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July, 2018

THE RT. HONOURABLE SPEAKER OF PARLIAMENT
PARLIAMENT HOUSE
ACCRA.

Dear Honourable Speaker,

In accordance with the provisions of Section 20 of the National Commission for Civic Education Act of 1993, (Act 452), which enjoins the Commission to submit a report to Parliament annually indicating our operations in respect of the preceding year, I am pleased to submit this report for the period January 1 to December 31, 2017. This is the 24th Annual Report and Accounts of the National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE) to Parliament for the year 2017.

Please, accept Honourable Speaker, the assurances of our highest esteem and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'JAN Nkrumah', is written over a light blue rectangular background.

Josephine Nkrumah (Ms.)
Chairman

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ABOUT THE NCCE

The National Commission for Civic Education is one of the Independent Governance Institutions (IGIs) provided for by the 1992 Constitution and created by an Act of Parliament. The Commission makes civic and public education an important strategy for creating awareness on the main values of democratic governance, instilling the spirit of patriotism and enhancing citizens' participation in governance.



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Josephine Nkrumah (Ms.)

Over the years, the National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE) has fulfilled its mandate of inculcating in Ghanaians their civic and public rights and responsibilities. It has played a contributory role in sustaining Ghana's democracy over the last 25 years, a feat greatly admired. It is with great delight that I present to this August House, the 24th report of the Commission since its inception 24 years ago. Despite the Commission's perennial budgetary and manpower constraints in year 2017, the Commission remained unperturbed in fulfilling its mandate and objectives while focusing on its strengths.

In the year 2017, a total of seventy-five thousand, five hundred and twenty-four (75,524) activities were organised across the country reaching five million, two hundred and forty-four thousand, three hundred and seventy-nine (5,244,379) Ghanaians directly in their communities with hundreds of thousands reached through the Commission's media engagements. There was therefore a 20% increase in the number of activities organised in 2017 as compared to year 2016. This feat was predominantly made possible by the enormous and consistent support of the European Union (EU). The EU has been the backbone of the Commission's civic engagements since 2011, with other support from the Government of Ghana, donor agencies and other institutions who collaborate with the Commission.

CIVIC AND PUBLIC EDUCATION

2017 was an eventful year for the Commission with most of our activities based on the theme "Restoring the Ghanaian Identity; Our Values, Our Passion". The Commission's civic and public education messages covered almost all areas relating to the ordinary Ghanaian and their everyday lives. The theme for the year was geared towards reinforcing the spirit of good citizenship in Ghanaians by restoring the passion for values such as punctuality, accountability, transparency, respect for human rights, patriotism, tolerance, discipline and hard work as fundamental principles of democratic governance. Our programmes urged Ghanaians to help restore the Ghanaian identity and values which are no longer cherished. The Commission sought to achieve this by setting in place a number of platforms to engage citizens nationwide. Since 2001, the Commission has marked the annual celebration of Ghana's acceptance of the 4th Republican Constitution on April 28, 1992. As part of activities marking the 24th anniversary of the Fourth Republic, the Commission launched its sixteenth (16th) Annual Constitution Week on April 28, 2017 at Cleaver House, Accra. Main activities carried out as part of the programme included:

- Encounters with Security Agencies on the need to sustain and uphold the 1992 Constitution as a living document; Annual Citizenship Week for Basic and Junior High schools across the country
- A National Dialogue under the theme: “Restoring the Ghanaian Identity: Our Values, Our Passion
- The Electronic Constitution quiz competition for Senior high schools across the country

The Commission’s interactions with Security Agencies during the Constitution Week discussed issues pertaining to the sustenance and consolidation of Ghana’s democratic governance from May 4 - 12, 2017 across the country. Security agencies included the Ghana Armed Forces, Ghana Police Service, Ghana National Fire Service, Customs Division of the Ghana Revenue Authority, Ghana Prisons Service and the Ghana Immigration Service. In targeting pupils between the ages of 12-15 years, two major activities were organised for basic school pupils as part of the Constitution Week; the Civic spelling Bee competition and the Annual Citizenship Week. The NCCE Civic Spelling ‘Bee’ competition tested pupils familiarity with the vocabulary of the 1992 Constitution. The Annual Citizenship Week serves as a mentorship programme where prominent Ghanaians and public figures visit schools and impart knowledge and share experiences with pupils towards good citizenship. In year 2017, it was observed in seven thousand, five hundred and sixty-three (7,563) basic schools across the country. Approximately, three million, four hundred and forty-one thousand, seven hundred and sixteen (3,441,716) pupils participated actively in the activities.

The Commission in the month of June held a national dialogue under the theme “**RESTORING THE GHANAIAN IDENTITY: OUR VALUES OUR PASSION**” as part of activities towards “Ghana 60 Years On” Independence anniversary. The guest of honour at the dialogue was the Vice President of the Republic of Ghana, Dr. Alhaji Mahamudu Bawumia. The dialogue which was covered live on major broadcast networks discussed the declining positive Ghanaian identity and values in our society and the need to reignite these values in the minds of Ghanaians. Some of the values discussed at the dialogue included: patriotism, integrity, punctuality, transparency, respect for human dignity, people’s rights to life, discipline and nationalism. Pervading negative values were discussed and included: indiscipline, disrespect for human life, disregard for rule of law, selfishness, corruption, greed and civic apathy. The Commission within this period also carried out a nationwide campaign on anti-mob action due to the increasing number of mob attacks.

The Commission further organised its Annual E-Constitution Quiz Competitions in Senior High Schools in all the ten (10) regions of the country during its Constitution Week. The competitions were to encourage in- school youth to study the 1992 Constitution of the Republic of Ghana and governance related issues to equip them to be active participants in Ghana’s democracy. A total of eight hundred and twenty-two (822) electronic Constitution quizzes and games were organised nationwide. The Commission also launched the University Civic Challenge for tertiary students as part of its school-based activities. The University Civic Challenge similar to the E-constitution quiz for senior high school students, seeks to inculcate within tertiary students the principles and objectives of the Constitution using a play-and-learn format. The competition was launched by the President of the Republic of Ghana, H.E. Nana Addo Danquah Akufo-Addo.

COLLABORATIONS

The Commission has over the years collaborated with key public and private organisations in educating Ghanaians on other critical national issues some of which do not form part of its core mandate. Most of these collaborations are made possible due to the Commission's human resource strength and office presence in every district across the country. In year 2017, the Commission collaborated with the Media Coalition Against Illegal Mining (Galamsey) aimed at creating awareness through public education campaigns on the destruction of farmlands and water bodies by the menace. Sensitisation programmes through town hall meetings were held in regional capitals across the country especially in galamsey prone areas or communities. The Commission also collaborated with the National Malaria Control Programme (NMCP) to create behavioural change among communities by encouraging and enhancing good environmental management practices and attitudinal change towards mosquito nets. The Commission in the month of November, collaborated with the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) to implement a nationwide Tax Compliance campaign dubbed: "Our Taxes- Our Future". This campaign was to encourage more Ghanaians, especially in the informal sector, to voluntarily comply with their tax obligations to broaden the tax net of the country for infrastructural and social amenities development.

The Commission continued its partnership with relevant institutions in implementing key national policies such as the National Anti-Corruption Action Plan (NACAP), and the Consolidated Decentralisation Policy. In partnership with NACAP and with support from the European Union (EU), the Commission is undertaking a four-year educational programme dubbed "Anti-corruption, Rule of law and Accountability Programme (ARAP)" which aims at reducing corruption in Ghana, increasing accountability, compliance with the rule of law and enhancing environmental governance. Other major civic and public educational activities and collaborations of the Commission in 2017 included: education on the tenets of the 1992 Constitution, good citizenship practices, early child and forced marriages in Ghana, human rights, health related issues, sanitation and environmental governance, among others.

RESEARCH

The Commission in the year 2017 undertook a research on "Public Perception of the State of Corruption, Public Accountability and Environmental Governance in Ghana." The objective was to ascertain public opinion on these pertinent issues as well as to inform and enhance the Commission's educational activities on anti-corruption, public accountability and better environmental governance in Ghana. The research report was launched and its findings were discussed at the second dialogue organised in December, 2017. This dialogue was in collaboration with International and Ibero-American Foundation for Administration and Public Policies (FIIAPP) and ARAP. The Research was funded by the European Union. Other baseline surveys were conducted during the year on pertinent issues to inform and guide the Commission's activities, monitoring and evaluation processes.

OTHER MATTERS

The President of Ghana, H.E Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo in year 2017 appointed two Commission Members. This is due to the demise of a Commission Member, Mr. Augustine Dzineku and the elevation of Ms. Josephine Nkrumah from Deputy Chairman Finance and Administration to substantive Chairman. The two appointees were: Ms. Kathleen Addy, Deputy Chairman in-charge of Finance and Administration and Mrs. Sylvia Annor, a Commission Member.

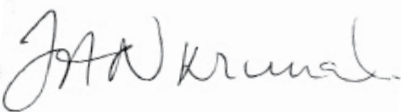
The Commission continues to remind Parliament of its logistic and financial constraints which incapacitate it from fulfilling its mandate. Lack of adequate office accommodation at all levels (Head Office, Regions and districts), inadequate and untimely release of funds and the ageing fleet of the few vehicles and motorbikes available, make it extremely difficult for the Commission to carry out its work. The Commission remains hopeful that Government's budget allocated for its work will increase and will be released timely to aid in fulfilling its mandate.

It is important to note that the heavy dependence of the Commission on development partner funds exposes the Commission to development partner's priorities on civic engagements. Also, the Commission seeks to increase its staff strength due to the enormity of its work as against its dwindling staff strength as a result of resignations, retirements and deaths. The Commission hopes to employ more staff in year 2018 to meet its work demands across the country.

CONCLUSION

On behalf of the Commission, I take this opportunity to thank the Government of Ghana for its continuous support to the Commission. The NCCE is also grateful to the European Union (EU) for its tremendous support to the Commission over the years. The Commission wishes to acknowledge the support of Ghacem Limited, GCB Bank Ltd., Awake Mineral Water, Promasidor Ghana Ltd., African Regent Hotel and Newmont Ghana Ltd. for supporting the Commission's activities in year 2017.

The Commission is also grateful to its media partners; Ghana Broadcasting Corporation (GBC), the EIB Network, Multi Media Group and the over 120 media houses across the country particularly with respect to free airtime and publicity given to Commission's programmes. The Commission is extremely grateful to the Information Service Department for its support nationwide with logistics and human resource. Finally, the Commission appreciates the assistance and support of Ghanaians for the patronage of its activities and engagements in year 2017. I say Ayekoo! to all Staff of the Commission who often work under difficult circumstances with little or no funds and to all Ghanaians for how far we have come as a nation. As we look forward to year 2018, may God continue to bless our homeland Ghana and make our nation indeed great and strong.



Josephine Nkrumah (Ms.)
Chairman

PART I GOVERNING BODY OF COMMISSION

a. Our Commission Members

Ms. Josephine Nkrumah *Chairman*

Ms. Josephine Nkrumah is a product of the University of Ghana where she obtained her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Law and French. She obtained her Diploma in Legal Practice from the Ghana School of Law and was called to the Ghana Bar as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Superior Courts of Judicature in 1997. She later obtained her Masters degree in Law from the International Maritime Law Institute in Malta in 2001.

She is an accomplished International Maritime Law Expert with over two decades of professional practice. She also worked in private law firms as an Associate legal counsel prior to serving as the Executive Secretary and Legal Advisor to the Ghana Association of Stevedoring Companies from 2003 to 2012. She was a Training Consultant to the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) for Ghana and French-speaking West Africa, and also served as a Maritime Law Lecturer at the Regional Maritime University from 2002 to 2006.

After serving the maritime industry with distinction for many years, Ms. Nkrumah went into full time private practice as the Founding Director of the Lumens Veritas Law Firm until her first appointment into public service as a Deputy Chairman for the NCCE in charge of Finance and Administration in April 2015. She was appointed as Chairman of the Commission in December 2016.



Mr. Samuel Akuamoah *Deputy Chairman, Operations*

Mr. Samuel Akuamoah holds a Master's Degree in Africa studies from the University of Ghana and a BA in Political Science from the same University. He also holds a Diploma in Journalism from the Ghana Institute of Journalism, GIJ and a Certificate in Project Management and Strategic Leadership from Ghana Training Consulting (GTC), Putney Bridge London, United Kingdom. Prior to joining the NCCE in 1994, Mr. Akuamoah worked as a Freelance Journalist with a number of media houses including the Ghana News Agency GNA. He is one of the pioneer staff of the NCCE, beginning his service at the Accra Metropolitan Office and rising through the ranks to become the Director of Programmes and currently the Deputy Chairman in charge of Operations.



Ms. Kathleen Addy
Deputy Chairman, Finance and Administration

Kathleen Addy is a Communications and Development professional with over 15 years' experience working in the development sector. Her professional reach covers a wide range of specialisations including Strategic Communications; Corporate Communications; Communications for Research and Policy and Corporate Social Responsibility. She honed her skills over the years working in different organisations including the center for policy Analysis (CEPA) as well as Center for Democratic Development (CDD), where she was the Afrobarometer Communications Manager with oversight of seven African countries in East and West Africa.

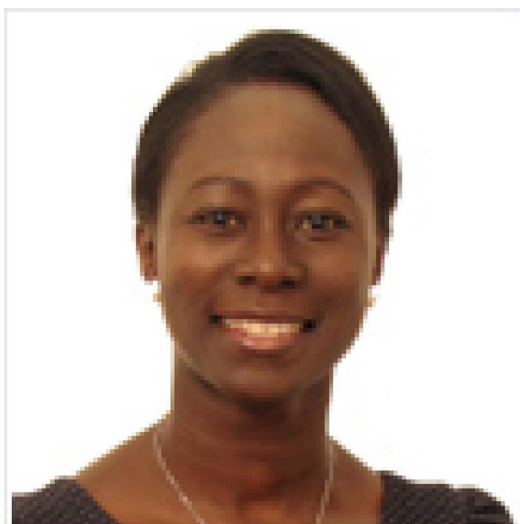
As a renowned activist, Ms. Addy has championed many causes that promote democracy and good governance and human rights and is particularly passionate about women rights.

She has a degree in Psychology and a Masters degree in Communication Studies from the University of Ghana, Legon.



Mrs. Philomina Abena Anyidoho
Commission Member

Mrs. Anyidoho holds a Master's degree in Development Studies from the Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research (ISSER), University of Ghana, Legon and a BSc (Land Economy) from the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST). From March 2006 to February 2009, she was the Programmes Coordinator at the Institute of Economic Affairs (IEA), Ghana, a public policy think-tank. She is currently in charge of Research & Consultancy Services at the Ghana Technology University College Accra, Ghana.



Mrs. Hajara Mohammed Rufai
Commission Member

Mrs. Rufai holds a BA in Political Science and the Study of Religion from the University of Ghana, Legon. She also obtained a Master of Philosophy (MPhil) degree in the Study of Religion at the University of Ghana, Legon in 2002. In 2005, she was the Programmes Coordinator at the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) Ghana Country office until her appointment to the Commission in 2011. She is currently a freelance Consultant on youth development.



Mr. Kojo Tito Voegborlo
Commission Secretary

Mr. Tito holds a BA degree in Law and Political Science and a Post Graduate Diploma in Communication Studies from the University of Ghana, Legon. He was called to the Ghanaian Bar in October 1989. In 1991 he served as a Research Assistant to the Committee of Experts that drafted the 1992 (Fourth) Republican Constitution. He joined the NCCE in July 1993 as Deputy Director for Research and in May 2006 became the Commission Secretary.



Mrs. Sylvia Annor
Commission Member

Sylvia Naa Adaawa Annor holds a Master of Governance and Leadership degree from the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA). She is also pursuing a Post graduate Diploma in Public Administration from the same institution. She is a graduate from the Ghana Institute of Journalism. She has undertaken many Gender related and Election management courses.

She is a Public Relations practitioner and an accredited member of the Institute of Public Relations, Ghana. She was a spokesperson for Ghana's Electoral Commission from 1993 to 2015. As an Election Administrator with a wealth of experience in media relations and elections, she has trained several Ghanaian journalists from reputable media houses in accurate election /media reportage over the years. She is a Christian and a Deaconess of Royal House Chapel International, Ahenfie. Her hobbies are writing, reading, singing, cooking and dancing. She is married with three children. Madam Sylvia is a Public Relations officer for the Consultative Assembly that wrote the 1992 Constitution.



b. Our Management



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah
Chairman



Mr. Samuel Asare Akuamoah
Deputy Chairman, Operations



Ms. Kathleen Addy
Deputy Chairman, Finance and Administration



Mr. Kojo Tito Voegborlo
Commission Secretary



Mr. Michael Dadzie
Director, Finance



Mrs. Dora Hammond
Director, Administration



Mrs. Joyce Benedicta Afutu
Director, Communications &
Corporate Affairs



Mr. Johnson Opoku
Director, Programmes



Dr. Mrs. Henrietta Asante Sarpong
Director, Research, Gender and Equality

PART II OVERVIEW OF COMMISSION

■ Our MANDATE

The National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE) is an Independent, Constitutional Commission established under Article 231-239 of the 1992 Constitution of Republic of Ghana and the National Commission for Civic Education Act, 1993, Act 452 of the Constitution of the Republic of Ghana.

■ Our VISION

The NCCE's vision is to be an effective independent governance institution delivering civic education to all Ghanaians and working towards sustaining Ghana's democracy.

■ Our MISSION

To promote and sustain Ghana's democracy and inculcate in the Ghanaian citizenry the awareness of their rights and obligations, through civic education.

■ Our VALUES

INTEGRITY. PRESENCE. INDEPENDENCE.

We apply integrity in all our dealings. We are present in every district and community throughout Ghana with 231 offices nationwide. We are independent in the performance of our work.

■ Our STRUCTURE

The Commission is made up of a Chairman, two Deputy Chairmen and four Commission Members. The seven Commission members constitute the governing body of the Commission. The Commission members are supported by five (5) Departmental Directors who have direct responsibility for the departments of the Commission. These are:

- Finance
- Administration
- Programmes
- Communications and Corporate Affairs
- Research, Gender and Equality

The Commission has ten (10) Regional Offices headed by Regional Directors and two hundred and sixteen (216) District, Municipal, Metropolitan and 4 Sub-Metropolitan offices also headed by District, Municipal and Metropolitan Directors who coordinate and supervise the Commission's work in our Regional and District offices nationwide.

PART III EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE) to the Parliament of Ghana. The year 2017 was an engaging year for the Commission based on the theme “Restoring the Ghanaian Identity; Our Values, Our Passion.” Activities of the Commission therefore sought to remind Ghanaians of the lost values that hold us together as a nation.

This year’s Annual Report, Mr. Speaker is aimed at presenting to Parliament, a snapshot of key achievements and major programmes implemented by the Commission at its Head Office, 10 Regional Offices and 216 Metropolitan, Municipal and District Offices and four (4) Sub-metropolitan Offices across the country.

During year 2017, the Commission organised seventy-five thousand, five hundred and twenty-four (75,524) activities across the country. The Commission’s activities directly reached five million, two hundred and forty-four thousand, three hundred and seventy-nine (5,244,379) Ghanaians in their communities and millions through broadcast and social media. The Commission’s planned and implemented programmes, sought to inculcate in citizens their civic and public responsibilities and appreciation of their rights as stakeholders in Ghana’s governance system. These activities were carried out through awareness creation, education, sensitisation and conscientisation.

The key accomplishments were:

• Community Sensitisation Programmes	30,337
• Citizenship Week Engagements	7,563
• National Dialogues	2
• Civic Education Club Activities (CECs)	7,878
• Media Relation Activities	5,834
• Collaborative Programmes	3,074
• Tax Compliance Campaign	17,174
• ARAP	2,645
• E- Constitutional Quizzes & Games Competitions	822
• Research Conducted	1
• Project Citizen	16
• Malaria Control Programme	172
• Media Coalition Against Galamsey	6

TOTAL	75,524
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Over five million (5,000,000) citizens were directly involved and empowered with knowledge on the need to sustain the good name of Ghana, as well as help shape and enhance the nation’s democracy. The perspectives and opinions of Ghanaians on certain pertinent national issues were collated from the Commission’s activities and social media platforms and drafted into reports and distributed during our programmes and activities as reference.

PART IV ANNUAL FLAGSHIP PROGRAMMES

The NCCE has over the years instituted some flagship programmes targeted at different segments of the Ghanaian society. These activities on pertinent national issues are designed as school based, community based, faith based, engagements with identifiable groups usually through lectures, dialogues, seminars, workshops, quizzes or games on the 1992 Constitution and other governance issues, etc. Some of these activities are undertaken annually as part of the Commission's flagship programmes. Key among them is the Annual Constitution Week. Details of this and other flagship programmes are detailed below.

a) Annual Constitution Week Activities

In year 2017, the NCCE's Annual Constitution Week was marked as part of the 25th Anniversary of Ghana's acceptance of the 1992 Constitution through a referendum. This was the 16th year of the Commission's annual celebrations since 2001. The Annual Constitution Week was observed nationwide with activities such as: Encounter with Security Agencies, Citizenship Week, Spelling 'Bee' competition and a National Dialogue.

i. Engagements With Security Agencies

The Commission had intensive interactions with Security Agencies across the country to discuss issues pertaining to the sustenance and consolidation of Ghana's democratic governance. These encounters held from May 4 - 12, 2017 sought to remind security agencies of the relevance of date, April 28, 1992 when Ghana's 1992 Constitution was accepted as the fundamental law of Ghana through a referendum as well as remind them of their role in advancing Ghana's democracy. As people in authority, the Commission sought to constantly remind them on the need to sustain and uphold the 1992 Constitution as a living document. At one of the encounters in Accra with the Ghana National Fire Service, Mr. Samuel Asare Akuamoah, NCCE Deputy Chairman in-charge of Operations urged participants to revive lost positive traits and values that help build a strong national identity.

Mr. Akuamoah was of the view that values such as nationalism, patriotism, honesty, respect, discipline the sense of oneness, communal spirit and hard work, among others were gradually being lost in our society. "As a nation, we have gone through a great historic journey, but now, we realize we are losing most of the positive traits and identity we once had due to current trends. We are no longer a model that most people in the global community used to accord us," he said. The Deputy Chairman therefore admonished security personnel to discharge virtues of good citizenship and discard negative traits such as disrespect for law and order, abuse of office, indiscipline, corruption, intolerance, among others to restore and protect the ones enviable Ghanaian identity.

Assistant Chief Fire Officer (ACFO), Mr. Paa Kwesi Adu-Twum, advised that Ghana must reconsider the inclusion of examinable civic education in its educational curriculum; since that could propel the advancement of good citizenship among Ghanaians and help build a positive Ghanaian identity. He therefore, urged Government to re-introduce civic education to inculcate civic responsibility in students at all stages. Mr. Adu-Twum was optimistic that through continuous dialogue between the two institutions, key strategies for achieving national

aspirations and restoring the Ghanaian identity would be achieved. ACFO Adu-Twum called on other key institutions to support the NCCE to fulfill its mandate of effective civic and public education. Similar encounters were carried out nationwide with other security agencies like the Ghana Armed Forces, Ghana Police Service, Ghana Prisons Service, Ghana Immigration Service and Customs Division.

PICTURES OF ENCOUNTER WITH GNFS



Mr. Samuel Asare Akuamoah delivering his remarks at the encounter



Participants at the event

ii. Annual Citizenship Week

The 2017 Annual Citizenship Week was under the theme “Restoring Our Identity: The Role of the Ghanaian Child”. The Citizenship Week celebration is a mentorship programme meant to inculcate in pupils of basic schools the values of good citizenship. It sought to remind them of their civic and public responsibilities and the values they need to uphold towards contributing to and strengthening Ghana’s democracy.

The programme which coincided with the country’s 60th Independence anniversary emphasised on the need for pupils to understand and practise values such as patriotism, nationalism, punctuality, respect, humility, loyalty to the state, hard work, honesty, excellence, discipline, integrity, accountability among other positive values which engender good character development among children. During the programme, resource persons selected from different professional and occupational backgrounds across the country, sensitised pupils on these lost Ghanaian values. Some resource persons who participated in this year’s Citizenship week included: Mrs. Charlotte Osei, Chairman of the Electoral Commission of Ghana, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman, Media Personalities; Oheneyere Gifty Anti, Nana Aba Anamoah, Mr. Kafui Dey, distinguished Statesmen, Public Servants, renowned members of the Clergy; Rev Osabutey, etc.

A total of seven thousand, five hundred and sixty-three (7,563) basic schools were visited nationwide with three million, four hundred and forty-one thousand, seven hundred and sixteen (3,441,716) pupils actively participating in the programme across the country.

Table 1.0 - CITIZENSHIP WEEK (SCHOOLS COVERED PER REGION)

REGIONS	NUMBER CARRIED OUT	PARTICIPANTS
HEAD OFFICE	168	24,546
CENTRAL	802	78,222
WESTERN	540	83,624
EASTERN	734	367,000
BRONG AHAFO	996	726,824
VOLTA	698	349,000
NORTHERN	850	425,000
GREATER ACCRA	880	440,000
ASHANTI	853	426,500
UPPER WEST	327	163,500
UPPER EAST	715	357,500
TOTAL	7,563	3,441,716

CITIZENSHIP WEEK PHOTO GALLERY



NCCE Chairman, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah with Pupils of St. Theresah's School



NCCE Chairman, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah with Pupils of Nungua Presby Primary and JHS



Mrs. Charlotte Osei, Chairman of the Electoral Commission of Ghana with pupils of Kanda Cluster of Schools



Oheneyere Gifty Anti addressing the pupils

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My Ghana ...My values

1

Patriotism

2

Integrity

3

Honesty

4

Excellence

Citizenship Week

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iii. Civic Spelling 'Bee' Competition

The Commission in collaboration with Young Educators Foundation Ghana, an NGO, organised a Spelling 'Bee' competition on civic and governance words (vocabulary) in the 1992 Constitution at the GNAT Hall in Accra. In all, over two hundred (200) words from the 1992 Constitution cutting across all Chapters were chosen for the contest. Three schools within the Accra metropolis were selected to participate in the spelling bee contest. The participating schools were: Lartebiokorshie (Black Smith) Junior High School, Richard Akwei Memorial Junior High School and Dansoman Community Junior High School. Laterbiokoshie (Black Smith) JHS emerged winners of the competition.

PHOTO GALLERY OF SPELLING BEE COMPETITION



Students take turns in spelling vocabularies in the Constitution



Students take turns in spelling vocabularies in the Constitution



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman presenting an award to the winner of the competition, Miss Florence Akwei Avorinyo of Lartebiokoshie (Black Smith) JHS



Ms. Kathleen Addy, NCCE Deputy Chairman, F&A presenting the second award to Bernard Louis Ahoum of Richard Memorial JHS



Ms. Eugenia Techie Menson, Spelling Bee Director giving her remarks



Mrs. Joyce Afutu, Director, Communications and Corporate Affairs giving an introduction

iv. A. National Dialogue on Ghanaian Values

The NCCE on June 14, 2017, organised a National Dialogue at the National Theatre in Accra under the theme **“RESTORING THE GHANAIAAN IDENTITY: OUR VALUES OUR PASSION.”** The Commission, having noted with grave concern how Ghanaians are losing the positive “Ghanaian identity” and values as a people, set the stage to discuss the need to reignite values such as patriotism, respect for human dignity, people’s rights to life, discipline, nationalism among others. The dialogue also, sought to discuss the need for Ghanaians to resist negative attitudes such as indiscipline, disrespect for human life, disregard for rule of law, corruption, selfishness, greed and apathy, which have taken over our everyday dealings as a people.

Opening the dialogue, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, Chairman of the NCCE in her remarks said the National Dialogue was crucial because issues were getting out of hand and if not addressed immediately, could lead to chaos or a national disaster. Ms. Nkrumah reiterated that the Ghanaian society had been characterised by lawlessness, corruption, wanton destruction of environment, dishonesty, violence, crime, instant gratification, mediocrity, mistrust, civic apathy, irresponsibility amongst other vices. She recounted the barbaric murder of Major

Maxwell Adam Mahama as a result of mob action which was caused by act of indiscipline and disregard for the rule of law. “To have a nation where its citizens are disciplined and peace-loving; it is imperative to systematically, purposefully and deliberately work to imbibe or reignite these values particularly in our youth,” she said.

Ms. Nkrumah was of the view that, the path in creating a Ghana we will all be proud of will take the collective efforts of all stakeholders; Ministries, Departments and Agencies of government (MDAs), Traditional Leaders, the Media, Civil Society Organisations, Faith based organisations and all citizens of Ghana. Ms. Josephine Nkrumah encouraged leaders in key positions to apply traits of positive values in their work and dealings so as to set the pace for their followers to emulate.

The guest of honour at the dialogue, Alhaji Dr. Mahamudu Bawumia, Vice President of the Republic of Ghana, urged the NCCE to prioritise the promotion of Ghanaian values above all else in their activities. This he stated was because; the nation had reached the point where negative traits were being normalised by many and could be identified in all spheres of the society. Dr. Bawumia therefore admonished that such trends or social vices could be reversed through civic and public education. He stated that, the NCCE being constitutionally mandated with this task should champion the crusade in the restoration of Ghanaian values among the citizenry. The Vice President also pledged Government’s support to resource the NCCE to enable it carry out its duties effectively.

The panelists at the Dialogue were: Justice V.C.R.A.C. Crabbe, a retired Supreme Court Judge, Professor Stephen Adei, a revered educationist and former Rector of Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), Professor Ama Ata Aidoo, a renowned author and poet, Mr. K.B. Asante, a distinguished Statesman and retired diplomat with Professor Audrey Gadzekpo, Dean of School of Information and Communication Studies of the University of Ghana as the moderator. Nana Kobina Nketsia V, Omanhene of Essikado Traditional Area was the Chairman for the Dialogue. Crabbe cautioned Ghanaians to use the Independence Day celebration to examine their lives and reflect on the impact their actions contribute, sustain or disrupt our society. He admonished parents to also serve as pillars in their homes and inculcate these good values in their children from infancy; since parents play a pivotal role in the development of their children and the nation as a whole.

Professor Stephen Adei called for the re-introduction of civic education into Ghana’s school curriculum. Professor Adei was emphatic that civic education in schools would enable students learn the basics of civic education and help the country restore its good values. Mr. K.B. Asante on the other hand stressed on the act of corruption and its harmful effects on a nation. He stressed on the need for the ordinary Ghanaian to know when the words “thank you” are enough to show appreciation or gratitude for a deed. “The concept of giving cash gifts and inducement of cash gifts is one of the thorny ethical issues that has sparked a number of debates in the political atmosphere of the country and must be stopped,” he lamented.

Also present at the dialogue were: Mrs. Charlotte Osei, Electoral Commission Chairman, NCCE Deputy Chairmen in-charge of Finance and Administration and Operations, Ms. Kathleen Addy and Mr. Samuel Akuamoah respectively, representatives from the various political parties, members of the Diplomatic corps, personnel from the various Security agencies, students from

various levels of education, Statesmen, the Clergy, Traditional leaders, representative from the Office of the Chief Imam, representative from the office of the Vice President, Civil Society Organisations, Media personalities and staff of the NCCE. The Master of ceremonies at the event was Mr. Kafui Dey of GH One television, part of the EIB Network.

PHOTO GALLERY OF NATIONAL DIALOGUE



Vice President of the Republic of Ghana Dr. Mahamudu Bawumia delivering his speech



Mr. K.B Asante making his remarks, seated on his right, Justice V.C.R.A.C. Crabbe



Mrs. Charlotte Osei, EC Chairman and Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman at the Dialogue



A section of students at the dialogue

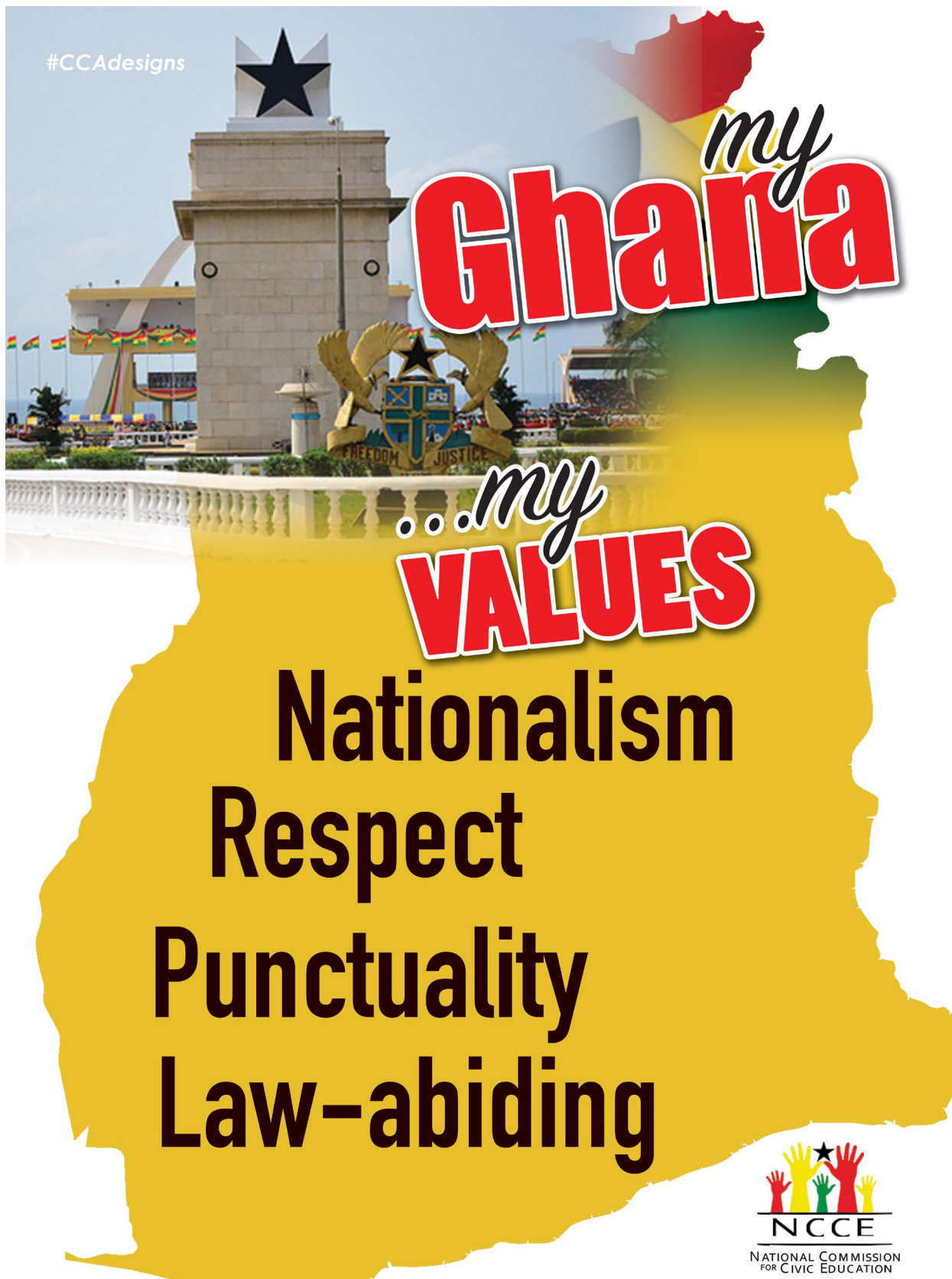


Professor Ama Ata Aidoo delivering her remarks



Professor Stephen Adei, former Rector of GIMPA


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B. National Dialogue on Corruption

A second dialogue was organised in December on the Anti-corruption, Rule of law and Public Accountability programme (ARAP). The dialogue discussed findings from a research conducted by the NCCE on “Public Perception on the State of Corruption, Accountability and Environmental Governance in Ghana.” Prior to the dialogue, the research was launched by Justice Emile Short, former Commissioner of CHRAJ. At the launch, excerpts of the research were highlighted to audience present. The research found that over 91.4% of Ghanaians believe corruption is very high in Ghana.

The dialogue is the first in a series of eight dialogues to discuss findings contained in the research report. Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, Chairman of the NCCE in her opening remarks said, corruption had eaten deep into our society and in some cases accepted as a norm. Ms. Nkrumah was of the view that, falling morals and values have over the years contributed to the increase in corruption related activities. She called on the Media, Civil Society Organisations and governance institutions to play key roles in fighting corruption in Ghana.

A Broadcast and Investigative Journalist, Mr. Manesseh Azure Awuni, called for a top-bottom approach in the fight against corruption while delivering his speech. He called on State institutions like CHRAJ, the Ghana Police Service and the NCCE to intensify awareness on fighting corruption. Discussants at the dialogue were: Dr. Kwadwo Asante, Senior Research Fellow at the Center for Democratic Development and Mrs. Mercy Akrofi Ansah, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of African Studies, University of Ghana, Legon with Mr. Sampson Lardy Anyenini, a Legal Practitioner and Media personality as the moderator for the Dialogue. Panelists at the dialogue demanded that state actors and government officials be brought to book to serve as a caution to others; as prosecution of perpetrators could serve to reduce this national canker. Ms. Kathleen Addy, NCCE Deputy Chairman, Finance and Administration, said Ghana can only become completely independent devoid of foreign aid if corruption was addressed and tackled completely.

The dialogue is part of the NCCE / EU Anti-Corruption, Rule of Law Public Accountability Programme, with technical support from FILAP.

PHOTO GALLERY OF DIALOGUE ON ARAP



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, Chairman of the NCCE giving her welcome remarks at the launch of the ARAP Research



Justice Francis Emile Short, Former Commissioner of CHRAJ launching the Research report



Mr. Paolo Slavia, Head of Political Section, EU giving his remarks at the launch of the Research report



From the Right: Ms. Kathleen Addy, Deputy Chairman, F&A; Mrs. Abena Anyidoho, Commission Member; Mr. Samuel Akuamoah, Deputy Chairman, Operations and cross section of guests at the launch



Aerial View of guests at the Dialogue



Representatives of FIAP



From Left: Dr. Kwadwo Asante, Senior Research Fellow, CDD, Mrs. Mercy Akrofi Ansah, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of African Studies and Mr. Samson Lardy Anyenini, Private Legal Practitioner and moderator of the Dialogue

i) Annual Electronic Constitution Quiz Competition and Games

The Commission's Annual E-Constitution Quiz Competition is a civic education programme targeted at Senior High Schools in all the ten (10) regions. The competition seeks to encourage youth in schools to acquire basic knowledge of the provisions of the 1992 Constitution and other governance related subjects. Ten (10) E-Constitution Quiz Competitions were held at Regional level across the nation with ten (10) schools participating in each region. Regional winners of the competitions were awarded with stationery, IT computers and accessories and products from sponsors. Promasidor Ghana limited was the headline sponsor for some quiz competitions in the Greater Accra region. Approximately, eight hundred and twelve Constitution board games were also organised nationwide.

At a quiz competition in the Upper East region for example, eight schools participated in the quiz competition. These were: Bolgatanga Girls Senior High (Host), Navrongo Senior High, Sirigu Senior High Integrated, Zebilla Senior High/Technical, Sandema Senior High/Technical, Bawku Senior High, Tempene Senior High, Bongo Senior High, Kongo Senior, and Bolgatanga Senior High School. The event was chaired by Madam Patricia Ayiko Linda, the Regional Director of Ghana Education Service.

The Hon. Regional Minister, Mr. Rockson Ayine Bukari urged students present at the quiz to be law abiding and disciplined. Mr. Bukari was of the view that the ability to respect the rule of law depends on the understanding of the Constitution of the country. "If we have students coming out of the school system with a strong knowledge of our Constitution, in the long run, we can have a peaceful, law abiding and well oriented nation or society," he said. The Minister therefore admonished teachers to be agents of change and find creative ways to teach students on the Constitution.

The NCCE Deputy Chairman Operations, Mr. Samuel Akuamoah also reiterated the need for students to pay adequate attention to the amendments of the Constitution and to get abreast with its content. At the end of the quiz, Bolgatanga Girls Senior High came in first with 162 points, Sandema Senior High/Technical placed second with 143 points and Bolgatanga Senior High placed third with 142 points. Similar quizzes were held nationwide. The table below indicates number of quizzes organised at regional level.

Table 2.0 REGIONAL E-CONSTITUTION QUIZ COMPETITION

REGIONS	CONSTITUTION QUIZ COMPETITIONS
CENTRAL	35
WESTERN	50
EASTERN	1
BRONG AHAFO	299

VOLTA	124
NORTHERN	13
GREATER ACCRA	90
ASHANTI	105
UPPER WEST	53
UPPER EAST	52
TOTAL	822

PHOTO GALERY OF 2017 E-QUIZ COMPETITION IN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS



NCCE Ga Central Municipal Director, Mrs. Cynthia Animah Boadu presenting awards to participating Schools.



The quiz master, Mr. Dan Afari Yeboah of *What Do You Know* fame



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah presenting prize to students



Students seated at a quiz competition



Souvenirs from Sponsors (Promasidor Ghana)



Students ready at a quiz competition

i) Project Citizen

Project Citizen is a flagship programme of the Commission which engages the youth in Senior High Schools in research, acquisition of knowledge, skills development and dispositions to influence public policy and solve community problems. From July 3 -14, 2017 the Commission with support from UNICEF, organised Project Citizen Showcase on Child marriage in six (6) districts in (6) six selected regions under the theme “Child Marriage is a Human Rights Violation, Its Education is a Panacea to Human and National Development.” The showcase sought to empower participants, especially girls and peer support groups on their civic rights and responsibilities to enable them engage in or work with community level structures.

A second Project Citizen showcase was organised in November with support from the European Union (EU) on the Anti-corruption, Rule of Law and Public Accountability Programme (ARAP). The programme aimed at enhancing civic knowledge to promote active citizenship amongst the students and obtain their views in corruption. The showcase introduced students to public policy and how they can develop their own policies to contribute to solving social problems in their communities. Under the theme “Restoring our Ghanaian values: The role of the Youth in nation building”, fifty (50) schools participated in the project nationwide on how to curb corruption as a national canker.

PROJECT CITIZEN SHOWCASE ON CHILD EARLY AND FORCED MARRIAGES IN GHANA - UNICEF



NCCE Chairman, NCCE Western Regional Director, NCCE Deputy Director, Programmes and Judges at a Project Citizen Showcase



Judges seated at a Project Citizen showcase



Students of New Takoradi STMA JHS, presenting their Portfolio



Students of Assakae JHS, presenting their portfolio



Students of Sacredheart JHS, presenting their portfolio



Students of Whindo MA JHS presenting their portfolio



NCCE Chairman, Ms Josephine Nkrumah, presenting an award to the Winning School, Assakae JHS



A presentation on Child Marriage

PROJECT CITIZEN SHOWCASE ON CORRUPTION – EUROPEAN UNION (EU)



A student from the Armed Forces Senior High School Technical School, presenting their portfolio board three



Aburi Girls Senior High presenting their portfolio board one



Accra Academy SHS presenting their portfolio board



Cross section of participants during the Greater Accra Regional Project Citizen Showcase



Judges at the quiz competition. Seated from right: Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman and Ms. Gladys Osman, Deputy Director of Programmes



Cross section of Participants



Mr. Samuel Akuamoah, NCCE Deputy Chairman Operations presenting the first prize to the Eastern Regional Project Citizen Showcase Champions, Pope John Senior High School



Mr. Johnson Opoku, NCCE Director of Programmes presenting the 3rd prize to Presbyterian Boys Senior High School in Accra



Ningo Senior High School receiving the 2nd prize from Ms. Kathleen Addy, NCCE Deputy Chairman, F&A



Accra Academy students sharing their experience after the event

c) Civic Education Clubs (CECs)

The Commission's Civic Education Clubs (CECs) were established at all levels (basic to tertiary) of Ghana's educational system nationwide to increase interest in the study of the 1992 Constitution and governance. Furthermore, through the CECs, in-school youth are taught to realise their roles as future leaders who have to contribute towards consolidating Ghana's democracy.

An estimated five thousand, three hundred and eighty-four (5,384) SHS and JHS Civic Education Club members embarked on excursions to various sites across the country. Other CEC activities included: debates, meetings, competitions, among others. Approximately, seven thousand, eight hundred and seventy-eight (7,878) CECs activities were organised on regional basis nationwide.

Details are in the table below:

Table 3.0 CIVIC EDUCATION CLUB ACTIVITIES PER REGION

REGIONS	NUMBER OF CEC CLUBS	NUMBER OF MEETINGS / EXCURSIONS AND DEBATES
CENTRAL	277	515
WESTERN	232	757
EASTERN	385	1214
BRONG AHAFO	528	679
VOLTA	533	1002
NORTHERN	306	1172
GREATER ACCRA	314	856
ASHANTI	1034	737
UPPER WEST	160	363
UPPER EAST	353	583
TOTAL	4,122	7,878

d) University Civic Challenge

The University Civic Challenge was launched by the President of the Republic of Ghana, H.E. Nana Addo Danquah Akufo-Addo on August 30, 2017 at the University of Ghana, Legon on the theme “Restoring our Ghanaian Values as Active Citizens.” The Commission through the Civic Challenge seeks to inculcate in tertiary students the principles and objectives of the Constitution using a play-and-learn format. In year 2017, four (4) zonal contests were held among sixteen (16) participating schools at the University of Cape Coast, University of Ghana, Legon, Sunyani Technical University and University for Development Studies (Tamale) campuses respectively. Participating schools at zonal level included:

- UDS (Tamale), UDS (Wa) and Bolgatanga Polytechnic - Northern Zone
- Takoradi Technical University, University of Education, Winneba and University of Cape Coast - Western Zone
- University of Ghana, Legon, Islamic University College, University of Professional Studies, All Nations University, Ashesi University, Ho Technical University and GIMPA - Eastern Zone
- KNUST, Catholic University College and Sunyani Technical University - Middle Zone

PHOTO GALLERY OF UNIVERSITY CIVIC CHALLENGE LAUNCH



H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, President of Ghana delivering his speech



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman giving her opening remarks



From the left: Mr. Kwame Offei, representative of the Vice Chancellor of the University of Ghana, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman, H. E. Nana Akufo-Addo, President of Ghana, Professor Audrey Gadzekpo, Lecturer at the University of Ghana and Honourable Mustapha Hamid, Minister of Information



H.E. Nana Akufo-Addo in a handshake with NCCE Deputy Chairman, F&A, Ms. Kathleen Addy.



Overview of the auditorium. Insert is the President of Ghana delivering his speech



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman welcomes H.E. Nana Akufo-Addo, President of Ghana

PHOTO GALLERY OF UNIVERSITY CIVIC CHALLENGE ZONAL COMPETITIONS



NCCE Chairman with students of UPSA



NCCE Chairman with students of GIMPA



NCCE Deputy Chairman, F&A,
Ms. Kathleen Addy with students of KNUST



Cross Section of Students from UDS, Tamale



From the right: NCCE Deputy Chairman, F&A, Ms. Kathleen Addy, NCCE Deputy Chairman, Operations, Mr. Samuel Akuamoah and Northern Regional Minister



Hon. Salifu Saeed, the Northern Regional Minister delivering his remarks at the Northern Zone civic challenge

PART V COMMUNICATIONS AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS

The Communication and Corporate Affairs Department of the NCCE is in charge of intensifying public education programmes through broadcast and social media towards enhancing the Commission's corporate image and extending the reach of its programmes. The department also serves as the advertising and branding base of the Commission; where most educational materials are designed, printed and mostly disseminated through out-of-home media, broadcast media and social media platforms of the NCCE. The audio-visual unit of the department also develops and produces jingles, short films, animations and advertisements of educational messages for the purpose of reaching Ghanaians in a more media friendly formats aside other interactive platforms.

The department aside the production of educational materials in visual and audio formats, handles the organisation of major events of the Commission at national level; seeks for in-kind, media and financial sponsorship for major events of the Commission, handles media engagements and correspondence at national level; writes and prepares all articles and periodicals of the Commission as well as oversee all protocol responsibilities of the Commission.

i) Production of Educational Materials

In year 2017, the department saw to the development of educational materials for major activities of the Commission as well as collaborative activities.

- **Launch of the translation of National Anthem**

The NCCE in collaboration with Mr. John B. K. Amoah a researcher and composer launched the translation of the National Pledge and National Anthem in eleven (11) local Ghanaian languages with support from the European Union (EU) at the College of Physicians and Surgeons on March 10, 2017. These translated products were duplicated into branded CDs in all languages and distributed to guests at the event.

- **Animation**

The department facilitated the production of an animation in English towards the Voluntary Tax Compliance campaign in collaboration with Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA). These were broadcast on major television networks, websites and social media platforms of both organisations.

- **Jingles**

A jingle on tax compliance was also produced and disseminated or aired through major radio stations, information centers and horn-mounted vehicles across the country in collaboration with GRA. The English version was also translated into six (6) local languages to expand the reach of the campaign.

- **Short Film**

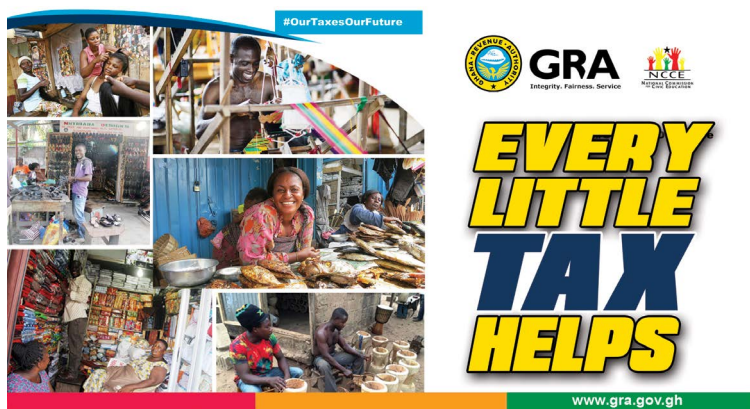
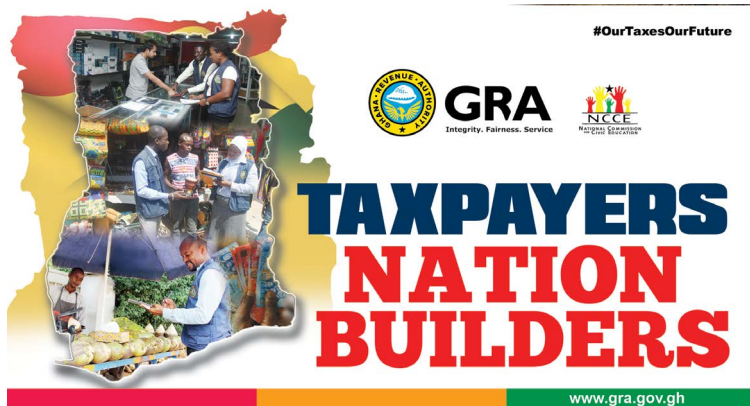
About four (4) short films were produced for dissemination on the tax compliance campaign on all media platforms.

- **Designing of Posters, “T” Shirts, Stickers, Wristbands, Pull-up banners, Backdrops**

For year 2017 Citizenship Week, a total of 10,000 posters, 1,000 Polo shirts, 2,000 books on the National Anthem and 28,368 pencil cases were designed and printed for the week. The department also saw to the development of other posters for major campaigns and activities of the Commission. These were: the tax compliance campaign; two hundred and twenty thousand six hundred (220,600) posters, the anti-mob action campaign, the stop galamsey campaign, the anti-corruption, rule of law and public accountability programme (ARAP), good citizenship and good values campaign, project citizen and University civic challenge. Samples of these are below.

Tax Compliance Campaign



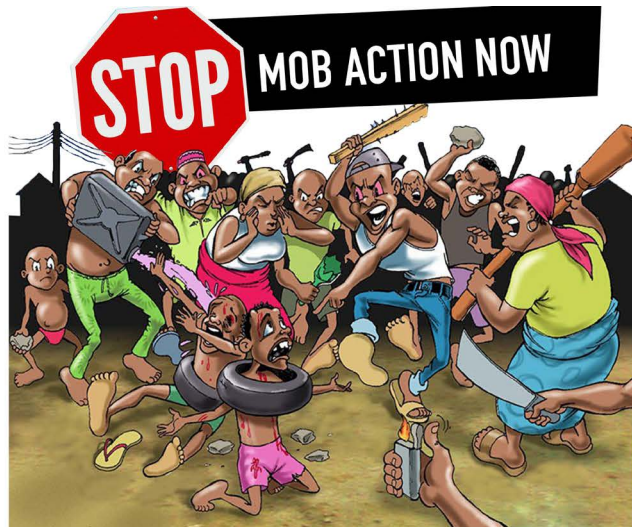


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The 1992 Constitution | Article 13 (1)

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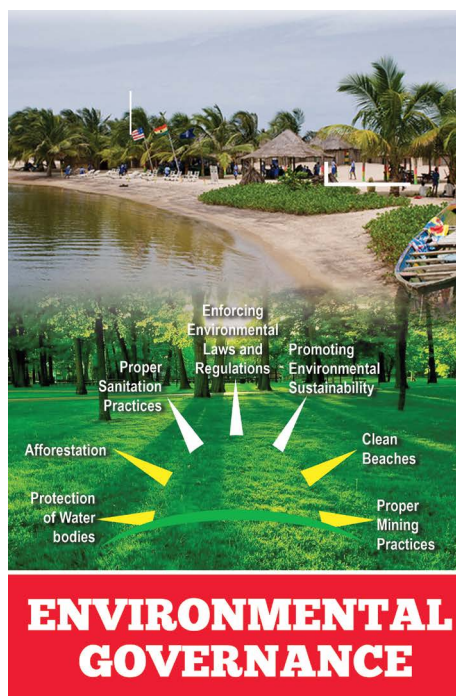


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ii) Website and Social Media

The Commission in year 2017 enhanced its social media engagements with the public. In order to reach out to a wider audience, the Commission revived its social media handles i.e. Facebook, Instagram, Whatsapp and Twitter. These accounts were also promoted or boosted to expand its organic reach. The Commission interacted, sensitised, educated and enlightened Ghanaians on civic and public education activities through its websites and social media handles with catchy and entertaining advertisements, posts, videos, pictures. An audience of one million, five hundred and forty-five thousand (1,545,000) were reached through organic and paid posts on all our campaigns on NCCE various social media platforms. Although most of these ads were designed in-house, others however, were adopted and promoted on the Commission's website and social media handles due to collaborations with the institutions involved. An example is the Anti- Galamsey campaign in collaboration with the Media Coalition against Illegal Mining. Social Media handles of the NCCE include: Facebook - NCCE Gh, Twitter - @nccegh, Instagram – nccegh1, YouTube - @nccegh and Website- www.nccegh.org

Anti-Galamsey Campaign





The poster features a red-tinted background image of people mining in a hilly, eroded landscape. The text is overlaid in white. At the top, 'Red Friday' is written in a large, stylized font. Below it, the date '30th June, 2017' is centered. A line of text reads '* Be a CITIZEN not a Spectator!'. Below that, 'Wear RED!' is written in a large, bold font. A hashtag '#StopGalamsey' is enclosed in a white rectangular box. At the bottom, there is a list of organizations and a line of support.

Red Friday

30th June, 2017

* Be a CITIZEN not a Spectator!

Wear RED!

#StopGalamsey

A message from
Media Coalition Against Illegal Mining
GIBA, New Times Corporation, GNA, PRINPAG, GBC, GJA, CRN, OccupyGhana, Graphic Communications Group Ltd
NCCE, IPR, CSIR & IAIA-Ghana
with support from Christian Churches and Muslim Community

iii. Media Engagements

The department in year 2017 organised media coverage for all national level activities of the Commission as well as television and radio discussions and interviews. Across the country, the department oversees to preparation and distribution of synopsis on major activities aside monitoring media engagements nationwide. The Commission adopts the use of local languages in most of its media engagements nationwide in order not to overlook any target audience. The use of sign language is also incorporated in most national level activities towards all-inclusiveness.

Through the support of Ghana Broadcasting Corporation (GBC), the Commission carries out educational programmes in English and local languages towards reaching Ghanaians through broadcast media. The adult education segment is mostly utilised during this period. The Commission is grateful to GBC, GTV Govern, Kantaka TV, Multimedia Group and EIB Network for carrying live some of its activities and rebroadcasting them occasionally. Also, the under-listed one hundred and twenty (120) radio stations supported the Commission's educational and sensitisation programmes nationwide with free airtime and coverage. This enabled the Commission to make great strides in its work.

Table 5.0 LIST OF RADIO STATIONS WHO SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE NCCE ON GRATIS

REGIONS	RADIO STATIONS
Greater Accra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ OBONU FM ❖ RADIO ADA ❖ RADIO EMASHIE ❖ SWEET MELODIES FM ❖ UNIIQ FM ❖ RADIO LATENU ❖ RADIO OMESE ❖ RIGHT FM ❖ VISION 1 FM ❖ RADIO UNIVERSE

<p>Eastern</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ RITE FM ❖ OFIE FM ❖ SUNRISE FM ❖ GOODLIFE FM ❖ POLY FM ❖ LIFE FM ❖ AGOO FM ❖ OBUOBA FM ❖ RADIO NKUNIM ❖ Fawe FM ❖ BRIDGE FM ❖ RAP FM
<p>Ashanti</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ CRUZ FM ❖ GARDEN CITY FM ❖ SOLID FM ❖ VIRGIN FM ❖ KINGS FM ❖ KAPITAL RADIO ❖ MIGHTY FM ❖ TIME FM ❖ SHAFT FM ❖ ULTIMATE FM ❖ LUV FM ❖ ZURIA FM

Brong-Ahafo

- ❖ RADIO B.A.R
- ❖ DORMAA FM
- ❖ AHENFO FM
- ❖ SHALOM FM
- ❖ CHRIS FM
- ❖ AGORO FM
- ❖ ASTA FM
- ❖ ADEPA FM
- ❖ CLASSIC FM
- ❖ WINNERS FM
- ❖ AGYENKWA FM
- ❖ KISS FM
- ❖ OMEGA FM
- ❖ ANIDASO) FM
- ❖ STORM FM
- ❖ AKYEAA FM
- ❖ DUAPA FM
- ❖ ADARS FM
- ❖ STAR FM

<p>Central</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ OBREMPONG FM ❖ GOLDEN STAR FM ❖ OBREMPONG FM ❖ ENUANOM FM ❖ KANTIKA FM ❖ BREEZY FM ❖ HOPE FM ❖ NKWA FM ❖ COMMUNITIES INFORMATION OF CENTRES ❖ PINK FM ❖ ENYIDADO FM ❖ ATL FM ❖ LIVE FM ❖ YES FM ❖ WINDY BAY FM ❖ RADIO PEACE ❖ OSAGYEFO FM ❖ ASAFO FM ❖ OBRUMANKUMA FM ❖ OSAGYEFO FM ❖ ARISE FM ❖ SPARK FM
<p>Western</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ UNIQUE FM ❖ PURE FM ❖ BEST FM ❖ TRINITY FM ❖ THE BEAT FM ❖ GOLDEN POD FM ❖ WEST-END FM ❖ AS RADIO ❖ BEACH FM ❖ RADIO SILVER

Northern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ RADIO SAVANNA ❖ BISHARA RADIO ❖ ZAA RADIO ❖ JUSTICE FM ❖ GAAKI FM ❖ MANTAMBO FM ❖ KANYATI FM
Volta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ SHINE FM ❖ VOLT PREMIER FM ❖ DELA FM ❖ RADIO KPANDO ❖ SEKPELE FM ❖ JUBILEE FM ❖ FAFA RADIO ❖ LIGHT FM ❖ RADIO TONGU ❖ KAKYEE FM ❖ LORLORNYO FM ❖ BEYOND FM ❖ KALEWO FM
Upper East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ WORD FM ❖ SOURCE FM ❖ A1 RADIO ❖ NABINA RADIO ❖ DASTECH FM ❖ QUALITY FM ❖ TANGA RADIO ❖ GURUNE RADIO ❖ RADIO BUILSA
Upper West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ RADIO PROGRESS ❖ RADIO UPPER WEST ❖ RADFORD RADIO ❖ RADIO FREED ❖ WFM – WA

Below is a table with the number of media engagements recorded across the country at national and regional levels.

Table 6.0 NUMBER OF MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS

REGIONS	NUMBER CARRIED OUT
HEAD OFFICE	334
CENTRAL	296
WESTERN	253
EASTERN	296
BRONG AHAFO	2687
VOLTA	591
NORTHERN	476
GREATER ACCRA	93
ASHANTI	591
UPPER WEST	129
UPPER EAST	88
TOTAL	5,834

MEDIA ENGAGEMENTS IN PICTURES



NCCE Staff on various platforms discussing civic duties



NCCE Staff in radio discussions



Use of Sign language interpreter, Mr. Frimpong Manso during an activity with Ms. Kathleen Addy, NCCE deputy Chairman F&A



NCCE Chairman with Mr. Kafui Dey on the Hard talk morning show discussing Mob Action



Radio discussion
on civic duties



Staff educating citizens at Information Centers on tax compliance

iv. Other Activities and Engagements

The Department monitored and collated news and reports of the Commission's activities undertaken across the country and produced electronic monthly newsletters from January to December 2017. This was aimed at promoting and sharing news on activities organised at regional and district levels as well as enhancing awareness of the Commission's activities and programmes.

- **Appointments**

His Excellency, President Nana Akufo-Addo appointed and swore into office two (2) Commission Members. These were: Ms. Kathleen Addy, Deputy Chairman, Finance and Administration and Mrs. Sylvia Annor, a Commission Member. He urged the Commission to double its efforts in order to increase awareness on civic rights and responsibilities among the citizenry.

PHOTO GALLERY OF SWEARING IN CEREMONY



Ms. Kathleen Addy signing the acceptance book



Mrs. Sylvia Annor signing the acceptance book



Ms. Kathleen Addy and Mrs. Sylvia Annor taking the Oath of Allegiance



In a group photograph, NCCE Chairman, the President of Ghana, the Appointees, NCCE Deputy Chairman, Operations and Some dignitaries

Courtesy Calls

a) Courtesy Call on H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo

In July, Management of the NCCE paid a courtesy call on the President, H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo. The visit was to congratulate him on winning the 2016 election and a successful swearing-in to office. The Chairman of the NCCE, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah expressed delight in the President's inaugural message, where he called on all Ghanaians to be citizens and not spectators by participating in governance as well as other major decisions he had taken since coming into office. These included: his governments fight against Galamsey, the interest in passing the Independent Prosecutor bill and the Right to Information bill, which he, had forwarded to Parliament.

A presentation was delivered by Ms. Nkrumah on three main themes:

- i. Overview of the NCCE and its work,
- ii. Challenges facing the NCCE and
- iii. Appeal to the President for Assistance on inadequate office accommodation, poor vehicular fleet, dwindling staff number and the demand in the creation of new district offices.

The Chairman also used the opportunity to solicit the assistance of the Presidency to reach the top echelon of the Executive arm of government participate in the European Union / NCCE Anti-corruption, Rule of law and Accountability Programme (ARAP) as well as push for the introduction of Civics into Ghana's education curriculum to build a democratically aware youth.

The President said the NCCE was an important organisation that could make a significant difference towards advancing Ghana's democracy. He spoke extensively about how corruption had permeated our national life and therefore supported the Commission's Anti-corruption, Rule of law and Accountability Programme (ARAP) as well as other critical issues such as abuse of office, mismanagement leading to financial loss in the public sector and the role of civic education played in tackling these cankers. He assured the NCCE Chairman that the problem of logistics facing the NCCE would be taken up by the government and promised to discuss with the Minister of Finance, Ken Ofori-Atta to address NCCE's logistical challenges. The President also encouraged the NCCE to play a major role in the fight against Galamsey, preserving our national heritage and the environment and promised to equip the NCCE to fulfill its mandate.

b) Courtesy Call on H.E. Dr. Mahamadu Bawumia

Management of the NCCE also paid a courtesy call on the Vice President of Ghana, H.E. Alhaji Mahamudu Bawumia. The visit was to thank the Vice President for honouring the Commission's invitation as the Guest of Honour at its annual National Dialogue held at the National Theatre June 14, 2017. Management of the Commission also used the opportunity to highlight critical issues affecting its work delivery such as inadequate office accommodation, logistics and budgetary concerns. The Vice President said he sympathised with the NCCE concerning its

accommodation, logistics and financial challenges and promised to pay an unannounced visit to the NCCE's Head Office to see at first-hand the dimension of the Commission's problems and draw attention for resolutions. The Vice President also promised to hold a discussion with the Minister of Works and Housing concerning the Commission's land at Okponglo and provide funds to build a wall around the plot to secure it. H.E. Alhaji Bawumia reiterated that he fully supported the introduction of civics into the Ghana's educational system and was holding discussions on how to actualise this. He said this in response to a suggestion made by the Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman on the re-introduction of civics into Ghana's educational curriculum.

c) Courtesy Call on the Chief Justice

Management of the Commission in the month of July paid a courtesy call on the Chief Justice, Her Ladyship, Ms. Sophia Akuffo to discuss collaborations between the two institutions. Aside calling on the Chief Justice to congratulate her on her appointment as the second female Chief Justice in Ghana, the NCCE also sought to deepen working relations and collaboration, especially in three main areas: i. Para-Legal Training for NCCE Staff; ii. Collaboration with Judiciary in the implementation of National Anti-Corruption Action Plan (NACAP); iii. Support from the Judiciary in the implementation of Anti-Corruption, Rule of Law and Accountability Programme (ARAP).

The Chairman of the NCCE, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah stated that the Judiciary formerly provided Para-Legal training for staff of the NCCE. The training equipped staff with knowledge on the workings of the Judiciary, the Laws of Ghana and issues that had legal bearings on civic and public education, especially those that elucidated on provisions in the 1992 Constitution. Ms. Nkrumah asked for the support of the Judiciary in furtherance of the activities under NACAP for year 2017, specifically Judges and Officers of the Courts towards spreading the message on anti-corruption nationwide. She expressed the desire of the Commission to work in synergy with the Judiciary in order to harness resources and complement the respective roles of the two institutions.

The Chief Justice was optimistic that the para-legal training for NCCE Staff will help curb the dearth of knowledge on the workings of the judiciary among the citizenry. She therefore directed Justice Dennis Adjei, the Director of the Judicial Training Institute, to explore the best training programme for the NCCE. Further deliberations were made on how to advance the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Programme. Her Ladyship, Sophia Akuffo praised the NCCE and the Catholic Church for having developed a system akin to that of ADR and resolving many disputes in communities. Citing the example of Damongo community where this is practised, she stated that the system had largely resulted in a low number of cases adjudicated in the court.

PICTURES OF COURTESY CALL



NCCE Commission Members and the Chief Justice in a group photograph



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman and Mrs. Sophia Akuffo, Chief Justice

Speaking Engagements

The Chairman of the NCCE, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah in year 2017 participated as a speaker in major activities across the nation. Key among them was the Ghana Diaspora Homecoming Summit. Ms. Nkrumah called on Diasporas to be patriotic and help build Ghana by championing the values that define us as Ghanaians.

PHOTO GALLERY OF GHANA DIASPORA HOMECOMING SUMMIT - 2017



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman delivering her remarks

PART VI PROGRAMMES

The Programmes department of the NCCE has oversight responsibility of all education and sensitisation done at grass root level in all communities, districts, municipalities and metropolises nationwide. Through durbars, focus group discussions, workshops, meetings with identifiable groups, dawn and dusk broadcasts, visits to markets, shops and offices, one-on-one meetings, use of media, horn-mounted vehicles, megaphones and information centres, a total of fifty-three thousand, two hundred and thirty (53,230) activities were carried out across the length and breadth of Ghana. The Commission's objectives for reaching citizens through these activities were to; strengthen citizens' understanding of local government structures, promote peaceful and credible elections, promote patriotism, tolerance and issues-based campaign, create awareness on civic rights and responsibilities as well as protecting Ghana's democracy.

Major issues or areas included: Child, Early And Forced Marriages (CEFM), National Malaria Control Programme (NMCP), Tax Compliance (17,174), post-election education, Anti-Corruption, Rule Of Law and Public Accountability (ARAP – 2,645), Anti-galamsey campaign, anti-mob action campaign, among other collaborations and pertinent national issues (3,074).

a) Community Sensitisation Programmes

A total of thirty thousand, three hundred and thirty-seven (30,337) community sensitisations, workshops and public engagements were held with Ghanaians throughout the year and across the nation. The workshops, engagements and meetings were to empower citizens towards strengthening and advancing Ghana's democracy. The Commission endeavours to travel the length and breadth of Ghana irrespective of challenges encountered to deliver effective civic education. By using canoes, motorbikes, walking, crossing rivers and lakes, vehicles, etc., messages on civic and public rights and responsibilities are brought to Ghanaians at their doorstep through our regional and district offices across the country.

With support from UNICEF, the Commission organised and monitored activities that sought to track progress of education on child, early and forced marriages in Ghana as well as ways to reduce the menace. Other community engagements and education were on the underlisted topics:

- The role of the District Assemblies, Judiciary, Executive and legislature towards promoting Constitutional democracy
- Post 2016 Elections: the need for National Integration and Peaceful Coexistence
- Rights of the Ghanaian child, the Children ACT 560 and Child labour
- Education on the Whistle Blowers Act 2006 (Act 720)
- Education on Bush fires and environmental degradation
- Domestic violence, teenage pregnancy and homosexuality in Ghana
- Discrimination against persons with disability (PWDs)
- Creation of new regions across the country
- Protecting of State property and respect for National Symbols
- Menace of Political vigilantism
- Empowering Citizens to Demand Accountability from Duty Bearers
- Anti-Mob action campaign
- Drug and substance abuse

- Supremacy, enforcement and defence of the Constitution
- Political and religious tolerance
- Human rights
- Chieftaincy related issues
- Gender equality
- Road accidents and precaution
- Social auditing on pertinent national issues

PHOTO GALLERY OF COMMUNITY SENSITISATIONS

Education in Buses



Market Engagements

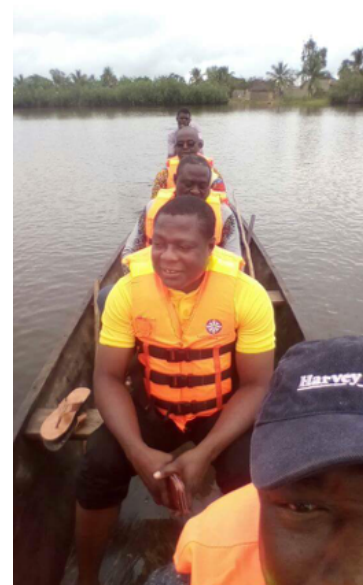




Reaching Communities with motorbikes



Reaching Communities with boats and canoes



Engagements with Artisans



Dressmakers



Hairdressers



Wood Workers



Seamstresses

Engagements with Faith Based Organisations (FBOs)



Engagement in Communities



Using Vehicles with Mounted Public Address System



The table below indicates number of community engagements on regional basis nationwide.

Table 7.0 Democracy / Public Education

REGIONS	NUMBER CARRIED OUT	PARTICIPANTS
CENTRAL	2054	61620
WESTERN	1551	49530
EASTERN	1366	27320
BRONG AHAFO	4372	47873
VOLTA	3461	488106
NORTHERN	4448	192895
GREATER ACCRA	3892	88400
ASHANTI	5357	80355
UPPER WEST	1,598	200,124
UPPER EAST	2238	288,878
TOTAL	30,337	1,525,101

b) NCCE/EU Anti-corruption, Rule of Law, And Accountability Programme (ARAP)

Under a grant agreement with the European Union, the NCCE carried out public education on Anti-Corruption, Rule Of Law And Public Accountability (ARAP). This sought to reduce corruption, uphold the rule of law and increase the demand for accountability from public office holders. The issue of environmental governance forms an integral part of this programme due to severe effects of sanitation and environmental issues in Ghana. So far, the Commission has implemented some of the activities under ARAP. Summary of the reports are presented below:

- **Launch / Dialogue on NCCE Anti-corruption Research Report**

A study on “Public Perception of the State of Corruption, Public Accountability and Environmental Governance in Ghana” was conducted by Research Department of the Commission to provide a baseline data for public education engagements.

- **Staff durbars**

In order for staff of the Commission to understand the NACAP programme, ARAP concept and activities under it, NCCE Management scheduled staff durbars in all ten regions of the country and its Head Office with support from the European Union. All these durbars were funded by the European Union. In year 2017, four of such durbars were held in Greater Accra, Eastern, Western and Central regions from December 6-13, 2017. The durbars gave Management the opportunity to meet and interact with field staff across the country particularly on ARAP issues and matters affecting work and Staff welfare.

Table 8.0 ACTIVITIES ON ARAP

REGIONS	NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT	PARTICIPANTS
CENTRAL	85	1700
WESTERN	0	0
EASTERN	0	0
BRONG AHAFO	112	2240
VOLTA	981	19620
NORTHERN	782	15640
GREATER ACCRA	67	1340
ASHANTI	83	1660
UPPER WEST	47	5,081
UPPER EAST	488	9760
TOTAL	2,645	57,041

c) Collaborations

i. Nationwide Campaign on Tax Compliance

The NCCE in collaboration with the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) implemented a nationwide campaign on Tax Compliance dubbed: “Our Taxes- Our Future” in all 216 Districts of the country throughout the months of November and December, 2017. The campaign strategies included engagements with identifiable groups such as churches, mosques, transport operators’ associations, market women, artisans as well as community durbars and stakeholder meetings with traditional authorities, religious leaders, and executives of professional groups including; Beauticians, Dressmakers and Wood workers Associations. The goals were to educate the citizenry on the need to honour tax obligations, and to reinforce the idea that paying tax is a civic duty and a constitutional obligation. The education was targeted mainly at the informal sector where compliance with tax obligation is very low.

Table 9.0 Activities on Tax Compliance Campaign

REGIONS	NUMBER CARRIED OUT
CENTRAL	2408
WESTERN	850
EASTERN	1873
BRONG AHAFO	1242
VOLTA	751
NORTHERN	3462
GREATER ACCRA	2274
ASHANTI	1576
UPPER WEST	775
UPPER EAST	1963
TOTAL	17,174

ii. NCCE / National Malaria Control Programme (NMCP)

The Department implemented a collaborative project with the National Malaria Control Programme (NMCP) to create behavioural change among communities by enhancing good environmental management practices, testing for malaria sickness before treatment with drugs and sleeping under insecticide treated mosquito nets as preferred measures to reduce the incidence of malaria among the citizenry. The project which was implemented through community cinema shows and dawn and dusk broadcasts was undertaken in one hundred and seventy-two (172) remote communities, ninety (90) Junior and Senior High Schools from forty-three (43) districts selected from all the ten (10) regions of the country. The sensitization

programme reached an estimated number of sixty thousand, two hundred (60,200) audience. Staff of the NCCE also used the malaria project platforms to educate citizens on their rights and responsibilities as citizens.

iii. Illegal Mining ‘Galamsey’ Town Hall Meetings

In collaboration with the Media Coalition Against Illegal Mining (Galamsey), the NCCE organised Town hall meetings in Six (6) selected districts where galamsey activities are endemic. The town hall meetings were aimed at creating awareness through public education campaigns about the destruction of farmlands and water bodies by galamsey activities. Additionally, it sought to solicit views, make input and consider the way forward in ensuring proper ways of exploiting our mineral resources and furthermore save our environment for posterity.

The meetings brought together Members of Parliament of the Constituencies involved, Municipal and District Chief Executives, Presiding Members, Chairman and Deputies of NCCE, Convener of Media Coalition Against Galamsey, Mr. Kenneth Ashigbey, Traditional Authorities, Assembly Members, representatives from EPA, GRIDCO, GES, Security Agencies, Small Scale Miners Association, Departments and Agencies, Youth Groups, PWDs, Civil Society Organisations, Local Council Of Churches, Political Parties, Women Groups among others. The main topics for deliberation included: effects of Galamsey on the environment, effects of Galamsey on human and alternative livelihoods to Galamsey. Speakers at the fora included: Dr. Anthony A. Duah, Hydrogeologist of CSIR, Dr. Isaac Karikari of Multilateral Mining Integrated Project (MMIP) and Mr. Yaw Ameyaw Osei, IAIA representative. Also, a signature campaign against illegal mining was undertaken by the Commission on behalf of the Media Coalition against Illegal Mining. Over one million signatures were obtained across the country to draw attention to the fight against galamsey.

In year 2017, representatives of the NCCE and Members of the Media Coalition against Illegal Mining paid a courtesy call on H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, the President of Ghana and the Minister of Environment, Science, Technology & Innovation, Professor Kwabena Frimpong Boateng to discuss issues pertaining to the fight against illegal mining and how to restore Ghana’s ecosystem.

PHOTO GALLERY OF GALAMSEY ACTIVITIES



Staff wear Red on “Red Friday”



Participants at a Town Hall meeting



Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman in a discussion with Mr. Ken Ashigbey, Former MD of Daily Graphic



Mr. Samuel Akuamoah, NCCE Deputy Chairman Operations in a discussion with participants



H.E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo-Addo, Deputy Ministers of Information, Management of the NCCE and Members of the Media Coalition against Illegal Mining



Seated from the right: Mr. Kenneth Ashigbey, former MD of Daily Graphic, Prof Frimpong Boateng, Minister of Environment, Hon. Mustapha Abdul Hamid, Minister of Information, Ms. Josephine Nkrumah, NCCE Chairman, NCCE Director and Deputy Director on Communication and Corporate Affairs

Effects of Galamsey at Bosome Freho district – Inset: NCCE Staff



iv. Other Collaborative Activities

In the year 2017, the Commission carried out three thousand and seventy-four (3,074) collaborative activities throughout the country on critical national issues with local and international partners such as: CHRAJ, Ghana Health Service, Department of Social Welfare, Ghana National Commission on Small Arms and Light Weapons, World Vision, Ghana Police Service, MMDAs and Ghana Integrity Initiative (GII), among others.

Table 10.0 COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES

REGIONS	NUMBER CARRIED OUT	PARTICIPANTS
CENTRAL	18	360
WESTERN	141	2820
EASTERN	67	1340
BRONG AHAFO	2154	43080
VOLTA	42	840
NORTHERN	84	1680
GREATER ACCRA	53	1060
ASHANTI	80	1600
UPPER WEST	234	4,680
UPPER EAST	201	4020
TOTAL	3,074	61,480

PART VII RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

The Research, Gender and Equality Department of the NCCE has the primary responsibility of generating evidence (through research) to inform and guide the Commission's public and civic education engagement activities. One of the functions of the NCCE is to assess for the information of Government, the limitations to the achievement of true democracy arising from the existing inequalities between different strata of the population and make recommendations for re-dressing these inequalities. Thus the Commission undertakes researches on regular basis to help identify existing inequalities in society to inform and shape its programmes delivery as well as assess public opinion on pertinent national issues towards advancing Ghana's democracy.

i) Training of Research Assistants to undertake the fieldwork on Public Perception of the State of Corruption, Public Accountability and Environmental Governance in Ghana

With support from EU and FIIAPP, a training workshop was organised for two hundred and twenty-six (226) Research Assistants from all the 10 regions and 216 district offices of the Commission. The Research Assistants were made up of staff from the various districts offices nationwide. Training took place from August 17- 26, 2017 at the True Vine Hotel, Kumasi-Ashanti Region.

Staff of the Research department trained 226 Research Assistants on the methodology adopted for the study on "Public Perception of the State of Corruption, Public Accountability and Environmental Governance in Ghana." The training was done on the content of the questionnaire developed for the study, appropriate translation of questions into local languages, use of Personal Digital Assistant (PDA) in conducting interviews and note taking.

ii) Research Report

A research was conducted on "Public Perception of the State of Corruption, Public Accountability and Environmental Governance in Ghana." The primary objective of the study was to assess citizens' knowledge and perspectives on these pertinent issues. The findings of this study were also intended to inform and shape NCCE's nation-wide education on anti-corruption and improved accountability within public institutions and best environmental governance practices. The study also provided baseline data for assessing progress of the ARAP by both coordinating and implementing agencies.

• Research Methodology

Using a quantitative methodology, the research adopted the systematic and Simple Random sampling technique to obtain data from eight thousand, seven hundred and six (8706) respondents from all two hundred and sixteen (216) districts in the ten (10) administrative regions of Ghana. The sampling frame comprised of Ghanaians aged from fifteen (15) years and above. The results of the research were presented in tables, charts and graphs with some descriptive information to enhance easy and better comprehension of the report by readers.

- **Public Perception on Corruption**

On the whole, 91.4% ranked the level of corruption in Ghana as high. They attributed this to the fact that, bribery mostly goes before service delivery in State institutions. The research sought to find out respondents awareness of what constitutes corruption. The results show that there is considerable awareness of what constitutes corruption among Ghanaians. Many however, associated corruption with embezzlement, fraud, nepotism and bribery.

Figure 1.0 Level of Corruption in Ghana

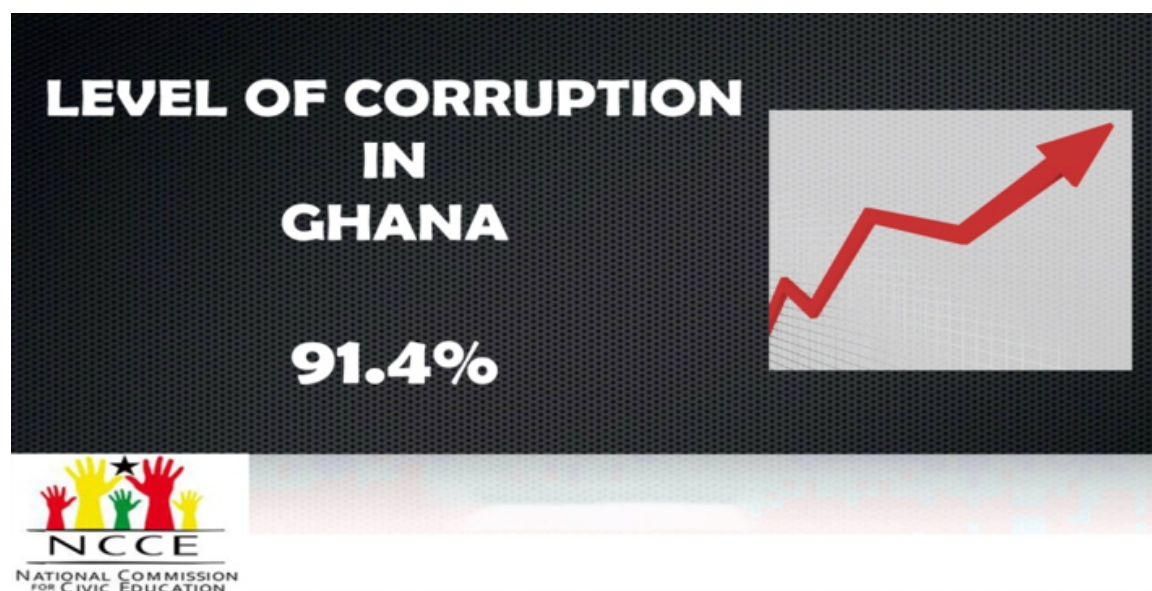


Figure 2.0 Ranking of Level of Corruption in Ghana

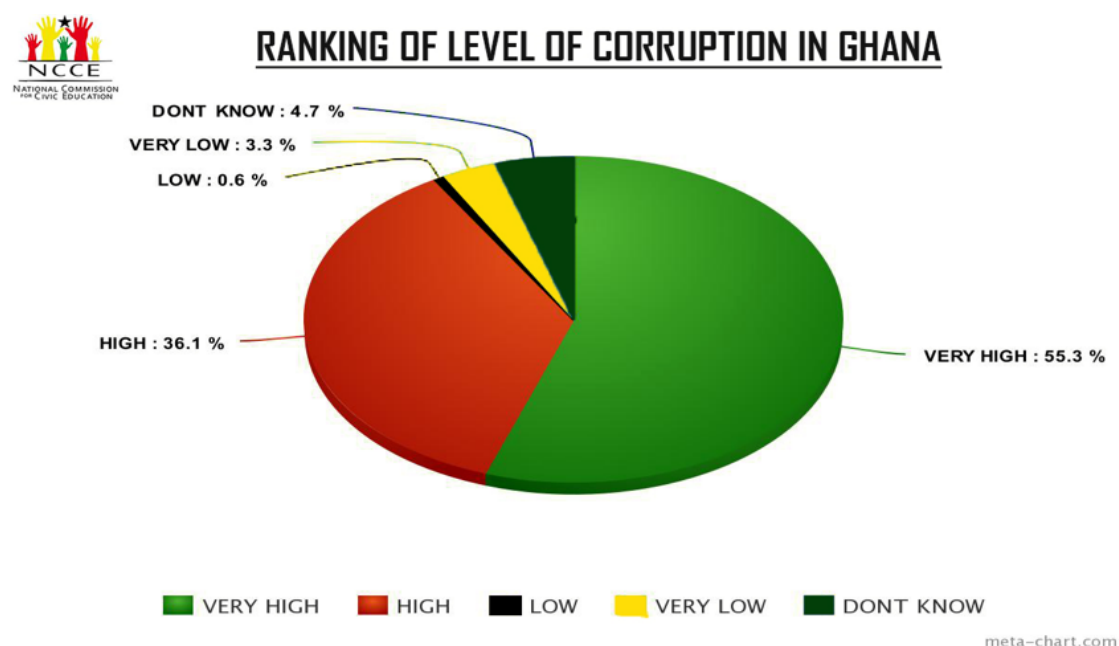
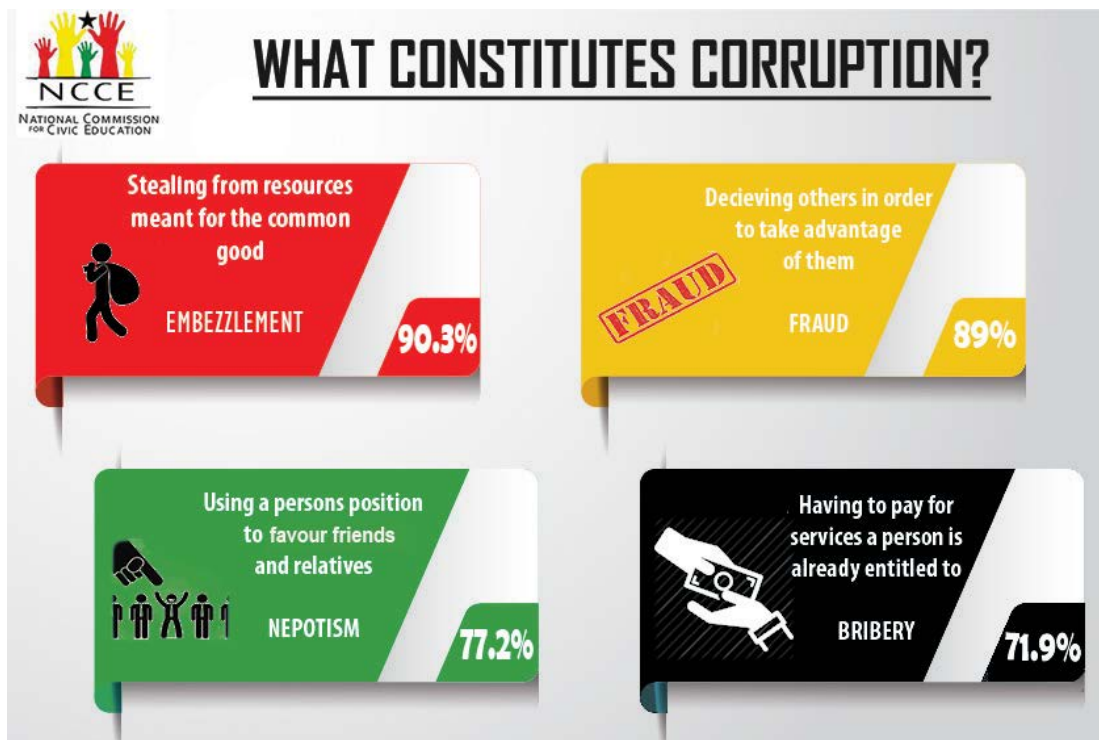


Figure 3.0 What is Corruption?



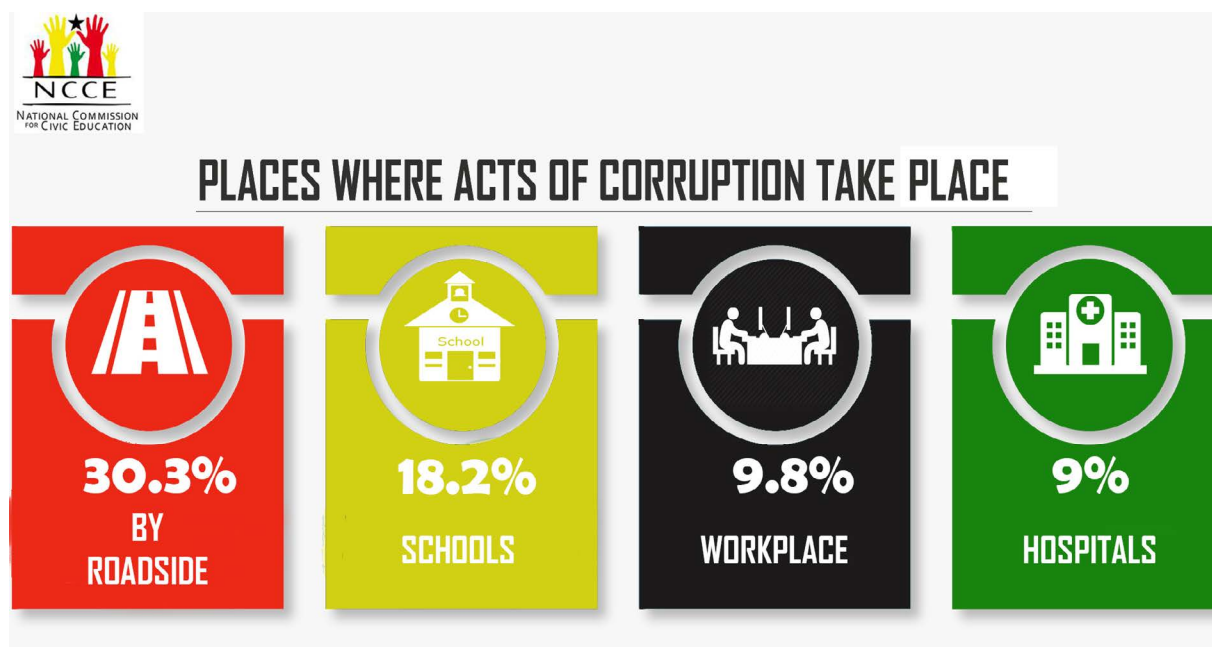
The study also assessed respondent's personal experiences with corruption. The research indicated that more than half, 58.4% of respondents had witnessed one act of corruption in Ghana.

Figure 4.0 Experiences with Corruption

RESPONDENTS EXPERIENCE WITH CORRUPTION



Figure 5.0 Respondents were asked where acts of corruption take place.

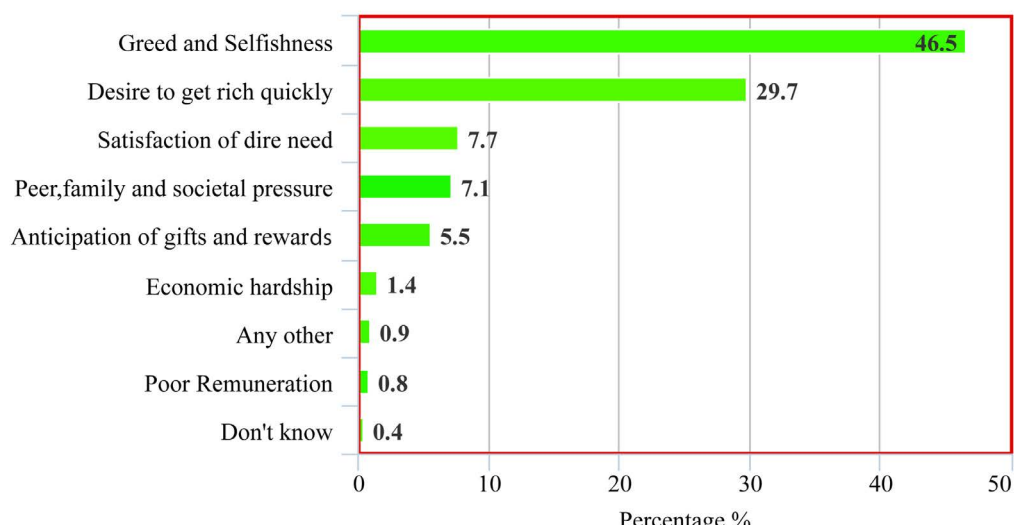


The survey also probed further to find out why respondents think people engage in acts of corruption. A large percentage (46.5%) of the respondents attributed this behaviour to greed and selfishness. Other reasons given included: people's desire to get rich quickly; satisfying a dire need; peer, family and societal pressures among others. The illustration below explains these details.

Figure 6.0 Why do People Engage in Corruption?

WHY DO PEOPLE ENGAGE IN ACTS OF CORRUPTION?

Why People Engage in Acts of Corruption



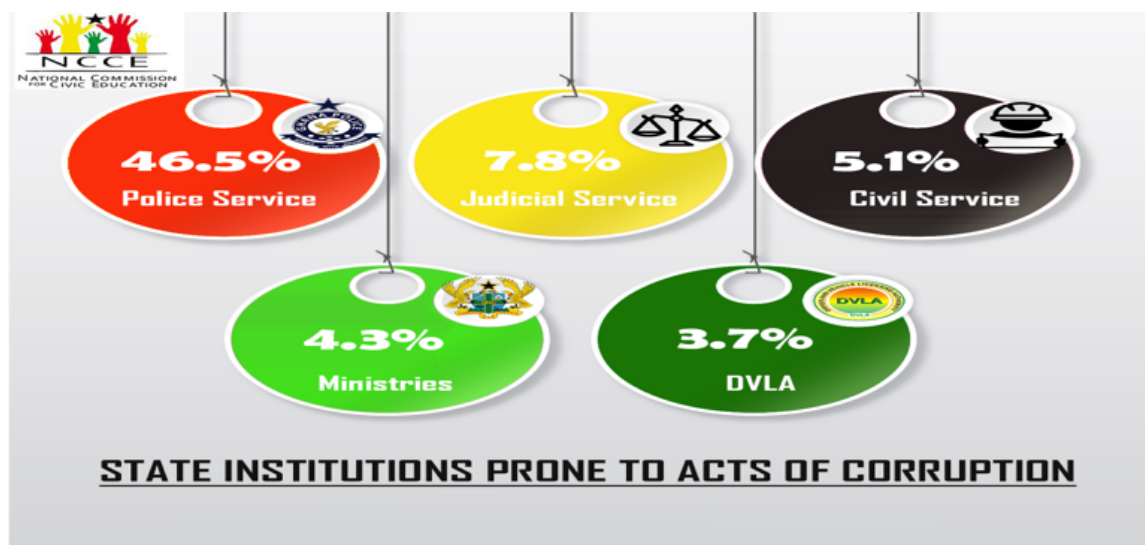
A percentage of respondents believed that the institution where a person works can influence or increase the likelihood to indulge in acts of corruption.

Figure 7.0 Place of Work and Influence on Corruption



The research also sought to find out from respondents, which state institutions were prone to corrupt acts.

Figure 8.0 List of State Institutions Prone to Corruption



Furthermore, respondents were asked why these State institutions engage in corruption. Details are illustrated below.

Figure 9.0 Why Some State Institutions Engage in Acts of Corruption?

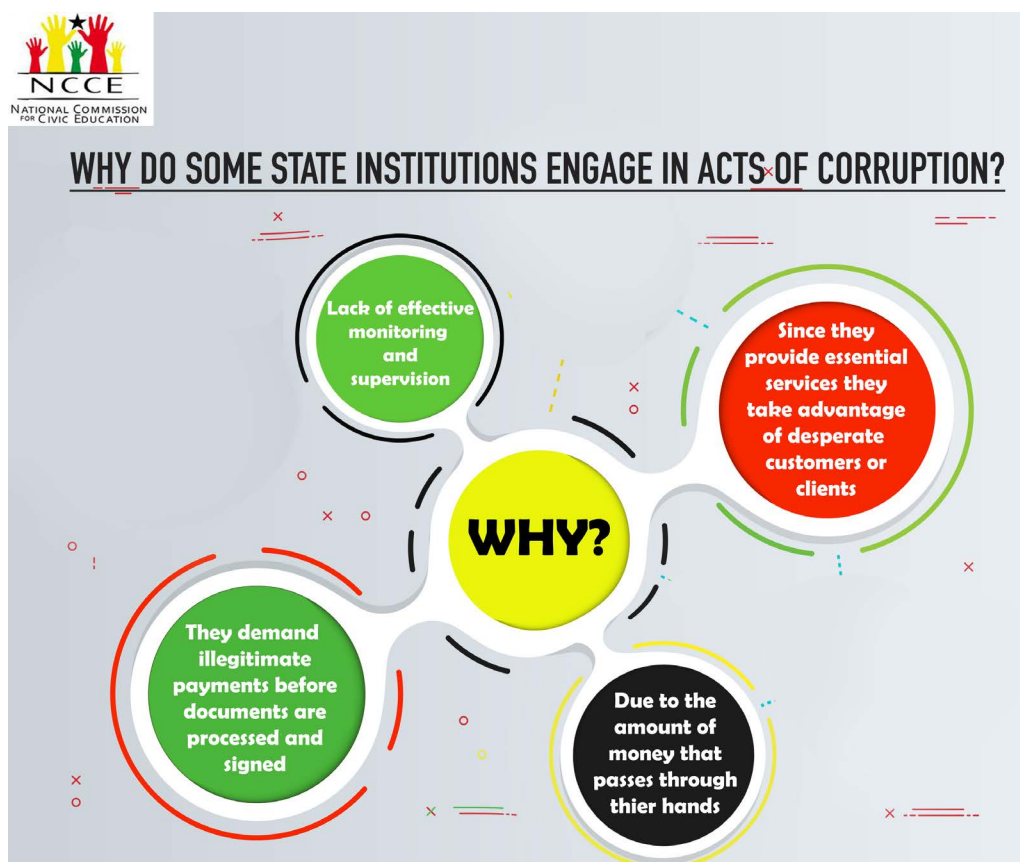


Figure 10.0 Where will you Report Acts of Corruption?

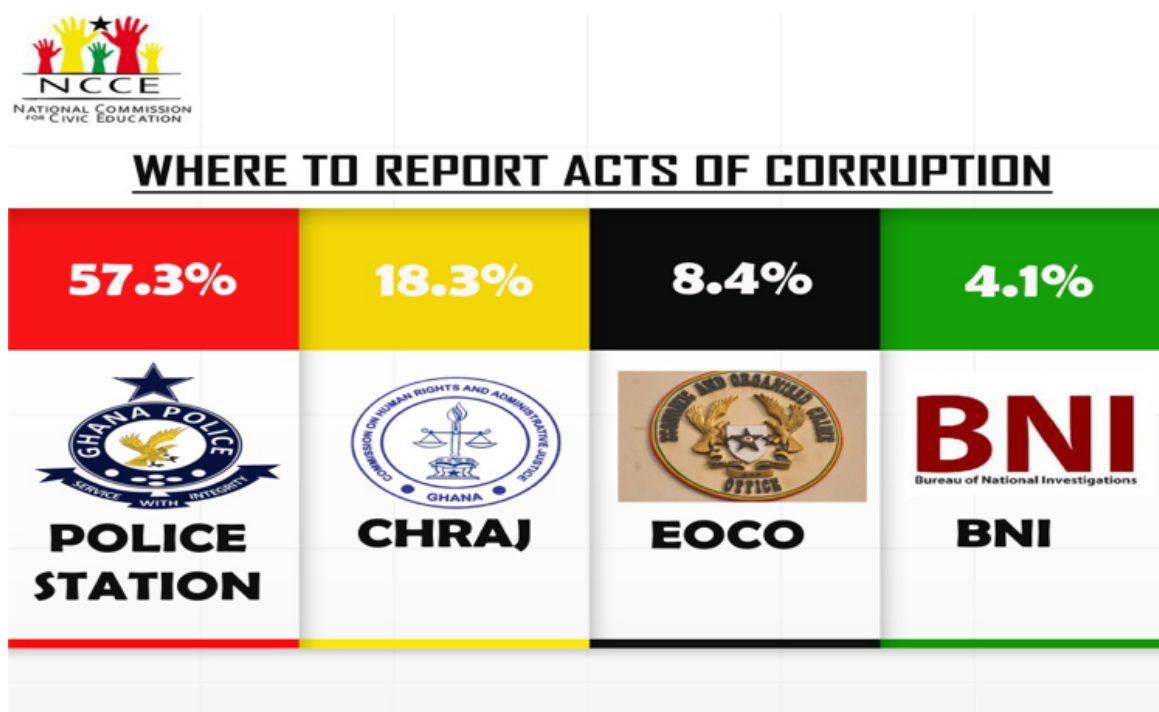
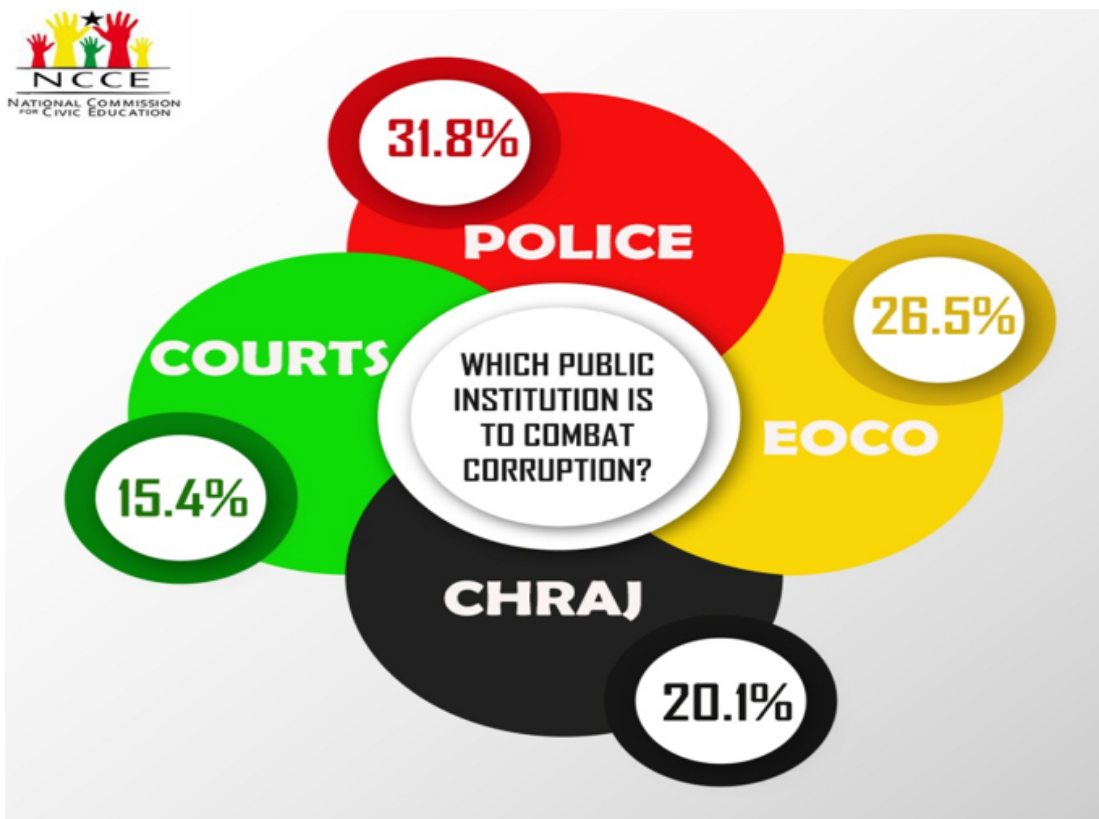


Figure 11.0 Which State Institution is to combat Corruption?



Respondents were assessed on the effects or impact of corruption on national development.

Figure 12.0 What are the Effects of Corruption?

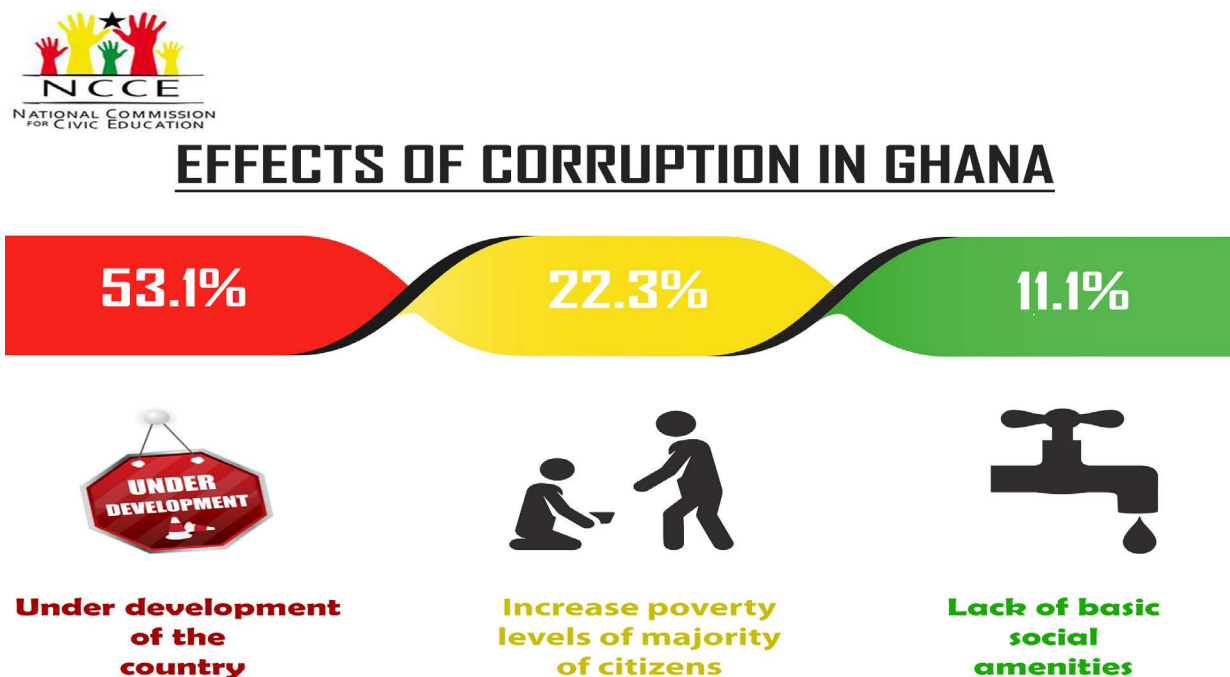
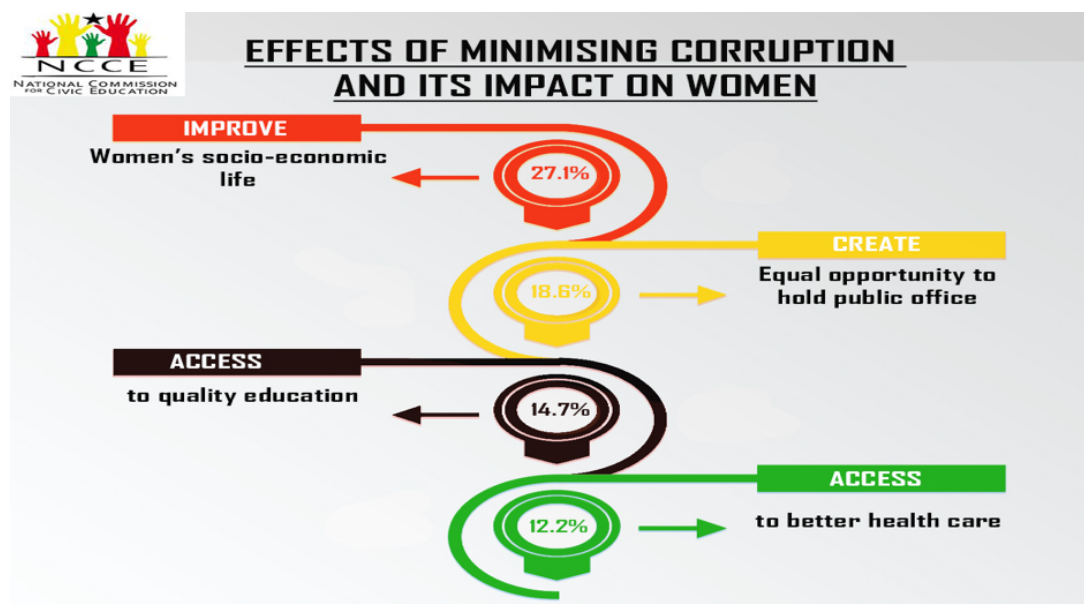


Figure 13.0 Impact of Minimising Corruption on Women?



- **Citizen's Perspectives on Public Accountability**

Respondents were assessed on their perception of public accountability. Using correct and incorrect scenarios, the research asked respondents to explain their understanding of public accountability based on six scenarios presented.

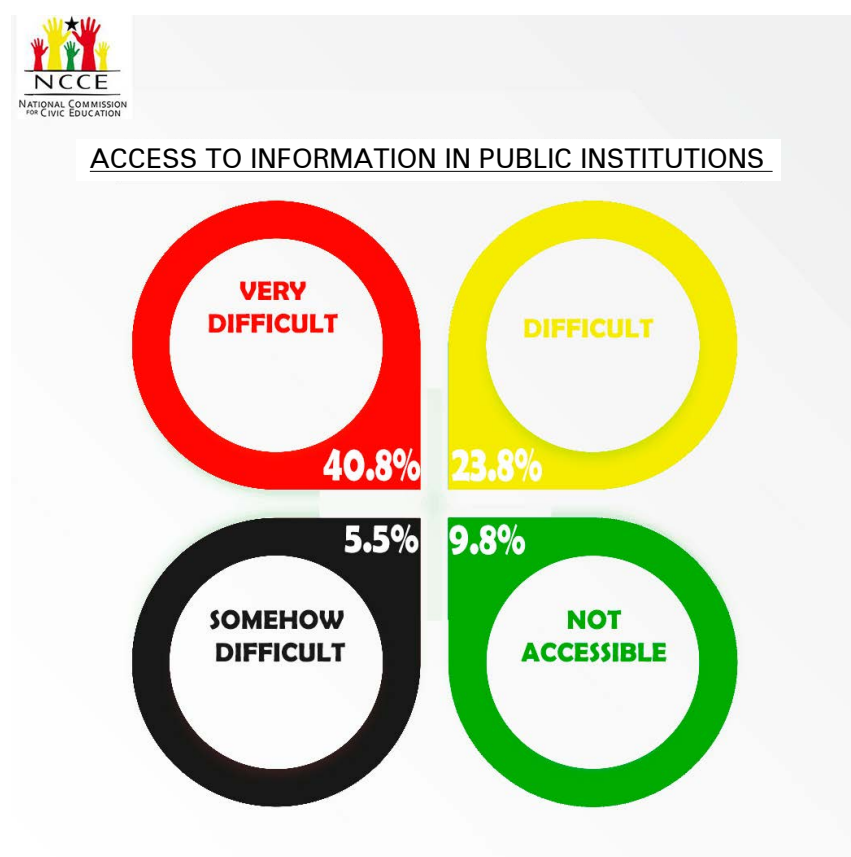
Figure 1.0 Perception of What Constitutes Public Accountability?



Results of the study showed that knowledge of the existing public accountability structures at the local and national levels was low. Less than half of the respondents (43.4%) responded in the affirmative when asked whether they know of the public accounts committee of Parliament. About 68.8% of respondents were not aware of the legal provision of the Local Government Act 2016; Act 936 which mandates District Assemblies to publish their expenditure accounts annually to their constituents.

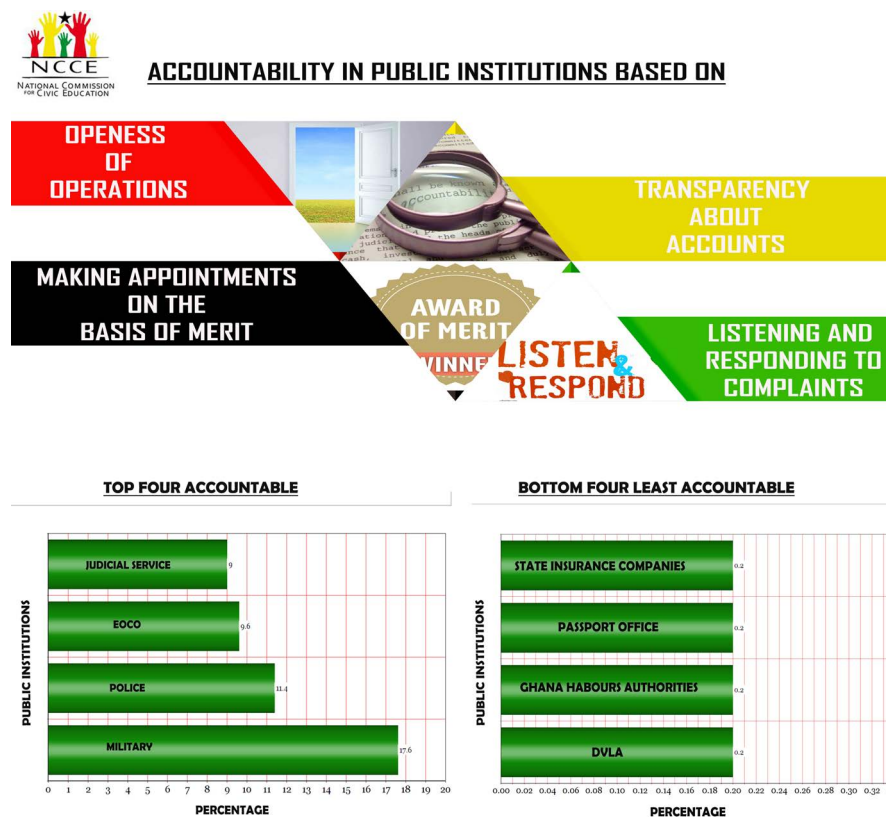
Respondents were asked how they found the process of obtaining information from State / Public Institutions.

Figure 2.0 Access to Information



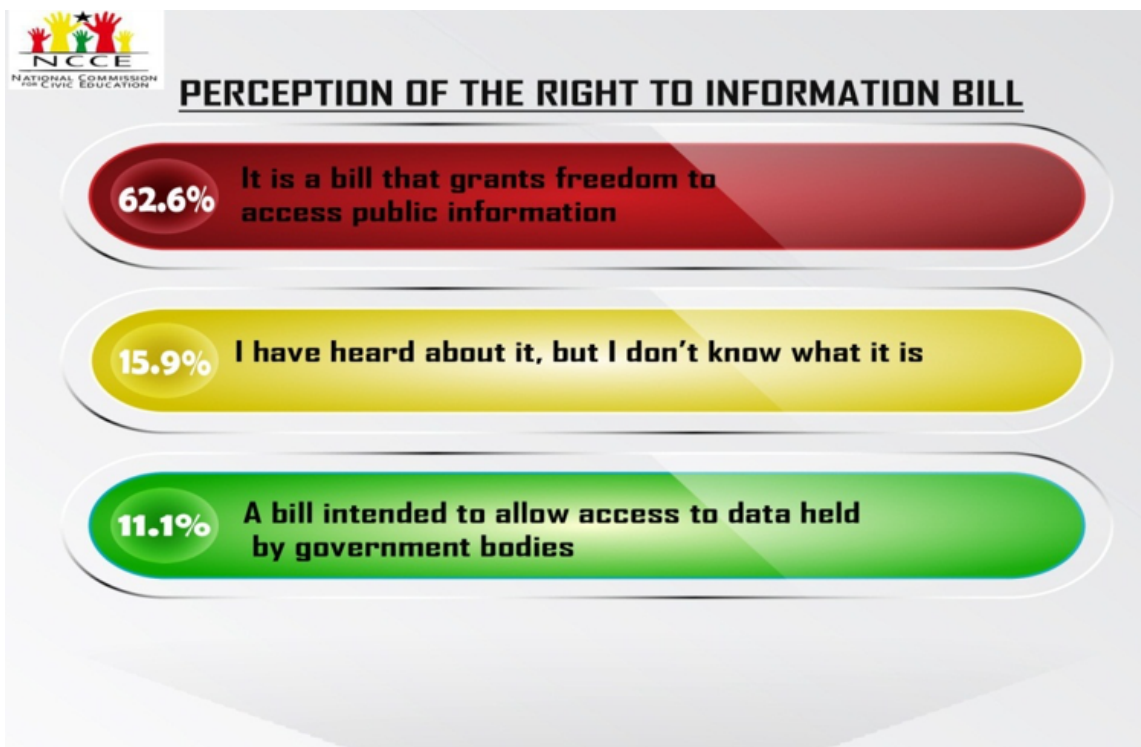
The research sought to find out which State or Public Institutions were more or less accountable to citizens based on four criteria; openness of operations, transparency about accounts, making appointments on the basis of merits and listening and responding to complaints. Respondents ranked the Military as the most accountable institution in Ghana.

Figure 3.0 Accountability



Respondents were asked if they knew what the Right to Information Bill is. Their responses are below.

Figure 4.0 Perception of Right to Information Bill



Benefits of passing the Right to Information Bill and when the Bill should be passed were inquired from the respondents.

Figure 5.0 Benefits of Passing the Right to Information Bill

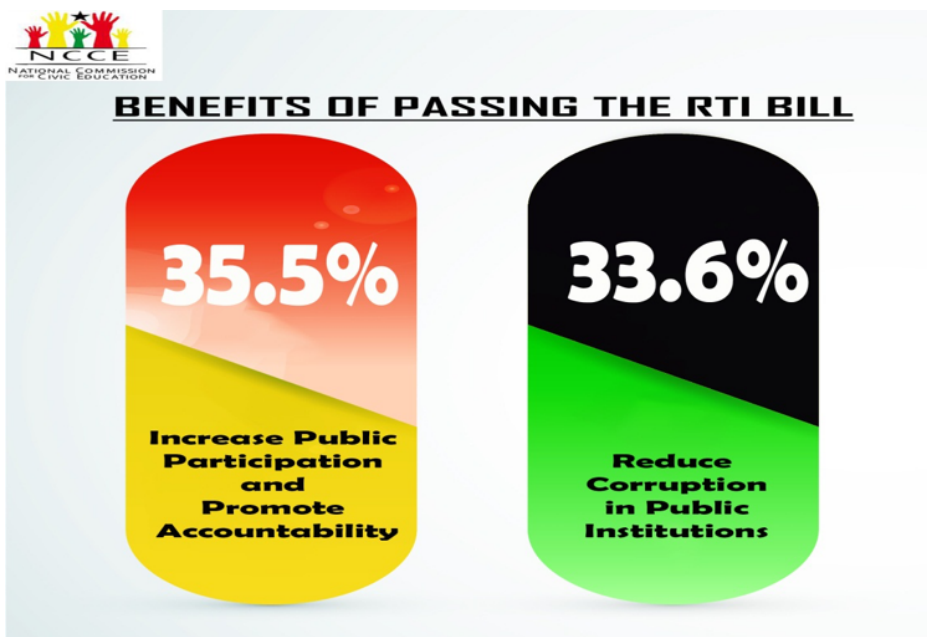
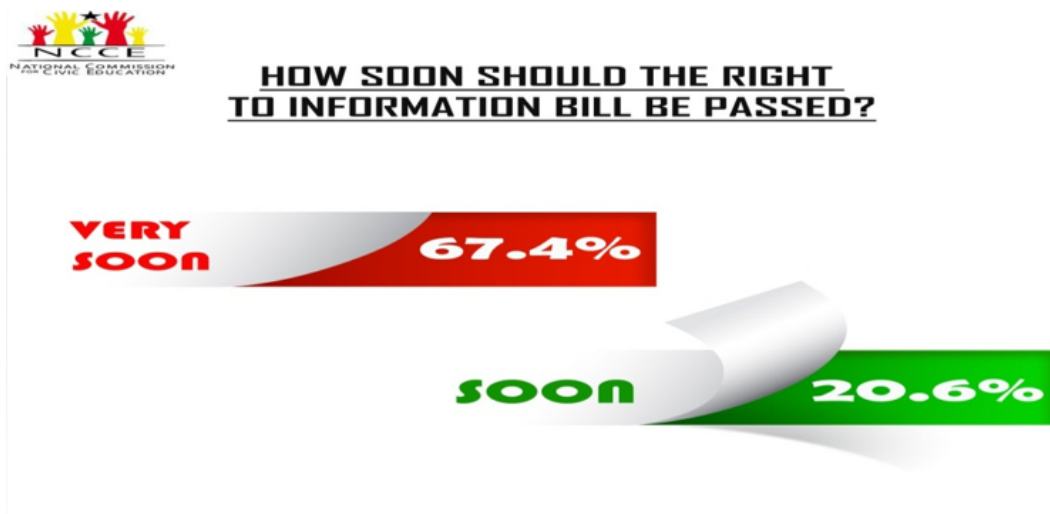


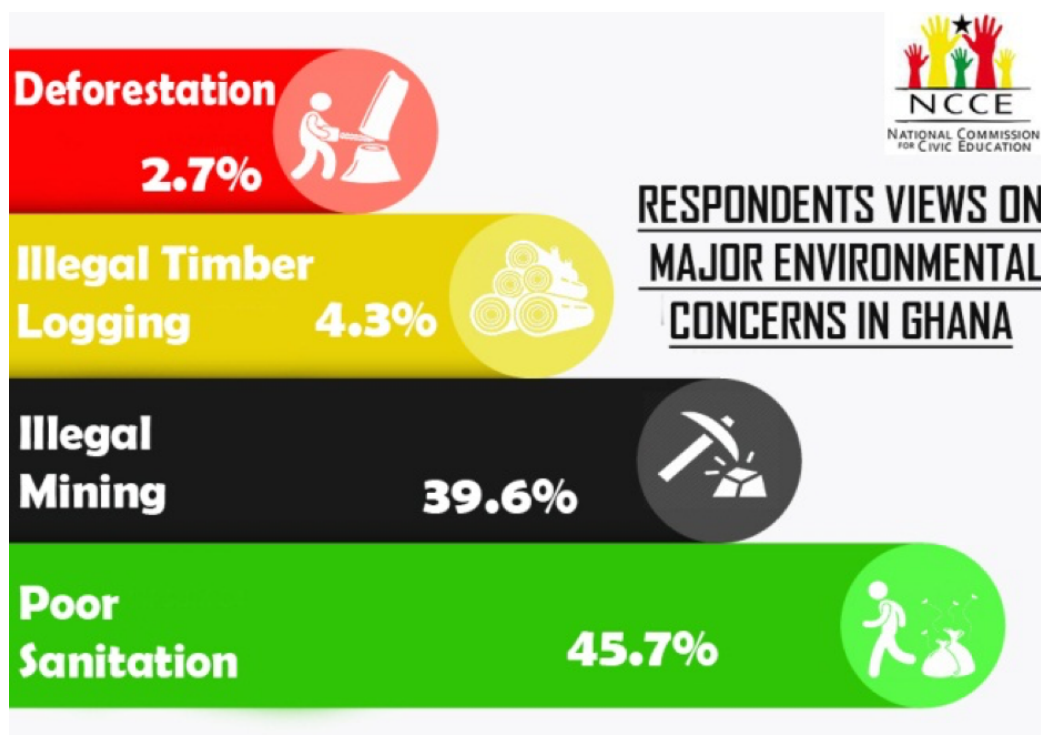
Figure 6.0 When should the Right to Information Bill be Passed?



- Perspectives on Environmental Governance

The study results showed that poor sanitation (45.7%) is the topmost environmental concern in Ghana.

Figure 1.0 Respondents views on key environmental concerns in Ghana



Majority of the respondents cited indiscipline as the leading cause of environmental degradation in Ghana. Other factors mentioned were; high unemployment rates and people's desire to amass wealth wrongfully. As a consequence of this, respondents generally agreed that these environmental concerns have resulted in increased disease burden, environmental degradation and non-adherence to mining regulations. Other major findings of the research on environmental governance in Ghana are illustrated below.

Figure 2.0 Causes of environmental concerns in Ghana

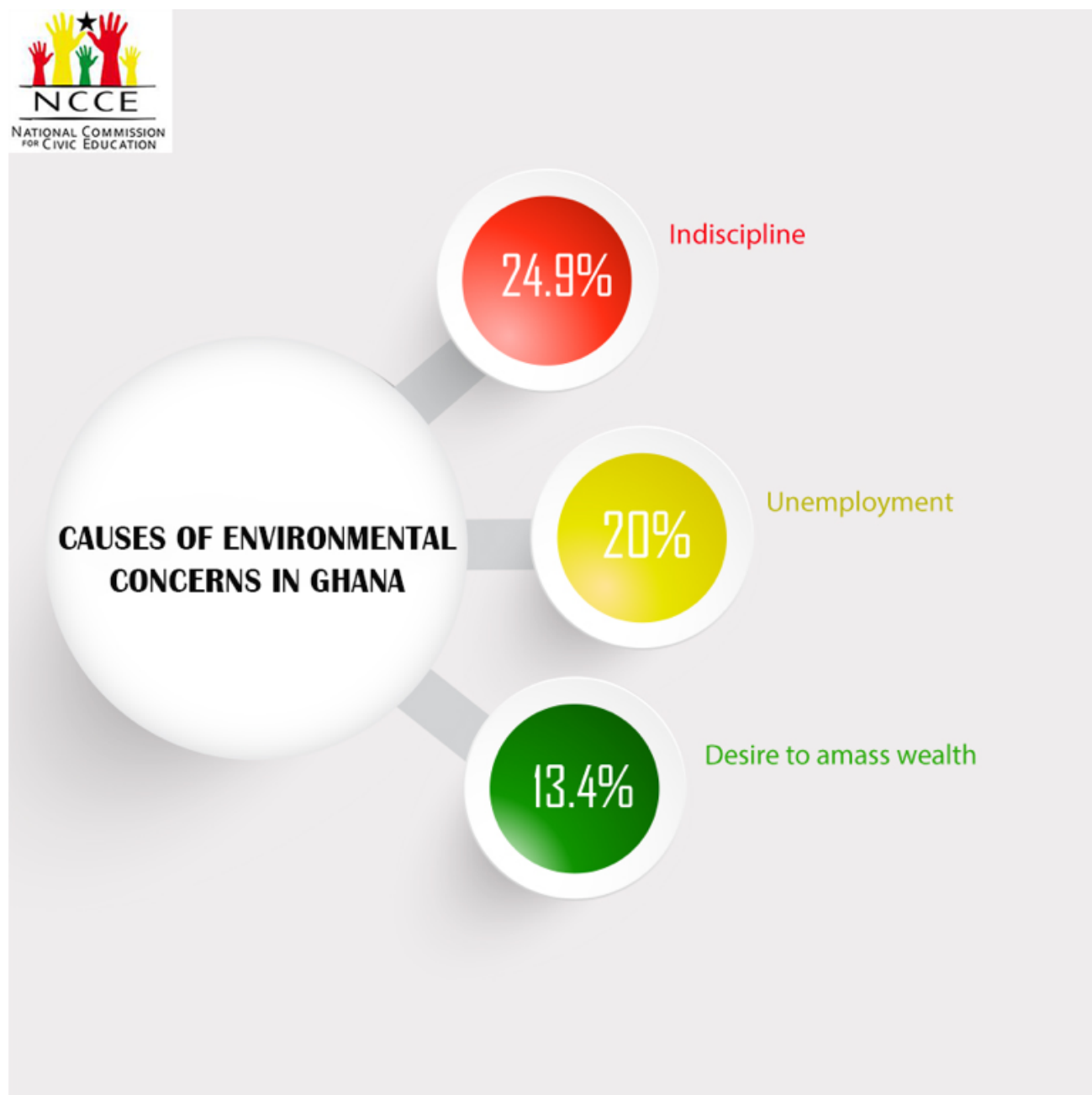


Figure 3.0 Effects of Environmental Degradation

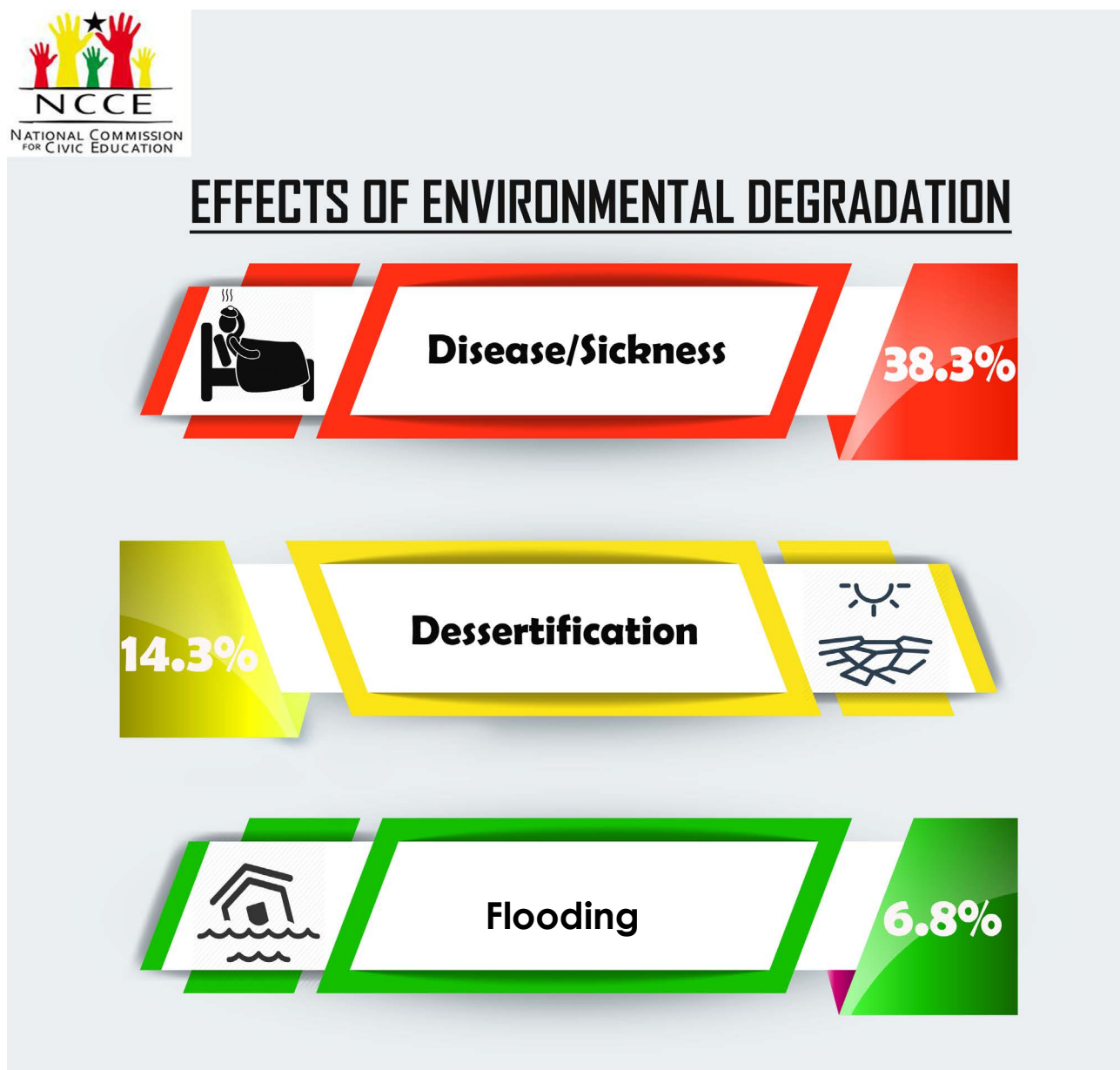


Figure 4.0 Where to Report Environmental Cases?

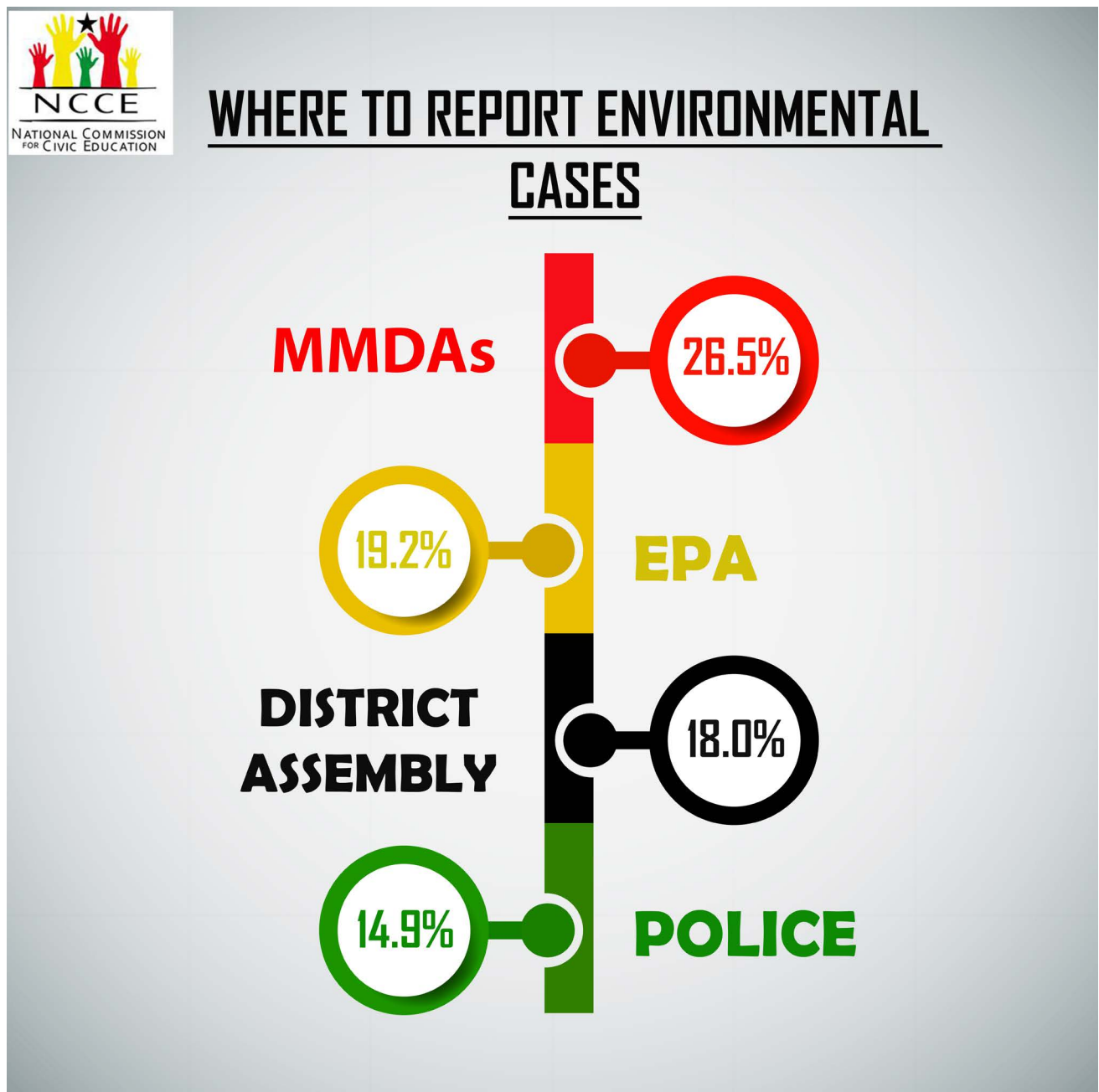


Figure 5.0 Which Institution is tasked to handle Environmental Cases?

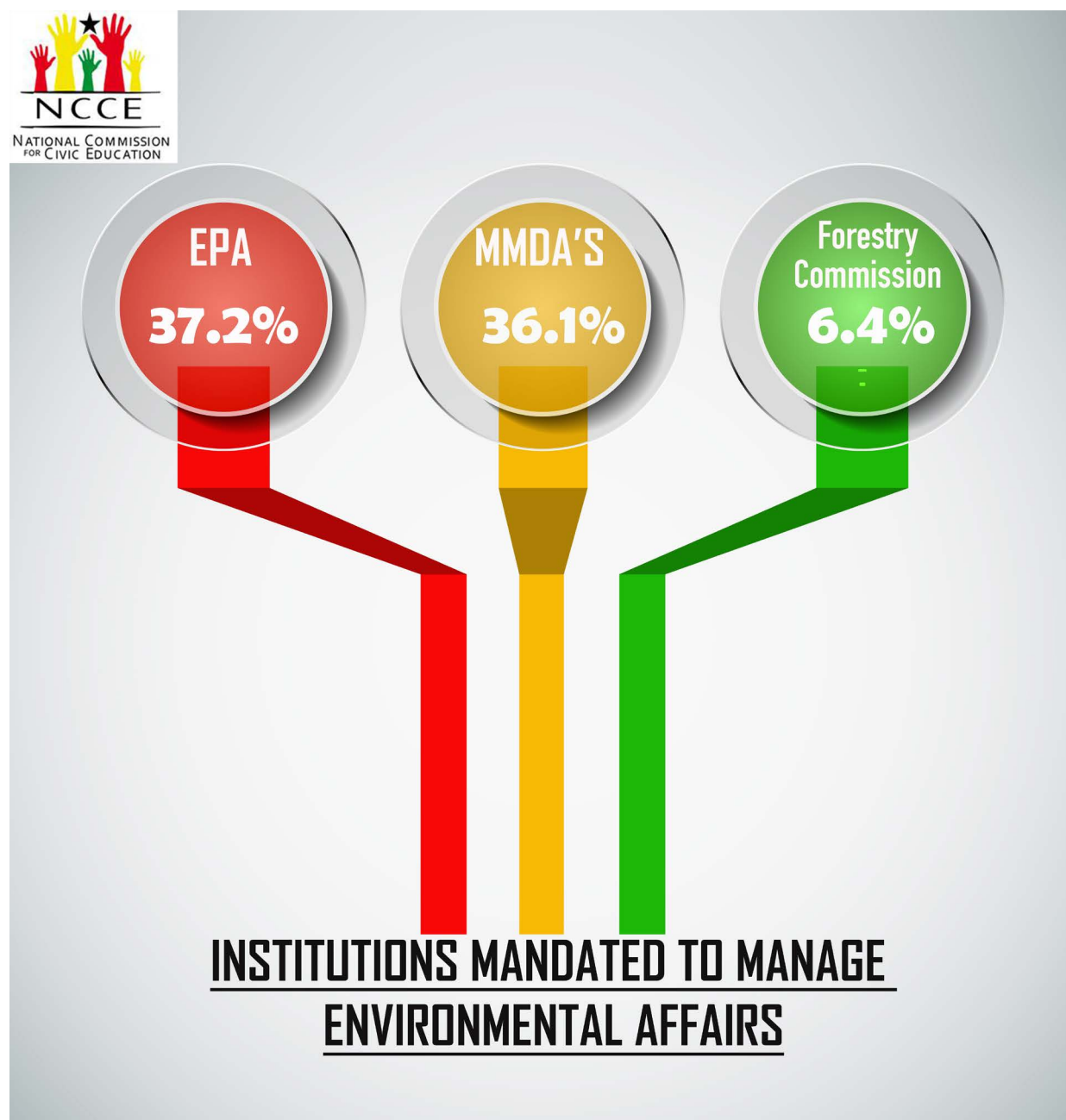
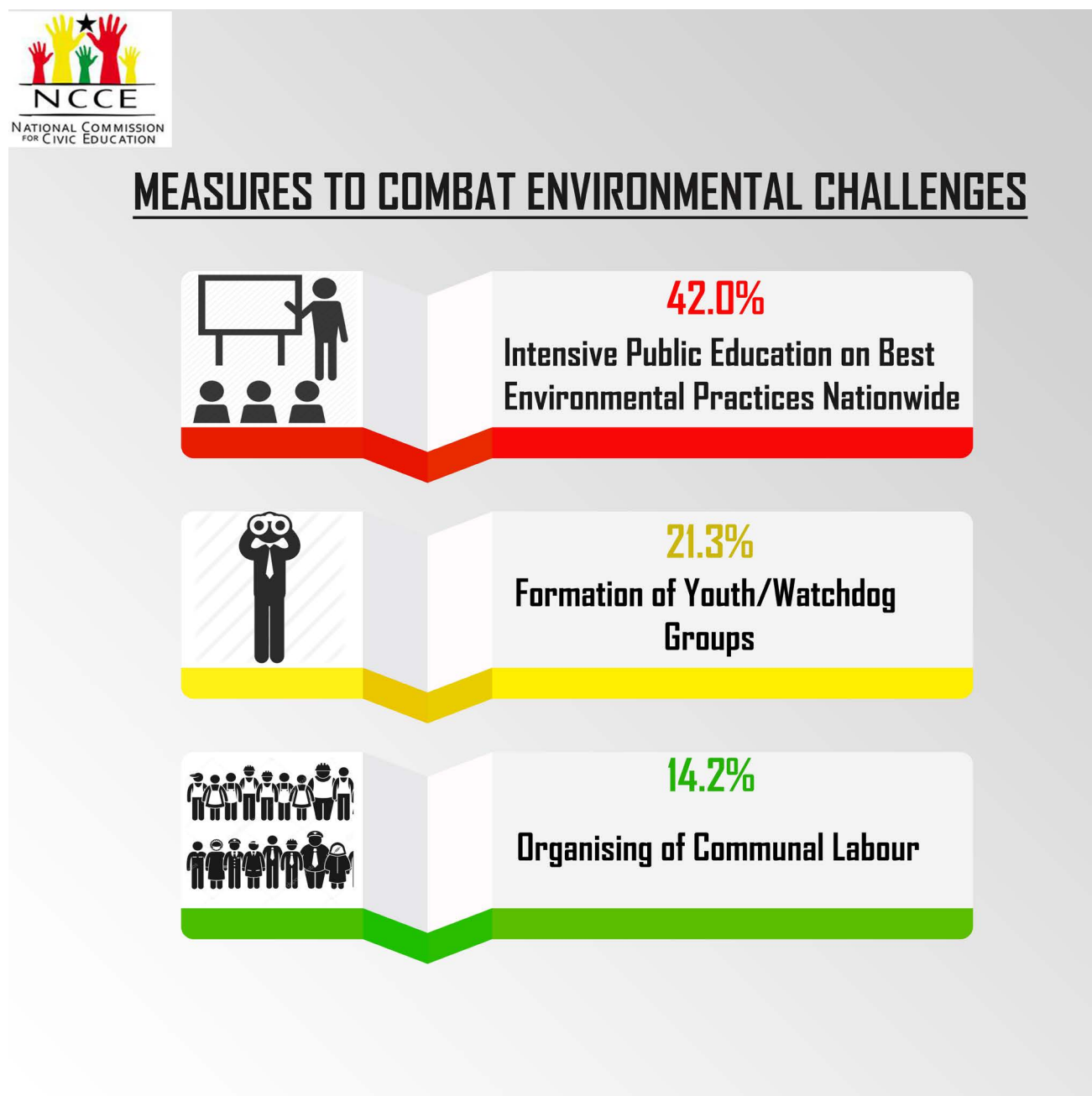


Figure 6.0 What are the Measures set to Tackle Environmental Challenges



- **Other Research Conducted**

The department conducted other studies to help direct public education activities of the Commission.

- Baseline Study on ‘Galamsey’ Mining in Ghana - The study was aimed at generating micro level data/evidence to be used for a national level campaign against corruption led by media organisations and other stakeholders. The research instrument covered critical areas of concern to the campaign and included:
 - Identification of areas and the extent/depth of mining in identified areas
 - Assessing the categories of people engaged in galamsey mining
 - Assessing the approaches and technologies employed in galamsey mining
 - Identifying the major factors for engagements in the menace
 - Exploring community experiences on the effect of galamsey activities
- Uncovering the underlying factors and effects of Mob Action in Ghana - A draft concept note titled “Uncovering the Underlying factors and effect of Mob Action in Ghana” was developed. The activity was intended to generate evidence or data to help fight the canker in Ghana. The Commission continues to seek funding to undertake this research.

PART VIII HUMAN RESOURCES AND ADMINISTRATION

a) Human Resource Strength

Our human resource strength at the end of year 2017 stood at 1, 457 staff. The breakdown is illustrated in the table below.

REGIONS	HUMAN RESOURCE STRENGTH
HEAD OFFICE	117
COMMISSION MEMBERS	4
GREATER ACCRA	224
EASTERN	173
CENTRAL	151
VOLTA	144
WESTERN	107
ASHANTI	186
BRONG AHAFO	121
NORTHERN	146
UPPER EAST	79
UPPER WEST	61
TOTAL	1457
DEATHS	6
RETIREMENTS	49

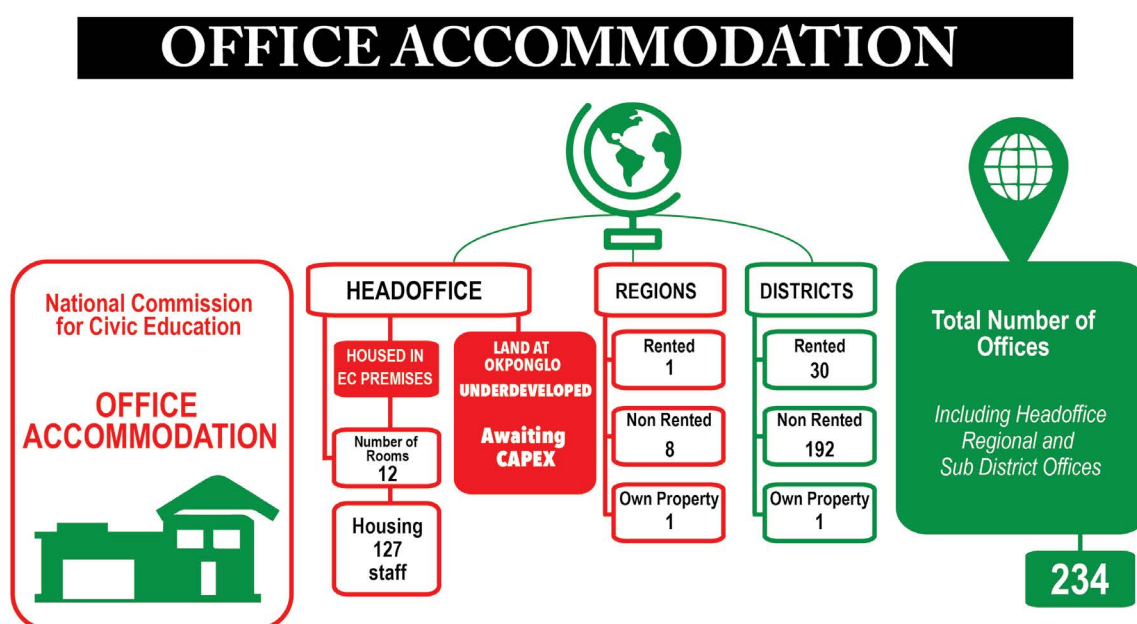
b) Recruitment

The Commission during the year 2017 recruited fifteen (15) staff. A total of eleven (11) were appointed as Assistant Civic Education Officers, two (2) were appointed as Senior Field Officers, one (1) Director and one (1) Deputy Director.

c) Welfare Issues

The NCCE is providing an all-inclusive Provident Fund with the Old Mutual Assurance Company. About 10% of employees' basic salary payable monthly is used to fund the scheme; 8% is for the third tier voluntary Pension Scheme (provident Fund). The remaining 2%, funds the death in service and funeral benefits, and the loan application at 1.3% and 0.70% respectively. The Commission served about three hundred and forty-eight (348) staff with loans and paid death benefits to about Ninety-Five (95) at end of 2017.

d) State of Logistics



Adenta Municipal Office is yet to relocate to office allocated by the Municipal Assembly
Awutu Senya District (Kasoa) operates under a tree, but moves to the District Directors residence when it rains

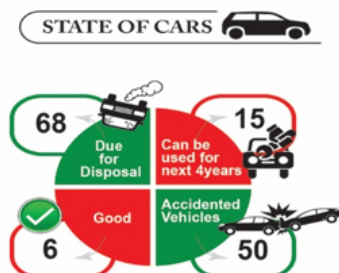
VEHICLE FLEET SUMMARY 2004-2016


139 CARS

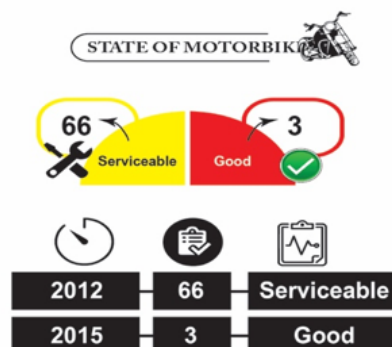


69 MOTORBIKES

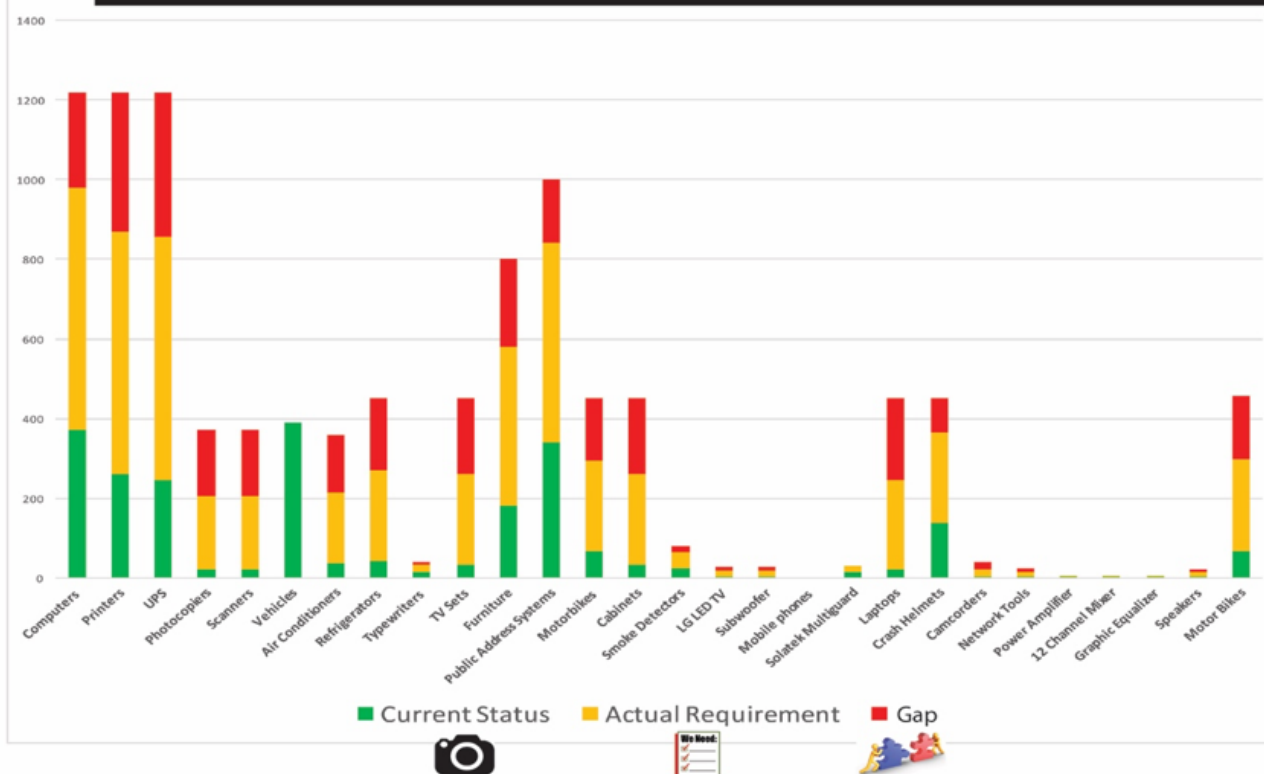

CURRENT CONDITION OF VEHICLES



2004	1	High Cost of Maintenance
2005	1	Constant Breakdown
2006	18	High Cost of Maintenance
2007	40	High Cost of Maintenance
2008	8	High Cost of Maintenance
2011	15	High Cost of Maintenance
2012	53	Good
2013	1	Good
2015	2	Good



SEVERE LOGISTICAL CONSTRAINT



PART IX FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

a) Summary Of Commission's Finances

The breakdown of the Commission's approved budget for year 2017 totaling GH ¢ 42,951,777 (forty-two million, nine hundred and fifty-one thousand, seventy-seven Ghana cedis) from the Government of Ghana were as follows:

NO.	ITEM	OPERATIONAL BUDGET GH ¢	MOF APPROVED BUDGET GH ¢	PERCENTAGE %
1.	Compensation of Employees	38,067,229.00	38,067,229.00	88.0 %
2.	Goods & Services	5,896,265.00	2,884,548.00	7 %
3.	Capital Expenditure	4,500,000	2,000,000.00	5 %
	Total	48,463,494.00	42,951,777.00	100%

b) Income and Expenditure for the Year 2017

The income and expenditure during the year was based on funds received from Government of Ghana and other development partners.

NO.	ITEM	INCOME GH ¢	EXPENDITURE GH ¢
1.	Compensation of Employees	33,974,394.17	33,974,394.17
2.	Goods and Services	1,521,816.34	1,521,816.34
3.	Capital Expenditure	-	-
4.	European Union	2,262,368.88	2,215,124.74
5.	Development Partners	1,552,466.00	1,271,273.97
	Total	39,311,045.39	38,982,609.22

c) Details of Development Partners

NO.	ITEM	AMOUNT GH ₵	<i>All donor funds are activity driven</i>
1.	UNICEF	143,298.00	
2.	UNESCO	8,720.00	
3.	GHACEM	20,000.00	
4.	Media Coalition On Illegal Mining	23,500.00	
5.	GCB Bank	5,000.00	
6.	Newmont	18,000.00	
7.	Malaria Control	188,798.00	
8.	Ghana Revenue Authority	1,044,200.00	
9.	Others	100,950.00	
	TOTAL	1,552,466.00	

d) Bank Balances

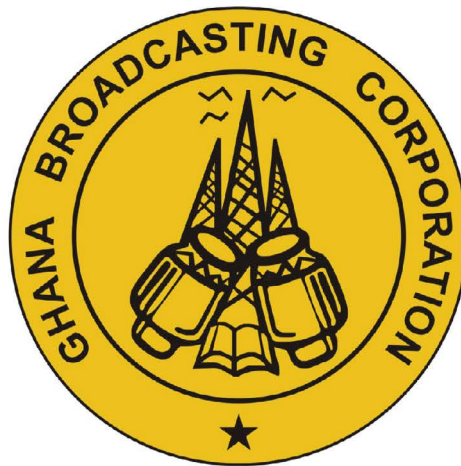
NO.	ITEM	AMOUNT GH ₵
1.	Bank of Ghana Main	424.14
2.	GCB Accounts	282,759.55
3.	NCCE/EU Project (Cedi)	17,889.91
4.	NCCE/EU Project (Euro)	1,012,086.05
	TOTAL	1,313,159.65

PART X CONCLUSION AND CHALLENGES

The Commission wishes to remind Parliament of its commitment to fulfilling its mandate against all challenges, however, little can be achieved without adequate funds for logistics and programmes. Once again, the Commission appreciates the support of its partners, collaborators and the Government of Ghana.

As we look forward to year 2018, the Commission will undertake major activities to stir up virtues of good citizenship and civic consciousness among the citizenry towards advancing Ghana's democracy. Year 2018 also marks 25 years of Ghana's Fourth Republic, thus NCCE activities will focus on sensitising citizens on the need to consciously help consolidate the gains made so far in Ghana's democratic journey as well as tackle issues on corruption, accountability and rule of law as a shared responsibility.

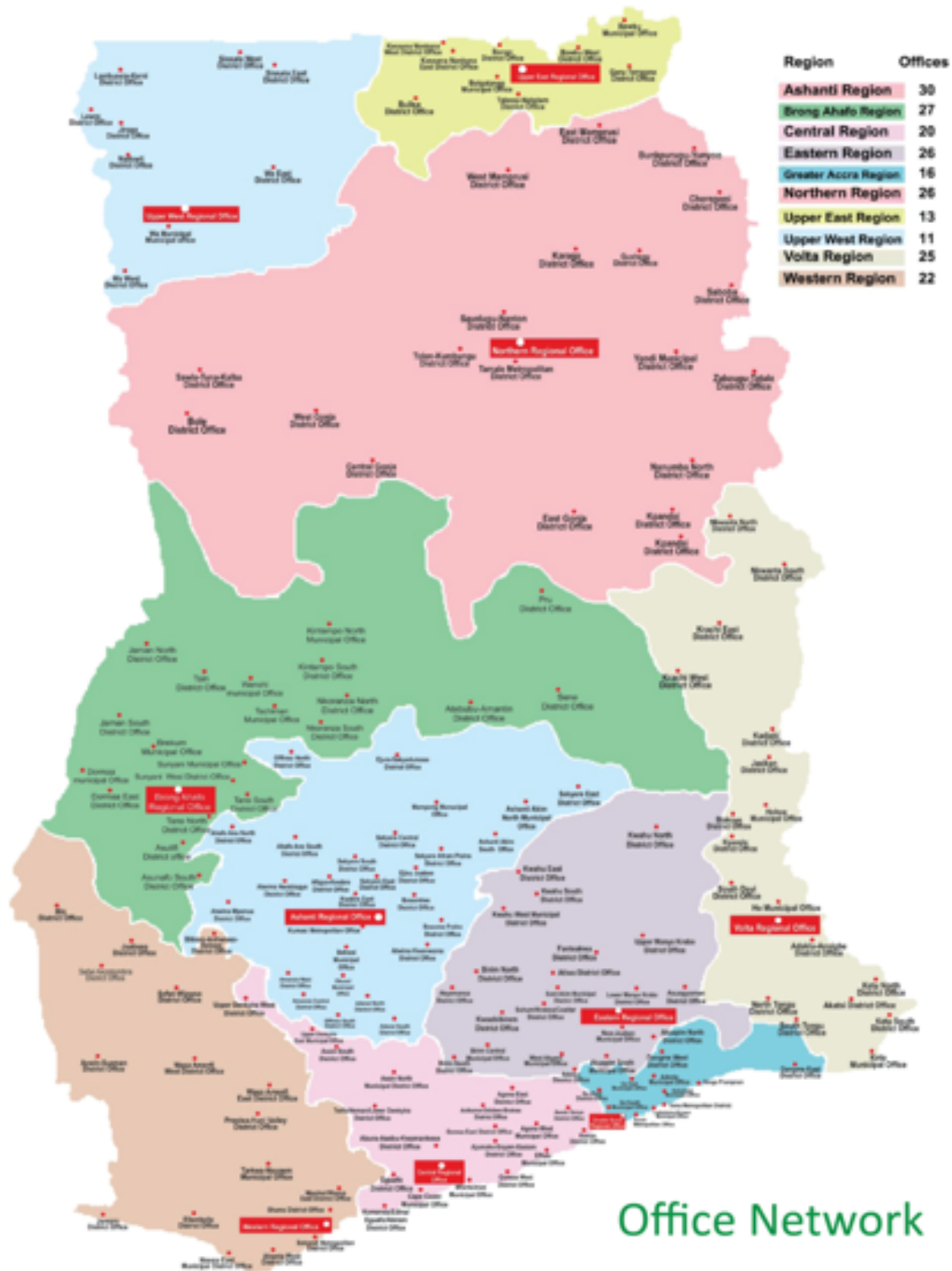






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NATIONAL MALARIA CONTROL PROGRAMME
MEDIA COALITION AGAINST ILLEGAL MINING



THE CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA 1992

CHAPTER NINETEEN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CIVIC EDUCATION

- 231** There shall be established by Act of Parliament within six months after Parliament first meets after the coming into force of this Constitution, a National Commission for Civic Education in this Chapter referred to as “the Commission”.
- 232** (1) The Commission shall consist of a Chairman, two Deputy Chairmen and four other members.
(2) Members of the Commission shall be appointed by the President acting on the advice of the Council of State.
(3) Members of the Commission shall be persons who are qualified to be elected as members of Parliament.
(4) Members of the Commission shall be persons who do not hold office in any political party.
- 233** The functions of the Commission shall be -
(a) to create and sustain within the society the awareness of the principles and objectives of this Constitution as the fundamental law of the people of Ghana;
(b) to educate and encourage the public to defend this Constitution at all times, against all forms of abuse and violation;
(c) to formulate for the consideration of Government, from time to time, programmes at the national, regional and district levels aimed at realising the objectives of this Constitution;
(d) to formulate, implement and oversee programmes intended to inculcate in the citizens of Ghana awareness of their civic responsibilities and an appreciation of their rights and obligations as free people; and
- 234** Except as otherwise provided in this Constitution or in any other law which is not inconsistent with this Constitution, the Commission shall not be subject to the direction or control of any person or authority in the performance of its functions.
- 235** (1) The Chairman of the Commission shall enjoy the same terms and condition of service as a Justice of the Court of Appeal, and a Deputy Chairman of the Commission shall enjoy the same terms and conditions of service as a Justice of the High Court.
(2) The other members of the Commission shall hold office on such terms and conditions as may be approved by Parliament.
- 236** The procedure for the removal of the Chairman or a Deputy Chairman from office shall be the same as that provided for the removal of a Justice of the Court of Appeal and a Justice of the High Court respectively under this Constitution.
- 237** Parliament shall, by law, provide for the establishment of Regional and District branches of the Commission.
- 238** The officers and employees of the Commission shall be appointed by the Commission acting in consultation with the Public Services Commission.
- 239** The administrative expenses of the Commission, including salaries, allowances and pensions payable to, or in respect of, persons serving with the Commission, shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund.

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CIVIC EDUCATION ACT, 1993



THE FOUR HUNDRED AND FIFTY SECOND ACT OF PARLIAMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GHANA

ENTITLED

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CIVIC EDUCATION ACT, 1993

An act to establish the national commission for civic education to provide for its composition and functions and for other matters relating to its organisation

DATE OF ASSENT: 6TH JULY, 1993

BE IT ENACTED BY PARLIAMENT AS FOLLOWS:

1. There is established by this Act a National Commission for Civic Education referred to in this Act as “the Commission.”
- 2 The Functions of the Commission. The functions of the Commission are-
 - (a) to create and sustain within the society the awareness of the principles and objectives of the Constitution as the fundamental law of the people of Ghana;
 - (b) to educate and encourage the public to defend the Constitution at all times, against all forms of abuse and violation;
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 - (d) to formulate, implement and oversee programmes intended to inculcate in the citizens of Ghana awareness of their civic responsibilities and an appreciation of their rights and obligations as free people; and

*Establishment
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Commission
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*The Functions
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- (e) to assess for the information of Government, the limitations to the achievement of true democracy arising from the existing inequalities between different strata of the population and make recommendations for re-dressing these in-equalities.
3. Except as otherwise provided in the Constitution or in any other law which is not inconsistent with the Constitution, the Commission shall not be subject to the direction or control of any person or authority in the performance of its functions. *Independence of Commission.*
4. The Commission shall consist of- *Composition of the Commission.*
- (a) a Chairman;
- (b) two Deputy Chairmen; and
- (c) four other members.
5. Members of the Commission shall be appointed by the President acting on the advice of the Council of State. *Appointment of Members.*
6. (1) Members of the Commission shall be persons who are qualified to be elected as members of Parliament. *Qualification of Members.*
- (2) Members of the Commission shall be persons who do not hold office in any political party.
7. (1) The Chairman of the Commission shall enjoy the same terms and conditions of service as a Justice of the Court of Appeal, and a Deputy Chairman of the Commission shall enjoy the same terms and conditions of service as a Justice of the High Court. *Terms and Conditions of Service of Members of Commission.*
- (2) The other members of the Commission shall hold office on such terms and conditions as may be approved by Parliament.
- (3) The Chairman and the two Deputy Chairmen of the Commission shall not, while they hold office on the Commission hold any other public office.
8. (1) Where a member of the Commission other than the Chairman is incapacitated by illness or any other cause from performing the functions of his office, the President may, acting on the advice of the Council of State appoint another person to perform his functions until the member is able to resume the performance of his duties. *Filling Vacancies.*

(2) Where the Chairman of the Commission dies, resigns, is removed from office or is absent from Ghana for a continuous period exceeding three months or is by reason of illness unable to perform the functions of his office, one of the Deputy Chairmen as directed by the President shall act as Chairman until the Chairman is able to perform the functions of his office or until a new Chairman is appointed.

(3) Where a person is appointed as a member to fill a vacancy he shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the previous member and shall, subject to the provisions of this Act be eligible for re-appointment.

9. The Chairman or a member of the Commission may resign his office by notice addressed to the President.

Resignation.

10. (1) The procedure for the removal of the Chairman or a Deputy Chairman from office shall be the same as those applicable for the removal of a Justice of the Court of Appeal and a Justice of the High Court respectively under the Constitution.

*Removal of
Members of
Commission.*

(2) Any other member of the Commission may be removed from office by the President acting on the advice of the Council of State for inability to perform the functions of his office or for any just cause.

11. (1) The Commission shall meet for the despatch of business at a time and place determined by the Chairman but shall meet at least once in every month.

*Meetings of
Commission.*

(2) The quorum at a meeting of the Commission shall be four of the members of the Commission that includes the Chairman or a Deputy Chairman.

(3) There shall be given to members a notice of four clear days for every meeting of the Commission.

(4) The Chairman shall preside at each meeting of the Commission but in his absence one of the Deputy Chairmen shall preside.

(5) The validity of proceedings of the Commission shall not be affected by a vacancy in its membership or any defect in the appointment of a member.

(6) Questions before the Commission shall be decided by a majority of the members present and voting and where there is equality of votes the Chairman shall have a second or casting.

(7) The Chairman shall summon a special meeting of the Commission within fourteen days of the receipt of a written request signed by not less than four members of the Commission.

(8) Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the Commission shall regulate the procedure at its meetings.

12. The Commission may co-opt any person to act as an adviser at its meetings but no co-opted person is entitled to vote at a meeting.

Power to Co-opt.

13. The Commission may appoint committees made up of members or non-members or both and may assign to them such functions as the Commission may determine except that a committee consisting entirely of non-members may only advise the Commission.

Commission to Appoint Committees.

14. (1) The Commission shall in consultation with the Public Services Commission appoint a Secretary to the Commission.

Secretary.

(2) The Secretary shall in consultation with the Chairman arrange the business, record and keep minutes of the meetings of the Commission.

(3) The Secretary shall perform such other functions as the Commission may assign to him and shall be assisted in the performance of his functions by any of the employees of the Commission that the Commission may direct.

15. (1) The Commission shall employ such other officers and employees as may be reasonably necessary for the effective discharge of its functions.

Other Staff of the Commission.

(2) The officers and employees shall be appointed by the Commission in consultation with the Public Services Commission.

(3) Other public officers may be transferred or seconded to the Commission or may otherwise give assistance to it.

16. (1) There shall be in each Region and District of Ghana regional and district branches of the Commission.

Regional and District Branches of Commission.

(2) There shall be appointed for each regional and district branch of the Commission such officers as the Commission shall determine.

(3) The Commission may create such other lower structures as would facilitate its operations.

17. A regional or a district branch of the Commission shall perform in respect of the Region or District such of the functions of the Commission specified under this Act as the Commission may direct.

Functions of Regional and District Branches.

18. The administrative and operational expenses of the Commission including salaries, pensions and allowances payable to or in respect of persons serving with the Commission shall be charged on the Consolidated Fund.
Expenses of Commission Charged on Consolidated Fund.
19. Accounts. (1) The Commission shall keep proper books of account and proper records in relation to them and the account books and records of the Commission shall be in a form approved by the Auditor-General.

(2) The books and accounts of the Commission shall be audited by the Auditor-General or by an auditor appointed by him within a period of six months after the end of the financial year.
20. The Commission shall, annually submit to Parliament a report indicating the activities and operations of the Commission in respect of the preceding year.
Annual Report.
21. A person who wilfully obstructs the Commission or otherwise interferes with the Commission in the discharge of its functions commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding c500,000 or to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months or to both.
Offences.
22. Regulations. (1) The Commission may by legislative instrument make regulations for carrying the provisions of this Act into effect.
Offences.

(2) The exercise of the power to make regulations under subsection (1) may be signified under the hand of the Chairman or in his absence that of a Deputy Chairman.
23. The National Commission for Democracy Law, 1988 (PNDCL. 208) is repealed.
Repeal.

