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Dear Sir,

SUBMISSION OF 2024 SECOND QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT

I forward herewith, attached 2024 Second Quarter Progress Report of Ho West District for your notice and further action.

Thank you.

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SECOND QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL – 31ST JUNE 2024

ON

THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEDIUM-TERM DEVELOPMENT PLAN (MTDP) 2022-2025

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Second Quarter Progress Report was prepared in accordance with the National Development Policy Framework (2022-2025) and the Planning Guidelines provided by the National Development Planning Commission (NDPC). It details assessment of progress made in the implementation of interventions captured in the District Medium Term Development Plan (DMTDP 2022-2025) and 2024 Annual Action Plan based on the “Agenda for Jobs II: Creating Prosperities and Equal Opportunities for all”.

Relevant stakeholders including Heads of Departments/Units/Agencies, Hon. Assemblymembers, Traditional Authorities, Community members and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) actively participated in the M&E exercises using indicators and targets set out to assess the performance of the Medium-Term Development Plan/2024 AAP and the district.

The 2024 AAP contained 79 interventions out of which 5 (6.33%) were completed, 58 (73.43%) were ongoing and 16 (20.25%) were yet to start. There were no abandoned programmes/projects in the quarter under review. In terms of the overall DMTDP 2022-2025 implementation, a total of 340 interventions were earmarked for implementation with a proportion of 79.75% and 65.3% of the 2024 AAP and DMTDP 2022-2025 interventions implemented respectively. 34.7% proportion of the activities in MTDP is yet to be implemented.

A total amount of GH¢13,215,206.36 revenue from all sources was targeted to be generated by the end of 2024. As of second quarter: April to June 2024, GH¢ 2,586,035.07 was received out of the budgeted and disbursed respectively. Disbursement of funds was within budget during the Second Quarter comparing the actual receipt and disbursement. Among the expenditure items, a higher amount of the Assembly’s revenue went into Compensation followed by Goods and Services whilst Asset recorded the least.

Some successes chalked during the quarter include the Training and providing start-up capitals and kits to 66 Women/Youth/Gender Groups to venture into income generating activities, 2000 seedlings of Coconuts, teak, mahogany etc. distributed for planting to support the Green Ghana Initiative, 1,889 farmers have been registered for the PFJ initiative with 1695 total farmlands mapped , 127 new latrines constructed district-wide due to household latrine promotion campaign, 3 community mobilization and sensitization on domestic violence, 17 out of 22 child protection and promotion cases resolved, the ongoing educating and screening of food and drink vendors, Implementation of GPSNP 2 ongoing 8 CCMI subprojects in eight (7) communities, The ongoing construction of (1.8km) Feeder Road at Kpedze Todze – Anagokofe, an LIPW component of the GPSNP 2 among others.

The Assembly during the quarter under review encountered some challenges which include irregular flow of statutory funds coupled with low internally generation of funds to execute interventions. Logistical challenges faced by some Departments/Units of the Assembly also made it difficult to implement other activities, difficulty in reaching some communities due to poor road network and change in community priorities militating against the smooth implementation of the planned activities among others.

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

The Ho West District Assembly was established by the Legislative Instrument (L.I) 2083 of 2012. It is mandated by the Local Governance Act 2016, Act 936, Section 12 sub-section 2 and 3 to exercise deliberative, legislative and executive functions and responsible for the overall development of its jurisdiction. The Assembly exists to facilitate good governance for an integrated, sustainable and holistic development through effective and efficient resource mobilization, utilization of human and material resources to enhance the living standard of its citizens. It envisions becoming a district of choice as an investment destination for rapid development.

In accordance with the Local Governance Act 2016, Act 936 and the National Development Planning (System) Regulation 2016 (L.I. 2232), the Ho West District Assembly in consultation with relevant stakeholders including the Sub-district Structures, Local Communities, Department/Units/Agencies and other Civil Society Organizations prepared the District Medium-Term Development Plan (DMTDP 2022-2025) in line with

- i. The policy guidelines “An Agenda for Jobs II: Creating Prosperity and Equal Opportunities for all”.
- ii. Ghana’s Medium-Term Vision: “Creating an optimistic, self-confident and prosperous nation, through the creative exploitation of our human and natural resources, and operating within a democratic, open and fair society in which mutual trust and economic opportunities exist for all”.

The District Planning and Coordinating Unit (DPCU) in collaboration with Assemblymembers, Heads of various Departments/Units/Agencies, Traditional Authorities, Community members, CSOs and other relevant stakeholders conducted series of M&E activities using set of performance indicators to track progress of interventions captured in the 2024 AAP, achievement of set targets and objectives taking into account the goal of the DMTDP 2022-2025 which is to “Enhance Living Standards of the People through Improved Access to Basic Social Services, Infrastructure and Creation of Enabling Environment for Job Creation and Economic Growth”. The Assembly is therefore required to compile a comprehensive report on the progress made in quarterly and annually bases regarding the implementation of DMTDP and submit to the Regional Coordinating Council (RCC) and the National Development Planning Commission (NDPC).

This report, therefore focuses on the findings and issues on the implementation of the 2022-2025 Medium-Term Development Plan considering monitoring and evaluation exercises conducted with key stakeholders on the Second Quarter Planned and Executed activities of the 2024 Annual Action Plan. This chapter presents the summary of achievements of the implementation of the MTDP 2022-2025, purpose of M&E for the stated period, challenges encountered in the implementation of the DMTDP including difficulties/challenges encountered during M&E exercises.

1.2 Summary of Achievement of the Implementation of the District Medium-Term Development Plan (DMTDP 2022-2025)

This section discusses the progress made in the implementation of interventions captured in the 2024 AAP and the DMTDP 2022-2025 considering the achievement in set indicators as the bases of assessment.

In this section, analysis on proposed interventions were grouped into four (4) categories namely; Percentage of Interventions “Completed” (i.e., programmes/projects that were started and completed), Percentage of interventions “Ongoing” (i.e., programmes/projects started but not yet completed), Percentage of interventions “Abandoned” (i.e., programmes/projects started but had been ignored) and Percentage of interventions “Yet to start” (i.e., programmes/projects not implemented at all).

A total of 79 interventions were captured in the 2024 AAP whilst the MTDP 2022-2025 saw 340 interventions been captured. During the Quarter under review, 5 (6.33%) were completed, 58 (73.42%) activities were ongoing, 16 (20.25%) were yet to start. There were no abandoned project/programme within the period under review. This performance reflects 79.75% proportion of the 2024 AAP implemented with overall achievement of 65.3% of interventions in the MTDP 2022-2025 as of June, 2024. Table 1 gives a summary of the proportion of MTDP 2022-2025 implemented.

Table 1: Proportion MTDP 2022-2025 Implemented

Indicators	Baseline 2021	Actual 2022	Actual 2023	Target 2024	Actual 2023
Proportion of Annual Action Plan (AAP) Implemented	98.88%	98.80%	98.72%	100%	79.75%
a) Percentage of Interventions Completed	94.38%	92.77%	87.18%	100%	6.33%
b) Percentage of Interventions Ongoing	4.49%	6.02%	11.54%	0.00%	73.42%
c) Percentage of Interventions Abandoned	0.0%	0.0%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
d) Percentage of Interventions yet to start	1.12%	1.20%	1.28%	0.00%	20.25%
Proportion of Overall MTDP 2022-2025 Implemented in the year under review	88.4%	24.12%	22.65%	23.24%	22.65%

Source: DPCU Secretariat, June 2024

1.2 Purpose of Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) for the Period

The Assembly conducted M&E exercises on activities that were planned and executed during the quarter. The aim was to gather relevant data and information on the executed activities to ascertain whether executed activities were achieving their intended outputs and outcomes. The M&E exercises were also to track the overall progress made in the implementation of programmes/projects earmarked captured in the 2024 AAP and the MTDP 2022-2025 in general. It is important to emphasize that, the Assembly considered the disaggregated core and district specific indicators in its monitoring and evaluation exercises during the quarter. The M&E exercises conducted during the quarter seeks to pursue the following objectives.

- i Ascertain the extent to which specific DMTDP indicators for the year 2024 were meeting set targets.
- ii Identify achievements, constraints and failures to inform decision-making in the implementation of subsequent interventions and future preparation of DMTDP.

- iii Provide District authorities, the government, development partners, community project management teams and the public with better means for learning from experience.
- iv To enhance service delivery and influence allocation of resources in the district.
- v Serve as a useful source of information for Regional Coordination Council, National Development Planning Commission and other Agencies that matter in their decision making.
- vi To ensure that interventions implemented are in line with the Policy Framework “an Agenda for Jobs II and Ghana’s Medium-Term Vision.

1.3 Processes Involved in Conducting M&E

The Assembly adopted the participatory approach to during the monitoring and of executed activities in the quarter. A team of stakeholders composed of the District Development Planning Officer, District Budget Analyst, District Engineer, District Directorate of Ghana Health Services, District Directorate of Ghana Education Service, District Director of Agricultural Development Unit, Rep. of Traditional Authorities, Representative of Civil Society Organization were formed to spearhead the M&E exercises and reporting. As a prerequisite to the District Monitoring and Evaluation exercise, a DPCU meeting was held to discuss and agree on the tools and expected outcomes. Interactions with beneficiary community members, observations and checklists were the methods implored by the team in obtaining relevant data on the executed interventions. The monitoring exercises were preceded with site meetings to address issues identified on execution of interventions. This was done to ensure that the interventions achieve its intended outcome after completion.

Equally, the District Chief Executive accompanied by other heads of department also took advantage of his engagement with communities to brief citizens on the execution of planned interventions. With this, community members obtained knowledge on projects/programmes concepts and were able to contribute to the success of the interventions being executed. Their contributions were incorporated in the project/programmes designs for expected outputs/outcomes.

The DPCU further held the data validation and review meetings with the heads of departments and Units as well as representation of the non-decentralized agencies and other sub-vented departments to validate data presented for the preparation of the 2024 Second Quarter Progress Report. Feedback from the meeting was incorporated in the finalization of the report for onward submission.

Difficulties/Challenges Encountered

The following were some difficulties/challenges encountered during the implementation of planned activities for the Second Quarter of 2024.

- i. Irregular flow of statutory funds coupled with heavy deductions resulting delay in payment of Contractors to execute projects on schedule.
- ii. Inadequate funds to organize M&E activities.
- iii. Low internal generation of funds to execute interventions.
- iv. Logistical challenges faced by some Departments/Units of the Assembly also made it difficult for them to reach some communities.
- v. The bad nature of roads in some parts of the district made it very difficult to reach some communities.

- vi. Change in community priorities was also identified as a challenge militating against the smooth implementation of the planned activities.
- vii. The reporting formats of departments/Units make it difficult to obtain vital information on their executed activities to be incorporated in the report for the quarter.

CHAPTER TWO

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENT STATUS UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT DIMENSIONS

2.1 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 executing the specific projects and challenges encountered during implementation. The programmes/projects are categorized into six key development dimensions with respective departments spearheading implementation.

2.2 GOVERNANCE, CORRUPTION AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY

2.2.1 Human Resource Department

Human Resource Department plays a critical role in effectively managing the human capital of the Assembly. HR contributes to the overall success and sustainability of an organization by supporting employee development, fostering positive relationships, ensuring compliance, and encouraging a healthy work environment.

2.2.1.1 Human Resource Analysis

▪ Staffing

As a crucial component of our organization, the human resource base (staff strength) at the Ho West District Assembly for the Second Quarter of 2024 totaled One Hundred and Twenty-three (123). This comprises of Seventy (70) males, accounting for 56.91%, and Fifty-Three (53) females, representing 43.09%.

▪ Age Distribution

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

Table 2: Age Distribution

S/N	AGE RANGE	NUMBER OF STAFF	PERCENTAGE
1	20 – 35	38	30.90%
2	36 – 45	47	38.21%
3	46 – 55	28	22.76%
4	56 and above	10	8.13%
TOTAL		123	100%

Source: HR Department, June 2024

2.2.1.2 Promotions Undertaken

One (1) staff of the Ho West District Assembly were promoted by the Office of the Head of Local Government Service during this period.

Table 3: Promotions Undertaken

S/N	NAME	CURRENT GRADE	NEW GRADE
1.	JULIAN MAWUMENYO ABA	SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER	PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Source: HR Department, June 2024

A total of Twenty-Eight (28) staff are due for promotion this year, 2024 and their names have been submitted to the Head of Local Government Service in favour of the Ho West District Assembly for their promotion to be effected.

▪ **Conversion and Upgrading**

A staff attended an upgrading interview during the reviewed period and is awaiting her eventual upgrade.

S/N	NAME	CURRENT GRADE	EXPECTED GRADE
1	BENEDICTA BORLEY BORTIER	SENIOR PROCUREMENT ASSISTANT	ASSISTANT PROCUREMENT OFFICER

Source: HR Department, June 2024

2.2.1.3 Training and Development Undertaken

▪ **Staff Durbar**

One staff durbar was held during the period under review with details below.

S/N	DATE OF DARBUR	AGENDA OF DARBUR	SEX DISAGGREGATION
1.	13 TH MAY, 2024	SENSITIZATION FORUM ON LGS PROTOCOLS AND STAFF WELFARE CONCERNS	ATTENDED (33) STAFF <u>MALE</u> <u>FEMALE</u> 17 16

Source: HR Department, June 2024

2.2.1.4 Postings

▪ **Postings Out**

Four (4) officers were posted out from the Ho West District Assembly to MDAs during the period under review.

Table 4: Posting Out

SN	NAME OF STAFF	GRADE	POSTED FROM	POSTED TO
1.	WILLIAM GLEY	TECHNICIAN ENGINEER	HO WEST	HO MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY
2	EMMANUEL DOH	SENIOR PHYSICAL PLANNING OFFICER	HO WEST	ADAKLU DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
3	SOLOMON K. HORMEKU	SENIOR QUANTITY SURVEYOR	HO WEST	VRCC
4	DANIEL KUMORDZI	ASSISTANT HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER	HO WEST	VRCC

Source: HR Department, June 2024

▪ **Postings In**

Two (2) officers were posted to the Ho West District Assembly during the period under review.

Table 5: Postings In

S/N	NAME OF STAFF	GRADE/POSITION	POSTED FROM	POSTED TO
1	HARRISON AHORKONU	SENIOR ENGINEER	NORTH DAYI DISTRICT ASSEMBLY	HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
2	RICHARD NII ARMARH AMARTEY	SENIOR TECHNICAL OFFICER	KETA MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY	HO WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Source: HR Department, June 2024

2.2.1.5 Electronic Validation Salary Payment Vouchers

During the period under review, validation of three (3) monthly Electronic Salary Payment Vouchers were successfully performed from April to June 2024 on behalf of Ho West District Assembly. After each successful validation, monthly reports were submitted to the Volta Regional Co-ordinating Council detailing the outcome of the validation process. Below is a summary of these validation reports.

Table 6: Summary of validation Report

S/N	MONTH	DATE OF VALIDATION
1	April	21 st April, 2024
2	May	23 rd May, 2024
3	June	21 st June, 2024

Source: HR Department, June 2024

2.2.2 DCE's Community Engagement

The Local Governance Act, 2016 (Act 936) mandate MMDAs to keep close contact with its citizenry and keep them informed on all issues of development within their jurisdiction.

Pursuant to fulfilling this mandate and deepening the concept of decentralization to develop and grow the districts with its people, the Ho West District Chief Executive accompanied by some core staff and relevant stakeholders embarked on community engagement across the district to explain key national development agenda and address community specific issues.

The objectives were to:

1. To deepen peoples understanding on some important national issues
2. To increase participation of all groups
3. To elicit community development issues and where possible help address them.

Participants involved were:

- Traditional authorities
- Religious representatives
- Hon Assembly Members
- Unit Committee Members

- Youth, Children, Women, Men, PWDs, etc.
- Staff of the Assembly

Table 7: DCE's Community Engagements Drive

S/N	Date	List of Communities	Issues Discussed	Community Needs
1	23 rd -25 th April, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yingor • Avatime • Weto • Kpedze • Honuta-Kpoeta • Anyirawase • Tsito 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inauguration of Town and Area Councils • Model standing orders • Composition of members • Sub-committees of the council • Duties of members • Public education on government policies and programs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help in the mobilization of revenue • Enforcement of sanitation laws • Development initiatives (self-help project).
2	26 th April, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abutia Teti • Abutia Kloe • Abutia Kpota • Abutia Agorve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Address concerns surrendering the proposed lithium mining operations • Engagement of Abutia Traditional Council • Development projects ongoing in the Abutia enclaves. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solve the concerns surrounding the proposed lithium mining operations • Resolve land disputes between Abutia in the Ho West District and North Tongu
3	23 rd May, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abutia Kpota • Dzolokpuita • Dzolo Gbogame 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organization of mini market for beneficiaries of Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP) II 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment of more beneficiaries • Beneficiaries should buy their own items instead of buying it at the mini market
4	30 th May, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dzolokpuita • Kpedze Todze • Kpedze Sreme • Kpedze Achem 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of projects the Assembly has completed and those that are yet to be implemented. • Development control • Registration of farmers under Planting for Food and Jobs • Socio economic issues • Health issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of speed humps on the highway • Provision of streetlights • Simplifying the building permit • Support for water systems at Kpedze and Dzolokpuita
5	7 th June 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dzolokpuita 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebration of Green Ghana Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring of the trees planted

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protection of the environment by planting trees 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of trees to residents
6	26 th June, 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forsime • Dzroawode • Staff of Kalakpa Game Reserve 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attacks on staff of the Kalakpa Game Reserve • Illegal logging, charcoal burning, poaching, cattle ranching and encroachment of reserve lands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improvement of access to education and health • Promote collaboration between staff of the reserve and communities • Peaceful coexistence • Relocation of the communities living in the reserve

Source: Ho West, June 2024

Some Pictures from the DCE's Engagement



Other Key Issues Discussed

1. Government flagship programmes (PFJ, PERD and RFJ)
2. Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP) 2
3. Explanation on the economic hardship in Ghana

The Hon District Chief Executive (DCE) presentation also included;

- a. Curbing of possible invasion of cattle Herdsmen
- b. Preventive measures of sand wining activities
- c. Mining of lithium at the Abutia enclaves.
- d. DCE's Peer learning model

2.2.3 Finance Department

2.2.3.1 Update on Revenue Sources

The Assembly's major sources of funds have been the Central Government transfers (GOG), Transfers to GOG-MDAs, Internally Generated Fund (IGF), the District Assemblies Common Fund (DACF), DACF (MP), Persons with Disabilities (PWD) Fund, HIV Transfers, District Assemblies Common Fund (DACF) – Responsive Factor Grant (RFG), the Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP) Fund and Modernizing Agriculture in Ghana (MAG) Transfers. The Assembly saw the release of some sources of funding in the quarter under review, Table 8 presents an update from various funding sources in the period under review.

Table 8: Revenue for January to June, 2024

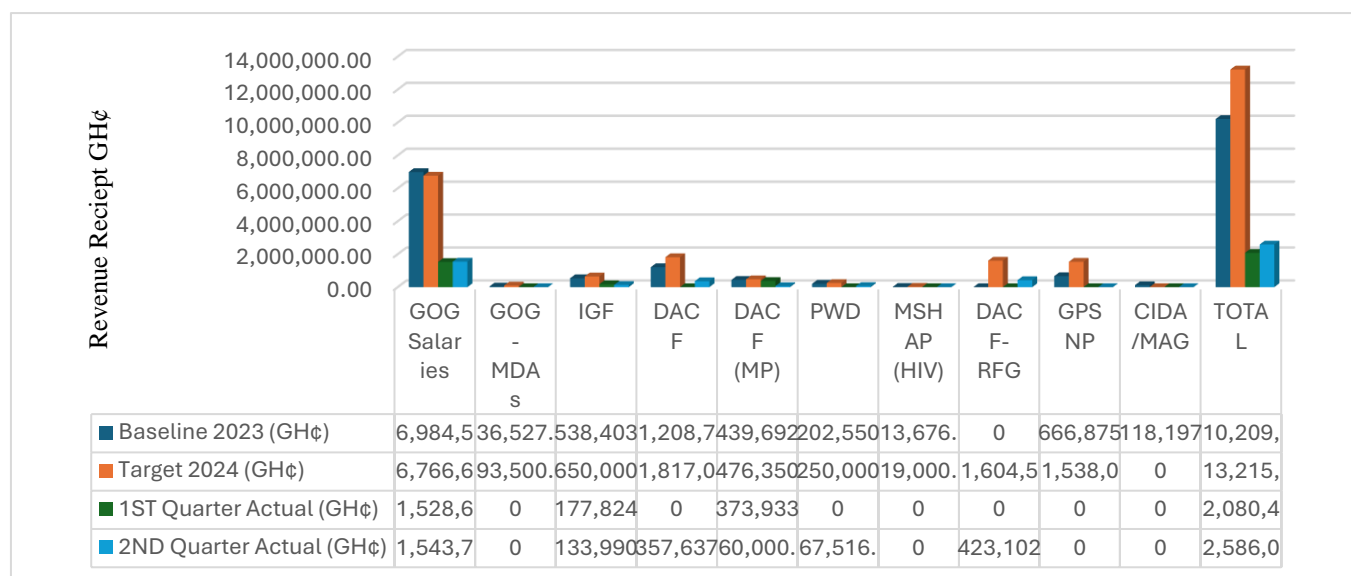
S/N	Funding Sources	Baseline 2023 (GH¢)	Target 2024 (GH¢)	1 ST Quarter Actual (GH¢)	2 ND Quarter Actual (GH¢)
1	GOG Salaries	6,984,572.50	6,766,691.00	1,528,679.21	1,543,788.05
2	GOG-MDAs	36,527.55	93,500.00	0	0
3	IGF	538,403.53	650,000.00	177,824.96	133,990.17
4	DACF	1,208,779.58	1,817,042.00	0	357,637.93
	DACF (MP)	439,692.72	476,350.00	373,933.45	60,000.00
	PWD	202,550.76	250,000.00	0	67,516.92
	MSHAP (HIV)	13,676.40	19,000.00	0	0
5	DACF-RFG	0	1,604,595.00	0	423,102.00
	GPSNP	666,875.00	1,538,028.00	0	0
6	CIDA/MAG	118,197.24	0	0	0
	TOTAL	10,209,275.28	13,215,206.00	2,080,437.62	2,586,035.07

Source: Finance/Budget Office, June 2024.

An amount of GH¢13,215,206.00 was budgeted and approved to be generated for the year 2024. As of second quarter, April to June, 2024, GH¢2,586,035.07 was received out of the budgeted amount. Out of the revenue realized for the reviewed quarter, GOG Salaries and DACF-RFG recorded the highest with GH¢1,543,788.05 and GH¢423,102.00 respectively followed by DACF with GH¢357,637.93. GH¢133,990.17 was received for IGF. PWD and DACF (MP) recorded the least amount of GH¢67,516.92 and GH¢60,000.00 accordingly. No funds were received for GOG-MDAs, MSHAP/HIV, and GPSNP the quarter under review. CIDA/MAG ended last year, 2023. It is important to note that the high performance of GOG Salaries was due to constant release by the Central Government. The quarterly budget for IGF was GH¢162,500 but the actual IGF for the second quarter was 133,990.17 (20.62%) with a difference 28,509.83 lesser than its budget for the reviewed quarter.

More efforts must be put in place to meet or even exceed the IGF revenue target by the end of the year. The non-release of MSHAP/HIV, GPSNP and GOG-MDAs has put pressure on the Assembly's IGF in terms of implementation of some activities while the implementation of other physical projects have also been delayed. Figure 1 illustrates revenue performance of actual receipt comparing Second Quarter to First Quarter of 2024 and the baseline year 2023.

Figure 1: Revenue Performs for First and Second Quarter of 2024 against baseline Year 2023



Source: Finance/Budget Office, June, 2024

Figure 1 shows the revenue sources of Ho West District Assembly comparing the actual revenues of Second and First Quarter, 2024 to that of the 2023 base year. It is evident that GOG Salaries have been higher throughout the periods due to additional staff posted to the Assembly. From the graph it is also evident to note that actual IGF fell below its target with a difference 28,509.83 lesser with a performance of 20.62% for the reviewed quarter. There were no funds release for GOG-MDAs, MSHAP/HIV, and GPSNP in the Second Quarter, 2024.

It can be realized that no revenue was released for other major funding sources and therefore left most projects/activities earmarked for implementation not completed and, in some cases, not yet started at all. It is therefore important that the Assembly put in more efforts to improve upon its IGF collection of other revenues such as rates, land, rent and fines to complement the implementation of its interventions for the year.

2.2.3.2 Disbursement

During the quarter under review, funds received were disbursed under the components of Compensation, Goods and Services and Investment/Assets. Table 9 presents update on disbursement for the period under review in relation to the first and second quarters of 2024 and the baseline year 2023.

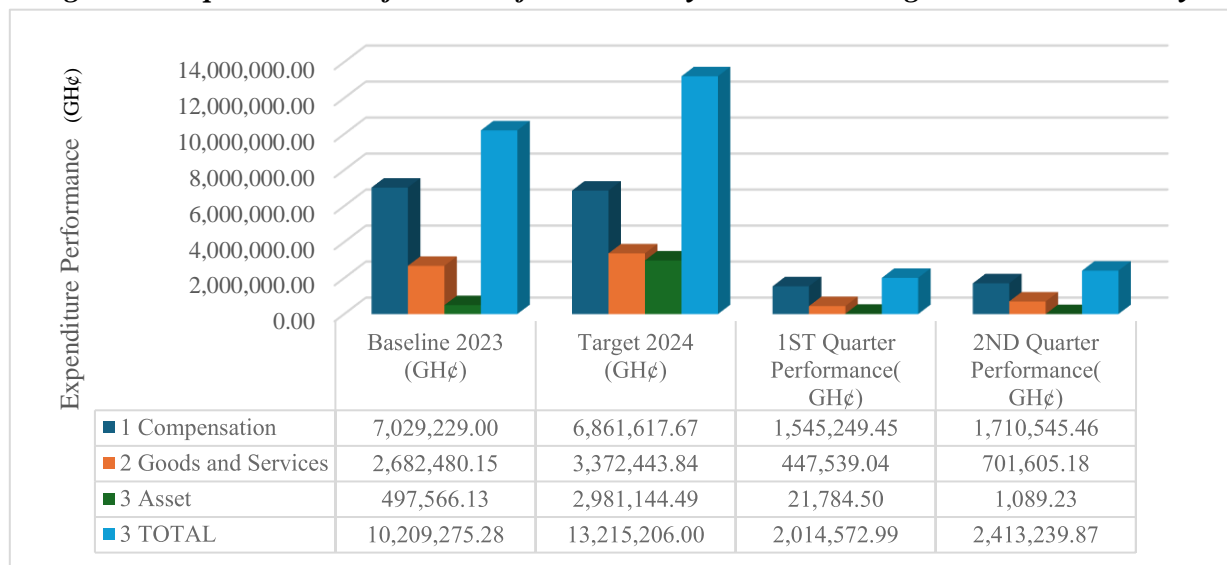
Table 9: Update of Disbursement for January to March 2024

S/N	Expenditure Sources	Baseline 2023 (GH¢)	Target 2024 (GH¢)	1 ST Quarter Performance (GH¢)	2 ND Quarter Performance (GH¢)
1	Compensation	7,029,229.00	6,861,617.67	1,545,249.45	1,710,545.46
2	Goods and Services	2,682,480.15	3,372,443.84	447,539.04	701,605.18
3	Asset	497,566.13	2,981,144.49	21,784.50	1,089.23
	TOTAL	10,209,275.28	13,215,206.00	2,014,572.99	2,413,239.87

Source: Finance/Budget Office, June, 2024

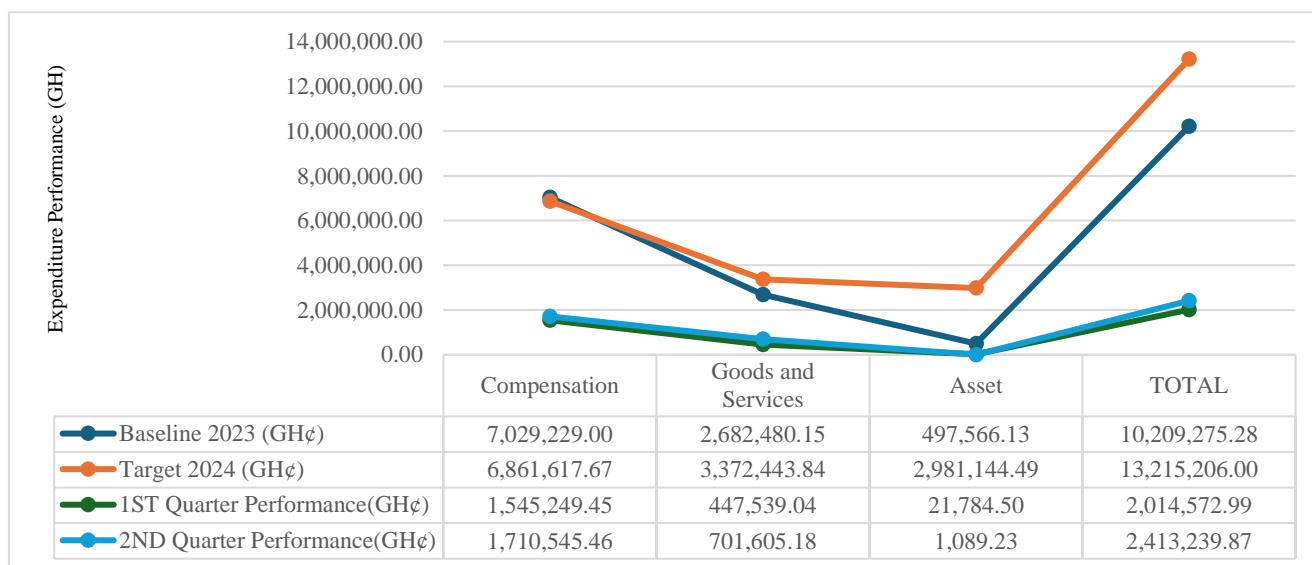
Among the expenditure items, the highest amount of the Assembly's revenue went into Compensation in the reviewed quarter with an amount of GH¢ 1,710,545.46. Goods and Services was next with an amount of GH¢ 701,605.18 and Asset being the item with least expenditure with an amount of GH¢1,089.23 for the second quarter as illustrated above. Although the second quarter expenditure was within budget, it exceeded the first quarter by GH¢398,666.88. The high expenditure on Compensation was largely due to staff promotions and the additional Staff posted to the Assembly within the periods.

Figure 2: Expenditure Performance from January to June 2024 against the 2023 base year



Source: Finance/Budget Office, June, 2024

Figures 3: Expenditure trend for first and second quarter 2024 and 2023 baseline year



Source: Finance/Budget Office, June, 2024

The illustrations above from Figure 2 and Figure 3 indicates that the Assembly in the quarter under review disbursed an amount of GH¢2,413,239.87 indicating that disbursement was within budget. This was due to prudent use of funds in the implementation of some programmes and projects and the non-release of statutory funds within the quarter under review.

2.3 SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT DIMENSION

2.3.1 Environmental Health and Sanitation Unit

The section of the report covers activities performed in the second quarter taking into consideration WASH strategies to improve 'Green Environment' and its mainly carved from the 2024 Annual Action Plan of the unit. The programmes undertaken during this quarter were focused on these dimensions:

- ❖ Health promotion activities
- ❖ Routine or general inspection
- ❖ Monitoring and supervision
- ❖ Revenue generation
- ❖ Law enforcement.

2.3.1.1 ESICOME

DISTRICT SUMMARY FORM

REPORTING PERIOD: SECOND QUARTER, 2024

DISTRICT: HO WEST

TOTAL POPULATION: 82,886

	CATEGORIES	DISTRICT
1	PREMISES	
	i. Total # of houses	20,373
	ii. Total # of Houses entered	3,919
	iii. Total # of Houses inspected	3,905
	iv. Total # of Households	77,958
	v. Total # of Households Inspected	12,263
	vi. % of Households Inspected	0.16
	vii. % of Houses inspected	0.19
	viii. Total population	82,886
	ix. Total Population inspected	9,967
2	NUISANCES	
	i. Total # of households with nuisances (inspected)	3,198
	ii. % of Households with nuisances (inspected)	0.26
3	SAFE WATER	
	i. Total population inspected with safe water	6,108
	ii. % of inspected population with safe water	0.61
4	LATRINES	
	i. # of latrine facilities (units) in premises inspected	
	ii. # of Houses with toilet facilities	13,757

	iii. # of New Latrines under Construction	294
	iv. District % latrine coverage (per houses) - based on available data	68%
	v. Population with access to household toilet - based on available data	24,881
5	WASTE WATER DISPOSAL SYSTEM	
	i. # of households inspected with proper wastewater disposal system (unlikely to produce any form of nuisance)	1,021
	ii. % of households inspected with proper wastewater disposal system	0.08
6	EATING PREMISES	
	Total number of eating premises existing	1,659
	# of Eating premises inspected	998
	% of Eating premises inspected	0.60
	Number of eating premises inspected with Nuisances	812
	% of Eating premises inspected with nuisances	0.81
	# of Eating premises inspected with safe water	79
	% of Eating premises inspected with safe water	0.08
	# of Eating premises inspected with WASH facilities	27
	% of Eating premises inspected with WASH facilities	0.03
7	DRINKING PREMISES	
	Total Number of Drinking Premises Existing	2,357
	# of Drinking Premises Inspected	451
	% of Drinking Premises Inspected	0.19
	# of Drinking premises with Safe water	307
	% of Drinking premises with Safe water	0.68
	# of Drinking premises with at least Urinals	76
	% of Drinking premises with Urinals	0.17
8	PUBLIC FOOD AND DRINK HANDLERS	
	Total # of Public Foods and Drinks handlers medically screened (Previous year)	1,602
	# of Public Food and Drinks handlers medically screened (this year)	608
	% Change in number of Public Food and Drinks handlers screened	-62%
9	METHODS OF REFUSE STORAGE	
	i. # of households with good refuse storage facility (unlikely to produce any form of nuisance)	167
	ii. % of households inspected with good refuse storage facility	0.01
10	NOTICES	
	i. Total # of notices served	3,671

	ii. Total # of notices complied with	308
	iii. % of notices complied with	0.08
	iv. # of summonses served	-
	v. # of successful prosecutions	-
	vi. % of successful procesecutions	#DIV/0!
11	COMMUNITY MEETINGS	
	# of Communities visited by staff	24
	# of Community Meetings held by staff	11
12	CLTS	
	# of Clts Communities	22
	# of Clts Communities Visited within the period	7
	% of Clts Communities Visited	0.32
	# of ODF Communities	12
	% ODF Coverage (based on CLTS)	0.55
13	STATISTICS OF RELEVANT OTHER PREMISES AND FACILITIES	
	# of Hotels/Guest Houses	21
	# of Hotels/Guest Houses Inspected	2
	# of Schools	120
	# of Schools Inspected	21
	# of Eateries (chop bars)	869
	# of Eateries (chop bars) Inspected	219
	# of Public Community Toilets	69
	# of Public Community toilets Inspected	7
	# of Institutional Toilets	143
	# of Institutional Toilets Inspected	9
	# of Drinking Bars	2,259
	# of Drinking Bars Inspected	401
	# of Pig Sties	14
	# of Pig Sties Inspected	3
	# of Boreholes	81
	# of Boreholes Inspected	16
	# of Functional Boreholes	57
	# of Drug Stores	45
	# of Provision Stores	337
	# of Drinking Spots	209
	# of Drinking and Provision Stores	237
	Agrochemical	19
	# of Public Skip Refuse Containers	8

Source: Env'tal Health & Sani. Unit, June 2024

OUTCOMES

- **Adverse Outcome from Premises Inspection**
 - ✓ Latrine coverage, though improving, is still low
 - ✓ Poor household refuse collection from the Avatime enclaves.
 - ✓ Crude dumping and household
 - ✓ Burning remains the major waste management methods.
 - ✓ Poor communal labour turnouts.
 - ✓ Continuous existence of stray animals in some communities.
 - ✓ Additional roles (direct revenue collection) by some Environmental Health Officers within the District.
- **Reasons for Adverse Outcome**
 - ✓ Lack of priority of household heads on the construction of toilets
 - ✓ Presence of public latrines close to some residences, as well as experience of latrine construction aids
 - ✓ Unaffordable refuse collection subscription program
 - ✓ Poor or unattractive household refuse collection services by Zoomlion Gh Ltd
 - ✓ Topography of the land had a bearing on the collection of solid waste in the Avatime areas
 - ✓ Poor community enthusiasm/ affection towards clean -up exercise.
 - ✓ Inadequate logistics and resources to cure mobility.

COMMON NUISANCES

Below were the common nuisances identified during the various types of inspections conducted within the quarter.

- **In Residential Premises**
 - ✓ Growth of weeds.
 - ✓ Improper disposal of wastewater. (Poor drainage system and unavailable soakage pit)
 - ✓ Reasonable Preventable Conditions (RPC's)
 - ✓ Crude/indiscriminate dumping of solid waste and uncovered waste bins/ containers
 - ✓ Open defecation in some communities.
 - ✓ Stray animals
 - ✓ Improper disposal of anal cleansing materials
- **In Eating and Drinking Premises (excluding hotels and guest houses)**
 - ✓ Crude/indiscriminate dumping of solid waste
 - ✓ Expired products
 - ✓ Noise
 - ✓ Broken down hand washing facilities.
 - ✓ Smoke nuisance
 - ✓ Dust and cobwebs infestation
 - ✓ Reasonable Preventable Conditions (RPC's)

- In Schools
 - ✓ Scattered anal cleansing materials within and around latrine
 - ✓ Foul odour (urinal and latrine)
 - ✓ Dilapidated structures
 - ✓ Crude dumping.
 - ✓ Insanitary urinals (foul odour)
 - ✓ Broken down hand washing facility
 - ✓ Growth of weeds
 - ✓ Poor lighting and ventilation in some schools.

- Hospitality Industries
 - ✓ Improper dressing of public food handlers
 - ✓ Improper discharge of wastewater
 - ✓ Noise
 - ✓ Reasonable Preventable Conditions (RPC's)
 - ✓ Crude dumping
 - ✓ Dust and cobwebs infestation
 - ✓ Improper arrangement of items in refrigerator/freezer and kitchen (untidy kitchen)
 - ✓ Cracked serving glass/ mug
 - ✓ Poor arrangement of/ insanitary beddings.
 - ✓ Cockroach infestation

- In Health Facilities
 - ✓ Lack of source segregation of waste
 - ✓ Open burning
 - ✓ Absence of sanitary facilities for out-patients

- In Market Places
 - ✓ Exposed food
 - ✓ Selling on street
 - ✓ Selling on ground
 - ✓ Expired products

- At Sanitary Sites
 - ✓ Improper leachate management
 - ✓ Improper disposal of anal cleansing materials
 - ✓ Presence of flies

2.3.1.2 Key Interventions carried out during the quarter

▪ **Annual Public Food Handlers Stakeholder Engagement and Sensitization/Education**

To enhance food safety and hygiene, the district has set a target to register, screen, and certify 1,800 food handlers this year. To achieve this goal, outreach and engagement activities were conducted with local councils and town councils to raise awareness among food handlers and other stakeholders about the significance of this initiative

▪ **Annual Health Screening**

During the quarter under review, a total of six hundred and eight (608) food handlers were successfully registered, screened, and certificated at various council locations, including Yingor, Abutia, Aflakpe/Honuta, and Kpedze Town and Area Councils, with the exercise commencing on June 12, 2024. A detailed report will follow upon the exercise's completion.

▪ **Meat Hygiene/ Inspection**

Twelve (12) bovine were slaughtered and inspected. Singeing and dressing of carcasses were done hygienically. From the postmortem inspections conducted, cysticercosis bovis, taeniasis and pimple gut were detected in the carcass of five bovine. There was no report of slaughtering elsewhere in the district.

2.3.1.3 Some Enforcement Activities

▪ **Hospitality Industry and Recreational Facility Inspection**

Two hotels and guest houses were inspected district wide for this quarter. Nuisances detected were abated within the time frame. 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 wastewater.

Pictures from Hospitality industry inspection exercise at Kpedze



▪ **Mill Inspection**

Four (4) grinding mills for cereals, cassava, Pepper/ tomatoes and fufu were inspected in the second quarter. Indiscriminate dumping of food debris around and within premises, accumulation of cobwebs, exposure of naked electric wires, noxious trade (no permit), growth of weeds around premises, un-swept premises and rodent infestation were the common nuisances detected.

- **Burial Permit**

Thirteen (13) burial permit applications were received and approved accordingly. Officers in the various Area Councils continued to monitor burials of any kind since Ho West had been declared operation no home burial due to total dependence on underground water.

- **Domiciliary Inspection**

During the quarter in review, house to house inspection was conducted to ensure compliance to hygiene and or sanitation. Nuisances detected at the time of inspection went with either the abatement notices with agreeable time/ date and instant abatement depending on the type of nuisances in contention. Also, strategically, task force was formed for each Town and Area councils to follow up on the abatement notices issued.

Some nuisances detected during these inspections includes growth 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 insanitary household latrine with improper disposal of anal cleansing materials, stagnant wastewater at the back of bath houses and improper disposal of wastewater.

Pictures from House-to-House Inspection at Abutia and Dzolo enclave respectively



- **Store Inspection**

Store inspections were carried out to ensure safe consumption of canned food products. 14 stores/ shops were inspected with no expired products. Shop owners were re-sensitized to regularly check their product's expiring dates and dust their products especially before placing them in the cold system and or displaying them for sale.

Store inspection conducted at Kpedze and Abutia



▪ **Market Sanitation**

Four main markets with two satellite markets were inspected during the quarter under review. The main markets were visited according to their accepted days to address disposal of refuse, arrangement and display of food stuffs for sale and sale of wholesome foods. Food stuff like cassava dough and Gari were mostly displayed on the ground. The officers acted against those market women who displayed such stuffs on the ground.

Market inspection at Dededo



▪ **School Health Programme**

School Health activities were carried out in twenty-one (21) schools on the following topics, thus personal hygiene (i.e. cutting of nails, shaving, bathing), good nutrition, eating fruits, hand washing and safe drinking water.

Table: Data on Schools inspected and Health Educated

Kindergarten	Primary	JHS	SHS/T	COLLEGE
4	7	11	0	0

Source: Env'tal Health & Sani. Unit, June 2024

2.1.3.4 Waste Management (Solid and Liquid)

▪ **Solid Waste**

Waste Collection and or Transportation of solid waste from the central points to the final disposal sites at Kpedze and Tsito respectively was carried out by Zoomlion Ghana Limited. The company had been challenged with delivery of their services in the highland areas. Total collection and disposal had not been carried out to the fullest. Staffs on the grounds conducted monitoring of container sites, lifting and door to door services. Communities without communal containers, were educated to acquire household litter bins from the Zoomlion Company to avoid indiscriminate dumping and destruction of the aesthetic value and green environment of the district since Assembly agender is “GREEN ENVIRONMENT”. The District still requires at least 27 additional public refuse containers to address solid waste menace at an appropriate minimal level.

Monitoring of SIP containers and collection of waste from the central point in the District



➤ **Solid Waste Disposal site**

The District has two (2) approved sites, namely Kpedze and Tsito dump sites. These sites are mainly for solid waste and have been acquired legally. The disposal sites at Kpedze and Awudome Tsito were not pushed, spread, levelled and compacted in this quarter but disinfection and disinfestations were carried out effectively by the NAMCOP team to ensure the life cycles of most germs are effectively disrupted.

➤ **Solid Waste Management Services**

Zoomlion Gh Ltd provides some level of Waste Management Intervention Services in the district. The services include Waste Collection, Transportation to a dedicated site, Disinfection and Disinfestation Services (which is wrongly reported as fumigation in the public domain) as well as the National Malaria Control Programme (NAMCOP).

The District Assembly's Solid Waste Dump Site is being managed by Volta Waste Landfills Ltd under the supervision of the Environmental Health and Sanitation Unit.

➤ **Disinfection and Disinfestation (Spraying activities)**

De-silting, Disinfection and Disinfestation were carried out throughout the district. 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 following sites were fumigated within the 2nd Quarter under review

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

Source: Env'tal Health & Sani. Unit, June 2024

▪ **Liquid Waste**

Due to the absence of a properly structured liquid waste disposal facility in the district, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the Ho West District Assembly and the Ho Municipal Assembly, enabling the disposal of liquid waste from Ho West at the Akrofu liquid waste disposal site in Ho Municipal, as part of the Integrated Waste Programme.

The dominant environmental issues in the district, as indicated by served notices, include the improper disposal of wastewater from households, largely due to inadequate soak away pits. Fortunately, community leaders and stakeholders maintain a strong relationship with local officers, facilitating the identification of liquid waste challenges and paving the way for effective solutions.

➤ **Community LED Total Sanitation (CLTS) Household Latrine Promotion**

The CLTS Programme, initially targeting thirty-two (32) communities, has been extended into 2024. In Dodome Awuiasu, twenty-eight (28) household latrines are currently under construction, thanks to a partnership with Peace Corps, an international NGO, which provided 70% of the resources, while households contributed 30%. The goal is to declare the community Open Defecation Free (ODF). Sensitization efforts have encouraged other communities to build latrines, resulting in 127 new latrines constructed district-wide this quarter. Although the assembly no longer receives funding for CLTS activities, the unit's staff continue to support households and communities in constructing toilets. Additionally, the unit is collaborating with Global Communities to promote affordable Digni Loos (toilets) in the municipality.

Table 10: Trends in Latrine promotion within the reviewed quarter

TYPE	TRENDS IN LATRINE PROMOTION									
	2021	H/H	2022	H/H	2023	H/H	2024	H/H	2025	H/H
KVIP	12		12		12		12			
VIP	918		918		984		1057			
WC	643		695		921		998			
IPL	80		80		91		129			
STL	400		401		426		428			
VAULT	430		419		495		510			
DIGNI LOO	0		25		25		29			
BIOGAS	64		85		123		125			
BIOFIL	490		499		626		668			
TOTAL	3037	17,203	3134	18,701	3703	12,263	3956		0	
COVERAGE	17.65%		16.76%		30.20%		#DIV/0!		#DIV/0!	
ANNUAL INCREASE	-		3%		15%		6%		#DIV/0!	

Source: Env'tal Health & Sani. Unit, June 2024

Pictures of the Latrine inspection and promotion at Abutia



2.1.3.5 Education and Medi Relations

Education and awareness efforts continue through community engagement and Community Information Centers (CICs), as the district lacks a local FM radio station. Alternative mediums promote CLTS activities, Digni Loo, and digester services, ensuring vital information reaches the community to improve sanitation practices.

▪ Community Mobilization/ Engagement and Sensitization

Ten community meetings were organized to sensitize the populace on programmes, projects and effect attitudinal changes.

The table below portrays gender distribution of Community Engagements held for Second Quarter

S/N	Community	Topic Discussed	Male	Female	Date	Remarks
1.	Aflakpe	Hygienic preparation of palm oil (Dzomi)	18	47	01-04-2024	Successful
2.	Avenui	Communal labour and stray animal control	16	26	08-04-2024	Successful with low turnout
3.	Saviefe Gbogame	Stray animal control and refuse disposal	27	48	16-04-2024	Successful
4.	Kpale Xorse	Siting of rice mill	8	3	07-05-2024	Successful
5.	Abutia Kpota	Role of the Environmental Health and Sanitation Unit	37	55	14-05-2024	Programme successful with low turnouts
6.	Saviefe Agorkpo	Stray animal control	29	41	29-05-2024	Successful
7.	Biakpa	Protection against insects.	21	37	03-06-2024	Successful
8.	Kpedze Todze	Role of the Environmental Health and Sanitation Unit	25	38	11-06-2024	Successful

9.	Dodome Awuiasu	Stray animal, communal labour and use of weedicide	26	35	19-06-2024	Successful
10.	Dodome Dogblome	Stray animal, communal labour and use of weedicide	18	27	26-06-2024	Successful
TOTAL						

Source: Env'tal Health & Sani. Unit, June 2024

▪ **Clean-up Exercise**

Communal labour was organized and carried out on monthly basis. These exercises were well organized and supervised by the various officers in their respective area councils.

Table : Summary of Communal Labour Activities Carried out within the First Quarter

S/N	Date	Time	Community	Sex	Activity	Remarks
1.	10/04/2024	6:30am-10:30am	Awudome Avenui	M-29 F-33 T= 62	I. Clearing and weeding along the road. II. De-silting of drains. III. Clearing of weeds in the cemetery IV. Clearing of weeds around boreholes	Activities successful
2.	17/04/2024	6:00am-10:00am	Saviefe Agorkpo	M-27 F-33 T=60	I. Filling of potholes on principal streets and collection of refuse II. Clearing of weeds in the community and communal dump.	Successful
3.	24/04/2024	7:00am-10:00am	Saviefe Gbogame	M-31 F-40 T=71	I. Weeding around the Health Centre. II. Sweeping of the principal street. III. Filling of potholes. IV. Clearing of the pathway to the communal dump site.	Successful y conducted
4.	08/05/2024	6:am-11:00am	Dodome Avexa	M-28 F-34 T=62	I. Clearing of weeds at the communal dumping site. II. Leveling of the communal dumping site. III. Collection of refuse. IV. Desilting	Successful
5.	15/05/2024	6:00am-10:00am	Biakpa	M-31 F=48 T=79	I. De-silting drains. II. Clearing of weeds and raking of gutters. III. Clearing of weeds around the Health Centre	Successful.
6.	22/05/2024	6:00am-	Hlefi	M- 26	I. around the public	Successful

		10:45		F- 38 T= 64	II. latrine. Sweeping of the Health centre. III. Clearing of weeds at the ICT centre	
7.	29/05/2024	6:30am-10:50am	Dzolo Gbogame	M- 47 F- 55 T- 102	I. Weeding of Health facility. II. Desilting of drains III. Gathering and collection of refuse. IV. Clearing of weeds at the community centre	Successful
8.	05/06/2024	6:30am-10:50am	Honuta	M- 21 F- 32 T= 53	I. Desilting of major drain. II. Clearing of weed along roadside. III. Sweeping and collection of refuse at market	Successful
9	12/06/2024	6:00am-10:45	Dededo	M- 48 F- 57 T=105	I. Weeding of Community entrance and Market. II. Sweeping, gathering and collection of refuse. III. Rearrangement of items in the market IV. Collection of refuse at the community centre. Clearing of weeds around the public latrine.	Successful work done
10	19-06-2024	7:00am – 11:0am	Avatime Vane	M- 26 F- 37 T= 63	I. Weeding of Health facility. II. Desilting of drains III. Gathering and collection of refuse.	Successful

Source: Env'tal Health & Sani. Unit, June 2024

Remarks and actions taken.

Though communal labour was conducted successfully on monthly basis, more community mobilization and sensitization were carried out to encourage community members. However, 27 individuals were arranged by their respective committees. Warnings were given to them by committee at the community level to ensure compliance. The Environmental Health Officers of the also cautioned people who absented themselves in such exercises.

No recalcitrant was reported for prosecution. The Assembly members and Unit Committees of the various areas and the Environmental Health Officers were in attendance including the Honourable District Chief Executive of Ho West. Activities carried out during the exercise were sweeping, clearing of weeds,

Levelling of dump sites (raking and gathering), de-silting of public drains, collection of refuse and a Health talk.

2.3.1.6 Collaborations

According to SDG 17 (Partnership for the goals), which means that WASH issues should be address by all in terms of our collaborative efforts.

Collaboration went on well with a number of stakeholders or key actors or Partners within the period under review. These includes:

- Zoomlion Ghana Ltd Collaboration was routine and have been effective.
- Health Directorate of the Ghana Health Service.
- The unit continues to enjoy an effective working relationship with the Health Directorate of the Ghana Health Service.
- Roman Catholic Church and Evangelical Presbyterian Church helped to clean Kpedze and Avatime Vane respectfully.
- The Community Information Centres (CIC's) were also in contention by supporting the District Assembly in giving Environmental Health Information's to the populace within the jurisdiction.
- Water Aid Ghana and Community Water and Sanitation Agency (CWSA) continuous to give support in the building of more water systems.
- Ghana Education Service through District SHEP support in the clean-up exercise before the Independence Day celebration.
- Peace Corps supported Dodome Awuiasu community in construction of household latrine towards ODF.

2.3.1.7 Management of the Workplace Environment

The working environment was supervised by the Environmental Health Officers in the clearing of weeds in the surroundings. Cleaners were also supervised daily during sweeping, moping, removal of cobwebs and other activities at all offices in the Assembly to make sure the environment is conducive for work. All washrooms and hand washing facilities at vantage points were thoroughly cleaned. Wastes within the Assembly were well managed and emptied weekly by Zoomlion Ghana Limited. Hand washing facilities were washed regularly; filled with water and provision of soap for hand hygiene.

▪ General Landscaping

The Assembly's front view was planted with ornamental plants with adequate pavement and avenue trees to enhance beautification effect as a model of "Green Environment". Green environment at the Assembly premises (Lawn protection).

▪ 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 Fire Service, NCCE, NABCO, Ambulances Service, NCCE, NABCO, National Identification Authority (NIA), etc.

- **Washrooms**

The washrooms at convenient distances to all departments and units were all in good condition and cleaned daily. Urinal has been constructed outside the building for use in case of water shortage.

2.3.2 Births and Deaths Registry

2.3.2.1 Key Activities carried out in the second quarter.

- During the quarter, mass registration exercises were held at Tsito, Abutia Kpota, Abutia Kissiflui, Bame, Avenui, Hlefi and Anyirawase. These were in line with plans to mark up the birth registration within the quarter with a substantial increase in the number of registered births.

Table 11: Summary Report for Second Quarter Birth and Deaths Registration in Figures

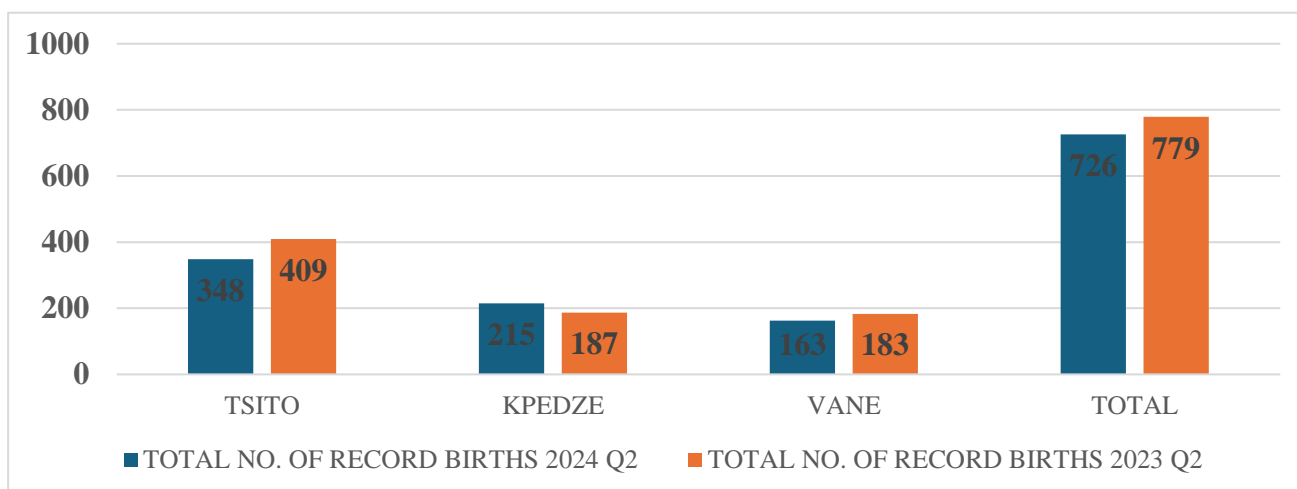
	Births									Deaths													
Registry	Total No. of Record Births				No of Birth Under 1 Yr			No. of Birth Over 1 Yr			No. Of Record Deaths			Late Reg. of Deaths				Infant Deaths Under 1 Yr			Deaths Medically Certified		
	M	F	T		M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T		M	F	T	M	F	T
Tsito	183	165	348		65	75	140	118	90	208	5	5	10	2	2	4		3	3	6	0	2	2
Kpedze	115	100	215		58	39	97	57	61	118	7	4	11	4	3	7		0	0	0	0	0	0
Vane	82	81	163		23	14	37	60	67	127	6	3	9	2	0	2		4	3	7	0	0	0
Total	380	346	726		146	128	274	235	218	453	18	12	30	8	5	13		7	6	13	0	2	2

Source: Births and Deaths Registry, June 2024

A total of 726 birth registrations were done by the district in the second quarter of 2024. Out of the 726 registrations, 274 were of persons less than the age of 1 while 453 were of persons over the age of 1. A total of 380 males and 346 females were registered in the second quarter. Tsito Registry which saw most of the mass registration exercises this quarter led with 348 registrations and was followed by Kpedze and Vane registries which recorded 215 and 163 registrations respectively.

The total number of deaths registered in the second quarter totaled 30. This is a marked increase from the 8 recorded deaths from the first quarter of 2024 and the 3 recorded during the same period in 2023. It is worth highlighting the turnaround in death registration in the district.

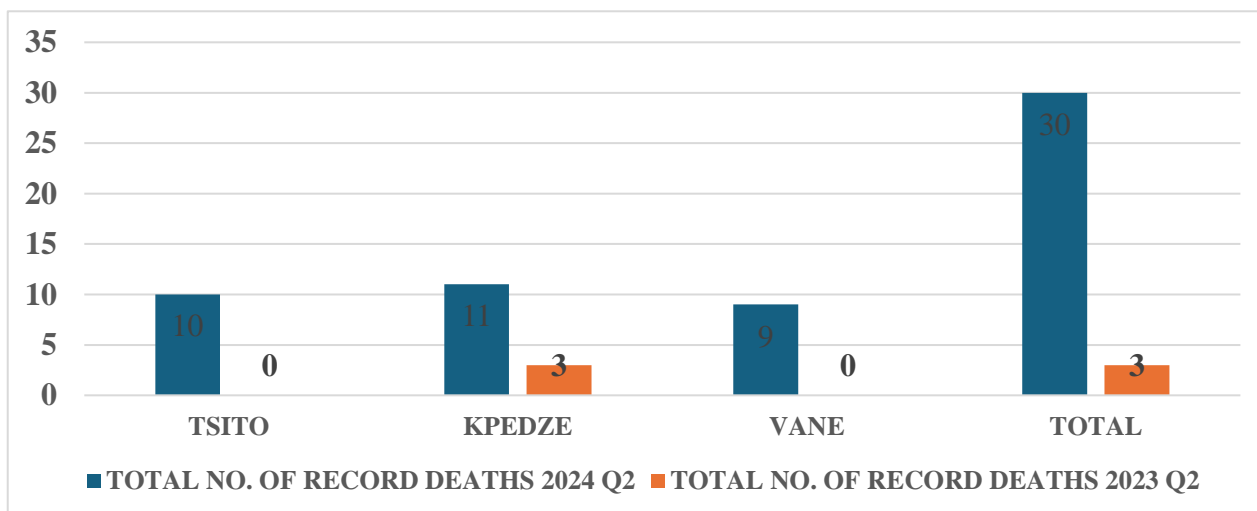
Figure 4: Comparative analysis of Birth Registration for the Q2 of 2024 & Q2 of 2023.



Source: Births and Deaths Registry, June 2024

Figure 4 shows the analysis of birth registration for second quarter of 2024 as compared that of second quarter of 2023. The second quarter of 2024 saw 726 birth registrations in all. Total birth registrations at the same time last year were 779. The marked drop in numbers seen in the comparison of the first quarters of both years is not visible in the second quarter as depicted by the chart above. Officers are more familiar with the new system introduced earlier this year and also had time to go organized registration exercises as training for the new system was over by the second quarter's commencement.

Figure 5: Comparative analysis of Death Registration for the Q2 of 2024 & Q2 of 2023.



Source: Births and Deaths Registry, June 2024

Figure 5 shows the analysis of death registration for second quarter of 2024 as compared that of second quarter of 2023. The total number of deaths registered in the second quarter of 2024 is 30. This is not only higher than the 3 recorded during the same period last, but higher than that of any quarter in the past 3 years.

2.3.3 Department of Social Welfare and Community Development

This sector of the report reviews programmes of the Department of Social Welfare and Community Development from April to June 2024. It reflects direct outputs of implementation of Departmental Action Plans (AP) for the period under review.

The Department joined forces with other social service providers especially for the benefits of children to reduce child vulnerability, poverty and expand social protection programmes.

2.3.3.1 Child Rights Promotion and Protection

A total of seventeen (17) cases were resolved successfully out of twenty-two (22) reported. This constitutes 77.2% of the cases received. Three hundred and ten (310) people made up of 175 males and 135 females including school children were sensitized on Child Protection and other related issues on their future aspirations to life.

▪ Case work Management

Table 12: Summary of Case Work Management

S/N	TYPES OF CASE	B/F	NEW	TOTAL	HANDLED	PENDING
1.	Child maintenance	5	9	14	13	1
2.	Child custody	1	2	3	2	1
3.	Paternity	1	0	1	0	1
4.	Child abuse	0	2	2	1	1
5	Family reconciliation	0	2	2	2	-
		17	15	22	18	4

Source: DSW/CD Ho West, June 2024

▪ Community Mobilization and collaboration on Child Protection sensitization

During the quarter under review, the officers in partnership with relevant stakeholders held sensitization programmes on child protection and other related issues in four (4) selected communities. A total of three hundred and ten (310) people comprising of 175 males and 135 females participated in the programme. The table below gives a detailed breakdown of the gender disaggregation, collaborators and issues discussed

Table 13: Summary of Community Mobilization and Collaboration to sensitize communities on Child Protection

S/ N	Date	Community	Participation			Collaboration	Issues
			M	F	T		
1.	-	Vane	12	19	31	Youth Authority, Traditional leaders	General welfare of children
2.	-	Hlefi	36	12	48	GES, GHS, Youth Authority	Celebration of world menstrual hygiene day
3.		Saviefe	27	11	38	Traditional Authorities	General welfare of children
4.	29/5/24	Dzolo-Kpuita	49	52	101	GES, GHS, NPO	World menstrual day with Dzolo-Kpuita Basic school

5.	7/6/24	Dzolo-Kpuita	51	41	92	GES, Traditional leaders, Assembly members	Green Ghana Day
Total			175	135	310		

Source: DSW/CD Ho West, June 2024

▪ **Home Visits and Other cross cutting issues on Child Protection**

Follow up (Home visits) were made to 6 households involving 10 clients. The table below details the communities, clients and cross cutting issues discussed

Table 14: Summary of Home Visits and Other Cross-Cutting Issues on Child Protection

S/N	Date	Communities	Clients			Issues Discussed
			M	F	T	
1.	16/4/24	Anfoeta -Wadamaxe	5	2	7	Ensuring that all children of school going age are enrolled in school
2.	26/4/24	Dodome	1	-	1	Visit to victim/ parents of alleged incest case
3.	28/5/24	Dzolo-Kpuita	-	2	2	Tenent of child upbringing society devoid of social vices.
Total			6	4	10	

Source: DSW/CD Ho West, June 2024

Picture of home Visit at Anfoeta Wadamaxe



▪ **Day Care Centres**

No activity was undertaken

▪ **Community Mobilization on Observation of U.N Day against Child Labour**

In collaboration with ENGAGE AFRICA, a Non-Profit Organization, a programme was held in Abutia Senior High Secondary Technical in June addressing issues on child labour. Stakeholders presents were made up of Chiefs and Queen mothers, Unit committee members as well as Assembly members, Religious leaders, school children, Teachers and Civil Society Organization. It was held under the theme “LET’S ACT ON OUR COMMUNITIES: END CHILD LABOUR”. In all about Four hundred and fifty (450) people attended the programme. This is made up of about 250 male and 200 females (including school children, basic and second cycle).

Pictures from the U.N Child labour Celebration



Social Welfare says “Yes to education and No to Child Labour”



Mr. Theophil Lokpo with other stakeholders at the function

▪ **Counselling on Adopting Responsible Child Protection Practice**

Some parents were counselled to safeguard their children from harm, other exploitations and neglect. Parents were also urged to nurture their children in a more responsible manner in accordance with the norms and values of modern society.



The way we talk to our children becomes their inner voices”. Being stressed by Roland Kumfo

2.3.3.2 Justice Administration

This was mainly vested in the District court with authority to try and resolve cases in collaboration with the department. In the quarter under review, there was a functional District Magistrate Court that took the review of cases of the Family Tribunal and Juvenile Courts, ensuring a comprehensive and collaborative approach to justice

The following issues came up during the review period: -

▪ **Family Tribunal**

- | | | |
|---|-------------|--|
| ✓ Sittings | - Nine (9) | |
| ✓ Fresh cases | - Three (3) | |
| ✓ Re-enlistment | - One (1) | |
| ✓ Brought forward from previous quarter | -Six (6) | |
| ✓ Total cases at hand | -Ten (10) | |
| ✓ Total disposed off | -Two (2) | |
| ✓ Cases on-going | -Eight (8) | |

- ✓ Number of SER Submitted -One (1)

▪ **Juvenile Court (J.C)**

- ✓ Number of J.C sittings -Six (6)
- ✓ Number of fresh cases -Two (2)
- ✓ Number brought forward -One (1)
- ✓ Total at hand -Three (3)
- ✓ Order for SER -One (1) – on-going
- ✓ Total pending -Two (2)

▪ **Domestic Violence**

- ✓ Number of reported cases -Two (2)
- ✓ Nature of cases -Alleged incest
- ✓ Total disposed off -Two (2)
- ✓ Action taken -cases referred to DOVVSU – Anyirawase.

Table 15: Summary of Community Mobilization and Sensitization on Domestic Violence held.

S/N	Date	Communities	Attendance			Issues	Collaborators
			M	F	T		
1.	9/5/24	Hlefi	26	29	55	❖ Domestic violence and responsible domestic relationships for a better tomorrow.	❖ Chiefs and Elders ❖ NCCE ❖ Community child protection committee (CCPS) ❖ Religious bodies ❖ Sub-structures
2.	23/5/24	Dzolo-Gborgame	31	30	61		
3.	28/5/24	Tsawenu	8	16	24		
		Total	65	75	140		

Source: Ho West, DSW/CD, June 2024

During the quarter under review, the office effectively engaged with communities to empower them to make informed decisions impacting children's lives of which one hundred and forty (140) people also benefited. The table above provides a detailed breakdown of the communities mobilized and the key issues addressed. Notably, the office also referred one severe child abuse case to DOVVSU for potential prosecution at the District Magistrate court and successfully resolved three domestic violence cases.

▪ **Locus by Social Welfare/District Court**

The District Magistrate Court led by her worship Comfort A. Apalayine and Social Welfare officers undertook a locus exercise to Tsyome-Afedo on 31/5/24 in respect of a child custody case held at the court. The essence of the locus was to verify and validate the probation officer's report after court had awarded custody of 5 children to the respondent (father).

Evidence of the locus led to the final handling over of all the children to the father; a decision taken to the supreme interest of the children.



District Magistrate asserting authority

2.3.3.3 Community Care Programmes

The focus is to disseminate reliable information, elicit behavior change through dialogue and feedback. It also aims at getting closer to our clients in their homes and households and engaging them in efforts to reduce poverty with their participation.

- **Update of District Level Disability Album**

During the reviewed quarter, nine (9) names made up of five (5) males and four (4) females were added to the album. However, three (3) persons also made up of two (2) males and one (1) female were deleted from the album due to one (1) passing on and two (2) relocating.

The update includes inclusion of Ghana cards for adults, confirmation of their contact lines, digital address number and street names, where necessary.

- **Disbursement of Items to Persons With Disability (PWDs)**

No disbursement activity was carried out during the review period.

- **Orientation on Disability**

On June 26, 2024, relevant stakeholders gathered at the expanded District Planning and Coordinating Unit (DPCU) meeting for an inter-sectoral collaboration session. During the meeting, they received a briefing on the government's agenda for persons living with disabilities. The briefing highlighted the government's commitment, through its state agencies, to transform the daily lives of disabled individuals and make a meaningful impact in all aspects of life

- **Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP)**

- **LEAP Payment**

Payment scheduled for the LEAP 89th cycle was postponed indefinitely in the reviewed quarter.

➤ **One Member Household Verification Exercise**

A smooth exercise for the update of the affected beneficiaries is being undertaken throughout the district. In all, 52 households were affected and being updated.

Pictures of one member household being verified at Abutia



➤ **Monitoring visit from Ghana Household Registry**

Two officials met with the officers to collect update on the recently held exercise on GNHR and other concerns on the way forward, the exercise was fruitful.

▪ **Collaboration with CSOs and Relevant Stakeholders on Gender Activities (Inclusion)**

➤ **World Menstrual Hygiene Day Celebration 2024**

On May 28th, 2024, the Department of Social Welfare and the district's Education Directorate, in collaboration with Mawuadek Foundation and Osbrain Care Foundation, marked the 10th Anniversary of World Menstrual Hygiene Day, themed '**Together for Period Friendly Ghana**'. The district-wide celebration culminated in a grand durbar at Abutia Kloe E.P Church Chapel, uniting learners from upper primary, Junior High Schools, and Senior High School in the Abutia Traditional Area. District Director of Education, Paulina S.E Gobe (Mrs.), emphasized the day's significance, urging stakeholders to advocate for dispelling negative menstruation perceptions and appealing for free menstrual pads for girls and women.

The event featured educational sessions, debates, and practical demonstrations on Menstrual Hygiene Management, benefiting 456 learners (222 and 234 from different schools) with sanitary towels courtesy of donations from individual Officers and partner organizations. The event was attended by Queen mothers, Assemblymen, headteachers, teachers, parents, and opinion leaders.

Furthermore, MAWUADEK Foundation collaborated with officers to mobilize three communities (Hlefɛ, Dzolo-Kpuita, and Dzolo-Gborgame) to celebrate World Menstrual Hygiene Day on May 29th, 2024. These events were attended by traditional authorities, parents, school children, religious authorities, teachers, and others, with approximately 500 disposable menstrual pads distributed freely to schoolchildren.

Pictures from the World Menstrual Hygiene Day Celebration



▪ **Management Report on Pope Francis School and Health Centre (PFSHC)**

A Nineteen (19) page management report was submitted to the Board Chairman of PFSHC on 7/6/24. This was in response to officials request by the Board Chairman on certain distasteful allegations levelled against the operations Director of PFSHC.

The report rather commended the management of the institution and finds allegations baseless and unfounded. There is rather a continuous effort by management in advancing future aspirations of children and by creating the enabling pathway for academic progression for all children.

Pictures from the fact-finding mission at PFSHC



Pictures from the Report Presentation to Board Chair



▪ **Meeting with Global Action for Women Empowerment (GLOWA)**

GLOWA stakeholder's feedback consultation meeting was attended by head of SW/CD ON 20/5/24 at VRCC Residency Conference Hall. It was a platform for stakeholders to provide feedback on unique perspectives in developing activities for operations that align with GLOWA's overall mission and mission.



2.3.3.4 Extension Services

The office collaborated with the Agricultural department, planning unit, NCCE, Judiciary Service (District Magistrate Court, other relevant departments to execute the following activities;

- Inspection of 1.8km feeder road under rehabilitation at Kpedze Todze- Anagokofe under the safety net project concept
- Monitor the Grant disbursement and mini market held for beneficiaries of the Dzolokpuita and Abutia CLASS communities of the Productive Inclusion component of the GPSNP 2.
- Educate gender groups on how to add value to their food product, food preservation and processing.
- Educate the citizenry on their civic responsibilities, against social vices, services available or rendered by the Department.
- Collaborated with GES to sensitize the citizenry on 'Back to School Campaign', World Menstrual Hygiene Day campaign and the need for Children with Disability (CWD) to go to school. Collaborating with GES to create an enabling school environment while carrying out field visits to solve truancy problems in schools.
- The Department Collaborated with the Environmental Health and Sanitation Unit to educate the citizens of Ho West on effects of Open Defecation and the need to own household toilets (CLTS). The Department also led the implementation of Social Norms Campaign as part of programs designed to facilitate the effective roll-out of CLTS. Some communities visited during the year are Kpale Xorse, Akorviefie, Dzolokpuita, Saviefie Agorkpo among others.
- Some NGOs were assisted to register with the Department of Social Welfare, Accra. NGOs in the District were also encouraged to renew their operational certificates with the District Assembly and Head Office, Accra
- Collaborated with NGOs to operate Transitional Homes and Shelter and ensure that they support the needy and vulnerable in communities of Ho West.

- Collaborated with Ghana Health Service to educate students/pupils on teenage pregnancy and community sensitization on the need for polio vaccination.

2.3.4 Ghana Health Service (GHS)

The District Health Directorate is a decentralized department under the District Assembly and represented on the Social Services Sub-Committee of the District Assembly by the District Director of Health Services. To effectively implement health policies in the District, the District Health Directorate has divided the District into six (6) Districts namely: Abutia, Avatime, Kpedze, Tsito, Weto-Hedzefe and Yingor sub-Districts. District 2024 population was 83,724(Census)

2.3.4.1 Health Facilities in the District

Health Centers (Government)	-12
Polyclinic	-1
CHPS	-13
School Clinic	-3
CHAG Clinic	-2
TOTAL	-31

Table 16: 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		Vane	Government
10	E.P. Church Clinic		Vane	CHAG
11	Ashanti Kpoeta CHPS	Kpedze	Ashanti Kpoeta	Government
12	Luvudo CHPS		Luvudo	Government
13	Kpedze Polyclinic		Kpedze	Government
14	Kpesco Clinic		Kpedze	Government
15	Honuta CHPS		Honuta	Government
16	Avenui CHPS	Tsito	Avenui	Government
17	Dededo CHPS		Dededo	Government
18	Tsibu Health Centre		Tsibu	Government
19	Tsito Health Centre		Awudome Tsito	Government
20	Anyrawase CHPS		Anyrawase	Government
21	Awusco Clinic			

22	Anfoeta CHPS	Weto Hedzefe	Anfoeta Zongo	Government
23	Hlefi Health Centre		Hlefi	Government
24	Akome CHPS	Yingor	Akome Gbogame	Government
25	Dodome Awuiasu Health Centre		Dodome Awuiasu	Government
26	Dodome Teleafenui Health Centre		Dodome Teleafenui	Government
27	Dzologbogame Health Centre		Dzolo Gbogame	Government
28	Dzolakpuita Health Centre		Dzolakpuita	Government
29	Saviefe CHPS		Saviefe Agorkpo	Government
30	St. Francis Clinic		Saviefe Agorkpo	Government

Source: Ho West, GHS- June 2024

2.3.4.2 Key Activities performed during the Second Quarter of the year 2024

1. Outpatient Department Services
2. General Consultation
3. Laboratory services
4. Health Education
5. Counselling
6. Conducted fixed vaccination sessions, outreach services and school vaccination sessions.
7. Conducted both passive and active surveillance on epidemic prone diseases.
8. Conducted register review.
9. Carried health week celebration.
10. Technical support visits to all facilities in the district
11. Undertook advocacy, communication and social mobilisation in several communities.
12. Conduct one integrated monitoring and supervision of all facilities.
13. Conduct monthly data validation and verification sessions in all facilities.
14. Provide both focus and outreach ANC Services
15. Supportive supervision and mentoring visit to CHPS Zones
16. Intensify home visit which also includes tracking of pregnant women.
17. Routine Growth Monitoring and Promotion.
18. Organize risk communication meeting

Table 17: At Glance Performance (Second Quarter, 2024)

	INDICATORS	2022	2023	TARGET	2024
1	OPD per capita	.99	1.04	1.	.87
2	Total OPD attendance	20,818	22,388	-	18,229
3	Percentage OPD attendants insured	73.94	78.26	-	74.03
4	ANC Coverage	56.67	46.78		52.65
5	PNC Coverage	34.22	34.1		32.64
6	BCG coverage under 1	93.63	69.71	100%	71.
7	Men A coverage (18-59months)	106.82	93.56	95%	91.96
8	Number of OPD Malaria cases	6935.	8662.		6523.
9	Number of OPD Suspected Malaria Cases	14837.	15863.	-	9604.
10	Percentage of malaria cases tested	99.99	99.96	1	82.53
11	Percentage OPD Malaria tests being confirmed	72.3	78.9		67.3

12	Incidence rate of Hypertension (using OPD as proxy)	.49	.37	5-10%	.39
13	Proportion of pregnant women tested for syphilis	88.05	97.51	60%	91.86
14	Number of OPD Malaria cases - pregnant women	248.	217.	95%	65.
15	New Family Planning Acceptor rate	45.86	42.18	40%	34.29
16	Percentage of Pregnant women taking IPT3	46.54	66.17	60%	71.49
17	Percentage of Pregnant women taking IPT3	46.54	66.17	60%	71.49
18	Percentage of Children due for Measles 2 dose given LLINs	100.	136.78	90%	92.23
19	Proportion of ANC registrants given LLINs	1.	1.	1.	.98
20	Percentage ANC registrants registered in 1st trimester	65.2	65.67	55.5%	66.52
21	Percentage of ANC clients making 4th visit	61.43	78.86	85%	74.43
22	Penta3 coverage under 1	115.01	92.4	95%	94.11
23	Incidence rate of diabetes (using OPD as proxy)	.04	.05	1-5%	.1
24	Percentage of pregnant women anaemic at 36 weeks	43.86	34.31	35.5%	46.86
25	Routine Vitamin A coverage (6-59 months)	8.65	30.65	80%	29.23
26	Percentage skilled deliveries	34.22	34.21	65%	32.64
27	Percentage of PNC registrants seen within the first 48 hours after delivery	100.	100.	90%	100.
28	Percentage of babies breastfeeding within 1hr after delivery	100.	100.	95%	101.1

Source: Ho West, GHS- June 2024

Pictures from the routine community engagement held



2.3.5 Ghana Education Service

This section of the report covers activities of the Ho West District Education Directorate for the second quarter of 2024 fiscal year. It provides broad information on quality, access and inclusivity to promote smooth educational delivery which is aimed ultimately at improving academic performance of students.

2.3.5.1 Education facilities available with the District

The Table 21 below gives a summary of the available education facilities within the Ho West District

Table 18: Data on Available Educational facilities

PUBLIC/PRIVATE	LEVEL	NUMBER
PUBLIC	SHS/SHTS/TVET	7
	JHS	65
	PRIMARY	82
	KINDERGARTEN	83
PRIVATE	SHS/TVET	1 DEFUNCT
	JHS	12
	PRIMARY	18
	KINDERGARTEN	18

Source: Ho West, GES- June 2024

2.3.5.1 Key activities identified for performance during the quarter.

Key activities within the quarter under review have been categorized on the pathway of Quality, Access and Management services. In furtherance, activities have also been broadly considered under basic schools and SHS/SHTS.

2.3.5.1.1 Key Activities Performed during the quarter to improve Quality.

▪ **Supervision and Monitoring**

During the quarter, supervision and monitoring of school activities were highly effective, with a comprehensive approach that included intensive visits, brief checks, and follow-up visits to all 54 GALOP Schools in the District (at least three times each). The monitoring focused on key aspects such as punctuality, absenteeism, work output, school records, learner plans, and time management. Additionally, officers engaged with teachers, students, and parents through PTA and SMC meetings, addressing concerns and promoting accountability through the School Improvement Performance Plan (SPIP) and Quo-SPIPs. Support was also provided to headteachers with issues related to the Mobile School Report Card. Furthermore, the Directorate ensured fidelity of implementation in the 27 USAID LAERNING schools by monitoring the use of scripted lessons and teachers' guides. These efforts have yielded significant improvements in both teacher and learner attendance and punctuality."

Monitoring at Kpedze Awlime E.P Prim. and Kpedze R/C JHS respectively.



▪ **School Health Education Programmes (SHEP)**

➤ **World Tobacco Day**

On 31st May, 2024, the District observed World Tobacco Day with the theme 'Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference'. The event featured educational sessions and demonstrations across schools in the district, highlighting the harmful effects of tobacco use and encouraging students to avoid it. The campaign successfully raised awareness among all stakeholders in the district about the dangers of tobacco use and its related consequences.

➤ **Health Screening for Kindergarten to Basic 3 Learners**

The District Education Directorate in collaboration with District Health Directorate organized a health screening on 24th to 25th June, 2024 for kindergarten to basic 3 learners of Avenui E.P Basic School and Anyirawase E.P Basic School respectively. The learners screening was focused on full body and specific body parts such as ear, eye, mouth. Learners' IQs were also tested. The aim of the exercise was to assess the health condition of the learners as far as education is concerned. One hundred and sixty (160) learners were screened from both schools. Thirty-five (35) cases were referred based on various conditions representing 28% of total cases screened.

➤ **Review Meeting on HIV**

On June 29th, 2024, the Directorate, represented by the District SHEP Coordinator, participated in a review meeting at the District Assembly Hall to discuss HIV issues in the District. The meeting was attended by the District Chief Executive and other key stakeholders. The committee resolved to launch a sensitization campaign in schools and Ho West communities to raise awareness about the increasing cases of HIV in the District and promote measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

▪ **Special Education Activities**

The Special Education Unit of the Ghana Education Service is dedicated to advocating for and supporting the educational needs of children and young people with special needs and disabilities. The Inclusive Education (IE) Policy aims to transform the delivery and management of educational services, embracing the principles of Universal Design for Learning and Child-Friendly School

Concept, to cater to the diverse needs of all learners and ensure an inclusive and supportive learning environment.

The Directorate's monitoring report, led by Special Education Coordinators, identified five students with diverse special needs. Two students with hearing and speech difficulties require hearing aids and speech therapy to support their learning. Additionally, two students with physical impairments need wheelchairs to facilitate mobility, while another student is visually impaired. A fifth student has cerebral palsy and requires specialized educational support from an expert in cerebral palsy education to manage her learning effectively.

2.3.5.2 Access (Supplies and Deliverables)

Table: Supplies and Deliverables

S/N	ITEM	QTY	SOURCE OF SUPPLY	REMARKS
1	New classrooms			
2	Request for absorption of schools			
3	Renovated classrooms	-	-	
4	Furniture supplied			
	a) Mono Desk			Distributed to Norvisi D/A Basic
	b) Dual Desk	-	-	
	c) Teachers' tables & chairs			Norvisi D/A Basic
5	Toilet facilities provided. (Water Closet)	-	-	
6	Urinals Provided	-	-	
7	Safe water provided			
	a) Pipe borne water	-	-	
	b) Boreholes	-	-	

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

2.3.5.3 Teacher Deployment and Other Access Activities

Table: Teacher Deployment & Other Information

S/N	ITEM	NUMBER	REMARKS
1	Teacher/staff Retired	2	Compulsory Retirement
2	Vacation of Post	-	None
3	Resignation	-	None
4	Deceased		
5	Transfer into District		applications in process
6	Transfer out of District		applications process
7	Teachers re-posted		none

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

Table: IPPD Input Data

Documents	Upgrading	Salary Adjustment	Correction Of Grade	Change Of Mgt Unit	Re-Activation of Salary	New Entrants Documents
Received	14	3	0	32	6	
Processed And Submitted to Region/Hqtrs (EDU/CAGD)	14	3	0	32	6	

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

Table 19: Staff Strength- Basic School

S/N	CIRCUIT	KINDERGARTEN		PRIMARY		JHS		TOTAL
		M	F	M	F	M	F	
1	ABUTIA KLOE	0	8	13	33	15	9	78
2	ABUTIA KPOTA	0	6	11	10	14	8	39
3	ABUTIA KISSIFLUI	0	6	12	6	13	2	39
4	AWUDOME TSITO	2	18	16	42	37	25	140
5	AWUDOME ANYIRAWASE	0	15	16	22	20	13	86
6	AWUDOME BAME	0	7	20	20	16	8	71
7	AVATIME VANE	0	12	15	15	17	13	72
8	AVATIME F. DZOKPE	0	4	12	6	9	2	39
9	DZOLO DODOME	0	12	13	15	20	17	77
10	DZOLO KPUITA	1	16	24	31	33	17	122
11	HLEFI	1	12	32	25	28	11	109
12	KPEDZE							136
13	KPOETA	0	3	17	10	12	2	44
								1052

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

Table 20: Summary of Student Enrollment – Basic Schools

S/N	Circuit	Kindergarten		Primary		JHS		Total
		M	F	M	F	M	F	
1	Abutia Kloe							
2	Abutia Kpota							1,220
3	Abutia Kissiflui	154	134	355	292	98	78	1,111
4	Awudome Tsito	188	179	597	560	269	312	2,105
5	Awudome Anyirawase	93	94	325	244	155	144	1055
6	Awudome Bame	96	86	442	394	182	193	1,396
7	Avatime Vane							
8	Avatime F. Dzokpe	45	61	152	167	80	63	568
9	Dzolo Dodome							
10	Dzolo Kpuita	175	148	458	448	275	500	1732
11	Hlefi	156	149	497	406	234	197	1,639
12	Kpedze							
13	Kpoeta	109	101	382	265	174	112	1,143
	Total							11,969

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

Table 21: Summary of Furniture Deficit within the District

Circuit	School	Available	Deficit
Abutia Kloe			
Abutia Kpota	Abutia Kpota E.P Basic		80
	Agordeke E.P Prim		50
	Sebekofe D/A Prim		40
	Gbetekpo D/A Basic		50
	Adegblevi D/A Prim		40
	Togbave D/A Basic		70
Abutia Kissiflui	Abutia Amesianyakofe D/A Basic		150
	Abutia Kissiflui D/A Basic		150
Awudome Tsito	Dededo D/A Basic		150

	Tsito Methodist JHS		50
	Tsito R/C Basic School		50
Awudome Anyirawase	Anyirawase E.P Basic		60
	Anyirawase Meth Prim		50
Awudome Bame	Daffor D/A Basic		30
Avatime Vane	Vane E.P Basic		10
	Biakpa E.P United Basic		10
Avatime F. Dzokpe	Fume Dzokpe Old JHS		30
	Old Dzokpe Basic		10 (JHS)
	Fume E.P Prim		10
Dzolo Dodome	Dodome Tsikor D/A Prim		20
	Dodome Awuiasu E.P Prim		30
Dzolo Kpuita	Saviefe Deme D/A Basic		40
	Akome Gbota E.P Prim		30
	Saviefe Gbedome		20
	Saviefe Agorkpo United Prim		30
Hlefi	Anfoeta Tsebi D/A Prim		93
	Bakpe D/A Basic School		35
	Kpale Xorse D/A Basic		84
Kpedze	Kpedze R/C JHS		100
	Kpedze R/C Prim		150
	Kpedze Sreme D/A Basic		60
	Holuta Aflakpe E.P Basic		40
	Rashidyia IIsamic Basic		50
	Kpedze Anoe E. P Prim		40
	Kpedze E.P Prim		100
	Kpedze E.P JHS		40
Kpoeta	Kpoeta Ashanti R.C Basic		30
	Kpoeta Ashanti E.P Basic		8 (Kg)
	Luvudo E.P Basic		40
Total			2,030

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

2.3.5.4 Management Efficiency

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

S/N	ACTIVITY	OUTPUT	OUTCOME	REMARKS
1	Professional Learning Communities (PLC) were organized in 112 schools in the district	1,100 teachers benefited to improve on teaching methods and build positive attitudes and values	12,350 learners were impacted positively	
2	Refresher training on preparation of SPIP	13 Headteachers	13	Organized for head-teachers at Awudome Anyirawase Circuit

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

▪ **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, SISOs, PRO, ICT Coord, GEO, etc	10	78	Self

2.3.5.5 SHS/SHTS Report

Table 22: Number of Schools

S/N	TYPE	NUMBER	REMARKS
1	SHS	4	
2	SHTS	3	

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

▪ **Schools Enrollment (SHS and SHTS)**

Table 23: Student Enrollment

S/N	SCHOOL	DAY		BOARDING		TOTAL
		BOYS	GIRLS	BOYS	GIRLS	
1	AWUDOME SHS	55	61	1140	1218	2,474
2	KPEDZE SHS	129	115	432	412	1,088
3	TSITO SHTS	167	56	597	378	1,140
4	ABUTIA SHTS	113	61	592	497	1,263
5	DZOLO SHS	48	43	276	417	784
6	AKOME SHTS	47	37	379	237	711
7	AVATIME SHS	15	14	136	350	515
	TOTAL	574	387	3552	3509	7,975

Source: Ho West, GES-June, 2024

▪ **Teacher Population (SHS and SHTS)**

Table 24: Teacher Population (SHS and SHTS)

S/N	SCHOOL	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1	AWUDOME SHS	110	33	143
2	KPEDZE SHS	60	17	77
3	TSITO SHTS	65	14	79
4	ABUTIA SHTS	61	15	76
5	DZOLO SHS	44	15	59
6	AKOME SHTS	43	11	54
7	AVATIME SHS	31	10	41
	TOTAL	414	115	529

Teacher GPI = 0.3 (SHS)

▪ **Teaching Staff Deficit (Needs)**

Table 25: Teaching Staff Deficit (Needs)

S/N	SCHOOL	ENG	MATH	INT SC	SOC STD	ICT	P. E	G&C
1	AWUDOME SHS		2	3	3			
2	KPDZE SHS							
3	TSITO SHTS	2		2			3	
4	ABUTIA SHTS	2	3	3				
5	DZOLO SHS							
6	AKOME SHS	4	3	4				
7	AVATIME SHS							

Source: Ho West, GES- June, 2024

▪ **Non-Teaching Staff Strength for SHS/SHTS**

Table 26: Non-Teaching Staff Strength for SHS/SHTS

S/O	NAME OF INSTITUTION	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
01	ABUTIA SHTS	16	23	39
02	AKOME SHTS	14	7	21
03	AVATIME SHS	14	9	23
04	AWUDOME SHS	23	34	57
05	DZOLO SHS	17	15	32
06	KPEDZE SHS	22	21	43
07	TSITO SHTS	14	20	34
	TOTALS	120	129	249

Source: Ho West, GES- June, 2024

▪ **Other School Supplies (for both SHS and SHTS)**

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

S/N	SUPPLIES RECEIVED	QUANTITY	SOURCE/SUPPLIER	REMARKS
1	Computers & Accessories	-	-	
2	Classroom Furniture			
	mono desk			
	Dual desk	-	-	
	tables/chairs			
3	Bungalow			
	Exercise books			
	Mathematical set		"	"
	Mathematics (Core)-Revision		"	"
	English Bk 1		"	"
	English Bk2		"	"
	English Bk3		"	"
	Second Cycle Register		"	"

Source: Ho West, GES- June, 2024

Table 27: Furniture Situation (Students)

S/N	School	Furniture Available	Furniture Deficit (Needed)	Remarks
1	AWUDOME SHS	700	1500	In dire need
2	KPEDZE SHS	584	650	✓
3	TSITO SHTS	682	478	✓
4	ABUTIA SHTS	1520	200	✓
5	DZOLO SHS	300	500	✓
6	AKOME SHTS	300	400	✓
7	AVATIME SHS	257	510	✓
	TOTAL		4,238	

Source: Ho West, GES- June, 2024

2.3.5.6 Special Schools Report

Table 28: Number of Schools (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: Ho West, GES- June, 2024

2.3.6 National Ambulance Service (NAS)

The national ambulance service (NAS) strives to be world- class emergency medical service (EMS) that provides the highest quality and most cost-effective emergency health Care to people of Ghana, through enthusiastic and well-trained staff.

The service provides integrated high quality pre-hospital emergency medical care, health transport medical retrieval and education services to all people of Ghana.

2.3.6.1 Case Analysis

▪ Source of Call

The table below gives a detail breakdown of number and type of calls recorded from January to June.

SUN NO. OF CASES	MONTH						SUM
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	
GOTA	9	1	7	14	21	16	68
Mobile Phone	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Patient/Relative	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Walk-in	2	0	0	0	1	0	3
Summary	11	1	7	15	22	16	72

Source: Ho West, National Ambulance Service- June, 2024

As compared to the First Quarter of 2024, the office saw an incline in the total number of cases recorded from nineteen (19) to fifty-three (53) in the reviewed quarter with GOTA recording the highest source of calls as compared to the other sources.

▪ **Service Point**

The table below shows the breakdown of service points recorded from January to June of 2024

SUN NO. OF CASES	MONTH						SUM
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	
Hospital	7	1	7	14	17	15	61
Residence	0	0	0	1	1	1	3
Roadside	4	0	0	0	4	0	8
Summary	11	1	7	15	22	16	72

Source: Ho West, National Ambulance Service- June, 2024

The hospitals remain the highest service points recorded since the beginning of the year. With second quarter recording the highest calls as compared to first quarter, the calls recorded mostly came from the hospital. From the table, there have been an improvement with hospitals using the services of the National Ambulance Service.

▪ **Type of Incidences**

The table below shows the breakdown of type of incidences recorded from January to June of 2024

SUN NO. OF CASES	MONTH						SUM
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	
Investigation	4	0	4	9	8	6	31
Medical	6	0	2	4	7	7	26
Obs & Gynae	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Trauma	5	1	1	2	7	2	18
Summary	11	1	7	15	22	16	62

Source: Ho West, National Ambulance Service- June, 2024

The Second quarter recorded highest number of incidences as compared to First quarter of the year 2024. Investigation comes tops on the lists of the type of incidences recorded in the mid-year review.

▪ **Gender**

SUN NO. OF CASES	MONTH						SUM
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	
Male	7	0	2	9	11	12	41
Female	4	1	5	6	11	4	30
Summary	11	1	7	15	22	16	72

Source: Ho West, National Ambulance Service- June, 2024

The table above given a breakdown on the sex disaggregation of cases recorded with men being the highest usage of service. However as compared to first quarter, second quarter recorded the highest number of cases with fifty-three (53).

▪ **Age Distribution**

The table above given a breakdown on the age distribution of cases recorded from January to June, 2024

SUN NO. OF CASES	MONTH						SUM
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	
1-14	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
15-29	4	0	2	2	5	5	18
30-44	1	0	1	6	5	1	14
45-59	3	0	2	1	7	2	13
Above 60	1	0	3	7	8	4	22
Below 1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Summary	9	0	9	17	27	12	74

Source: Ho West, National Ambulance Service- June, 2024

▪ Cases attended to within Ho West District

Trauma (RTC)	-	10
Medical	-	8
Obs & Gynae	-	3
Total No. of cases recorded-		21

EXCERPTS OF CASES ATTENDED



2.4 ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE & HUMAN SETTLEMENT

2.4.1 Physical Planning Department

The department seek to adopt participatory spatial planning to ensure economy, aesthetic, harmony, convenience, safety and judicious use of land and other related resources to achieve its goal and objectives as stated below;

Goal: ‘Safeguard the natural environment and ensure resilient built environment’

Objective ‘Enhance spatial orderly development of communities.’

2.4.1.1 Development Applications

Table 29: Development applications receipt

S/N	Target for the quarter	Number Received	Number Processed	Number approved	Percentage approved (%)	Number rejected	Percentage rejected (%)	No. Deferred	Percentage Deferred
1	10	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

Source: Ho West, Phy. Planning Dep't- June, 2024

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

Ten development applications were projected to be received within this quarter, however no building permit applications were received.

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 development projects within the communities.

Table 30: Sales of development application jackets

S/N	Target for the quarter	Number of jackets sold	Number of jackets return for processing	Percentage of jacket return	Amount released (GH¢)
1	10	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

Source: Ho West, Phy. Planning Dep't- June 2024

Table 30 above depicts sales of development application jacket. The period under reviewed has a target of 10 expected development applications. However, no application packs were sold.

• Revenue Generation

The department was not able to generate any revenue because no development application was received during the second quarter under review.

2.4.2 Works Department

The Department is currently supervising the following projects funded projects namely;

- **DACF Housing Projects**
 - a. Construction of 10No. 2 Bedroom Housing Project for Staff at Dzolokpuita
 - b. Construction of DCE Bungalow at Dzolokpuita
- **Donor fund (GPSNP 2)**
 - c. Rehabilitation of 1.8km Feeder Road at Kpedze Todze-Anagokofe

2.4.2.1 Monitoring of the Borehole drilling in 10 communities

As part of Governments effort to improve access to portable drinking water in the country, opportunity was presented to the Ho West District to have Ten boreholes drilled in 10 communities. This was a fully funded three phase (Prospecting, Drilling and Mechanization) project by the Central Government in meeting the provision of SDG goal 6. The technical team after touring all 10 beneficiary communities spanning from the 22nd to 23rd of December, 2023 for citing, proceeded with drilling of the boreholes which commenced in the first quarter through to second quarter of 2024. The borehole drilling projects in the Ho West District does not only showcase governments commitment to enhancing the district's water infrastructure and services but also to serve as a foundational toll for ongoing monitoring, evaluation and strategic planning.

Table 31: Summary of boreholes drilling in selected communities in the Second Quarter

S/N	DATE	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
1	1 st April, 2024	Drilling	Dodome Dogblome
2	2 nd April, 2024	Drilling	Kpedze Todze Site 2
3	3 rd April, 2024	Drilling	Kpedze Market
4	5 th April, 2024	Drilling	Kpedze RC School

Source: Ho West, Works Dep't- June 2024

2.4.3 Climate Change Mitigation Intervention (CCMI) Projects

2.4.3.1 GPSNP 2 (CCMI Sub-Project)









The Ho West District Assembly through the Department of Agriculture and Department of Social Welfare in collaboration with MLGDRD have continuously engaged 521 LIPW Beneficiaries in climate change mitigation interventions (CCMI) in the District since the project inception. These mitigation intervention projects include seedling production, cultivation of fruit trees and cash crops such as Cashew, Citrus, Coconut and Oil palm on degraded communal and public land. These sub-projects are designed not only to control climate change but also to support watershed protection and biodiversity conservation.

During the period under review, eight (8) communal degraded lands (CCMI) subprojects were maintained/rehabilitated in seven (7) selected communities namely, Dzolokpuita, Dzologbogame, Kpedze Todze, Avatime Biakpa, Abutia Teti, Abutia Kpota and Awudome Tsawoenu are beneficiary communities

of the project in the district. Additionally, the Assembly in partnership with GLOWA held a stakeholder's engagement with the beneficiaries on the Abutia Kpota 7ha Cashew plantation site aiming to gather feedback and insights from beneficiaries and ensure their needs and concerns are addressed.

Table 32 provides details of the subprojects and corresponding beneficiaries.

Table 32: Summary of CCMI Subprojects and Corresponding Beneficiaries

S/N	Subproject	Community	Beneficiaries		Total	Picture
			M	F		
1	Maintenance of 5Ha Citrus Plantation	Avatime Biakpa	9	8	17	
2	Maintenance of 7Ha Cashew Plantation	Abutia Kpota	13	10	23	
3	Maintenance of 5Ha Citrus Plantation	Kpedze Todze	5	14	19	
4	Maintenance of 5Ha Coconut Plantation	Dzolo kpuita	6	11	17	
5	Rehabilitation of 5ha degraded land using Coconut Seedlings	Awudome Tsawoenu	33	22	55	
6	Rehabilitation of 18ha Degraded Communal Land Using Coconut Seedlings at	Dzologbogame	60	60	120	
7	Rehabilitation of 8ha Degraded Communal Land Using Oil Palm Seedlings	Abutia Teti	53	32	85	
8	Establishment of Nursery (Cashew, Oil Palm, Coconut, Citrus and Xylopia Seedlings)	Dzolo kpuita	43	69	112	
			249	272	521	

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

Pictures from the Engagement held with CCMI beneficiaries of the cashew plantation at Abutia Kpota



2.4.3.2 Climate Change Awareness/Sensitization Training

The Department of Agriculture seized the opportunity of favourable rainfall during the quarter to advocate for climate-resilient farming practices, livestock production, and innovative agricultural ventures such as apiculture and heliculture, providing farmers with a range of income-generating options and sustainable land management techniques.

The table below shows a breakdown of Climate change awareness held within the quarter

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: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

Additionally, as part of the district's initiative to promote greening through WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) strategies, the Environmental Health and Sanitation unit also encouraged applicants for permits to incorporate tree or shrub planting along avenues, serving dual purposes: enhancing aesthetic value and acting as a windbreak. This effort aims to integrate environmental sustainability into the district's development agenda.

2.4.3.3 Green Ghana Day Tree Planting Programme

On Friday, June 7th, 2024, the District Assembly joined the national Green Ghana Day celebrations at Dzolokpuita, embracing the theme "**Growing for a Greener Tomorrow.**" This event highlighted the shared responsibility to protect and enhance the environment and wildlife for future generations.

The ceremony drew a diverse range of distinguished guests, including the District Coordinating Director, traditional leaders, education and police officials, forestry representatives, assembly members, school administrators, students, and members of the public. To promote biodiversity and environmental sustainability, a total of 2000 trees and plants were planted, featuring a mix of indigenous and exotic

species such as Ofram, Mahogany, Acacia, Teak, and fruit-bearing trees like Pawpaw, Citrus, Mango, and Coconut.

It is important to state that the Green Ghana Day Initiative has yielded a lot of benefits as the public have understood and appreciated the need to plant trees in their communities in addressing climate change impacts. It is therefore imperative for stakeholders to collaborate effectively to address climate change impacts in our society.

The table below shows a detailed seedlings distributed

S/N	Type of Seedlings	Quantity
1	Oil Palm	200
2	Mahogany	300
3	Ofram	300
4	Cedrela	450
5	Teak	700
6	Castia	50
7	Citrus	75
8	Soursop	37
9	Guava	32
10	Mango	20
11	Pear	7

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

Pictures from the Green Ghana Day Commemoration held at Dzolokpuita



Notably, management and staff of the Kalakpa Resource Reserve were also joined by the Hon. Assemblyman and members of the Abutia Kloe community to embark on this year’s Green Ghana tree planting exercise. About 600 seedlings of economic tree species were planted in degraded areas of the reserve.

2.5 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIMENSION

2.5.1 Department of Agriculture

This section of the report covers activities of the Agriculture Department for the reviewed quarter of 2024 fiscal year. This department plays a crucial role in ensuring the long-term sustainability and productivity of the agriculture sector which is essential for food security, economic growth and environmental protection.

2.5.1.1 Agricultural Technical Staff Strength

Table 33: Summary 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	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	4
Vet DAOs	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AEAs	20	7	1	8	0	1	5	0	1	0	1	0	8
Market Enumerators	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Vet TOs	6	1	2	3	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
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	13	4	17	1		9		3		1		0

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

2.5.1.2 Crops and Livestock production

- **Highlights of District Weather Situation**

The quarter under review experienced 23 rainy days with an average amount of 408 mm rainfall recorded. The rainfall recorded during the quarter were promising. No destructions were reported because of rainfall.

- **Rainfall and its Effect on Agriculture**

Generally, the rainfall recorded was favourable for crop production. Farmers were sensitized on good agronomic practices for optimum output.

Table 34: District Monthly Average Rainfall Distribution

No	District	2023		2024		Percentage Change (%)	
		Rainfall (mm)	No. of Rain days	Rainfall (mm)	Number of Rain days	Rainfall (mm)	No. of Rain days
	Ho West	427	28	408	23	-4.45%	-17.86%

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

- **External Factors Impacting on Agriculture Production**

- ✓ Flooding: there was no report of flooding in the district.
- ✓ Illegal Mining (sand & gold): No report of illegal mining in the district
- ✓ Bush Fire: Bush fires were not reported during the quarter.
- ✓ Alien Herdsmen Activities: There were activities of alien herds men in some communities in Abutia. No farm damage was reported by farmers during this quarter.
- ✓ Poor Road network: Most of the farm roads are not in good shape and needed to be addressed.
- ✓ Price variation of inputs: cost of inputs such as fertilizer are higher as compared to last year.
- ✓ Pest & diseases: There was no reports on pests and disease infestation.
- ✓ Drought: rainfall was not promising.

2.5.1.3 Pest and Disease Situation

- **Fall Army worm.**

The department did not receive fall army worm chemicals during the quarter under review.

- **Schedule 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 Chemical Distributed**

No FAW chemical was received during the quarter.

2.5.1.4 Crop Production

- **Enhance utilization of Agricultural Inputs (fertilizer & Seed)**

- ❖ **Fertilizer Distribution**

No bags of fertilizer were received under the first quarter of the year.

- ❖ **Quantity of certified Seeds Distribution**

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

❖ **Number of Agro-input outlets in the district**

Table 35: 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: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

• **Enhanced Farmers' Access to Improved Technology**

❖ **Access to improved Agriculture Technology and Extension Services**

Extension delivery service is 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 modern 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 36: Access to Agriculture Technology and Extension Services

Indicator		Target	2023	2024a
1. Number of improved Technology demonstrated to farmers:	Livestock		0	0
	Fisheries		0	0
	Crop		0	0
	Others		0	0
Area (acres) under improved Technology demonstrated to farmers:	Livestock		0	0
	Fisheries		0	0
	Crop		0	
2. Extension Agent-farmer ratio		1:500	1:2917	1:2917
3. Total number of farmers participating in demonstrations	Male	2000	-	-
	Female	500	-	-
4. Number of FBOs trained in extension services delivery			0	0

❖ **Farmer Based Organization**

Table 37: Farmer Based Organization

Type of FBOs	2023		2024	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Crop	732	510	795	583
Livestock	415	181	415	181
Fisheries				
*				

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

- **Agriculture Extension Services Performances**

Table 38: Availability of Agriculture Extension Officers

	2023			2024		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Number of AEAs required	24	12	36	24	12	36
Number of AEAs at post	4	2	6	7	2	9
% AEAs at post compared to required	16.67	16.67	16.67	29.17	20.00	25.00
% of female AEAs at post		33.33			28.57	
Number of farmers	14,579	7,097	21,676	19,660	11,575	31,235
Ratio of farmer to AEAs at post			1:3613			1:3471

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

2.5.1.5 Improved Technologies Adopted by Farmers

Table 39: Farmers adopting improved technologies.

No.	Type of Technology adopted		Male		Female	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
1	Home gardening for improved nutrition		16	16	125	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	Dry toilet product utilization as crop nutrient	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: Department of Agriculture- Ho West June, 2024

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

No RELC meeting was held during this quarter.

- **Extension home and farm visit**

Farmer visits 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 40: Number of Extension home and farm visits conducted.

Region	Total number of farmers visited	2023		Total number of farmers visited	2024	
		Male	Female		Male	Female
	4318	2764	1554	8740	5460	3280

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

- **PFJ recovery (Fertilizer and Seed -2017)**

Table 41: PFJ recovery (Seed-2017)

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

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

- **PFJ recovery (Seed -2018)**

Table 42: PFJ recovery (Seed-2018)

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

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

2.5.1.6 Agricultural Mechanism

Table 43: Availability of Agricultural mechanism

Indicator		2022			2023	
			Target	Actual	Target	Actual
1. Number of functional agricultural mechanisation service centres	New		1	0	1	0
	Existing					
	Number of farmers having access to mechanised services	M	5500		5500	390
		F	1520		1520	115
2. Area ploughed						210.4Ha
3. Total number of trainees in the proper use and handling of farm machinery	tractor owners, operators, mechanics trained					-

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June., 2024

2.5.1.7 Livestock Production

- **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 that have been adopted. Farmer's productivity is expected to increase significantly.

Table: Farmers adopting improved livestock technologies

No.	Number of Technologies adopted		Male		Female	
	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
	55	55	35	35	20	20

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

The district received 25 pigs (5 boars and 20 sows) in 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. No recovery has been made yet.

Table: Livestock credit-in-kind program

No.	District	2022							2023							
		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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2									-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

- **Livestock feed**

The Ho West district has no feed mill.

2.5.1.7 Sustainable Management of Land and Environment

- **Adoption of Conservation Farming System**

Table 44: Conservation System 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: Department of Agriculture- Ho West – June, 2024

2.5.2 Local Economic Development (LED) Activities

2.5.2.1 Productive Inclusion Component of GPSNP 2

The **Productive Inclusion (PI)** programme, a component of the Ghana Productive Safety Net Project 2 (GPSNP 2) is geared towards creating sustainable income-earning opportunities for the less privileged, targeting beneficiaries from LEAP (Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty) and LIPW (Labor Intensive Public Works) Households. This initiative focuses on promoting micro-enterprises and sustainable livelihood activities while establishing connections to agricultural support systems. This approach involves a comprehensive package of support services designed to foster long-term income-generating opportunities for the targeted beneficiaries. The project to some extent also contributes to realizing the SDG 5 of bridging the gender gap and empowering women as 60% of beneficiaries are expected to be women and 40% to the men counterpart.

Following the successful completion of the module 3 training for Beneficiaries of Abutia and Dzolokpuita CLASS communities in the first quarter alongside the successful preparation, submission and approval of the investment plans for the various IGAs for the listed communities, grant disbursement and Mini market event where beneficiaries buy materials needed to kickstart their businesses was implemented in the second quarter.

On Thursday, May 23, 2024, the Ho West District Assembly, in collaboration with the Koforidua Zonal Coordinating Office of the Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP), hosted a mini market event at Dzolokpuita. The event was organized for beneficiaries of Dzolokpuita and Abutia Complementary Livelihood and Asset Support Scheme (CLASS) communities under the Productive Inclusion (P.I) component of the Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP II)

Sixty-eight (68) beneficiaries of Dzolokpuita and Abutia comprising of twenty-six (26) males and forty-two (42) females were initially enrolled onto the project. However, sixty-six (66) beneficiaries successfully underwent all the training phases and were processed for the grant disbursement for the mini-market event. At the event, each beneficiary's E-Zwich account was credited with their IGA stipulated first tranche funds needed to procure necessary materials displayed at the mini market from vendors to start their businesses.

Gracing the occasion were the DCE and DCD of Ho West District, Koforidua Zonal Coordinator, Dzolokpuita Chief and his entourage, the Honourable Assemblymembers, relevant stakeholders, Weto Rural Bank Representatives, the Media, Community members, Suppliers and Assembly staffs.

Table 45 provides a detail breakdown of the IGAs in the CLASS subproject and corresponding beneficiaries of Dzolokpuita and Abutia.

Table 45: Details of the Selected IGAs in the CLASS subproject and Corresponding Beneficiaries.

S/N	Income Generating Activities (IGAs)	CLASS Community	CLASS Beneficiaries		Total
			M	F	
1	Cassava Processing	Dzolokpuita and Abutia	3	13	16
2	Oil Palm Processing	Dzolokpuita	2	14	16
3	Snail Rearing	Dzolokpuita and Abutia	7	4	11
4	Rabbitry Rearing	Dzolokpuita	5	1	6
5	Mushroom Production	Abutia	9	8	17
	Total		26	40	66

Source: Business Advisory Centre, Desk Officer – GPSNP, May 2024

Notably, Beneficiaries in the Avatime cluster and Dodome-Kpedze cluster CLASS communities have successfully completed their Module 1 &2 training and are in the process of commencing their module 3 training.

Pictures from the Mini-market event at Dzolokpuita

Startup kits/items for the various IGAs on display at the Mini-market



Weto Rural Bank disbursing the first tranche of the Grant to the beneficiaries



Purchasing of Start-Up Items by Beneficiaries



2.5.2.2 CCMI Sub-Project (GPSNP-2)

It is worth noting that the CCMI Sub-project of the GPSNP is designed not only to mitigate climate change but also creates employment for the less privileged. Ho West District Assembly through the Department of Agriculture and Department of Social Welfare in collaboration with MLGDRD have continuously engaged 521 LIPW Beneficiaries comprising of 272 females and 249 males in climate change mitigation interventions (CCMI) in the District since the project inception. These beneficiaries are paid daily wage rate of GH¢30.00 as compared to 147 beneficiaries with daily wage rate of GH¢15.00 in 2022. The sharp increase in the number of beneficiaries in the reporting quarter was due to five (5) additional subprojects by the MLGDRD to be implemented in the district as well as increase in beneficiaries' daily wage rate from GH¢15.00 to GH¢30.00 which attracted more individuals in the beneficiary communities.

2.5.3 Tourism, Arts and Culture Promotion

2.5.3.1 Kalakpa Resource Reserve (KRR)

Major work carried out during the quarter include law enforcement operations which entailed local and extended patrols, boundary line cleaning, intelligence gathering etc.; maintenance of tourism infrastructure and collaborative resource management activities which included stakeholder engagements and conservation education programs which involved the first of a series of What-do-you-know quiz competitions for Junior High Schools in the Ho West District. Patrol staff continue to suffer threats and mob attacks from settler communities in the execution of their duties.

- **Tourist Arrivals**

The park recorded a total number of thirteen (13) tourists in the quarter.

- **Revenue**

For the second quarter 2024, a revenue of Two thousand two hundred and seven Ghana Cedis (GH¢2207.00) was realized as charges for park entrance, guide and vehicle fees.

- **Law Enforcement**

Law enforcement staff continue to suffer mob attacks and threats on their lives at the hands of settler and fringe communities, notwithstanding this, various patrol regimes comprising day, night and extended patrols were carried out in the reserve in addition to boundary cleaning, intelligence gathering and investigations.

➤ **Summary of Patrol Efforts**

The table below gives a summary of the Patrol efforts in the reviewed quarter.

S/N	Item	Average
1	Effective Patrol Staff	19
2	Number of Patrols (All types)	63
3	Effective hours of patrols/month	489.4
4	Effective patrol Man-Days (standardized at 8 Hrs)	312.56

Source: KRR, June 2024

➤ **Signs of Illegal Activities**

The following illegal activities were encountered during patrol in the quarter.

TYPE	NO.
Poacher arrested	1
Logger arrested	5
Logging/Lumbering signs	202
Charcoal burning	37
Poacher/Logger observed	8
Gunshot	0
Live Cartridges confiscated	0
Empty Cartridges	0
Cattle seen	170
Firearm confiscated	0
Chainsaw confiscated	2
TOTAL	425

Source: KRR, June 2024

A picture of the confiscated chainsaw machine



➤ **Animal Observation**

The table below gives a breakdown on the animal species observed within the quarter.

SPECIES	NO.
Bushbuck	29
Kob	43
Buffalo	0
Maxwell duiker	18
Patas Monkey	68
Green monkey	105
Red River Hog	26
TOTAL	289

Source: KRR, June 2024

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

➤ **Arrests and Court Cases**

A case involving the prosecution of five (5) suspects who were arrested for assaulting patrol staff is still pending in court.

DATE	NAME OF SUSPECT	TYPE OF WEAPON/EQPT.	OFFENCE	ANIMAL KILLED/ CAPTURE	PENALTY
16/04/24	John Amedorme	-1 STIHL Chainsaw machine	-Illegal entry -Illegal tree felling -Charcoal burning	-	Fined GHc1400
29/05/24	-Xorlali Kpeti -Thomson Brown -Felix Senyagah -Promise Sevato -Benjamin Aforve	-	-Illegal entry -Illegal tree felling -Charcoal burning -Assault on staff	-	Pending

Source: KRR, June 2024

▪ **Boundary and Trail Maintenance**

A total of 22km boundary line and 4km of tourist trails were cleaned during the quarter.

▪ **Collaborative Resources Management**

➤ **What-do-you-know Quiz Competition in schools**

The first in the series of What-do-you-know quiz competitions for Junior High Schools in the Ho West district was organised at the Abutia Teti EP Junior High School on the theme “Conservation for a better future”. Three contestants were drawn from each of the three sections in the school. Questions centered on the history of forest and wildlife conservation in Ghana, protected areas in Ghana, socio-economic benefits of forest and wildlife resources, threats to protected areas in Ghana, wildlife legislation, close season as well as other contemporary conservation issues.

Pictures from the Quiz Competition at Abutia Teti E.P JHS





➤ **Ho West District Security Council (DISEC) engages Kalapa and Settlers communities**

During the quarter, members of the District Security Council (DISEC) of the Ho West District Assembly, led by the District Chief Executive (DCE), Hon. Victor Apau held an engagement with staff of the Park and community leaders from Forsime and Dzwrowode settler communities. This meeting follows an attack by these two communities on patrol staff of the reserve following the confiscation of lumbered wood in the reserve by the patrol staff. In attendance for this meeting was management and staff of the reserve, the DCE and Coordinating Director of the Ho West district Assembly, the Police Commander and National Intelligence Bureau Officer for Ho West district. Also present was the Assemblyman and leaders from Forsime and Dzwrowode communities. The DISEC chairman warned the communities not to take advantage of their stay inside the reserve to destroy the resources uncontrollably, he also warned them to desist from attacking wildlife staff who are carrying out their legally mandated duties in the reserve.

Pictures from the DISEC meeting held with Park Staff



Table 46: Summary of Achievements within the reviewed quarter

OBJECTIVE	OUTPUT	ACTIVITIES	ACHIEVEMENT
<i>To reduce poaching and illegal activities in the Reserve.</i>	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"> - Average EPMD of 298.02 achieved. - Average EPD/officer of 15.69 -1 lumbering suspect arrested and fined GHc1400.00 - 31 heaps of charcoal destroyed - 2 chainsaw machines confiscated. -81 billets of rosewood confiscated -86 Borassus boards confiscated -13 bags of charcoal confiscated
To secure Park boundary	Park boundary secured, tourist trails maintained.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clearing and opening up trails and boundaries - Cutting off fallen trees branches on trails and boundary. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 22km of Park boundary cleaned. -4km of tourist trails cleaned. - Tourist trails maintained, accessible to staff and tourists. -600 seedlings planted on GGD
<i>To Strengthen Collaborative Resource Mgt. Structures</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Students educated on Wildlife conservation. -Closer collaboration with security agencies and traditional authorities in the region. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -CEPA engagements held at Abutia-Tegbleve Basic/JHS -Quiz competition held At Abutia Teti EP Junior High School - Ho West DISEC meeting held with Park staff and settler communities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 526 pupils educated on wildlife conservation issues. -1 What-do-you-know quiz competition held for one JHS. -Settlers promise to desist from attacking patrol staff. - CEPA programs held in 2 schools and 3 churches
<i>To optimize revenue</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Implement measures to improved revenue generation -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 continue to offer professional service. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GH¢2,207.00 revenue achieved.

Source: KRR, June, 2024

2.5.3.2 CENTRE FOR NATIONAL CULTURE (CNC)

Major activities undertaken during the quarter centered on visitation to performing groups in the District and research on customs and tradition within the District.

The table below gives the summary of activities implemented in the reviewed quarter.

S/N	Programme Name/ Description	Duration		Outcome/Output (Achievement)	Remarks
		Start	End		
1	Visited Dzolo gbogame Zibo group	May	June	Visitation was done to ascertain their way forward and sensitized on indecent dressing during Performances, the visitation was done twice	Non availability of funds
2	Sensitization on Child-up bringing Akorviefie Community			Sensitization was done at Akorviefie Community on Child –up bringing which would eliminate teenage pregnancy and Drug abuse.	
3	Visited Mr. Joseph Agbey a Cane Weaver at Kpedze			Discussion on Exhibition that would come off in the 4 th Quarter	We need Funds to execute research etc

Source: CNC, June, 2024

Pictures from the Activities carried out within the quarter



2.5.3.2.1 Brief History about some Traditional Areas of the Ho West District.

▪ Akome Traditional Area

The people of Akome, like other Ewes, migrated from Abyssinia (Ethiopia) to Notsie in the 15th century, led by warrior Yaii. They sought a habitable land with natural protection and discovered a distinctive "salt rock" at Agou Kebo, leading them to Akome, meaning "to stay at the foot of the hills". Over time, some

individuals established new homes in neighboring areas, but Akome remained the principal town, with three divisions and a royal lineage that selects its Paramount Chiefs and Queens.

The local economy thrives on agriculture, with the people of Akome primarily engaged in farming. Their crops include yams, cassava, maize, plantains, groundnuts, coco yams, rice, vegetables, palm trees, and cocoa, showcasing the region's rich agricultural diversity.

Akome boasts an array of tourist attractions, including the crystalline 'salt rock' (Dzeto), the Kpega-eve dome featuring two adjacent stone formations, and the breathtaking Boti Falls.

- **Akoviefe Tradrational Area**

The Ewe people migrated from Nigeria to Dahome (Benin) and Notsie (Togo), forming a group led by Akoviefe's Chief. A hunter named Akoe founded Akoefe, and Nusenu's legendary river-crossing enabled others to settle in Notsie. Fleeing Chief Agokoli's tyranny, some Ewes escaped to new locations. Akoviefe (now Akoefe) is one of the oldest towns, with farming and trading inhabitants and tourist sites like AWASIKPO. Togbe Adza Osei VII leads the Dzobiawo group, comprising Matse, Wusuta, Klomayondi, and Aveme, with three clans: Tsili, Heheve, and Kolita.

- **Dzolo kpuita Traditional Area**

The Dzolo Traditional Area encompasses three distinct traditional setups: Dzolo kpuita, Dzolo Gbogame (also known as Dzave), and Ave Dzolo (located in the Republic of Togo). These three setups share a common heritage, tracing their origins back to the direct descendants of Togbe Tsade.

Dzolo-Kpuita is the historical seat of paramountcy, leading the Dzolo Traditional Area. It was the local administration headquarters (1950-1966) and spans from Avatime to Abutia, with the Sabia people, led by Togbe Fiado, as forefathers. Legend tells of the Sabia's miraculous river crossing, where an elder, Debra, collected a stone and later used it to spark fire, crying out "Dzolo ooooo!!!!!!!!!!", giving rise to the name Dzolo.

The traditional area during the migration was part of the 6 other traditional sep-ups that moved together namely; Akome, Vakpo, Tshome, Gbefi, Agate and Hlefi.

The Dzolo community shares a common heritage, formerly united under the name 'DUAWOKPE'. They are reviving their shared cultural celebration, which showcases their rich traditions. The people of Dzolo are skilled farmers, producing an abundance of food crops like cassava, maize, plantains, bananas, cocoyams, yams, and various vegetables. They also cultivate cash crops, including cocoa, coffee, and oil palm trees, with notable products like gari and palm oil being staples in the traditional area.

2.6 EMERGENCY PLANNING AND PREPAREDNESS

This section of the report gives accounts on the institutions and individual tasked to ensure safety and well-being of individuals, communities and organizations by putting in adequate measures and efforts to withstand shocks such as natural disasters and medical emergencies. Disaster cases common to the district include floods, Wind/Rainstorm and Bush fires.

2.6.1 National Disaster Management Organization (NADMO)

2.6.1.1 Disaster Events Records

During the second quarter of 2024 (April 1st to June 25th), the district experienced a total of four disasters, all caused by rainstorms. The affected areas and dates were: Abutia Kpota on April 10th, Amedzofe and Amedikukofe on May 16th and Kpedze Todze.

These rainstorm disasters occurred within a span of approximately three months, highlighting the need for disaster preparedness and response measures in the district.

Pictures from the rainstorm effects in some affected areas



2.6.1.2 Disaster Risks Reduction (DRR) Projects and Programme

- **Public Education**

Despite funding constraints delaying the annual Rainstorm Disaster Reduction Campaign, Zonal Directors have proactively continued educating communities on disaster preparedness and safe chemical handling, including weedicides, to enhance community resilience and safety

Pictures from the sensitization conducted



2.6.1.3 Hazard Surveillance

Communities such as Anfoeta, Tsiome, Anyirawase, and Tondome are plagued by dilapidated buildings that threaten both human life and property, highlighting a pressing need for renovation or demolition to ensure public safety.

Pictures from the hazardous state of some houses at Tsyome



2.6.1.4 Disaster Relief and Reconstruction

The district store did not receive any relief items, and consequently, no relief items were distributed to victims of disasters, leaving affected victims without necessary support

2.6.1.5 Disaster Volunteer Groups (DVGs)

The present report on Disaster Volunteer Groups (DVGs) indicates the strength of DVGs in the reviewed quarter. The total membership numerical strength is 150 with the sum of female and male members standing at 90 and 60, respectively. However, specific data differentiating active and dormant members is currently unavailable. Despite the overall number of DVGs reducing, the distribution of gender within the groups indicates a higher representation of females, with 90 members compared to 60 males.

The current strength of DVGs stands at 150 as shown in the table below.

<i>Item</i>	Description	Quantity
1	Total Number of DVG Groups	4
2	Total Membership Numerical Strength	150
3	Number of Female	90
4	Number of Male	60
5	Total Number of Active Members	-
6	Total Number of Dormant Members	-

Source: NADMO- Dzolokpuita, June. '24

Table 47: Summary of Disaster Data Recorded with Second Quarter, 2024

METRO/MUNICIPAL/DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES DISASTER DATA SHEET																													
MMDAs: Ho West District						REGION: Volta														PERIOD: 2 nd									
S R N	DATE	TYP E OF DIS AST ER	NO. OF OCC URR ENC ES	MM DAs	NAMES OF COMMUNIT ES AFFECTED	NUMBER OF PERSONS AFFECTED														DAMAGES(DAM)/ DESTRUCTION (DES)									
						DISPLACE D				CASUALTY								MI SSI NG		TO TA L		H O U S E S	No. of Hou seh old	S C H O O L S	BR ID GE S	FA R M S (A CR ES)	OT HE RS . SP EC IF Y	ESTI MATE D COST(GHc)	
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1	10/04	Rain stor m	1	Ho- West	Abutia-Kpota	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	10,000	
2	16/04	Rain stor m	1	Ho - West	Amedikukofe	2	3	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	1	3	-	-	-	-	22,500		
3	16/05	Rain stor m	1	Ho- west	Kpedze – Todze	-	4	2	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	-	-	1	-	-	-	10,000		
4	16/05	Rain stor m	1	Ho – west	Amedzofe	5	5	2	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	119	2	20	1	-	-	chu rch	113,80		

Source: NADMO- Dzolokpuita, June. '24

2.6.2 Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS)

• Highlights of Second Quarter

During the second quarter, the GNFS - Dzolokpuita fire station planned to implement four activities, successfully executing three of them. Unfortunately, the fourth activity, a fire education program, was not implemented due to the invited institution's failure to respond. Despite this, the GNFS - Dzolokpuita fire station achieved significant success, training over 300 individuals from Amedzofe Canopy Walk and Kpedze Senior High School, promoting fire safety awareness and skills in the community.

Status of implementation of planned activities are indicated in the table below.

S/N	Planned Activities	Status
1	Fire Education/Training at Amedzofe canopy walk – Amedzofe.	Implemented
2	Fire Education/Training at Kpedze Senior High School.	Implemented
3	Fire Safety Inspection at some fuel stations	Implemented
4	Fire Education/Training at Dzologbogame Senior High School.	Not Implemented

Source: GNFS-Dzolokpuita, June. '24

2.6.2.1 Fire Education/Basic Training on Fire Fighting

▪ Training on Firefighting held for Staff of the Amedzofe Canopy Walkway

One of the key functions of the Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS) is to conduct public education on fire safety, as fire education is a crucial aspect of fire prevention. In line with this, GNFS organized a fire education program for the staff of Amedzofe Canopy Walk and Logba-Tota Waterfalls. The training aimed to equip the staff with the necessary skills to combat fires effectively in the event of a forest fire.

A total of 20 participants, comprising 6 females and 14 males, took part in the training, which covered practical firefighting techniques and hands-on training on the use of fire extinguishers. The participants learned how to effectively operate fire extinguishers to fight fires. The training was designed to prepare the staff to be fire combat-ready and respond promptly in case of a fire emergency.

Pictures from the training at Amedzofe Canopy Walkway



▪ Training on Firefighting held at Kpedze Senior High School

The GNFS - Dzolokpuita fire station took the initiative to conduct a fire education program at Kpedze Senior High School during their SRC Week Celebration. The program, which was attended by over 200 students, teachers, and the Assistant Headmaster, covered a comprehensive range of topics, including: Theory of fire, classification of fire, causes of fire, spread of fire, fire prevention, extinguisher handling and practical firefighting techniques

This proactive approach brought fire safety awareness directly to the students, empowering them with essential knowledge and skills to prevent and respond to fires effectively.

Pictures from the training at Kpedze Senior High School



2.6.2.2 Fire Safety Inspection at some Fuel Station and Hotels

The GNFS - Ho-West District in the reviewed quarter conducted fire safety inspections at various fuel stations and hotels, including Low Price Masters, Mount Saviour Foundation Lodge, Alinco Oil, and Rans Hotel. The primary objective of these inspections was to ensure that adequate fire safety measures are in place to prevent and combat potential fire outbreaks, thereby protecting lives and property. Following the inspections, the team identified areas for improvement and made recommendations, which were subsequently communicated to the facility managers for implementation.



Some Pictures from the Fire Safety Inspection at some facilities



2.7 IMPLEMENTATION, COORDINATION, MONITORING AND EVALUATION

In the quest to improve the delivery of development outcomes, the Assembly considered it important to engage relevant stakeholders at all levels during the planning, monitoring and evaluation processes of programmes/projects implementation. Regular project/programme Monitoring and Evaluations as well as Site Inspections and Meetings were undertaken to discuss issues on the projects/programmes implemented. These were not only done for transparency and accountability purposes, but also to ensure inclusive resources mobilization that would result to ownership and sustainability of the projects/programmes in the long run. Table 48 gives a summary of the monitoring activities undertaken during the quarter.

Table 48: Some Monitoring Activities Undertaken During Quarter

S/N	Project Description	Location	Date	Status	Pictures
1	Rehabilitation of Kpedze Todze – Anagokofe (1.8km) Feeder Road – GPSNP 2	Kpedze Todze – Anagokofe	30 th April, 2024 15 th May, 2024 20 th June, 2024	58	
2	Rehabilitation / Maintenance of a 55ha degraded communal land using oil palm, Coconut, Cashew and Citrus seedlings in 7 selected communities	Abutia Kpota Kpedze Todze Awudome Tsawoenu Avatime Biakpa Dzologbogame Dzolo kpuita Abutia Teti	17 th ,23 rd ,27 th , 30 th April, 2024 14 th ,15 th ,17 th , 23 rd ,28 th ,30 th May, 2024 20 th ,24 th June,2024	Abutia Kpota = 80 Kpedze Todze, Biakpa, Dzolo kpuita = 75 Abutia Teti, Dzologbogame, Awudome Tsawoenu = 30 Dzolo kpuita Nursery = 55	

Source: HWDA -Monitoring Team, June 2024

CHAPTER THREE

THE WAY FORWARD

3.1 Introduction

This chapter reviews the key recommendations that have been addressed and those yet to be addressed. The chapter also presents recommendations made towards the improvement of monitoring and evaluation of programmes and projects in the district.

3.2 Key Issues Addressed and those yet to be Addressed.

a) Issues Addressed

i. Promotion of the Local Economy

In the Assembly's quest to alleviate poverty and promote the District's local economy, 66 eligible beneficiaries within the Complementary Livelihood and Asset Support Scheme (CLASS) communities across the district were trained and provided with start-up capitals and kits to venture into selected sustainable income generating activities (namely Snail Farming, Mushroom Production, Rabbit farming, Cassava/Gari processing and Oil Palm Processing) through the Productive Inclusion component of the Ghana Productive Safety Net Project 2 (GPSNP 2).

It is also worth stating that a total of 512 LIPW beneficiaries have also been employed on the 9 CCMI subproject under the GPSNP-2 in seven (7) selected communities including the 1.8km feeder road under rehabilitation at Kpedze Todze- Anagokofe. The seven selected communities are Dzolokpuita, Abutia Teti, Abutia Kpota, Dzologbogame, Awudome Tsawoenu, Avatime Biakpa, Kpedze Todze. These beneficiaries receive daily wages to support their livelihoods in the district.

ii. Easy access to Farmlands and Communities

The opening and reshaping of the 1.8 km road at Kpedze Todze- Anagokope is ongoing to significantly improve accessibility to farmlands and communities far ahead.

b) Issues Yet to be Addressed.

Below are underlisted issues yet to be addressed.

i. Deplorable states of some school Building

The classroom blocks of Tsito Methodist JHS, Abutia Kissifluid D/A School and Abutia Teti R/C are in deplorable state and need urgent attention to prevent any disaster from happening. The situation is affecting teaching and learning as learners are in constant apprehension of a possible collapse.

ii. Delay in release of DACF and DACF-RFG by the Central Government.

Some projects especially those funded under DACF and DACF-RFG have exceeded their completion timelines. This is attributed to the irregular flow/non-release of funds. The District is yet to take strategies to use other funding sources to complement the DACF to complete those projects.

iii. CODA Projects

High number of projects funded under US\$1 Million Dollar Per Constituency and managed by the Coastal Development Authorities are stalled. However, there are some completed projects like the Dededo market Toilet facility which is yet to be handed over to community for usage.

iv. Resettlement of Settlers at the Kalakpa Resource Reserve

The continuous stay of the illegal settlers in the reserve has led to the rapid depletion of the resources in the area. Despite various strategies to resettle them proving ineffective, the District is yet to engage with broader stakeholders on the issue.

v. Non-operation of the ICT centre at Hlefi

The non- operation of the ICT centre at Hlefi has attracted several audit queries. The Assembly awaits GIFEC's response on the position of the Assembly to partner with GIFEC on the operationalization of the centre.

vi. Poor road network


Despite the efforts made by the Assembly to improve the road network in the district, the district is faced with deplorable road network in communities such as Abutia Wukpo, Abutia Dzanyodeke, Luvudo, Kpoeta Adorfe making it difficult for such communities to gain access to health, educational and other service activities.


3.3 Conclusion





The holistic attainment of the District Goal and objectives depends 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 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.





APPENDIX I









PROGRAMME REGISTER FOR 2024


S/N	Programme Description	Development Dimension of Policy Framework	Amount Involved Sum Gh¢	Source of Funding	Date Started	Expected Date of Completion	Expenditure to Date	Outstanding Balance (Gh¢)	Implementation Status		Remarks
									(%)	Pictures (If any)	
1	Assist 40 PWDs to engage in income generating activities	Economic Devt.	50,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	28-03-2024	0.00	50,000.00	0		Yet to Start
2	Support for MSMEs promotion/dev't	Economic Devt.	20,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	29-12-2024	0.00	15,000.00	25		Ongoing
3	Train Women/Youth/Gender Groups in (Oil Palm Processing, Mushroom, etc) and support them with Startup Capitals/Kits to venture into enterprise activities	Economic Devt.	220,000.00	DACF/ DON	3-01-2024	26-09-2024	110,000.00	110,000.00	50		Ongoing

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
4	Support to Traditional councils, festivals, Culture/NAFAC/Volta Fair Activities and devt of Tourism potentials	Economic Devt.	30,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	7,500.00	22,500.00	25		Ongoing
5	Establish demonstrations on use of treated urine in organic farming	Economic Dev.	5,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	28-06-2024	2,500.00	2,500.00	50		Ongoing
6	Support for Gov't flagship prog. (PFJ, PERD, RFJ, 1D1F, 1V1D)	Economic Dev.	100,000.00	DACF/ DONOR	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	50,000.00	50,000.00	50		Ongoing
7	Support for Agric Extension Agents (AEAs)/ FBOs	Economic Dev.	8,000.00	DACF/ DONOR	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	4,000.00	4,000.00	50		Ongoing
8	Rehabilitation / Maintenance of a 55ha degraded communal land using oil palm, Coconut, Cashew and Citrus seedlings in 9 selected communities	Economic Dev.	500,000.00	DONOR	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	375,000.00	125,000.00	75		Ongoing




S/N	Programme Description	Development Dimension of Policy Framework	Amount Involved Sum Gh¢	Source of Funding	Date Started	Expected Date of Completion	Expenditure to Date	Out Standing Balance	Implementation Status		Remarks
									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
9	Sensitize 20 poultry farmers on prevention of poultry against notable diseases in 4 Zones Districtwide	Economic Dev.	3,000.00	DACF/DON	3-04-2024	31-09-2024	1,500.00	1,500.00	50		Ongoing
10	Embark on pest and disease surveillance in rice, maize and tree crop growing in 17 operational areas	Economic Dev.	2,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	1,000.00	1,000.00	50		Ongoing
11	Facilitate/sensitize 100 poultry/livestock farmers access to vaccine, drugs, and feed in the district	Economic Dev.	4,200.00	DACF/DON	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	2,100.00	2,100.00	50		Ongoing
12	Support for the establishment of Tree Crop nursery seedlings for plantation at Dzolokpuita	Economic Dev.	180,000.00	DACF/DONOR	1-014-2024	31-12-2024	50,000.00	130,000.00	39		Ongoing
13	Support for STMIE Programme	Social Dev.	10,000.00	GOG	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	5,000.00	5,000.00	50		Ongoing






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14	Organize/Support Mock Exams for BECE candidates	Social Dev.	40,000.00	DACF/GOG/DON	1-04-2024	29-06-2024	20,00.00	20,000.00	100	 	Completed
15	Support the implementation of DCE's Self-Learning initiative for Basic/SHS level students in the district	Social Dev	10,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	29-12-2024	5,000.00	5,000.00	50		Ongoing
16	Provide scholarship and educational support for 30 brilliant but needy children	Social Dev	150,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	75,000.00	7,5000	50		Ongoing, 34 needy but brilliant students have been supported
17	Organize Annual Education Sector Review	Social Dev	20,000.00	GOG	01-01-2024	29-12-2024	0.00	20,000.00	0		Yet to start
18	Organize My First Day at School	Social Dev	15,000.00	GOG	3-01-2024	29-03-2024	15,000.00	0.00	100		Completed
19	Supply of 1,000 Pieces of Mono/Dual Desks for Basic Schools	Social Dev	128,675.00	DDF/GOG	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	0.00	128,675.00	0		Yet to start


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20	Undertake/Support HIV/AIDS, COVID-19, Malaria Prevention and Nutrition activities	Social Dev	41,084.00	DACF	01-01-2024	31-12-2024	20,542.00	20,542.00	50	 	Ongoing
21	Conduct integrated disease surveillance and response and quarterly technical monitoring visits to health centers in the district	Social Dev	10,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	5,000.00	5,000.00	50	 	Ongoing
22	Organize Health Review meeting	Social Dev	10,000.00	DACF	2-10-2024	29-12-2024	0.00	10,000.00	0		Yet to Start
23	Support for the implementation of LEAP programme	Social Dev	1,500.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	750.00	750.00	50	 	Ongoing
24	Undertake 4 Child Protection and Promotion interventions	Social Dev	5,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	2,500.00	2,500.00	50	 	Ongoing



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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
25	Carry out 4 Community Mobilization Programmes	Social Dev	10,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	5,000.00	5,000.00	50	 	Ongoing
26	Undertake 2 Gender-based violence and Gender Mainstreaming interventions in Communities	Social Dev	7,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	3,500.00	3,500.00	50	 	Ongoing
27	Update data on vulnerable groups (i.e., PWDs, LEAP, Children, etc.)	Social Dev	5,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	2,500.00	2,500.00	50		Ongoing
28	Conduct routine Premises inspection and community hygiene education in 10 communities	Social Dev.	6,000.00	IGF	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	3,000.00	3,000.00	50	 	Ongoing
29	Carryout market sanitation activities and monthly clean-up exercise	Social Dev.	15,000.00	IGF	1-01-2024	27-12-2024	7,500.00	7,500.00	50	 	Ongoing




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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
30	Organize Quarterly School Health and Hygiene Education on sanitation related issues in 20 Schools	Social Dev.	4,000.00	IGF	3-01-2024	29-12-2024	2,000.00	2,000.00	50		Ongoing
31	Undertake Fumigation/ Disinfestation activities	Social Dev.	20,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	10,000.00	10,000.00	50		Ongoing
32	Update DESSAP	Social Dev.	10,000.00	IGF/ DACF	3-01-2024	31-03-2024	0.00	10,000.00	0		Yet to Start
33	Control stray animals in the district	Social Dev.	5,000.00	IGF	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	2,500.00	2,500.00	50		Ongoing
34	Organize, educate, and facilitate screening of food and drink vendors	Social Dev.	2,000.00	IGF	3-01-2024	31-03-2024	1,000.00	1,000.00	50		Ongoing
35	Supply of sanitary materials/tools	Social Dev.	50,000.00	IGF/ DACF	3-01-2024	31-03-2024	12,000.00	38,000.00	25		Ongoing

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
36	Support for Mgt of Solid/Liquid	Social Dev.	30,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	15,000.00	15,000.00	50	 	Ongoing
37	Rehabilitation/ Mechanization of 5-Boreholes in selected communities	Social Dev	255,099.54	DDF	3/01/2024	30/06/2024	63,774.89	191,324.66	50		Ongoing (10 boreholes drilled awaiting mechanization)
38	Undertake two (2) road safety education in selected communities	Environmental, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	20,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	10,000.00	10,000.00	50		Ongoing
39	Undertake Street Naming/Property Addressing Activities and Installation/Replacement of Synergies	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	28,500.00	IGF/ DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2023	7,125.00	21,375.00	25		Ongoing
40	Acquisition of Aerial photos and digitization for 25 communities	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	18,500.00	IGF	1-07-2024	31-12-2024	0.00	18,500.00	0		Yet to start

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
41	Undertake Development Control activities/educational campaign on spatial orderly development in 30 communities	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	10,000.00	IGF	1-01-2024	30-12-2024	5,000.00	5,000.00	50		Ongoing
42	Supply of 10,000 seedlings to support Green Ghana Initiative	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	50,000.00	DACF	1-04-2024	30-06-2024	0.00	50,000.00	100	 	Completed (2000 seedlings of Coconuts, teak, mahogany etc. were distributed for planting)
43	Undertake Climate Change Adaptation Sensitization including planting of trees	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	7,000.00	IGF/ DACF	3-01-2024	29-12-2024	3,500.00	3,500.00	50		Ongoing
44	Landscaping of Assembly premises at Dzolokpuita	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	80,000.00	HWDA	3/04/2023	29/12/2023	40,000.00	40,000.00	50		Ongoing

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
45	Support for Rainstorm/ Windstorm, Bush/Domestic Fire Prevention activities	Emergency Planning and Preparedness	4,000.00	GOG/ DACF	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	2,000.00	2,000.00	50	 	Ongoing
46	Supply of Relief Items to Disaster Victims	Emergency Planning and Preparedness	40,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	20,000.00	20,000.00	50		Ongoing
47	Documentation and Compensation of Assembly Lands/Valuation of Properties	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	100,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	25,000.00	75,000.00	25		Ongoing
48	Compensation of Employees	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	2,740,232	IGF/ GOG	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	685,058.00	2,055,174.00	50		Ongoing
49	Support VRCC/NALAG/ NACAP Activities	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	50,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	25,000.00	25,000.00	50		Ongoing
50	Support for Security/Conflict resolution	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	70,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	35,000.00	35,000.00	50		Ongoing

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
51	Organize Statutory meetings (DPCU, Budget Committee, Sub-Committees, Spatial Planning and Technical Sub Committees, GA, Town Hall Meetings, DCE Community Engagements, etc)	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	100,000.00	IGF/ DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	50,000.00	50,000.00	50		Ongoing
52	Support for National Celebrations/Events (Independence Day, Farmers Day, WTD, UN Day Against Child Labour etc.) and District awards	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	180,000.00	IGF/ DACF	2-07-2024	31-09-2024	45,000.00	135,000.00	25		Ongoing
53	Support for SIF/ Self-Help Projects	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	230,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	57,500.00	172,500.00	25		Ongoing
54	Purchase Office Consumables/ maintenance Equipment/ Official Vehicles/ Lubricants	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	255,172.64	IGF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	127,586.32	127,586.32	50		Ongoing

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
55	Supply of office furniture for Dept/Units	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	50,000.00	DACF	1-07-2024	29-12-2024	0.00	50,000.00	0		Yet to start
56	Supply of Printed Materials (Vehicle/Motor Stickers)	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	6,000.00	IGF	3-01-2024	30-06-2024	3,000.00	3,000.00	50		Ongoing
57	Support for the functionality of Audit Committee	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	50,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	25,000.00	25,000.00	50		Ongoing
58	Support for Justice Administration/ Prosecution of Offenders of By-Law)	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	10,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	27-12-2024	5,000.00	5,000.00	50		Ongoing
59	Support for 8 Sub-Structures	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	110,000.00	IGF/ DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	27,500.00	82,500.00	25		Ongoing
60	Support for Capacity Building (Conferences/Seminars/Workshops and Promotional Interviews)	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	75,000.00	IGF/ DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	18,750.00	56,250.00	25		Ongoing

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									(%)	Pictures (If Any)	
61	Organize Training workshop for staff of Sub-structures in Revenue Mobilization Strategies and effective lobbying skills	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	30,000.00	DON	3-01-2024	30-12-2024	0.00	30,000.00	0		Yet to start
62	Organize training workshop for selected staffs on capacity building in risk management strategies	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	20,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	0.00	20,000.00	0		Yet to start
63	Organize Training workshop for staff to fill gaps identified in health and workplace safety.	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	25,000.00	DACF	3-01-2024	31-12-2024	0.00	25,000.00	0		Yet to start
64	Support for Sister City and Bilateral relations	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	100,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	50,000.00	50,000.00	50		Ongoing
65	Undertake quarterly M&E on Projects / Programmes /Activities	Implementation, Coordinating, Monitoring & Evaluation	50,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	30-12-2024	25,000.00	25,000.00	50		Ongoing



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66	Prepare 2025 AAP/Composite Budget	Implementation, Coordinating, Monitoring & Evaluation	80,000.00	DACF	1-01-2024	31-12-2024	0.00	80,000.00	0		Yet to start






Source: DPCU - HWDA, June, 2024


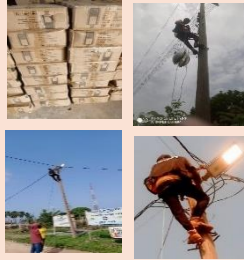
APPENDIX II

UPDATE OF PROJECT REGISTER FOR 2024



Project Description		Development Dimension	Location	Contractor	Contract Sum	Date of Award	Source Of Funding	Date Started	Expected Date Of Completion	Expenditure to Date	Out Standing Balance	Implementation Status		Strategies To Improve Project Completion Rate	How Citizens were involved in monitoring of works contract	Remarks Summary on land acquisition and resettlement
Co de	Name											%	Pictures			
1	Rehabilitation of Kpedze Market (Phase One & two)	Economic Dev	Kpedze		202,000.00		DACF-RFG	01-01-2024	01-12-2024		202,000.00	0		Yet to start Make funds available for the commencement of project	Community engagement	Land duly acquired and properly documented
2	Construction of 1No. 6 chamber female washroom at Dzolo SHS	Social Services Dev	Dzolo-Gbogame		20,000.00		IGF	01-01-2024	01-12-2024		20,000.00	0		Yet to start Make funds available for the commencement of project	Community engagement	Land duly acquired and properly documented
3	Completion of CHPS Compound at Awudome Avenui	Social Services Dev	Awudome Avenui	Selack Limited	274,124.20	15-05-2019	DDF	31/05/2019	31/11/2019	98,872.20	217,173.94	35		Frequent Project supervision by works department	Town Hall Meetings, Project inspections	Land duly acquired and properly documented

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Co de	Name											%	Pictures			
4	Const. of DCE Residence at Dzolokpuita	Env't, Infrastruct ure and Human Settlement	Dzolo-kpuita	Yandeg Company Ltd	539,957.00	22-10-2020	DACF	5/11/2020	5/11/2021	80,993.55	458,963.45	47		Making funds available and frequent supervision	Project inspection and site meetings	Land duly acquired and documente d.
5	Construction of 1No 2-bedroom apartment for District Magistrate at Dzolokpuita	Env't, Infrastruct ure and Human Settlement	Dzolokpuit a		468,491.00		DDF	01-04-2024	01-12-2024	0.00	468,491.00	0		Yet to start Make funds available for the commencem ent of project	Community engagement	Land duly acquired and documente d.
6	Renovation of Assembly building and Doctors' Bungalow	Env't, Infrastruct ure and Human Settlement	Dzolo-kpuita, Kpedze	HWDA	180,000.00		IGF/DACF	1/06/2024	31/12/2024	45,000.00	180,000.00	25		Making funds available and frequent supervision	Community engagement	Land acquired properly and duly documente d
7	Completion of Tsito Town Council Office.	Env't, Infrastruct ure and Human Settlement	Tsito	Royal September	109,197.27	22-07-2015	DACF	3/8/2015	28/02/2016	51,027.70	58,169.57	55		Repackaged for awarding	Frequent visit to project site, site meetings	Acquisition of properly documente d land

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Co de	Name											%	Pictures			
8	Renovation of Abutia Area Council Office at Kloe	Env't, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Abutia Kloe	Cavirrius Vent. LTD	89,220.60	29-06-2021	DACF-RFG	14/7/2021	12/11/2021	31,564.00	57,656.60	30		Effective supervision by Works Dept	Project supervision and Community engagement	Land acquired appropriately and well documented
9	Construction of 1.5km U-drain at Kpedze Todze	Env't, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Kpedze Todze		300,000.00		DDF	01-01-2024	01-12-2024	0.00	300,000.00	0		Yet to start Make funds available for the commencement of project	Community engagement	Land acquired appropriately and well documented
10	Pay retention for completed projects (Canteen, Staff Bungalow, Underground Water Tank and Maternity Blk-Kpedze Polyclinic)	Env't, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Dzolo-kpuita	Mighty Brothers Ltd, Nyasmond Comp Ltd, Kwaneth Comp. Ltd	76,700.00	18-07-2022	DACF-RFG	05/08/2022	15/01/2023	0.00	76,700.00	100 %	   	Provided funds for payment of retentions.	Town hall meetings and inspection of projects	Lands acquired in due manner and documented with landowner's approval.

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11	Rehabilitation of 1.8Km Kpedze Todze-Anagokofe Feeder Road (GPSNP 2)	Env't, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Kpedze Todze-Anagokofe	Megatrexx GH. LTD	388,027.76	25/05/2023	World Bank/ GOG	28/06/2023	31/08/2024	0.00	0.00	30		Effective monitoring and supervision of works	Community engagement, project inspection	Existing road developed
12	Opening, Reshaping, Spot improvement and gravelling of a total of 12km Feeder Roads in selected communities	Env't, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Dzolo-kpuita Abutia Adegblevi		166,725.00		DACF	01-01-2024	01-12-2024	0.00	166,725.00	0		Yet to start Make funds available for the commencement of project	Community engagement	Accessible road developed
13	Supply/installation of 500 streetlights.	Env't, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	District-wide	Allah have Mercy	100,000.00		DACF	5/01/2024	31/06/2024	0.00	76,700.00	100		Effective monitoring and supervision of works	Community engagement, project inspection	400 streetlights were installed in

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1	Construction of Community Water System (Spanish Water Project) by CWSA in 4 selected communities	Social Dev.	Anyirawase, Saviefe Gbogame, Saviefe Agorkpo and Kpale Xorse	Win-Meg Vent. Ltd/ CWSA	2,532,004.00	19/12/2022	Spanish Debt Swap	5/1/2022	31/07/2022	874,510.01	1,657,493.99	60		Effective monitoring and supervision of works	Community engagement, Project inspection	Lands acquired in due manner and documented with landowner's approval.
2	Construction of the Agenda 111 (Ho West District Hospital Project) at Dzolokpuita	Social Dev.	Dzolokpuita	1. Top Int'l Engineering GH. Ltd (Lead) 2. Gobco Com. Ltd (other) 3. Fridoug Ltd (other)	147,426,684.7972	07/04/2022	GOG	21/04/2022	30/08/2023	-	-	47		Effective monitoring and supervision of works	Community engagement, project inspection	Lands acquired in due manner and documented with landowner's approval

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