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REPUBLIC OF GHANA

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING,
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DATE: 1st MARCH, 2023.

FIRST QUARTER REPORT.

We submit herewith, first quarter report of the Department of Rural Housing for your attention and necessary action.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Georgina Jones Adjei'.

GEORGINA JONES ADJEI

Ag. REGIONAL DIRECTOR.

REGIONAL DIRECTOR
DEPT. OF RURAL HOUSING
SUNYANI

FIRST QUARTER REPORT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL HOUSING.

The Department of Rural Housing derives its functions, programmes and operational activities largely from sector policy initiatives of the Ministry of Water Resources, Works and Housing that seek to create an enabling environment for promoting easy access for the majority of Ghanaians to improve housing especially in rural and low income urban communities.

Operational objectives of the Department are to:

1. Promote appropriate technology in the production and utilization of improved local building materials.
2. Providing on the job training in building construction for unemployed youth to acquire employment skills.
3. Facilitating maintenance of rural housing.
4. Provide technology inputs to facilitate the operation of the works department of the municipal and district assemblies.

STAFFING

The Department is currently run by three (3) officers.

Principal Executive Officer (AG. HEAD)

Stenographer Secretary (Secretary)

Rufuse Labourer (Cleaner)

As part of planned programmes and activities, the Department intended to undertake training programme for the production of Compressed Earth Bricks (CEB), monitoring and supervision but due to financial constrains, these activities were not able to be rolled out.

Despite the financial challenges, the Department is carrying out rehabilitation works on the in and out of the office block.

Phase one (1) of the rehabilitation works saw to the re-roofing of the office block. The second phase will tackle the interior part of the block / office. It is surprising to note that, all these works are being undertaken with the little GOG received quarterly.

Meanwhile, the Department, under the supervision and monitoring of the Department of Rural Housing Accra, is playing a critical role in the construction of Housing Units for the APPIATSE Community in the Western Region after the unfortunate disaster which occurred on Thursday, 20th January, 2022.

OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES

1. Mobility Challenge.
2. Inadequate Staff.
3. Deplorable residential accommodation for the Head of the Department.