACF	30%	Ongoing

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6	Construction of Underground Water Tank for GNFS at Dzolokpuita	Dzolo-kpuita	To improve access to potable water	Nyasmond Comp. LTD	HWDA	5/8/2022	15/01/2023	125,384.45	112,846.05	12,538.40	DPAT V	100%	Completed
7	Construction of Canteen at District Assembly Premises at Dzolokpuita	Dzolo-kpuita	To Staff Welfare	Mighty Brothes Ltd	HWDA	5/8/2022	15/01/2023	351,996.75	109,443.58	242,553.17	DPAT V	100%	Completed and in use
8	Rehabilitation of Maternity Block at Kpedze Poly Clinic	Kpedze	To Improve access to health care	Kwaneth Comp. Ltd	HWDA	5/8/2022	15/01/2022	338,500.00	304,650	33,850.00	DPAT V	100%	Completed and in use
9	Construction of 1No. 2 Bedroom Apartment for Heads of Decentralized Department	Dzolo-kpuita	To Staff Welfare	Allah Have Mercy Comp. Ltd	HWDA	5/8/2022	15/01/2023	285,336.00	256,803.00	28,533.00	DPAT V	100%	Completed and in use
10	Construction of (3.5 km) Feeder road at Abutia Adegbleve	Abutia Adegbleve	To improve road infrastructure	Kwanneth Com. Ltd	HWDA	16/3/2022	30/11/2022	90,000.00	52,000.00	38,000.00	DACF	47%	Ongoing

No	Project Description	Loc.	Brief Narrative	Executing Firm	Consultant	Start Date	Anticipated Completion Date	Cost (Contract Sum)	Payments To Date	Out. Payt	Funding Source (GH¢)	% Work Done	Status/ Progress
11	Construction of Dzolokpuita Gbedome Feeder road (6.5 km)	Dzolokpuita , Gbedome	To improve road infrastructure	ASANEC Com. Ltd	RDCU of MLGDRD	3/02/2020	30/12/2022	849,745.20	-	-	World Bank/ GOG	30%	Abrogated
EXTERNAL FUNDED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS													
1	Construction of Canopy walkway and Devt of Ote Falls at Amedzofe	Amedzofe	To improve Tourism and community Development	HERP Cons. Ghana	HERP Conservation Gh.	1/1/2022	18/11/2022	800,000.00	800,000.00	0.00	Donor	100%	Completed and in use
2	Construction of CHPS compound at Avatime Biakpa by Infanta Malaria Prevention	Avatime Biakpa	To Improve access to health care	-	Infanta Malaria Prevention Foundation	-	-	550,000.00	550,000.00	0.00	Donor	100%	Completed and in use
3	Construction of 2-Unit Kindergarten classroom block at Dodome Dogblome	Dodome Dogblome	To improve access to quality education	Kum-Franky Com. Ltd	Min. of Edu./ HWDA	28/7/2022	31/1/2023	539,967.00	-	-	Getfund	30%	Ongoing

4	Construction of 2-Unit Kindergarten classroom block at E.P Prim. Sch. at Abutia Teti	Abutia-Teti	To improve access to quality education	Univec Complex Vent. Ltd	Min. of Edu./ HWDA	3/09/2022	31/3/2023	532,074.40	-	-	Getfund	30%	Ongoing
No	Project Description	Loc.	Brief Narrative	Executing Firm	Consultant	Start Date	Anticipated Completion Date	Cost (Contract Sum)	Payments To Date	Out. Payt	Funding Source (GH¢)	% Work Done	Status/ Progress
5	Construction of ICT Center at Amedzofe Technical Institute by CODA	Amedzofe	To improve access to quality education	-	CODA	16/3/2022	31/11/2022	-	-	-	GOG	30%	Ongoing
6	Construction of 20-unit market shed each at Kissiflui and Dededo by CODA	Kissiflui, Dededo	To improve Economic development/ Trade	-	CODA	5/11/2021	31/06/2022	-	-	-	GOG	30%	Ongoing
7	Construction of Community Water System (Spanish Water Project) by CWSA in 4 selected communities	Anyirawa se, Saviefe Gbogame, Saviefe Agorkpo and Kpale Xorse	To improve access to potable water	Win-Meg Vent. Ltd	CWSA	5/1/2022	31/07/2022	2,532,004.00	874,510.01	1,657,493.99	Spanish Debt Swap	60%	Ongoing
8	Construction of ICT Center at Holuta Aflakpe by CODA	Holuta Aflakpe	To improve access to quality education	-	CODA	-	-	-	-	-	-	25%	Ongoing

9	Construction of ICT Center at Kpedze by CODA	Kpedze	To improve Health care	-	CODA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ongoing
No	Project Description	Loc.	Brief Narrative	Executing Firm	Consultant	Start Date	Anticipated Completion Date	Cost (Contract Sum)	Payments To Date	Out. Payt	Funding Source (GH¢)	% Work Done	Status/ Progress
11	Construction of the Agenda 111 (Ho West District Hospital Project) at Dzolokpuita	Dzolokpuita	To improve Health care	1. Top Int'l Engineerin g GH. Ltd (Lead) 2. Gobco Com. Ltd (other) 3. Fridoug Ltd (other)	Avanguard Design Serv./ GOG	21/04/2022	30/08/2023	147,426,684.7972	-	-	GOG	10%	Ongoing

Source: Works Department – December, 2022

13.6 Pictures of Some Ongoing Projects

Figure 13.0: Pictures of Some Ongoing/Completed Projects

A. Underground Water Tank for GNFS at Dzolokpuita



B. 1No. 2-Bedroom Apartment for Heads of Decent. Dept. at Dzolokpuita





C. Rehabilitated Maternity Block at Kpedze Polyclinic

Dilapidated Maternity Ward

After Rehabilitation



D. Canteen at District Assembly Premises at Dzolokpuita



E. Construction of DCE's Residence at Dzolokpuita



F. Renovation of Abutia Area Council Office



G. Construction of Tsito Town Council Office



H. Construction of Dzolokpuita -Gbedome Feeder road (6.5km) I. Sod cutting for the Construction of the ICT Lab at Amedzofe



J. Construction of Agenda 111 (Ho West District Hospital) at Dzolokpuita– Some Sections of the Project



K. CHPS Compound at Avatime Biakpa



L. Completion of Tysome CHPS Compound



M. Construction of Community Water Systems (Spanish Debt Swap Project) in Four Selected Communitie (i.e., Saviefe Agorkpo, Gbogame, Deme and Anyirawase).



14.0 FINANCE

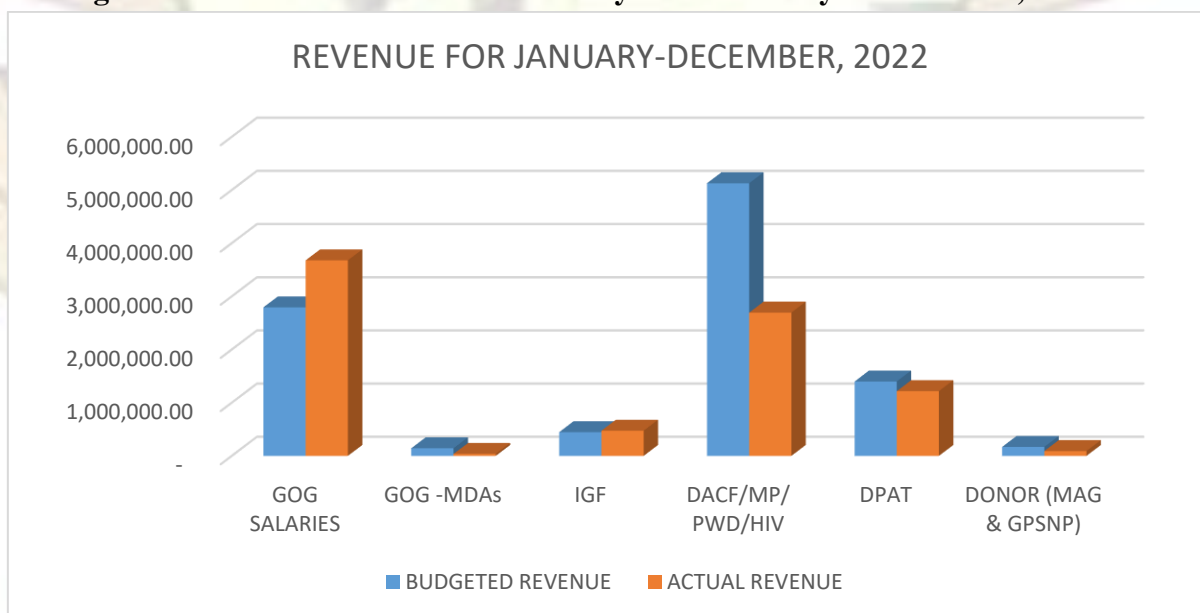
14.1 Revenue for January to December, 2022

Table 14.0: Revenue for January to December, 2022

S/N	FUNDING SOURCE	REVISED BUDGETED REVENUE GH¢	ACTUAL REVENUE GH¢	PERFORMANCE %
1	GOG SALARIES	2,793,316.00	3,677,131.81	132%
2	GOG -MDAs	143,542.00	37,316.48	26%
3	IGF	446,015.80	442,402.16	99%
4	DACF/MP/ PWD/HIV	5,127,608.22	2,751,012.25	54%
5	DPAT	1,398,942.98	1,134,512.80	81%
6	DONOR (MAG & GPSNP)	168,749.80	88,749.80	53%
		10,078,174.80	8,131,125.30	81%

Source: Finance Office – HWDA - December, 2022

Figure 14.0: Revenue Performance Analysis for January to December, 2022



Source: Finance Office – HWDA - December, 2022

The above **Table 14.0** and **Figure 14.0** shows the revenue performance from all the sources for the period January -December, 2022. The total IGF realized for the year was GhC 442,402.16 representing a 99% of the total budgeted revenue for the year 2022. The performance of the IGF was due to the stringent implementation of the 2022 Revenue Improvement Action Plan (RIAP), which led to the improvement of most revenue lines.

The GOG salaries exceeded its annual estimated budget by 32% as a result of the new officers posted during the year. DPAT saw a released of GH¢ 1,134,512.80 representing 81% of its budget for the year 2022.

However, the performance of GOG MDA, DACF/MP/PWD/HIV and Donor for Decentralized Departments for the year 2022 was below the total annual estimate. The Assembly received only 26%, 54% and 53% of their annual estimate for the year 2022 respectively.

Total revenue performance stood at 81% as a result of the IGF performance and the GOG salary exceeded its budget. However the delay in the release of statutory funds affected effective implementation of the Assembly's plan.

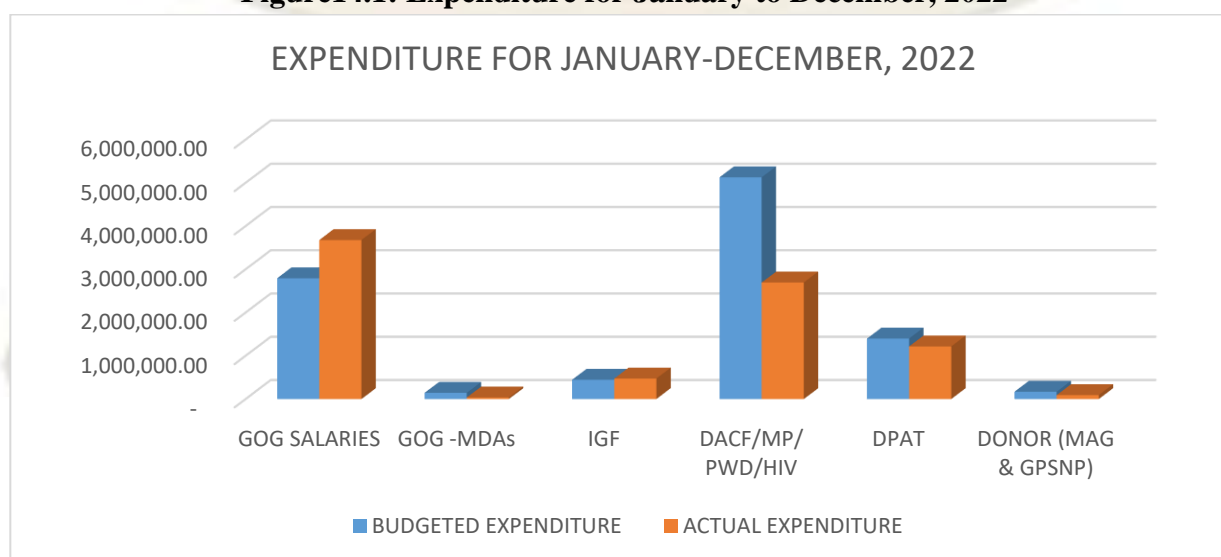
14.2 Expenditure for January- December, 2022

Table 14.1: Expenditure for January- December, 2022

FUNDING SOURCE	BUDGETED EXPENDITURE GH¢	ACTUAL EXPENDITURE GH¢	PERFORMANCE %
GOG SALARIES	2,793,316.00	3,677,131.81	132%
GOG -MDAs	143,542.00	37,054.48	26%
IGF	446,015.80	473,789.29	106%
DACF/MP/ PWD/HIV	5,127,608.22	2,695,113.22	53%
DPAT	1,398,942.98	1,217,176.05	87%
DONOR (MAG & GPSNP)	168,749.80	90,970.81	54%
TOTAL	10,078,174.80	8,191,235.66	81%

Source: Finance Office – HWDA - December, 2022

Figure14.1: Expenditure for January to December, 2022



Source: Finance Office – HWDA - December, 2022

From **Table 14.1** and **Figure 14.1** illustrations, the Composite expenditure performance was within the annual estimated expenditure for the year. However total IGF expenditure for the year exceeded its budget by 6% as a result of the balance brought forward from the previous year (2021).

The delay in the release of statutory funds affected the effective implementation of the Assembly's plan for the year 2022.

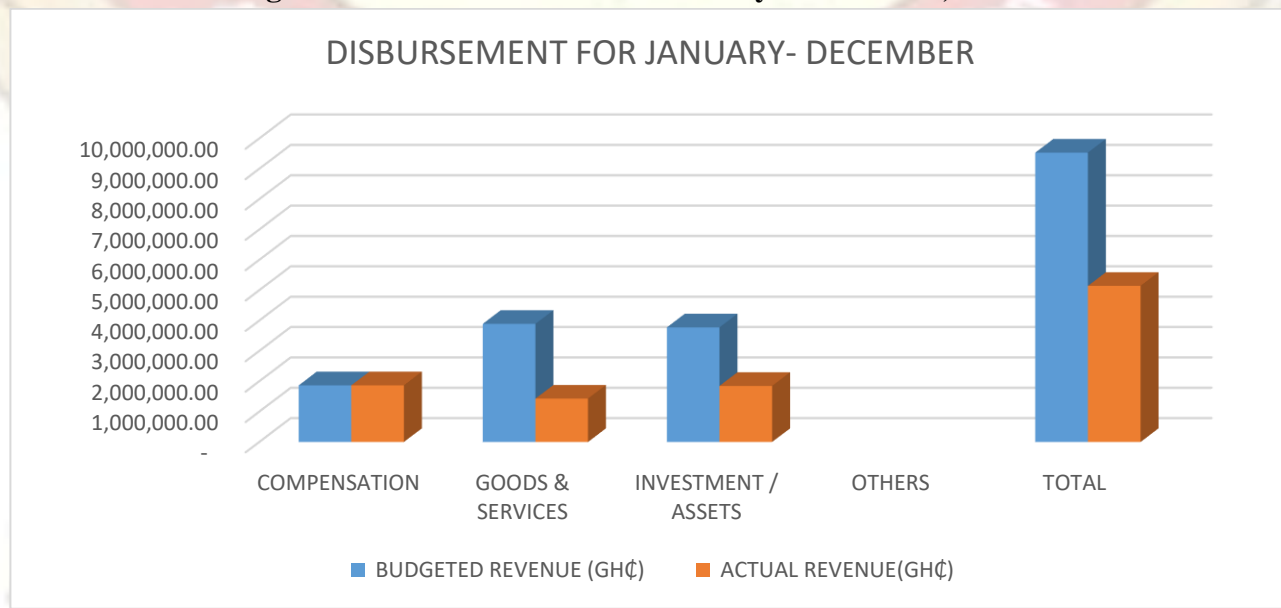
14.3 Disbursement for January to December 2022

Table 14.2: Disbursement for January to December 2022

S/N	EXPENDITURE ITEM	BUDGETED REVENUE (GH¢)	ACTUAL REVENUE (GH¢)	PERFORMANCE (%)
1	COMPENSATION	1,866,128.00	1,866,924.90	100.0
2	GOODS & SERVICES	3,891,060.54	1,428,402.09	36.7
3	INVESTMENT / ASSETS	3,775,394.56	1,847,316.55	48.9
	TOTAL	9,532,583.10	5,142,643.54	53.9

Source: Finance Office – HWDA -December, 2022

Figure 14.2: Disbursement for January – December, 2022



Source: Finance Office – HWDA -December, 2022

The overall expenditure performance for the year was within budget. However, non- release of statutory funds for most quarters affected some of the implementation of the Assembly's projects and its operations for the year.

15.0 STATISTICS DEPARTMENT

- Purpose – Provide evidence-based decision making at local and national levels by harnessing, producing and managing quality local level statistics based on national standards
- Objective - Providing reliable and responsive statistical services for good governance and development.

15.1 Staff

S/N	Name	Designation
1	Madam Linda Abaye	Head, Statistics Officer
2	Solomon Agyapong	Assistance Statistics Officer

15.2 Activities Implemented in the quarter under review

During the quarter under review, the department in collaboration with the Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) JMK CONSULT and Social Welfare and Community Development undertook the following activities:

Ghana National Household Registry

The Ghana National Household Registry (GNHR) has been mandated to create a Single National Household Register. The development of this register involves the collection of information on the composition and socio-economic characteristics of households. The register, when completed, will serve as a database for the selection of beneficiaries for all social protection programmes in Ghana.

It will also improve the effectiveness and efficiency of social protection programme delivery in the country.

The Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection has received funding from the World Bank to support the establishment of the GNHR and as such, data collection for the Upper East, Upper West, Northern, Savannah, and North East Regions has been completed. Currently data collection is being collected in the Central, Volta and Oti Regions, for that matter Ho West is one of the beneficiary districts.

The project implementation is in three phases with its respective implementers which includes the following;

- **Phase One: Verification of 2021 Population and Housing Listed Structures.**

Under this phase, the implementer was Ghana Statistical Service at the regional level.

Ho West District deployed 28 field officers in teams of 7 including a supervisor on 31st October, 2022 for the phase one of the project.

Nature of Activity

The major task of the field officers were to verify and validate the 2021 population and Housing Listed structures in only occupied Household structures, the activity was carried out for 11 days. This activity was implemented between the periods of 1st to 13th November, 2022.

- **Phase 2: Enumeration of Households**

Under this phase, the implementer was JMK Consulting.

Ho West District deployed 44 field officers in teams of 4 including a supervisor on 31st October, 2022 for the phase two of the project.

Nature of Activity

The major tasked of the field officer were to enumerate only occupied Household, for 30 -45days. This activity commenced on 23rd November, 2022. Currently some teams have completed their enumeration assisting other teams to complete their assigned

- **Phase Three; Verification of 2021 Population and Housing Listed Structures.**

Under this phase, the implementer was Ghana Statistical Service at the regional level.

Validation of enumerated households (spots check).

Currently, 3-days training of field officers for spot check commenced on 12th to 14th January, 2023 after which officers will be deployed to the field 8-days.

CHAPTER THREE

THE WAY FORWARD

3.1 Introduction

This chapter highlight the key issues considered in the monitoring and evaluation Plan of the District. It also includes recommendations given by the monitoring team.

3.2 Key Issues

During the monitoring and evaluation exercise, some of the key issues that came out were, inadequate potable water supply system, inadequate accommodation for offices and residential accommodation for staff of various departments/units, occurrence of flood, low level of internally generated revenue, deplorable road network in hard-to-reach communities, inadequate number of schools under the school feeding programme, inadequate relief items to support disaster victims among others.

3.3 Recommendations

The following recommendation were made by the monitoring team

- Creation of data base: This will help the district and development partners as well as the Government to access information whenever they need them. The reason is to provide reliable information for planning and decision making.
- Various departments within the Assembly should be provided with the requisite funds, logistics and equipment. This will enable the effective and efficient implementation of activities and programmes captured in the MTDP and be able to tackle other unforeseen circumstances that may occur along the line.
- Frequent educational durbars on Health, sanitation, development control, and disaster related issues among others should be organized periodically in the communities of the district to inform the populace about the dangers associated with not adhering to safety protocols and sanction individuals who disregard bye-laws that govern these issues.

3.4 Conclusion

The holistic attainment of the District Goal and objectives depends to a large extent on the effective participation and involvement of key stakeholders especially the beneficiaries in the implementation of the strategies outlined in the Annual Action Plans. Their participation will not only provide the much-needed resources but will also enhance transparency and accountability in the implementation of projects and programmes in the district which eventually leads to beneficiaries taken ownership of projects/programmes implemented.

