

DCE'S ENGAGEMENT WITH THE CHIEFS AND RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITIES:

INTRODUCTION

On 12th July, 2022, The Hon. District Chief Executive, Hon. Andrew Adu-Boahen and his team from Adansi Asokwa District Assembly embarked on community engagement with chiefs and people of the various communities within the district to familiarize with them and interact and engage residents on pertinent issues confronting them and also take the opportunity to highlight some of the government policies and programs being implemented in the district to alleviate some of the challenges and issues battling the district.

He visited some communities and later attended a durbar of chiefs. The visit also enabled the Hon. DCE and his entourage get first-hand information on the challenges facing the communities and in addition, introduce some government policies to them.

Communities visited included

Nyankomasi, Brofoyedru, Akrofuom, Biakwaso, Nyamekrom, Mensakrom, Anwona, Fumso, Fumso Ketewa, Nyamebekyere No.1, Awuikrom, Nsokote, Agogoaso, Akromaso, Agyenkwaso, Adomkoforidua, Nyamebekyere, Anitoa, Dasubimadwen, Odem, Anhwiam.







The Hon. District Chief Executive, Hon Andrew Adu-Boahen embarked on the engagement in the company of his District Coordinating Director Dr. Stephen Lurimuah, Presiding member (PM) Augustine K. Adomako, Anita Cramer

Administrative Officer, Akua Frimpomaa, District Planning Officer, Joseph Ghartey

District Works Engineer, Jeffery Amo-Asare

District Welfare Director, Samuel Ahulu

District Director of Agriculture



At each community, the Hon. DCE expressed appreciation to residents for their warm reception. He also solicited for their collaboration to ensure that the Assembly succeeds in all of its activities. Residents in the various communities also commended the Hon. DCE for his visit and the engagement. They also pledged to render their support to make the administration of the Hon. DCE a success.





ADDRESS BY THE DCE

Addressing the chiefs, honorable assembly members, opinion leaders and the people, the district chief executive took time to highlight some key government policies that were being implemented to alleviate their sufferings. Some of the policies he spoke about were; the Free Senior High School Education, Planting for Food and Jobs, Planting for Export for Rural Development and Infrastructure for Poverty Alleviation Programme,

The DCE touched on a number of developmental projects that were being directly undertaken by the District Assembly. These projects include;

HEALTH

The DCE highlighted on other similar health projects and initiatives been undertaken in other communities in the district which include:

Construction of maternity block at Bodwensango

Completed CHPS compound at Pipiiso

Construction of children's ward block at Awhiaso health center

Completed CHPS compound at Nyamekrom

Support and provision of family planning and nutritional services across the district

Support for the provision of maternal, child health, adolescence health, antenatal care and postnatal care services across the district.

Provision of expanded immunization program across the district

Procurement of office equipment such as computers, laptops, projectors and photocopiers for the district health directorate.

EDUCATION

In the area of education, the district chief executive reiterated the assembly's commitment to improving the quality of education in the district through provision of educational materials and resources the needed infrastructure. He listed several educational initiatives and projects being undertaken by the assembly which include

the construction of three (3) unit classroom with ancillary facilities at Amanorkrom D/A basic school.

construction of a 2-Unit KG block at hweremoase and Antonia

Conversion of 3-Unit pavilion to a classroom block at Nyamenoase

Procurement of teaching and learning materials for the education directorate

Support for BECE candidates and inter schools quiz competition across the district.

AGRICULTURE

The DCE acknowledged the challenges facing the sector but highlighted on the success story of the district in the area of planting for export and rural development. Hon. Andrew Adu-Boahen informed the chiefs and people that as part of the the assembly's initiative, the assembly has established Oil Palm Nursery and has distributed about thirty thousand (30,000) oil palm seedlings to farmers.

The government through the flagship programme Planting for Food and Jobs' together with the Agric Department of the Adansi Asokwa District Assembly supported farmers with subsidised inputs.

The government through the flagship program planting for food and jobs supported farmers with subsidized inputs.

The DCE also took the opportunity to highlight some of the initiatives being taken by the assembly through WIAD department in registering one (1) FBO to the already existing 13 FBOs in the district. The formation of the FBO group "Peace Farmers Association" is to ensure farmers within the group, benefit from economies of scale, grants and loans, better bargaining power, access to markets and a stronger voice in policy development in the district.

The district chief executive also expressed the assembly's commitment to still trained groups in liquid soaps, soya beans in diets, preparation of tom brown and soy milk making as an alternate livelihood. This is aimed at improving the livelihoods of women in various communities across the District.

WATER AND SANITATION

The assembly is determined to ensure provision of quality and easy access to water and therefore relying on DACF in drilling and mechanizing boreholes across the District to help curb shortage of water.

The DCE called on Chiefs and the people of to conduct regular communal labour to ensure a clean and safe environment.

OPEN FORUM

At the various communities, expectations of the people and the chiefs were not different. The general expectations of the people included; Construction of school blocks, Provision of school furniture, Construction of health facilities (CHPS compounds), Extension of electricity, Provision of toilet facilities, Rehabilitation of school blocks, Construction of teachers' quarters, Rehabilitation of roads

REMARKS BY CHIEFS

The chiefs, traditional and religious leaders and the people at the engagement expressed their profound appreciation to the

DCE and his team for such familiarization tour and engagement and pray for such program on regularly basis to foster the development and prosperity of the district.

CONCLUSION

The District Coordinating Director thanked the chiefs and people for their warmest welcome and urged them to continue to support the Assembly for the development of the district.