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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2020 Annual Progress Reports catalogues the achievements and challenges of the Municipal in the implementation of the Annual Action Plan of the Municipal Medium Term Development Plan, 2018-2021, of the Asante Akim Central Assembly.

The report has been organized into three chapters. The opening chapter outlines mainly the purpose for the preparation of the APR, the activities involved and the stakeholders. The second chapter delves into the M&E activities for the period. It provides the proposed activities and how far they have been achieved within the year. It also provides the revenue and expenditure performance for the year.

Performance indicators of development for the District and the National level has been provided but there is not enough data for all the indicators. The district level statistics have been stated but the challenges exist especially for the sex disaggregation of the data.

Other critical areas for which information was readily available were presented in the second chapter. Issues of education, Social Protection Programmes, skills development and agriculture. Issues of gender inequity, road infrastructure, environmental and climate change issues have been duly presented. Some of the challenges of the entire process of reporting and the recommendations have been suggested to conclude the report.

CHAPTER ONE

GENERAL INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

The report covers the period from 1st January to 31st December 2020. It covers the programmes and project activities carried out based on the planned programmes and projects of the Assembly. It also collates, harmonizes and reports on the activities, achievements and challenges of the various decentralized Departments and Agencies in the Municipality in their bid to implement activities set out in the 2018-2021 MTDP. The report is prepared in line with the DEVELOPMENT DIMENSIONS outlined under Agenda for Jobs listed below

- ✓ Economic Development
- ✓ Social Development
- ✓ Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlements
- ✓ Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability.

This is the third in the series of annual reports prepared to monitor the implementation of the 2018-2021 Municipal Medium Term Development Plan. In a bid to measure progress, the Municipal Planning Coordinating Unit ((MPCU) prepared a Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) plan to guide the implementation of the MMTDP 2018 – 2021. The report therefore is to measure the extent to which the indicators set in the M&E plan is being achieved for the year 2020.

1.2 Purpose of M&E for 2020

The purpose of the 2020 M&E report is to assess or evaluate the performance of the Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly, review and provide information on the achievements and impacts of the Assembly based on the objectives set out in the MTDP, Monitoring and Evaluation Plan, Programmes and Projects targeted in the Annual Action Plan (2020). It also highlights the constraints and challenges faced in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the activities and make recommendations thereon.

The report also contains the performance indicators of the various sectors of the municipal economy, the challenges and lessons learnt, and the way forward towards achieving the development agenda as laid out in the MTDP.

1.3 Summary of achievement of the implementation of Municipal MTDP (2018-2021)

1.3.1 Brief profile of the Municipality

The Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly is one of the thirty (34) MMDAs in the Ashanti Region. It was created by L.I 2056 and it has Konongo-Odumasi as its twin Capital Town. It was carved out of the then Asante Akim District Council in 1988 and was elevated to Municipality status by legislative Instrument 1907 in November 2007. Until July 2012 it used to be Asante Akim North Municipal Assembly but with the carving out of Asante Akim North District Assembly, the name was changed to Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly. For the purpose of decentralization and local government representation, the Municipality has one (1) electoral constituency for parliamentary representation, Twenty-five (25) electoral areas for Municipal Assembly representation and three Zonal Councils namely;

- Konongo-Odumasi
- Owereagya
- Dwease-Praaso

The Municipality is located in the Eastern part of the Ashanti Region. The Municipality shares boundaries with Asante Akim North at the North, Ejisu-Juaben and Sekyere East at the West, Asante Akim South at the East and South and Bosome- Freho District at the South – West.

1.3.2 Vision

The Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly aspires to become a safe and peaceful municipality of prosperous people with excellent infrastructure and services delivered by a peak performing Assembly in partnership with stakeholders.

1.3.3 Mission

The Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly exists to ensure a better standard of living by providing the right leadership in the development of infrastructure and delivery of socio-economic services through stakeholder participation with equal opportunities for all.

1.3.4 Core Values

The Assembly's core values and principles guide every aspect of its business from the people we hire, to our products and services, to our business partners and customers. The five core values comprise:

- Respect for each other
- Hard work and High performance
- Opportunity for all; care for the vulnerable
- Transparency and Accountability

To achieve this mission and vision the Assembly has set the following objectives

- To improve the quality of life of the people through sustainable development.
- To facilitate the effective functioning of the local government institutions in the Municipality
- To ensure efficiency and effectiveness in the mobilization and utilization of resources in the Municipality by the Assembly and its decentralized departments
- To monitor, co-ordinate and harmonize the implementation of development plans and activities in the Municipality
- To facilitate the provision of basic social and economic infrastructure and services in the municipality
- To facilitate community-based and private sector development in private sector in the Municipality.

1.4 Challenges encountered in the Implementation of the MMTDP

Developing any report usually comes with diverse challenges.

The following are some of the challenges faced by the MPCU during the preparation of this annual progress report.

- Untimely submission of Departmental report.
- Difficulty in getting data from non-decentralize agency and organization especially on central government intervention such as IPEP, School Feeding Program, One Million One Constituency etc.
- Inadequate logistics for the MPCU activities

1.5 Processes involved

The process for the preparation of the 2020 APR was participatory and designed based on statutory requirements and experiences on the part of the technocrats of the Municipality. This is to ensure ownership of the process as well as the outcome.

The preparation of the 2020 APR was coordinated by the Municipal Planning Coordinating Unit (MPCU) which is a statutory body recognized as the planning authority in the Assembly. It is made up of 23 Members including the Heads of the Department of the Assembly, Assembly Members,

Representatives of Traditional Authorities among others Members The major steps undertaken to arrive at the completion of the report includes:

1.5.1 Project Inspection and Site Visits

Monthly and other periodic monitoring of projects was carried out through visits to Programme, project and activity sites by the Municipal Monitoring Team made up of members of the Municipal Planning Coordinating Unit (MPCU). The visits enabled the MPCU to assess projects for conformation to specifications, value for money and whether the outputs will help achieve the project objective(s).

These visits also provided the opportunity for the monitoring team to hold sites meetings. These meetings improve accountability as the monitoring team appraised all project/programme and communicated to the relevant actors, communities, departments and institutions of key findings and observations after each project inspection.

1.5.2 Data Collection and Validation

The MPCU collected data on ongoing activities, programmes and projects as well as those implemented from January and December, 2020. The data were reviewed at the meeting of the MPCU and management meeting of the Heads of Department of the Assembly, Unit Heads of the Central Administration and other relevant stakeholders. The Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) reports prepared were extensively used in the preparation of the 2020 APR. Annual and Quarterly Departmental performance reports submitted by Departments and Institutions in the Assembly provided additional secondary information towards the preparation of this report.

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 MONITORING AND EVALUATION ACTIVITY REPORT

2.1 Introduction

The Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly's Monitoring and Evaluation Plan for 2020 provides a strategy for the coordinated development of the Municipality in line with the Agenda for Jobs. The Monitoring and Evaluation Plan is a flexible guide to the steps used to document MMTDP activities and how to measure progress towards the achievement of MMTDP goals and objectives in a structured way. This chapter discusses achievements made under the various development dimensions under the agenda for jobs.

The tables below represent the proportion of the DMTDP implemented in 2020 as against 2018. In 2020, out of the Forty-nine (49) projects, eighty-four percent (84) were successfully completed while 14% were still on-going. Table 1 and 2 describe a detail status of the MMTDP

Table 1 Proportion of the DMTDP Implemented in 2020

Indicators	Baseline	2018		2019		2020	
	2017	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
Proportion of the annual action plan implemented							
a. Percentage completed	57	100	70	100	87.5	100	84
b. Percentage of ongoing interventions	39	-	10	-	5.4	-	14
c. Percentage of interventions abandoned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
d. Percentage of interventions yet to start	4	0	20	-	7,1	-	-
i. Percentage of interventions executed outside plan	-	-	-	-	0.00	-	0
1. Proportion of the overall medium-term development plan implemented	-	20.3	17.1	36	34	28	27

MPCU, AACMA, (January, 2021)

Table 2 Details of the Annual Action Plan Implemented

S/N	Development Dimension	2017		2018		2019		2020	
		Plan	Exec	Plan	Exec	Plan	Exec	Plan	Exec
1	Economic Development	7	3	8	6	10	10	9	9
2	Social development	16	12	14	11	17	16	18	17
3	Environment, Infrastructure And Human Developments	12	8	4	2	19	16	11	11
4	Governance, Corruption And Public Accountability	12	9	14	12	10	10	11	11
Total		47	32	40	31	56	52	49	48

MPCU, AACMA, (January, 2021)

2.2 ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

2.2.1 Agricultural

Agricultural is the main stay of the Municipal economy and is the major source of food, employment and income for most of the population in the Municipality. This section of the report present crops out-puts of the year under review.

From the table below, the total output of crop yield for the year under review is 198, 522.91 as against the targeted output of 213, 487.70. This represent 93% of the expected output.

Indicator (categorized by development Dimension of Agenda for jobs)		Baseline	2018		2019		2020	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		2017	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
1	Total output in agricultural production							
i.	Maize	367.2	403.92	489.2	557.4	506.7	10,388.19	10,085.63
ii.	Rice (milled)	408.1	448.91	454.3	483.6	641.9	727.05	692.43
iii.	Cassava	9,374.8	10,312.3	8,656	9,694	9,181.20	65,470.70	60,064.87
iv.	Yam	358.5	394.35	400.38	440.38	416.37	5,773.15	5,659.96
v.	Cocoyam	1,915.9	2,107.5	1,690	1,859	1,799.90	7,300.18	7,227.91
vi.	Plantain	5,819	6,400.9	5,452	7,087	7,400.30	60,547.43	55,548.11
vii.	Cocoa	-	-	10,028.63	-	-	-	-
viii.	Cattle	617	647	673	740	713	2,612	2,375
ix.	Sheep	4,952	5,348	5,722	6,580	6,179	9,729	9,008
x.	Goat	5,629	6,023	6,384	7, 788	7,277	7,819	7,044
xi.	Pig	1,693	1,778	1,858	2,006	1,988	9,404	8,397
xii.	Poultry	29,364	32,300	35,207	40,488	38,375	33,717	32,420
Total		60,498.50	66,163.88	77,014.51	69,935.38	74,478.37	213,487.70	198,522.91
2	Percentage of arable land under cultivation (Hecters)	-	60%		65%	63%	70%	67%

Table 3 Employment by Sector

3 Number of new industries established	2017	2018		2019		2020	
	Baseline	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
• Agriculture	-	-	-				
• Industry	-	-	-				
• Service	-	-	-				
4 Number of new jobs created							
• Agriculture			31				
• Industry			21				
• Service	-	-	340				

2.2.2 Education

Education is essential for the development of the requisite human resource needed to accelerate socio- economic development. In order to track progress on the educational performance in the Municipality, certain indicators such Net enrollment ratio, Gender parity index and Completion rate were measured.

Table 4: represent the performance of educational indicators for the year under review

5 Net enrolment ratio	2017	2018		2019		2020	
	Baseline	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Actual
Kindergarten	76.5%	90	82.5	72.1%	71.90%	75.5%	72%
Primary	102.9%	115	103.0	102.0%	99.80%	102%	102%
JHS	53.9%	55	56.8	51.1%	52.10%	72.3%	65.2%
SHS	61.1%	70	68.3	-	-	70%	54%
6 Gender parity index							
kindergarten	1.05	110	1.03	0.98	97.50%	1.0	0.97
primary	1.13	115	1.12	1.08	1.05	1.0	1.08
JHS	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.02	1.01	1.0	1.00
SHS			-	1.14	1.11	1.0	1.14
7 Completion rate							
kindergarten	116.2%	117	113.8	-	-	112%	78.3%

primary	115.7%	117	113.5	106.9%	103.7%	109.5%	101.8%
JHS	78.7%	80	85.4	79.7%	81.15	77.4%	72.8%
SHS	91.9%	100	116.7	-	-	100%	113.8%

Source: GES, AACMA (January, 2021)

2.2.3 Health

The overall health condition of every society is very critical to its development. Good health condition empowers the working population and thereby, increase productivity. The table below represent the recorded health indicators for 2020 as against 2017.

In general, there are 15 operational health facilities in this Municipality. Out of which, 11 are public comprising of 5 CHPs compound, 5 health centres and 1 government hospital whilst the private health facilities are 4. With respect to population with valid NHIS card, 66% of the total population in the Municipality hold a valid NHIS card. However, data on malaria in the year under review could not be retrieved due to an unstable web based platform.

		2017		2018		2019		2020	
8	Number of operational health facilities	Public	Private	Public	Private	Private	Public	Public	Private
	CHPS Compound	4	-	6	5	5	-	5	-
	Clinic	-	2	-	-	3	1	-	3
	Health center	3	-	3	3	-	4	5	-
	Hospital	1	2	-	1	1	1	1	1
	Maternal mortality ratio (institutional)	0/100,000				0	0		
	Malaria case fatality (institutional)					0	0		
	i. Sex					0	0		
	ii. Age group					0	0		
9	Proportion of population with valid NHIS card								
	Total (by sex)	Male	25,248	32,028.00	21,372.00	26,974	27,956	32,459	25,280
		Female	38,010	46,095.00	32,837.00	40,461	40,366	48,689	36,865
		Total	63,258	78,123.00	54,209.00	67,435	68,322	81,148	62,145
	• Indigents		1879	3371	91	113	678	2,434	85
	• informal		21067	26163	18916	23,445	25394	27,185	24,419
	• Aged		3383	3738	2889	3,581	3,342	4,300	3,133
	• Under 18 years		29153	33638	25752	31,917	32,372	37,328	28,286
	• Pregnant women		4257	7475	3378	4,187	3,096	5,437	3,151

	• SSNIT Contributors	3372	3588	3158	3,914	2,955	4,301	2,593
	• SSNIT Pensioners	147	150	225	278	485	1,623	487
	Total	63,258	78,123	54,409	67,435	68,322	82,608	59,003

Municipal Health Directorate, AACMA (January, 2021)

Note: *the data provided on NHIS relates to both Asante Akim North District Assembly and Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly
We cannot segregate data for both Asante Akim North and Central

2.2.4 CHILD PROTECTION

There were no recorded cases of child trafficking in the year 2020. Moreover, there was no increase in case of child abuse among females whiles that of the male case reduced from 12 (2018) to 11 (2019).

The Table 5 below illustrate recorded cases of child trafficking and abuse by Sex.

Table 5 Child Trafficking and Abuse

15	Number of recorded cases of child trafficking and abuse		2017 Baseline	2018 Target	2018 Actual	2019 Target	2019 Actual	2020 Target	2020 Actual
	Child trafficking (sex)	Male	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Female	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Child abuse (sex)	Male	8	-	12		11	6	1
		Female	6	-	8		9	5	1

2.2.5 ELECTRICITY

In the table below, Ninety- five percent (95%) of communities in the Municipality are covered with electricity.

16	Percentage of road network in good condition		2017 Baseline	2018 Target	2018 Actual	2019 Target	2019 Actual	2020 Target	2020 Actual
	i.	Total	45	50	48	45		60	50
	ii.	Urban	55	60	58	40	25	40	30
	iii.	Feeder	35	50	38	50	40	100	80
17	Percentage of Communities covered by electricity								

i.	District	89.5	92.5	90	94	93	96	95
ii.	Rural	82	85	82	87	84	90	89
iii.	Urban	97	100	98	100	98	100	99

18 Reported cases of crime

ii.	Men	973	-	1,077.00		-	-
iii.	Women	472	-	528	2079	-	-
iv.	Children	98	-	112		-	-

2.2.6 NADMO

The Secretariat undertook some monitoring exercises and awareness creation campaigns which include inspection of illegal mining sites, anti-fire campaigns, hazard mapping and public education and sensitization on covid-19 within the municipality to help mitigate disasters and its associated risks.

Moreover, the secretariat partnered with the municipal assembly to fumigate all the major markets within the municipality as part of government's safety measures to combat the dreaded covid-19 pandemic.

With respect to the occurrence of disasters in the Municipality, in the year under review, there was no occurrence of bushfire or flood in the Municipality. This was due to the creation of awareness and educating the people on the causes and effects of bushfire.

	Baseline 2017	2019 Target	2019 Actual	2020 Target	2020 Actual
Number of communities affected by disaster	-	4	-	4	-
i. Bushfire					
ii. Floods	-	4	2	4	-

NADMO, AACMA, (January, 2021)

2.2.7 Update on Revenue Source and Disbursement

The tables below shows the revenue and expenditure for the assembly for the year under review.

Table 6: Update on Revenue Source and Disbursement.

EXPENDITURE ITEM	Baseline 2017	Budget 2018	Actual 2018	Budget 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020
IGF		1,292,930.00	863,659.84	1420,490.21	1,087,566.22	1,442,990.21	991,653.27
DACF		3190,849.51	1,482,873.11	3,789,668.65	1,851,477.92	4,229,550.00	2,335,065.35
MP's CF		400,000.00	412,515.14	750,000.00	359,907.78	93700,000.00	321,412.27
PWDs CF		493,728.92	228,516.80	113,689.75	164,151.44	123,191.00	164,517.57
MSHAP				12,681.98	12,681.98	-	8,401.16
MAG				172,948.68	172,376.11	-	
DDF		936,416.00	422,633.00	570,219.00	311,130.27	100,000.00	131,651.25
DPAT				4666,000.00	465,678.00		
UDG		341,000.00				636,114.72	657,236.23
OTHERS						119,856.66	98,630.14
TOTAL		1,277,416.00	422,633.00	5,236,219.00	776,808.27	100,351,702.59	5,780,220.47

Finance Dept, AACMA, (January, 2021)

Table 7: Update on Revenue Source and Disbursement.

EXPENDITURE ITEM	Baseline 2017	Budget 2018	Actual 2018	Budget 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020
Compensation	2292094	139,887.00	107,538.47	296,020.00	270,982.29	310,204.00	248,431.25
Goods And Service	2851957	2,723,545.00	1,739,437.96	862,190.21	658,858.48	866,370.00	624,909.61
Others	3,959,983	469,207.00	241,001.32	42,004.00	34,9781.61	45,000.00	34,703.19
TOTAL	9,104,034	3,332,639.00	2,087,977.75	1,200,214.21	1,279,622.38	1,212,574	908,044.05

Finance Dept, AACMA, (January, 2021)

2.3 PROGRAMS FOR THE YEAR

2.3.1 TRAINING ON GENERAL HUSBANDRY PRACTICES OF SMALL RUMINANTS

Introduction:

Livestock (sheep and goats) production is another fetching enterprise among the various enterprises in agriculture. It is an important feature of the country's agriculture and contributes to agricultural GDP. Most farmers depend on it as their major source of livelihood. Ghana continues to import meat and meat product into the country to make up for its meat deficit costing the country over USD375 million annually (RFJ, 2019). This could be due to the fact that farmers who keep these animals sometimes have little or no knowledge about husbandry management and hence, low production. It is therefore necessary to train livestock keepers on general management practices and current government flagships programs on livestock production to solve some of the meat and knowledge deficiency problems. Training was therefore organized for some farmers at Boateng Kurom community.

Objective:

To let farmers adopt good husbandry management of small ruminants and involve in rearing for Food and Jobs.

Methodology

1. The farmers were welcomed by the facilitator
2. Introduction of individuals
3. Message delivery (interaction approach) by the facilitator
4. Presentation of pictures depicting good management practices of livestock on laptop
5. Farmers had opportunities to ask questions

Activities

Farmers were taken through the importance of livestock production, rearing for Food and Jobs and the following management practices:

1. Good sanitation.
2. Feeding
3. Disease control
4. Endo and ecto parasite control
5. Records keeping

After the teachings, farmers were given the opportunity to ask questions to clarify certain issues and also get in-depth knowledge about rearing for Food and Jobs. Farmers were shown pictures on laptop to facilitate the learning process.

Results

Most of the farmers have decided to adopt good husbandry management and expressed interest in rearing for Food and Jobs programme.

Remarks

The training was successfully carried out and the farmers really appreciated.

2.3.2 TRAINING ON GENERAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES OF LIVESTOCK AND SENSITIZATION ON REARING FOR FOOD AND JOBS

Introduction:

Livestock production is another lucrative venture as far as Agriculture is concerned. It is an important feature of the country's agriculture, and contributes 14% to agricultural GDP (RFJ, 2020). Most farmers derive their major source of income from keeping livestock. Ghana imports over 240,000 MT of meat (chicken, beef and others) to make up for its meat deficit costing the country over USD375 million annually (RFJ, 2020). And this may be attributed to the fact that farmers who keep these animals sometimes have little or no knowledge about good management practices. It is therefore necessary to train livestock keepers on general management practices and current government flashy programmes on poultry and livestock production to help solving the meat and knowledge deficiency problems. Hence, training was organized for some farmers at Nyaboo, Benemase and Dwaese communities.

Objective:

To let farmers adopt good livestock management practices and involve in rearing for Food and Jobs.

Methodology

6. The farmers were welcomed by the facilitator
7. Introduction of individuals
8. Message delivery (interactive approach) by the facilitator
9. Presentation of pictures depicting good management practices of livestock on laptop
10. Farmers had opportunities to ask questions

Activities

Farmers were taken through the importance of livestock production, rearing for Food and Jobs and the following management practices:

1. Good sanitation.
2. Feeding
3. Disease control
4. Endo and ecto parasite control
5. Records keeping

After the teachings, farmers were given the opportunity to ask questions to clarify certain issues and also get in-depth knowledge about rearing for Food and Jobs. Farmers were shown pictures on laptop to facilitate the learning process.

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Remarks

The training was successfully carried out and the farmers really appreciated.

2.3.3 Support to Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs)/LED Activities

The Assembly through its Business Advisory Centre (BAC) under the rural enterprise project (RTF) continued to render training to Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs) in the municipality. This is to ensure that the private sector adopt effective and efficient methods production and marketing so as to ensure a healthy competition in the local economy.

The table below provides statistics of various support that were rendered to some selected Small and Medium Scale Enterprises in the year under review.

The table below represent training programmes organized for Small and Medium Scale Enterprises (SMEs) for the year under review.

No.	Activity	F	M	Total	Date	Target Group	Venue
1	Technology improvement and training in cassava chips and flour processing for women	15	3	18	30 th July, 2020	Gari processors	Konongo

2	Technology improvement and packaging training in oil palm processing	25	10	35	31 st July, 2020	Farmers	Adumkrom
3	Training in Batik production	10	-	10	7 th July, 2020	Women groups	Municipal wide
4	Group dynamics for women	15	-	15	8 th July, 2020	Gari producers	Praaso

Source: BAC, AACMA (January, 2021)

2.3.4 TRAINING OF WOMEN FARMERS ON INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES

2.3.4.1 PREPARATION OF LIQUID SOAP AND SHOWER GEL FOR WOMEN FARMERS AT OBENEMASE

The training was held on 16th July 2020 at Anawuokrom in Asante Akim Central Municipality. The programme started around 11:00am. The BAC officer gave a brief introduction and emphasized on how the liquid soap and shower gel preparation would improve their standard of living by adding additional income when they learn it well.

Objectives of the training

The objectives of the training were;

1. To improve their standard of living.
2. As an additional income.

Attendance

We had a total of thirty (30) people, seven (7) males and fifty-three (23) females, 1 PLWD (female) who took part in the training.

Recommendation

1. It was recommended that, the women should form a group and start making the liquid soap and shower gel.
2. It was also recommended that individuals can also start the liquid soap business.

Conclusion

Each individual present appreciated and participated in the preparation of the liquid soap and shower gel

2.3.5 LOCAL TRAININGS

A number of trainings were undertaken during the year under review. Some of these are,

- ❖ Training in liquid soap and shower gel for 114 women at Ekoso and Anawuokrom
- ❖ Training of 20 women in bee keeping
- ❖ Two trainings were also carried out on feed fortification and the preparation of rice banku for 35 women

In addition, three trainings were organized for staff and farmers at Ohene- Nkwanta and Konongo on feed formulation, breed improvement and general animal husbandry practices. In all, 118 farmers were involved in this training with 47 of them being females.

Moreover, two training were organized for 26 farmers on pond and feed management and processing of cat fish .Farmers were taken through pond management, stocking rate, harvesting methods by the facilitator. It was suggested that due to the dwindling of the people in fish production sector and the knowhow of people involved management resolved to send these farmers to a trip to interact with other fish farmers to improve their management skills especially in pond management. On fish processing, Mr.Oti Acheampong took participants through the use of the Ahotostove to process cat fish.

During the year 28 staff and fish farmers were taken to Kona Fisheries' Research Centre to learn at first hand some rudiments of fish farming. They were taken through pond construction and management as well as feed formulation and feeding .They were also taken through processing of cat fish 6 female fish mongers were part of the study tour.

2.3.6 REGISTRATION OF BUSINESS

The team embarked on the project of registering some businesses in the municipal. Total number of 1325 businesses from the Asante Akim Central Municipal were registered. Businesses in the locality covered areas like trade and agriculture. Among the registered businesses, there were 460 traders, 50 cassava business, 65 oil palm, 350 artisans, 300 agripreneurs (processing of rice), 40 manufacturers and 30 food and beverages. This has benefited in keeping records of the economic activities and derive revenue out of the businesses.

2.3.7 36TH FARMERS DAY CELEBRATION

The Asante Akim Central Municipal Farmers Day Celebration was held at the Konongo-Odumase Jubilee Park on 6th November, 2020. The Municipal Celebration forms part of a nationwide celebration held across the country. In all twenty five (25) farmers were awarded with the Best Farmer award going to Mr. Bismark Mantey Asare from Bimma.

Among the items he received were a Tri motorcycle (Aboboyaa), a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, half piece of cloth, one bag of sachet water, a knapsack spraying machine, two bars of key soap, two bars of fertilizer, one liter of insecticide a rosette and a certificate, which was presented by the Municipal Chief Executive, Hon. Susan Akomeah.

The second Best Farmer award went to Mr. Azure Atisure David from Petriensa Kwaem, and his prize were a Trimotorcycle (Aboboyaa), a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, one bag sachet water, two bars of key soup, two bags of fertilizer, half piece of cloth, one liter of insecticide, a knapsack spraying machine, a rosette and a certificate and was presented by the Municipal Coordinating Director, Mr. David Owusu Ansah.

The Best Livestock Farmer award went to Mr. Yeboah Domfe Joseph from Praaso, among his prize were a motorbro spraying machine, a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, one bag of sachet water, two bars of key soap, two bags of fertilizer, half piece of cloth, one liter of insecticide, a knapsack spraying machine, a rosette and a certificate, which was presented to him by a representative of the Member of Parliament, Hon. Kwame Anyimadu Antwi.

The Best Fisheries Farmer award went to Madam Margaret Odei from Konongo and his prize were a motorbro spraying machine, a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, one bag of sachet water, half piece of cloth, a knapsack spraying machine, two bars of key soap, two bags of fertilizer, a rosette and certificate, which was presented to him by Mr. Owusu Anane of New Age Agro Chemicals.

The Best Agricultural Extension Officer award went to Mr. Atta Agyemang from Konongo, and his prize were a laptop computer, a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, one bag of sachet water, half piece of cloth, a knapsack spraying machine, two bars of key soap, two bags of fertilizer, a rosette and a certificate, which was presented to him by a representative of NeoMining Co Ltd.

The Best Crop Farmer award went to Mr. Owusu Sadick from Praaso, and his prize were motorbro spraying machine, a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, one bag of sachet water, half piece of cloth, a knapsack spraying machine, two bars of key soap, two bags of fertilizer, a rosette and a certificate, which was presented to him by Nana Yaa Koa III, Queen mother of Odumase.

The Best Person with Disability Farmer award went to Mr. Iddrisu Mahama from Atunsu, and his prize were a double decker fridge, a pair of wellington boots, 4 pieces of cutlasses, one bag of sachet water, half piece of cloth, a knapsack spraying machine, two bars of key soap, two bags of fertilizer, a rosette and a certificate, which was presented to him by the Presiding Member, Hon. Samuel Ohemeng

The rest of the eighteen (18) farmers also received a pair of wellington boots, a knapsack spraying machine, one bag of sachet water, half piece of cloth, 4 pieces of cutlasses, two bars of key soap, two bags of fertilizer, a rosette and a certificate.

In an address, The Municipal Chief Executive (MCE), Hon. Susan Akomeah said, the National Farmers Day Celebration offers us a great opportunity to take stock of the gains we have made as a nation and also plan for the future as this would inform us of the strategies to take in order to surmount challenges posed by COVID 19 for a better future of our country.

2.3.8 63RD INDEPENDENCE DAY ANNIVERSARY

For the second time running the nation's Independence Day celebration was held outside Accra. This year's celebration which forms the 63rd anniversary was held in Kumasi. Selected Senior High Schools from the Municipality (St, Mary's Senior High, Wesley Methodist Senior High and Konongo Odumasi Senior High School) joined their counterparts at the Babayara Sports Stadium in Kumasi for the celebration.

2.3.9 2020 GENERAL ELECTIONS

Registered voters in the Asante Akim Central Constituency joined their counterparts in the country to cast their votes in the 2020 Presidential and Parliamentary Elections on 7th December, 2020. A comprehensive monitoring of the Elections by the Municipal Information Office indicates a peaceful atmosphere.

A visit to most of the polling stations indicated that voting started at exactly 7am and most of the polling stations were without the usual queues that characterized most general elections in the

country. Party agents of the two most dominant political parties, the National Democratic Congress (NDC) and the New Patriotic Party (NPP) were at almost all the polling stations visited to ensure an open and transparent process.

At the end of the electioneering process all the stakeholders involved including the security agencies gathered at a collation centre set-up by the Electoral Commission at the Municipal Assembly Hall where a collation of results from all the One Hundred and Fourteen (114) polling stations in the Constituency were done in an open and transparent manner. The Municipal Electoral Commissioner Mr. Fiifi Bonzey Caique declared the final results and the winner of both the Presidential and Parliamentary elections at exactly 8am, Tuesday, 8th December, 2020.

2.3.10 LAUNCHING OF COMMUNITY MINING

The Minister for Mines and Natural Resources, Hon. Kwaku Asomah Cheremeh launched the first ever Community Mining Programme in Asante Akim Central Municipality on Tuesday, 3rd November, 2020 at the Jubilee Park at Konongo-Odumase. Hon. Kwaku Asomah Cheremeh in an address said about 1500 workers will be employed when the project fully takes off. He advised the Small Scale Mines to follow laid down regulations to avoid disaster.

2.3.11 PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION

2.3.11.1 FOOD HYGIENE AND SCREENING

On the side of Food Education and Hygiene, the Unit was able to educate food handlers on how to protect their food and drinks to avoid contamination and pollution by flies and dust. Three days' workshop was organized on personal hygiene and other aspect from 10th – 12th of June, 2020 at the Municipal Assembly. Screening was done for them and about 450 people were successfully screened municipal wide and out of the number, 5% of them showed positive were referred to the Konongo Government Hospital and follow- up showed that treatment was carried out by the Medical Team.

2.3.11.2 HIV/AIDS PROGRAMME

The Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and its related Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) continue to be a pandemic and a major concern to the Municipal Aids Committee and other stakeholders.

During the period under review, the Municipal response team together with the District Health Service successfully organized Voluntary Testing and counseling services at Dwease, Odumasi, Patriensa, Konongo and of which a total number of Two Hundred and fifty (250) people were

tested. Out of the total number tested, only five were reactive with the virus and have since been referred to the Government Hospital for further testing and counseling and to be put on Anti-Retroviral treatment.

The Municipality also observes the World Aids Day on 1st December, 2020 with a weeklong activity including, voluntary testing and counseling, radio talks, and durbar.

In a whole, it can be said that the delay in the release of the funds with the HIV accounts by the Common Fund Secretariat has stifled the full implementation of our annual plan for HIV response in the Municipality.

However, the Assembly has remained proactive with its little resources towards the fight against HIV/Aids.

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS

- Implementation of the Asante Akim Municipal Assembly Work Place Policy for HIV/AIDS
- Co-ordination and management of decentralized response have been strengthened
- Stigma Reduction

2.3.11.3 REPORT ON THE SENSITIZATION OF MALARIA (ROLLBACK MALARIA)

Malaria being a life threatening disease caused by parasites that are transmitted to people through the bites of infected female anopheles' mosquitoes. Malaria thereby poses a high risk to all but most especially to young children, pregnant women and the elderly. Due to the number of cases being recorded in the health facilities in the Municipality, the Municipal Health Directorate saw the need to educate the general public on the modes of transmission, signs and symptoms of malaria and how it can be treated.

This sensitization programme was held at the Konongo Park on Tuesday, 15th September, 2020 with participants from the Municipal Assembly (Heads of Departments), health personnel, Traditional leaders, market women, CSOs, farmers, and the general public. In all, about 150 people attended this programme, with males of 50 and the remaining being females.

With respect to the sensitization, the participants were educated on ways malaria is transmitted to humans such as through the bite of mosquitoes which occur more often near water logged areas,

blood transfusion, transfer from the mother to the fetus etc. Again, people with malaria have symptoms such as fever (temperature of 38.5oC or more), loss of appetite, vomiting, nausea and headache. The health facilitator elaborated on the need to immediately visit the hospital when anyone has any of these symptoms because malaria can cause the death of a life.

Moreover, bringing the participants to speed on these signs and symptoms, the facilitator detailed out the ways it can be treated. He outlined such as clearing of choked gutters and water logged areas, sleeping in insecticide treated mosquito nets and indoor spraying with insecticides, taking in of antimalarial drugs as prescribed by the doctor.

One major issue that was raised was the challenge of acquiring the treated mosquito nets for all their family members due to inadequate money. Therefore, it was recommended by one of the participants that the health Directorate should start an initiative to give out free mosquito nets to the locals or women with new born babies since young children are at high risk of contracting malaria.

Prior to the sensitization programme, the Municipal Health Directorate in their monitoring exercise in all the health facilities observed that all health facilities had adequate malaria RDTs in stock and most of the malaria tests were undertaken at the OPD, Consulting room, Lab and during ANC sessions.

In addition, the team realized that the health facilities in their own way undertook education on malaria in their facilities. These were done during ANC sessions and OPD morning health talk and there was also, the visible display of malaria posters at most of the health facilities.

2.3.12 PUBLIC EDUCATION ON BUSHFIRE

Bushfire is an unplanned and uncontrolled fire that occurs especially during the dry and warm months of the year resulting in loss of crops, habitat and property damage and sometimes, loss of life. Bushfires are caused by various factors such as dry climate, physical setting and available fuels.

The occurrence of most bushfires is as a result of certain human activities. These activities such as burning of logs (firewood) for cooking, slash and burn clearing, discharged cigarette, among others lead to the loss of vegetation cover and endangered ecosystem.

With the continuous occurrence of bushfire in the Municipality, the Assembly saw the need to embark on public education on the causes and effects of Bushfires. This public education took place from Tuesday, 18th to Wednesday, 19th August, 2020 in the two (2) zonal councils;

- Konongo – Odumase
- Owereagya Zone

OBJECTIVE

Generally, the main objective of carrying out the sensitization was to effectively equip the participants with knowledge to be able to tackle issues relating to bushfire and also, some practices which is geared towards mitigating the effects of bushfire to address;

- Climate Change
- Deforestation
- Drought
- Low yields
- Life and property lost

SCOPE

The public education was carried out in all the two (2) zones of the Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly.

OPENING PROGRAM

The program was launched in the municipality with brief overview of the purpose and objectives of the program as well as the benefits and impact on the various zonal areas.

PARTICIPANTS

The program was attended by the various stakeholders in the Municipality, with participants drawn from the following disciplines;

NO.	Participant	Male	Female	Total
1	Heads of Departments/Units	5	2	7
2	Traditional Leaders	2	1	3
3	Civil Society Groups	1	1	2
4	General Public	30	20	50
5	Assembly Members	4	0	4
	Total	42	24	66

TOPICS DISCUSSED

The following were the issues discussed at the program in all the three zoned areas.

- Awareness on climate types and climate change
- Preventive measures
- Good Farming Practices
- Ways of curtail bushfires

NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF BUSHFIRE

The audiences were educated on the negative effects of Bushfires;

- Climate Change
- Deforestation
- Loss of endangered biodiversity
- Loss of human lives and properties
- Loss of valuable natural resources

CONCLUSION

There has been a lot of bushfires issues cropping in the Municipality which the Assembly seeks to address. The various aforementioned zonal areas in the Municipality are been educated on bushfires in other to mitigate its effects and impacts on humans and the ecosystem as a whole. The general

public now know some of the issues and ways of preventing them as well as measures to be put in place to avoid its occurrences. They were also educated to put an end to the various human activities that may lead to the depletion of farms and forested areas.

2.3.13 TREE PLANTING EXERCISE

As part of the Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly mission to protect natural lands and preserve the environment as well as the entire population of its zonal areas, there was a decision undertaken by the management board to embark on a tree planting exercise in its territorial areas. Each zonal community was to take part in this exercise which would help impoverished these communities sustain themselves in their local economies and the environment as a whole.

Since trees are visible part of the landscape, care must be taken to ensure proper growth conditions and maintenance. A tree is far more difficult and expensive to replace once matured in the landscape than most shrubs. However, with advance planting, trees too can be easily maintained.

Trees reverse the impacts on land degradation and provide food, energy and income to achieve long term economic and environmental sustainability. Trees also filter the air and help stave off the effect of climatic change.

With the reality of increasingly unpredictable weather patterns in more frequent and violent storm and flood, tree planting to prevent soil erosion has a vital role to play in addressing deforestation in the Municipality

OBJECTIVES

The general objective of the program is to grow 500 trees across the Municipality but specifically to;

- Mitigate the effect of climatic change
- Help enhance Afforestation
- Protect the environment

IMPLEMENTATION

The Assembly as part of its annual plan decided to undertake Tree Planting Exercise within its boundary. The project started in the third quarter and ended in the fourth quarter. The Municipal Assembly divides its territory into three zonal areas which are;

- Konongo – Odumase zonal area
- Dwease – Praaso zonal area and
- Owereagya zonal area

The program was launched in the Municipality to alert the various zones of the intension of the Assembly. The purpose of the exercise was also made known.

The first phase of the project was done in Konongo – Odumase Zonal area in the third quarter from 8th to 10th September, 2020. Two hundred (200) trees acacia and other trees were planted in this zone on a vacant plot. Both Konongo and Odumase Chiefs donated lands for the exercise. Resource persons on tree planting were invited to educate the populace on how to plant trees and measures to ensure sustainability of the trees. The exercise started with a general clean up across the communities lead by the MCE and his team and the Chief and his Leaders. The exercise was climaxed with games and remarks of the MCE and the Chiefs

Following the planned period, the next zone was Owereagya Zonal Area, which took place between 20th and 22nd October, 2020. A parcel of land was demarcated for the tree planting exercise in the zone. The Chief joined in the exercise. The Assembly planted one hundred and fifty (150) trees within the Owereagya zone.

In the fourth quarter of the project, the last exercise took place at Dwease-Praaso zone. In this zone one hundred and fifty (150) trees were planted. Some of the trees were also planted in some selected schools in the zone.

PARTICIPANTS

The following people participated in the exercise;

- The Municipal Chief Executive
- Civil Society Groups
- The Unit Committee Members of the various zones
- Traditional Authorities of the various zones
- Parks and Gardens
- School Children
- The Community
- Heads of Department of Committee Members

RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee at the end the exercise, made the following recommendations;

- Cutting down of trees should be discouraged

- New planted trees should be taken care of to ensure its sustainability
- More of such exercises organized regularly to check environmental degradation

CONCLUSION

The MCE in her closing address advised the various Zones to see the need to promote tree planting within their environs to ensure environmental sustainability. He further added that the trees will go a long way to improve on the natural environment of the Municipality.

2.3.14 WASTE MANAGEMENT

2.3.14.1 SOLID WASTE

During the period of review, the Environmental Unit in collaboration with the Zoomlion Company Limited were able to clean all the refuse piled up at central containers site and other areas which makes the sites very insanitary at those areas and sent it to final disposal site. This was undertaken at Odumasi and Nyaboo on 23rd June, 2020.

Also, Zoomlion and Dream Waste Company Limited were able to collect house to house refuse and send to final disposal site. Every quarter, the Environmental Unit meet with the companies to assess the progress of work and the Unit can emphatically state that the companies are doing very well in carrying out their duties.

2.3.14.2 LIQUID WASTE

During the period under review, the Environmental Unit in collaboration with New Age Agro Service dislodged the liquid waste from a number of public toilets to be disposed off at the final disposal site at Bomireso. Some of these areas are Odumasi, Ahyaem, Obenimase, Dwease and Praaso and this was undertaken on 17th and 23rd November, 2020.

2.3.14.3 DESILTING OF CHOKED DRAINS

Gutters from Ghana Commercial Bank to Accra station and beyond were desilted by Zoomlion Company Limited and the Assembly and also, Ahenbrum chief palace, all drainages around the Konongo and Odumasi markets areas were desilted with the help of the Fire Service Unit. This was carried out in March, 2020.

2.3.15 EVACUATION OF THREE DUMP SITES AT ODUMASI AND NYABOO

The Municipal Assembly operates a final waste disposal site at Odumasi and Nyaboo. To ensure effective management of the place and to contain disease causing organisms, Nimboat Construction Ltd and Paa Olu Company Ltd on 23rd June and 23rd November, 2020 undertook the clearing and evacuation of the sites. This activity further ensured that the site had enough space to accommodate the ever increasing waste generation by the inhabitants.

2.3.16 DISINFECTION

2.3.16.1 VECTOR CONTROL

The premises of government hospital – Konongo – Odumasi, three second cycle institution were disinfested. Zoom lion Ghana Limited, disinfested Konongo Market, 20 transfer sites landfill site, residency, public latrines, public drains etc. during the year. They were supervised by the unit on behalf of the A.A.C.M.A.



2.3.17 INSPECTION

2.3.17.1 HOUSE INSPECTION

The Sanitation Guards during the year under review supported the Environmental Health Officer's to carry out most of their official duties. A total of 15,320 premises were inspected with their wonderful support.



The Picture shows officers conducting house to house inspection at Kramokrom

Based on the public complaints and domiciliary inspections and among other things, the Unit were able to prosecute more than 50 sanitary offenders

2.3.17.2 SCHOOL INSPECTION

➤ Total No. of Schools	-	304
➤ Total No. of schools Inspected	-	153
➤ Total No. of schools with urinals	-	103
➤ Total No. of schools Inspected with latrines	-	135
➤ Total No. of schools inspected with good drinking water	-	146
➤ Total No. of schools inspected with hand washing facilities	-	132
➤ Total No. of schools inspected with dust or litter bins	-	164

The officer educating the school children at one of the schools in the Municipality



2.3.17.3 MARKET INSPECTION

The Municipality has Tuesday and Friday as their market days. People from different places travels to do their business. Amongst the items being seen in the market are; plantain, cassava, cocoyam, yam, fish, etc. As a result of this, refuse is being piled up after the market. The picture clearly shows public health officers educating the market women



2.3.18 REPORT ON THE SENSITIZATION ON ROAD SAFETY

2.3.18.1 SENSITIZATION OF DRIVERS

A one day programme for sensitization of drivers on road safety in the Municipality was organized on the 2nd of September, 2020. The programme covered participants from the different taxi and trotro stations who met at Konongo Methodist. The education was done by the MTTU of the Municipal. The program's main aim was to respond to the regular carelessness of drivers and the rampant accidents in the Municipal and country at large. There were no females, only 50 males from all the stations in the Municipal were present. On the day of the sensitization programme, the drivers were educated on the road signs and their meanings so as to know when to slow down, where to park and not to park and also, the appropriate speed level required of them when using the first class road. They were taught the importance of wearing their seat belts and also, avoid making and receiving calls when driving. They were motivated and encouraged to go by the road safety rules to curb accident in the municipal and country at large. In conclusion, the drivers pledged to go by the road safety rules and be cautious when driving.

2.3.18.2 SENSITIZATION IN SELECTED COMMUNITIES

This report is based upon a two day journey the Municipal team embarked on in educating the public on road safety on the 5th and 6th of August 2020. This was organized by the Municipal's MTTU in three selected communities which are Konongo, Odumasi and Nyaboo. The training's

main objective was to teach the public on the signs and safety rules in driving and what to do to help as a passenger in a commercial vehicle. There were 40 people from Konongo, 35 people from Odumasi and 25 people from Nyaboo involved in this training. On the first day, the education was done for the people of Konongo and Odumasi and the second day, it was held for the people of Nyaboo. Education on some important road safety rules and regulation to keep them safe when driving or crossing the road. Information on road safety like never to drink and drive, always have their seat belts on were taught, drivers must keep a safe distance from other vehicles. The passengers were also told to stop distracting the drivers. The drivers were also taught not to break red signal because there is always danger ahead and finally drivers must drive with speed limit. Questions were asked by the people and their questions were answered by the MTTU representatives.

2.3.18.3 REPORT ON THE REGISTRATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPERATORS, VEHICLE DRIVERS AND TERMINALS

In the year 2020, the team embarked on another project of registering the public transport operators, vehicle drivers and terminals to help account for drivers in Asante Akim Central Municipal. Five public operators were registered which comprise of Otoda, Cooperative, GPRTU (taxi), GPRTU (main) and Protoa. Under Otoda, there are 3 terminals thus Otoda, Otoda Lowcost/SSNIT, Konongo –Local and Adum-Kramokrom. Otoda has 70 members, Lowcost/SSNIT with 39 members, Konongo-local with 21 members and Adum-Kramo krom having 10 members. Cooperative has 40 members, G.P.R.T.U (Taxi) which has a population of 55 drivers is also another terminal registered. The G.P.R.T.U (Main) has also been booked and has 63 members and finally, Protoa consist of 22 members. The registration has helped the Assembly know its total number of drivers in the municipal for any future referencing.

2.3.19 PUBLIC EDUCATION ON REVENUE MOBILIZATION

As part of the Assembly's effort to improve upon its revenue performance in 2020, a revenue mobilisation exercise was conducted municipal wide which was aimed at sensitising the general public on the need to pay their dues for development. The exercise was carried out on 27th - 28th of August, 2020 through the use of local information centres, Kings and Virgin radio among others.

Participants

- ❖ Revenue collectors
- ❖ Information service department
- ❖ Local information centres
- ❖ The media (kings and virgin city radio)
- ❖ Zonal councils

Training Objectives:

- To sensitize the general public on the need to pay their dues.
- To educate their public on their role and responsibility in development
- To educate the people on the use of internally generated fund (IGF) of the Assembly

Facilitators:

- Randy Mensah-Akrong – Municipal Information Officer
- Richard Dery – Internal Auditor
- Daniel Agyemang – Mun. Finance Officer
- Opare Asamoah - Budget Analyst

Medium of Communication

The exercise was carried out through 15 local information centres, 2 radio stations, 1 information vans and 20 revenue collectors across the three zones in the municipality. The following is the breakdown;

		Information Centres	Information Van	Radio Station	Revenue Collectors
1	Konongo-Odumasi	8	1	2	10
2	Dwease-Praaso	3	1	0	5
3	Owereagya	4	1	0	5

Issues Raised

Some of the issues raised during the exercise especially the radio discussions included

- ✚ Misconduct of some revenue collectors and payers
- ✚ The use of IGF by the Assembly
- ✚ Sanctions for defaulters

Due to the consultative and participatory nature of the exercise, both the facilitators and the general public learnt a lot by addressing the above stated issues.

CONCLUSION

The exercise was successfully conducted taking into consideration the responses from the general public. Even though most of the expectations were met, there were few challenges such as resistance by some revenue payers to be educated, difficulties in access to some remote communities among others.

2.3.20 REPORT ON 2020 FEE FIXING RESOLUTION

The programme was held at Dwease Methodist Church on 9th October, 2020 and Patriensa Presby Church on 16th October, 2020. The purpose of the meeting was to create awareness and sensitize the general public on the Annual Action plan and fee fixing resolution for the ensuing year. The fee fixing was carried out using the government guidelines from the Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development.

The participants were taken through the entire document for the programme. However, a few issues were raised such as the public not benefiting from the monies they pay as rates and this makes them feel reluctant in paying it continually, the deplorable nature of the Dwease- Praaso road and the continuous repetition of projects which still has not been implemented.

Overall, a total of 157 people attended the sensitization programme with about 68 being males and the remaining 89 being females.

2.3.21 REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ONE DISTRICT ONE FACTORY

As part of the Municipals drive to boost cassava production, the Municipal Assembly in collaboration with the Ministry of Trade is building a cassava processing factory at Konongo. The facility when completed will absorb all the cassava produced at Asante Akim Central and its environs. The department in turn will be supplying quality planting material to all farmers who intend to partner to make the project a success.

The construction is about 65% complete. It is envisaged that when completed and fully functioning, farmers will have ready market for their produce and at the same time reduce post-harvest losses and also, strengthen the cassava value chain.

Moreover, there's also the construction of a Steel Factory at Odumase which is intended to absorb the high percentage of the unemployed upon completion.

2.3.22 PLANTING FOR FOOD AND JOBS/ PLANTING FOR EXPORT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PFJ/PERD)

The Municipality have indeed benefitted from the PFJ/PERD Programme in that many of our farmers have been registered and are been supplied with free seedlings to plant on their farms in order to generate income. The beneficiaries of the programme are outlined below;

During the year under review, 40,000 oil palm seedlings were distributed to 392 farmers to cultivate 266.6 ha. This was made possible in collaboration with Minerals Development Fund and the Municipal Assembly also supported the farmers to augment the seedlings provided by Mineral Development Fund.

Also, 10 sachets of lettuce, 10 sachets of pepper, 10 sachets of Red Onion as well as 10 sachets of tomato donated by K.Badu Agro Chemicals through the Ministry of Food and Agriculture was distributed to farmers to cultivate .41 farmers and 2 farmer groups benefited from the free seed.

In addition, as at the end of November 2020, PFJ inputs were received and distributed to 7,019 farmers of which 5,351 were males and 1,668 were females. The table below details out the PFJ input received, quantity distributed and number of beneficiaries.

NO .	INPUT	UNIT	QUANTITY RECEIVED	QUANTI TY DISTRIB	BENEFICIARIES		
					M	F	TOTAL
1	N.P.K	25kg	24,206	19,860	2,211	654	2,865
2	UREA	25kg	6956	6090	991	337	1328
3	Maize(OPV) Maize Hybrid	45kg	550	550	419	156	575
		45kg	1000	100	112	33	145

4	Rice	40kg	1190	1190	562	158	720
5	Cabbage	Sachets	480	480	156	36	192
6	Carrots	Sachets	2050	2020	183	46	229
7	Onion	Sachets	1760	1760	174	57	231
8	Pepper	Sachets	110	110	19	11	30
9	Tomato	Sachets	1860	1860	199	56	255
10	Cucumber	Sachets	100	100	33	11	44
11	Lettuce	Sachets	2108	2108	292	113	405
				TOTAL	5351	1668	7019

2.4 SOCIAL PROTECTION

The socio economic justice is the prerequisite for the people to go about their normal duties without hindrance upon their standard of living. It is pre-supposed that the national cake ought to be equitably distributed without discrimination and also in the dispensation of justice. The core programmes focus on adults and children who are in conflict with the law. Other areas of concern include writing of social Enquiry Report, Supervision of adults and young offenders, attending to the personal welfare needs of prisoners, attendants of family tribunal and juvenile courts.

CHILD RIGHTS AND PROTECTION

A total number of One Hundred and Three (103) cases were registered and handled during the year of 2020.

The breakdown is as follows:

1. Child maintenance – Twenty-Six (26) cases
2. Family welfare / Marriage Reconciliation – Forty (40) cases.
3. Child Custody – Twenty-Seven (27) Cases.
4. Pregnancy Responsibility – Seven (7)
5. Interstate – Two (2)
6. Access – Three (3)

CHILD MAINTENANCE

Twenty-Six (26) Child Maintenance cases were registered and handled at the agency during the year 2020. Sixteen (16) of the cases were successfully handled and parties involved are all adhering to the advice given by the agency, two (2) of the cases were disposed off and Eight (8) of them are still pending.

FAMILY WELFARE

Forty (40) marriage reconciliation and family welfare cases were handled during the year 2020. Out of it, sixteen (16) of the cases were successfully handled, fifteen (15) of the cases were disposed off whilst Nine (9) are still pending.

CHILD CUSTODY

Twenty-Seven (27) child custody cases were recorded at the agency during the year 2020. Out of the Twenty-seven (27) cases, twenty (20) of the cases were successfully handled, six cases are still (6) pending and One (1) case were disposed off.

PREGNANCY RESPONSIBILITY

Seven pregnancy responsibility/paternity cases recorded at the agency during the year 2020. It was successfully handled.

INTERSTATE

Two interstate cases were recorded at the agency during the year 2020. It was successfully handled.

ACCESS

One (1) was recorded and handled successfully.

SUMMARY OF CASES

CASES TYPE	SUCCESSFULLY HANDED	PENDING	REDRAWN	TOTAL
Child maintenance	16	8	2	26
Family Welfare	16	9	15	40
Child Custody	20	6	1	27

Pregnancy		7		7
Responsibility				
Access	1			1
Interstate	2			2
Grand Total	55	30	18	103

2.4.1 SOCIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

During the 1st quarter of 2020, (3) three social educational programmes were organized in three (3) communities in collaboration with DOVSSU on Gender based violence. The communities were Dwease, Praaso and Adumkrom all in the Asante Akim Central Municipality.

The social education took the form of fora, talk and discussion. The main speaker, Mr. William Ansah Kwakye took the stage first and spoke about generally on Domestic Violence especially gender violence. He took his time to explain what Domestic Violence means, he said in accordance with Act 2007, Act 732 the Domestic violence it means engaging in the following within the context of previous and existing domestics relationship.

- (a) It constitutes as a threat or harm to a person or threats to commit or acts likely to result in physically abuse, namely physical assault or use of physical force against a person, including forcible confinement or detention, of another person and deprivation of another person of access to adequate food, water, clothing shelter, rest or subject another person to torture or other forms of cruel inhuman, degrading treatment or punishment.
1. He also said apart from physical abuse that are other abuses such sexual abuse, forcibly engage a person in sexual intercourse, economic abuse, depreciation or threatened depreciation of economic or financial resources which a person is entitled to by-law.
2. Emotional, this include verbal psychological abuse such as any conduct that makes another person fees constantly unhappy miserable humiliated, ridicule, afraid, jittery or depressed or feel inadequate or worthless.

3. Harassment including sexual harassment and intimidation. He explains domestic relationship as forming members or relationship a relationship in domestic situation that exist or has existed between a Complainant and Respondent
4. He advised the community members to desist from these kind of act for those who will go against this Act commit offence and are liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than Five Hundred penalty or a term of imprisonment of not more than two years.

After the talk the second in command at the DOVSSU took the stage to lead the community member through discussions, questions and contributions.

In all, about 150 people were covered, 50 males and 100 females in all communities.

Offence and are liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than fire hundred personally or a term of imprisonment of not more than two years.

And also during the 2nd quarter of the year 2020, the three (3) social educational programmes were organized in three (3) communities on Gender base violence. The communities were Bima, Odumasi, and Agyareago in the various chief palace. The Social Education took the form of short discussions in a small group in the various communities due to the COVID-19 pandemic and all the necessary protocols were observed during the Social Education. The domestic violence was explained to the small focus discussion and were informed that gender violence is a form of domestic violence anyone who practices it goes against the domestic violence law Act 2007. The violence against this law is an offence and liable on summary conviction to a fine not more than Five Hundred penalty units or term of imprisonment of not more than two (2) years.

In all, about sixty (60) people were covered in all the three (3) communities thus 40 males and 20 females.

2.4.2 COMMUNITY CARE

REGISTRATION OF DISABLED PERSONS DURING THE YEAR

Five (5) registration was made in the year 2020 for persons living with disabilities (PWD's)

ASSISTANCE TO DISABLED PERSONS AND LEAP BENEFICIARIES

No person was assisted during the year 2020.

LIVELIHOOD EMPOWERMENT AGAINST POVERTY

Seven (7) payment cycles (61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th and 68th) were paid to beneficiary households during the year 2020 by Asante Akim Rural Bank.

TOTAL NO. OF REGISTERED HOUSEHOLD BENEFICIARIES IN THE DISTRICT: **390**

TOTAL NO. OF BENEFICIARIES CREDITED: **283**

TOTAL NO. OF BENEFICIARIES NOT CREDITED: **107**

TOTAL AMOUNT ALLOCATED FOR PAYMENT CYCLE: **GHC 226,547.00**

TOTAL AMOUNT DISBURSED: **GHC 226,547.00**

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION (NGO)

During the period under review, there were two (2) NGO registration.

JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION

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FAMILY TRIBUNAL

KONONGO FAMILY TRIBUNAL: JANUARY – DECEMBER, 2019

TOTAL	
Cases	
Registered	4
Disposed Off	3
Pending	1

JUVENILE COURT

JUVENILE CASES FROM JANUARY – DECEMBER , 2020

TOTAL

Cases Registered	8
Disposed Off	5
Pending	1
Total	14

SOCIAL ENQUIRY REPORTS

TYPE OF COURT	BF	NEW CASES	NO. OF REPORTS WRITTEN	DISCONTINUED	PENDING
JUVENILE COURT		7	7	7	
FAMILY TRIBUNAL		1	1	1	
CIRCUIT/HIGH COURT					
TOTALS		8	8	8	

Type of cases reports were written on: the cases were on one seven Juveniles who was charged with the offence of stealing and the other was a family tribunal case

PROBATION AND SUPERVISION

Six (6) juveniles were released on probation for periods of twelve (3) months each. The cases were stealing and unlawful entry. The ages of the juvenile were between 14- 17 years. Two of the juveniles were committed to Junior Correctional Centres.

2.4.3 SUPPORT TO PWD

EDUCATION

A total of 6 students were supported. These covers those in Tertiary, Secondary and basic schools.

LIST OF STUDENT BENEFICIARIES

NAME	Type of disability	SCHOOL	AMOUNT APPROVED GHC
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1	LOVIA NANA SERWAA	PC	MMOFRATURO GIRLS SCHOOL	1000.00
2	TENI NDEOGO	DEAF	TECHNICAL INSTTUTE FOR THE DEAF	320.00
3	NANCY ADWUBI AGYEI	PC	SDA COLLEGE OF EDUCATION	1758.00
4	AMPONSAH JOSEPHINE	PC	ABETIFI PRESBYTERAIN COLLEGE	1885.00
5	BENEDICT OKYERE ADDO	P	UNIVERSITY OF EDUCATION, WINNEBA	1565.00
6	OSEI GEORGE	P	CHURCH OF CHRIST SENIOR HIGH	1200.00

MEDICAL AND ASSISTIVE DEVICES

For medical support, there were six (6) people supported in payment of their medical bills and supported in surgical operations, footing of the medical bills and walking aids.

LIST OF MEDICAL BENEFICIARIES

	NAME	TYPE OF DISABILITY	PURPOSE	AMOUNT APPROVED GHC	CONTACT
1	JANET ANTWI	P.C	MEDICAL	620.00	026 601 6622
2	DICKSON GYASI	P.C	MEDICAL	2,000.00	020235187
3	AKUA SERWAA	P.C	MEDICAL	788.00	0542029889
4	TEYE ISAAC	P.C	MEDICAL	400.00	0241409138
5	ALBERTA ADOMAKO	P.C	MEDICAL	2,210.00	
6	GRACE OBENEWAA	P.C	MEDICAL	2750.00	055099814

2.4.3.1 DISTRIBUTION LIST OF PPEs TO DISABILITY ASSOCIATIONS

REPRESENTATIVE OF ASSOCIATION	NAME OF ASSOCIATION	ITEMS RECEIVED-QUANTITY
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VIDA DOMPREH	PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED	Thermometer Gun-3pieces
		Hand Sanitizer-7boxes
		Tissues-10boxes
		Liquid soap-7boxes
		Nose Mask-1000pieces
		Veronica Bucket-3
		Bucket Stand-3
EFFAH RICHARD	GHANA BLIND UNION	Bowls-3
		Thermometer Gun-1piece
		Hand Sanitizer-4boxes
		Tissues-8boxes
		Liquid soap-4boxes
		Nose Mask-500pieces
		Veronica Bucket-1
ANGELINA ACHEAMPONG	DEAF ASSOCIATION	Bucket Stand-1
		Bowls-1
		Thermometer Gun-1
		Hand Sanitizer-4boxes
		Tissues-7boxes
		Liquid soap-4boxes
		Nose Mask-500pieces
		Veronica Bucket-1
		Bucket Stand-1
		Bowls-1

2.4.4 REPORT ON TRAINING OF PWDs IN BASIC BOOKS AND RECORD KEEPING

This has a reference to the training we embarked on in helping people with disability in basic books and record keeping. The training was conducted on the 10th of November 2020 to the 12th of

November, 2020 by our BAC and Social Welfare department in the Asante Akyem Central Municipal Assembly. The training covered how to enable disabled people in the municipal acquire skills in record and basic book keeping by assessing their goods. The training was only targeted at the disabled people in the municipal. There were 39 males, 61 females which adds up to 100 people. On the first day of the training, we introduced and oriented them on the theme by explaining the key words, the benefits of the training and expectations.

On the second day, education on how important it is to keep records of their business and pen them down or document it to make their works easy and better. Finally on the third day, there was the distribution of some materials which will aid them keep their records to ease them on buying them on their own. Moreover, there was the need to also train the PWDs in income generating activities such as liquid soap making, pomade making and Sobolo making. It was very successful and plans are far advanced to provide these people with set-up capital so that they can make good use of the knowledge acquired through the training programme.

The training ended with questions and answers session to which queries were resolved and answered.

2.5 ACTIVITIES/ SUPPORT

2.5.1 STREET NAMING

Concerning street naming, Konongo Zongo was selected as pilot in 2014. Although generic names have been assigned to some of the streets, the Department is still waiting for list of names from Konongo and Odumase Traditional Councils. In general, all 122 roads that have been tracked have been digitized.

TOWNSHIP	TOTAL NO. ROADS TRACKED	DIGITIZED	TOTAL NO. OF PROPERTIES	NO. OF PROPERTIES DIGITIZED
Konongo - Zongo	15	15	283	283
Odumase Sector 1	62	62	223	-
Konongo Extension (lowcost)	45	45	180	-

Ahyiaem	25	25	120	120
Amerfa	34	34	400	243
TOTAL	122	122	1206	646

2.5.2 MIDYEAR REVIEW OF 2020 AAP AND COMPOSITE BUDGET

The 2020 Midyear review of AAP was held on Tuesday, 30th June, 2020 at the Municipal Assembly Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to review the implementation status of 2020 Annual Action Plan. A total of 40 people comprising of Heads of Departments, Sub- committees convenors, Traditional Authorities, Unit Committee chairman, Reps of market women and traders participated in this important exercise. Members present were updated on the status of development projects and programmes as at June, 2020.

2.5.3 SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY MONITORING REPORT

In the year under review, the Asante Akim Central Municipality Monitoring Team undertook four monitoring exercises thus monitoring was done on quarterly basis. All 2020 projects were monitored and projects that had few defects had been corrected. As at the end of the fourth quarter, majority of the projects had been completed to satisfaction with a few still undergoing construction.

2.5.4 SUPPORT TO DEPARTMENTS

In the year under review, Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly supported some of its departments in undertaking their departmental activities. A total of four departments namely Agric, BAC, and Education were supported with Thirty- Three Thousand, One Hundred and Twenty-Four Ghana cedis, seventy- five pesewas (GH¢33,124.75).

2.5.5 SUPPORT TO SUB-MUNICIPAL STRUCTURE

This report entails the support given to the Sub-Municipal structures in response to the zone's needs. Notice was drawn to the Dwease- Praaso zone need for bulbs to improve their lightening system and security. In response to the need, eighteen (18) bulbs and accessories were purchased for the Dwease-Praso zone to improve security in the area. The Municipal also embarked on training of its revenue collectors on 5th October, 2020. 30people attended of which 5 people were

males and 25 females. Education on strategic ways to collect revenue and educating the public on the need for revenue collection, the importance of it to benefit our municipal and country at large. The revenue collectors were impressed and vowed to collect revenue wholeheartedly and in a good manner and also, pass the education to the public who are ignorant about it to enable payment.

2.5.6 SUPPORT TO SECURITY SERVICES

As part of the support to the nation and specifically the security services, on the 7th of December, 2020, the Municipal Assembly offered help in the form of accommodation to the security personnel that came to help make the elections a peaceful and successful one. Shelter was offered to 4 military men who came to represent the security service in the Municipality. With the aid of the Assembly's help, a heated fight between a suburb in the municipal named Patriensa and a certified mining company Owere mines were calmed and peace reigned with the support from the assembly and the police.

2.5.7 PROCUREMENT/ MAINTENANCE OF OFFICE MACHINES

In the year under review, a number of office machines were procured and/or maintained such as the procurement of the 3 in 1 printer for the Urban Roads Department, HP laptop for the Assistant Directors Office and maintenance of the photocopier machine at Confidential Registry.

2.5.8 STAKEHOLDERS MEETING ON THE COMPOSITE BUDGET AND PLANNING

The stakeholders meeting on Composite Budget and Planning was held on Wednesday, 28th October, 2020 at the Municipal Assembly Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the plan implementation of the 2020 Composite Budget and address related issues. Members present comprised of Heads of Departments, traditional council, financial institutions, media etc. Members present approved the 2021 budget but their only concern was the non- involvement of the stakeholders in the preparation of the fee fixing resolution.

2.5.9 GHANA WATER ACTIVITY

- **Provision of Service Meters to Households and Institutions**

The District Manager announced that through the collaborative effort of the Assembly and the Company, all 27 Applicants for the Service Meters were processed and approved. This thus indicates that 100.0 percent performance rate was recorded and members were pleased with the

performance of the GWCL. Members, additionally, recommended that GWCL should continue to intensify the publicity of the acquisition of meters in order to improve access to potable water in the Municipality.

- **Expansion of Water Services to Rider Steel under 1D1F**

Upon the request of the Assembly under the 1D1F, the District Manager informed members as part of the World Bank support to the Municipality, the Company has planned to expand the transmission pipelines to Rider Steel under 1D1F. This was facilitated by the Assembly under the provision of utility services to the Assembly for its contribution to 1D1F programme of the government.

2.5.10 IMPLEMENTATION REPORT OF UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDERS

- **Intensifying the Publicity in the Acquisition of Electricity Service Meters by Assembly and ECG**

The DTO reported that through the collaborative effort of the Assembly in support of fuel has aided the announcement campaign which has increased acquisition of meters from the 348 Applicants to now 799 Applicants representing 129.6 percent.

- **Organisation of Announcement Campaign for the use of the ECG Mobile-Application**

The DTO announced to members that as part of the announcement drive of the ECG, the public were educated on ECG Mobile-application portal. Currently, the number of customers using the Portal has increased tremendously and also reduce the queuing the ECG Office and sub-offices in the Municipality. In all these, the Municipal Assembly supported the ECG in the provision of fuel for the exercise.

- **Provision of Electricity Meters to Households and Institutions**

The DTO made it known to members that out of the 799 Applicants for the service meters, all the 799 representing 100 percent were successful with the provision of the meters for the year, 2020. Members applauded the ECG DTO for performing extraordinary exceptional. However, members recommended that ECG should continue to intensify the publicity of the acquisition of service meters in the Municipality

2.5.11 SUMMARY OF MCE ENAGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITIES

On 13th March, 2020, there was a consultative meeting at Odumasi about the collapsed bridge which poses a danger to the residence around the area and needs urgent attention to be reconstructed. Also, there was a public education on the safety protocols of covid19 at Konongo market on 10th July, 2020 and lastly, community engagement with the people of Dwease- Praaso on 13th November, 2020.

2.6 COVID INTERVENTION

2.6.1 INTRODUCTION

Following the announcement by the president of the republic of Ghana, his Excellency Nana Addo Dankwa Akuffo-Addo with regards to the outbreak of the corona virus in the country, the Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly initiated and implemented a number of covid-19 interventions aimed at preventing her people from contracting and spreading the disease.

This report covers the detailed description of the various activities undertaken to check the contamination and spread of the virus as well as its impacts on the work plan and budget of the Municipality.

2.6.2 COVID-19 INTERVENTIONS

2.6.2.1 Public Education

On March 2020, a Five Member Public Education Team from the Municipal Health Directorate (MHD) led by the Municipal Health Director organized public education exercise on the need to practice personal hygiene protocols to help prevent contracting and spreading of the disease. The exercise was organized through public gathering and radio announcement. Some of the beneficiaries include traders at market centers, staff of the Assembly including the staff of the decentralized department and lorry parks.

The Public Education Team enumerated some of these practices to include but not limited to regular hands washing and the use of hand sanitizers, the usage of disposable tissue when coughing or sneezing, avoidance of close contact with people with signs and symptoms of covid19 as well as reporting to the nearest health facility if one shows signs and symptoms of the disease.

In addition to the health education for the general public, the MHD again carried out the following activities

- ❖ Orientation of health staff on COVID-19
- ❖ Distribution of hand sanitizers and 2No. Infrared guns
- ❖ A 2-day training programme was organized for the rapid response team for the MHD and the staff of Konongo government hospital on the 7th and 8th April, 2020.
- ❖ Distribution of locally manufactured nose mask to health workers on the 6th April 2020

2.6.2.2 Disinfection of markets

In line with the National Emergency Response, the Ministry of Local Government and Rural

Development (MLGRD) in collaboration with Zoomlion GH. Limited and Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly on the 27th of March 2020, undertook a disinfection exercise of market centers in the Municipality. This was aimed at decontaminating the various market centers from the virus and other bacterial infections so as to prevent spread.

Key Players /Actors

The exercise was successfully implemented by a team from the MLGRD and Zoom lion Ghana Limited and was led by the Municipal Chief Executive of the Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly, Hon. Susan Akomeah, the Member of Parliament for the Asante Akim Central Constituency, Hon. Kwame Anyimadu Antwi. Other stakeholders who helped in the exercise included the following:

- The Presiding Member of the Municipality
- National Disaster Management Organization team of the Municipality
- Hon. Assembly Members
- Ghana Police Service
- Ghana Ambulance Service
- Ghana Immigration Service
- Ghana Fire Service
- Bureau of National Investigation (BNI)

- Members from the Konongo Traditional council
- Leadership from the traders' unions

The under listed Markets were also disinfected

- Konongo Main Market
- Odumasi Market
- Kyekyebiase Market
- Patriensa Market
- Dwease Market And
- Praaso Market

2.6.2.3 FORMATION OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

The Assembly in response to the pandemic formed a Public Health Emergency Committee comprising Security Agencies, NADMO, Municipal Health Directorate and Ghana Education Service. The Committee is chaired by the Municipal Chief Executive (MCE) with the Municipal Co-ordination Director (MCD) as the secretary.

The Committee prepared an Action Plan as a road map to fight the spread of the deadly disease. The objective of the committee, among others;

- to initiate pragmatic measures
- to ensure the successful implementation of those measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

Attached is the status of implementation of the Action Plan by the Public Health Emergency Committee. (ANNEX A)

2.6.2.4 DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENTS (PPEs) AND OTHERS

To promote good personal hygiene practices, the Assembly procured and distributed various sanitary items and Personal Protective Equipment to the general public and institutions. Items and PPEs distributed included hand sanitizers, veronica stands and Buckets, nose masks, gloves etc.

The table 10 shows the quantities and beneficiaries of items and Personal Protective Equipment distributed.

Table 10: Distribution of PPEs and other items for COVID-19

NO.	ITEM	QUANTITY RECEIVED	QUANTITY DISTRIBUTED	QUANTITY REMAINED	BENEFICIARIES
1	Veronica Bucket Stand	100	57	43	Palace lorry Stations • Market Centers
2	Veronica Bucket	112	79	33	
3	Basin	100	79	21	Magistrate Court Police Stations District Hospitals Health Centers Zongo Chiefs Mechanic Association Staff of the Assembly including decentralised department
4	Paper Towel Large	50	46	4	
5	Paper Towel small	24	24	0	
6	Liquid Soap (Boxes)	16 and 1/2	14 and 1/2	2	
7	500ML Sanitizer (bottles)	18	18	0	
8	300ml Sanitizer (Bottles)	24	24	0	
9	200ml Sanitizer	5box (50peices in a box)	4 boxes and 18 pieces	32 pieces	
10	Nose Mask	1000	840	160	
11	Gloves (Boxes)	26	12	14	

Source: AACMA, 2020

2.6.2.5 IMMIGRATION CONTROL AND CONTACT TRACING

Following the announcement of the lockdown by his Excellency Nana Addo Dankwa Akuffo Addo, the Municipal Assembly supported the security service to mount a barrier at the entry and exit points along the Kumasi-Accra road. This was to prevent the influx of immigrant in the Municipality.

The BNI and the Ghana immigration service in the municipality traced and identified 5 out of the 23 persons who arrived in the municipality from 29th February to 23 March 2020.

2.6.2.6 ESTABLISHMENT OF ISOLATION CENTRE

The Public Health Emergency Committee of the Municipality has designated Konongo Odumasi Senior High School to host suspected case of COVID-19. This was done through stakeholders' consultation between the *Public Health Emergency Committee* and the management of Konongo-Odumasi Senior School.

2.6.2.7 ENFORCEMENT OF SOCIAL DISTANCING

As part of measures to ensure social distancing in the Konongo market, the Assembly on Tuesday, 22nd April, 2020 through the initiative of the Public Health Emergency Committee issued ID cards labelled Green, Yellow and Pink to traders to enable them trade on daily rotational basis.

To be able to enforce this arrangement, a Task Force made up of security personnel and staff of the Assembly was formed to inspect the ID cards of traders on daily basis to ensure that recalcitrant traders fall in line with the daily schedules allocated for them.

2.6.2.8 ENFORCEMENT OF HAND-WASHING AT PUBLIC PLACES

The provision of potable water to all is very crucial to the survival of every household especially in this era of COVID-19 pandemic. However, the supply and accessibility of potable water to all still remains a challenge due to increasing population and expanding communities in the municipality. The inadequacy of the existing water facilities usually compels inhabitants to resort to unhygienic alternative source of water such as rainwater, well, streams etc. for domestic consumption. This poses a health threat, especially for the spread of diseases and epidemics such as COVID-19, cholera among others. To mitigate this situation, an amount of GH¢166,280.00 of the DPAT II allocation has been earmarked for the drilling and mechanization of 4 No. boreholes at Konongo market, Odumasi Market, Konongo Lorry Park, and Kyekyewere Town Centre.

2.6.2.9 COVID INTERVENTION IN SCHOOLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY

As part of the interventions by the Education Department to minimize the spread of covid19, a number of PPEs comprising of 21,616 sanitizers, 17,324 face masks, 900 packs of tissue paper and 851 gallons of liquid soap were distributed to all private and public JHS and SHS in the Municipality.

CHAPTER THREE

RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION

3.1 RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE VARIOUS GOALS

Economic Development

- Facilitate the development of employable skills among the youth by supporting the technical and vocational schools in the Municipality.
- Increase farmers' access to credit facilities and technical support.
- Promote both traditional and non-traditional crops production and vegetable farming

Social Development

- Embarking on a capacity building programme to ensure the proper functioning of all the sub-structures and units of the Assembly
- Sensitize the people on the importance of the local government system and their roles to contributing to decentralized accountable governance
- Encourage the participation of citizens in community developmental issues
- Organize periodic seminars, workshops, job-training for the Assembly members

Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement

- Organize training workshops for farmers on new technologies of farming
- Regular preparation and updating of settlement planning schemes
- NADMO should be resource to embark on regular public education on disaster preventive measure

Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability

- Improve the Assembly's internally generated revenue to complement the effort of Central Government funding sources for development
- Improve Assembly's expenditure management
- The involvement of the private sector in revenue mobilization

- Improve internal financial management measures to minimize the leakages and waste

3.2 Conclusion

The report cover activity forms the various department and unit in the municipality. It also identifies problems/challenges and has made recommendations to help tackle these myriad of problems in the Municipality. It is hoped that these recommendations would be well considered and pursued to ensure that the living conditions of the people in the Municipality is ultimately improved

The Assembly, will continue to laise with other stakeholders including decentralized departments, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) and the Private Sector, to ensure effectiveness in the mobilization and utilization of resources in the provision basic social and economic infrastructure and services in the municipality, as relevant to achieving the set goals of the Ghana Shared Growth and Development Agenda (GSGDA) in the Asante Akim Central Municipality.

APPENDIX A

ASANTE AKIM CENTRAL MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY

RESPONSE STRATEGY TO COVID-19

SIN	GENERAL STRATEGIES	ACTION BY
1	Provide veronica buckets at vantage points	MEHO
2	Provide washrooms disinfectants	MEHO
3	Provide alcohol, sanitizers and Dettol to clean doors/locks on hourly basis	MEHO
4	Offices should be well ventilated	All staff
6	All meetings should not exceed 25 members	All staff
7	Personal protective equipment provided	MHD
8	Case based form printed and circulated	MHD
9	Rapid Response Team constituted	MHD
10	Collaborate with Immigration officers	MHD/MA/Immigration services
11	One- holding area at the hospital and health centers	MHD
	SENSITIZATION STRATEGIES	
1	Provide posters to be pasted at vantage points	ISD/ MEHO
2	Flyers with illustrative pictures to be distributed	ISD/ MEHO
3	Talk shows at radio stations, information centers, information vans,NCCE	ISD/ MEHO/ Health Directorate/NCCE

Fumigation exercise at Konongo Central and Kyekyebiase market





Distribution of sanitizers



Distribution of nose masks



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Public education



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ASANTE AKIM CENTRAL MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY



DISTRIBUTION OF PPEs SUCH AS VERONICA BUCKETS, NOSE MASKS AND SANITIZERS



**DISTRIBUTION OF
HAIR SALON EQUIPMENTS**



DISTRIBUTION OF FRIDGE

**SUPPORT TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITY
SOURCE OF FUNDING: DACF
YEAR: 2020**

ASANTE AKIM CENTRAL MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY

PROJECT REGISTER- 2020

S/N	Projectdetail	Location	Funding source	Contractor	Original contracts um	Payment todate	DateAward	DateCommencement	DateExpectedCompletion	DateActualcompletion	Stagedone	Status
1	Construction of 1 No. 3 Unit Classroom Block with Ancillary Facilities	Atunsu	Get Fund	K-Hammer Ventures	251,981.40		15-Mar-19	22-Mar-19	23-Sep-19		95	On-going
2	Construction of 1 No. 6 Unit Classroom Block with Ancillary Facilities at Konongo Presby 'B'	Konongo	Get Fund	Agobak Company Limited	450,797.05		15-Mar-19	22-Mar-19	23-Sep-19		95	On-going
3	Construction of pavilion at Wesley High and St. Mary's High Schools	Wesley High School and St. Mary's High School	DACF	Paa Olu Enterprise	196,663.00	196,663.00	15-Mar-19	22-Mar-19	23-Sep-19	05-Nov-19	100	completed

4	Construction of 4 No. 10-Seater Water Closet Institutional Toilets with Mechanized boreholes	Nyaboo, Obenima se and Dwease, Kyekyebi ase	GoG	New Modern Company Limited			05-Jun-18				70	On-going
5	Construction of 3 No. 3 Unit Community-based Solar Power Water System	Odumasi New Town, Abosomt weagya and Patriensa	GoG	Geo Group			18-Jun-18					On-going
6	Construction of Ultramodern Office Complex	Odumasi-Ahyiaem	GoG								100	completed
7	Construction of Cassava Processing Factory (1D1F Initiative)	Konongo	GoG				18-Jul-20				65	On-going
8	Construction of 2 No. 3 Unit Classroom Block with Ancillary Facilities	Boatengk rom, Adumkro m					05-Apr-19				70	On-going

9	Construction of 1 No. 6 Unit Classroom Block with Library, Store and Office at Anuroso	Anuroso	Get Fund	Mssrs Nimboat Constructi on Works	455,633.40		10-Jul-19	17-Jul-19	17-Jan-20		70	On-going
10	Construction of 1 No. 6 Unit Classroom Block with Library, Store and Office at Konongo MA	Konongo	Get Fund	Naska Services Limited	449,339.11		10-Jul-19	17-Jul-19	17-Jan-20		95	On-going
11	construction 1No. 5 Unit KG and lower primary classroom block with ancillary facility, 5 seater squat w/c toilet with mechaized bore and over tank and supply of school furniture at kyekyewere	kyekyewere	DDF	HAJIA RUKAYA BONAH ENTERP RISE	436,122.00	65,418.30	15-Oct-19	11-Nov-19	11-May-20	14-Jul-20	100	Complete d

12	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block	Wesley High, Konongo	GoG					05-Nov-19			10-Nov-20	100	completed
13	Construction of 1 No. storey dormitory	Wesley High, Konongo	GoG					05-Nov-19			10-Nov-20	100	completed
14	Construction of 3 storey 12 unit classrom block	KOSS	GoG					08-Jul-19			29-Sep-20	100	completed
15	Construction of 400 bed dormitory	KOSS, Konongo - Odumasi	GoG					30-Oct-19			29-Sep-20	100	completed
16	Supply of Furniture (200 mono desks, 150 dual desks and 25 teachers tables and chairs) for schools in the Municipality	Municipal Wide	DACF	S. K. Ayensu Ventures	91,989.30	81,989.30		28-Feb-20			28-Apr-20	100	completed
17	Supply of Dinning Tables and Benches	Wesley High and st. mary's High School	DACF	Yacoff Constructi on	58,734.72	58,734.72		28-Feb-20			28-Apr-20	100	completed

18	Supply of Furniture for Assembly Hall, Staff and Municipal Library	Konongo - Odumasi	DACF	Nimboat Construction Works	36,338.20	24,315.00	28-Feb-20			12-Aug-20	100	completed
19	Renovation of Municipal Assembly Block Phase I	Konongo - Odumasi	DACF	Asantrafie Enterprise	199,981.00	102,811.15	04-Feb-20	20-Feb-20	20-May-20	24-June-20	100	completed
20	Distribution of 1315 electricity poles for extension of electricity to selected communities in the Municipality	Municipal Wide	GoG				04-Apr-20			05-Jun-20	100	completed
21	Construction of 1 No. Solar Powered Mechanized Borehole	Konongo - Ahenbronum	YMCA	Nimboat Construction Works	36,101.00		27-Feb-20		27-Apr-20	22-Jun-20	100	completed
22	Construction of 1 No. 1/900MM Pipe Culvert with Approach Fill	Wiamokrom	MP Common Fund	Richgyam Company Limited	16,000.00	14,400.00	17-Feb-20	24-Feb-20	17-Apr-20	20-Apr-20	100	completed

23	Repair of borehole	Wesley High, Konongo	DACF	Nuro-Bena Works Company Limited	5,850.00		01-Jul-20	02-Jul-20	15-Jul-20	14-Jul-20	100	completed
24	Construction of 1 No. Ambulance Service Unit	Konongo Ahyaem	DACF-RFG	Asantrafie Ent.	278,899.00	41,789.85	22-Jul-20	27-Jul-20	27-Jan-21	01-Dec-20	100	completed
25	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with office, store, staff common room with 6 seater squat W/C toilet with mechanized borehole and furniture	Ohene Nkwanta	DACF	Yacoff Construction	383,882.00	165,356.28	22-Jul-20	27-Jul-20	27-Jan-21		70	On-going
26	Drilling and mechanization of 6 No. boreholes	Bimma, Dwease, Adumkrom, Obenimase, Patriensa, Odu	I.G.F	Bobmah Company Limited	239,274.00	35,891.10	22-Jul-20	05-Aug-20	05-Feb-21		65	On-going

27	Drilling and Mechanization of 4 No. borehole	Odumasi mrkt, konongo mrkt & lorry station, kyekyew	DDF	Apamo Ent.	165,000.00	112,989.60	22-Jul-20	05-Aug-20	05-Feb-21		70	On-going
28	Construction of 3 unit classroom block	Dwease	GoG				14-Jul-20				60	On-going
29	Construction of 3 unit classroom block	Praaso	GoG				14-Jul-20				60	On-going
30	Construction of 6 seater W/C toilet	Odumasi Anglican Basic school	GoG				14-Jul-20				60	On-going
31	Construction of 6 seater W/C toilet	Odumasi Presby Primary Basic school	GoG				14-Jul-20				60	On-going
32	Construction of 6 seater W/C toilet	Bimma MA primary school	GoG				14-Jul-20				60	On-going

33	Construction of 6 seater W/C toilet	Methodist Basic school B-Konongo Lowcost	GoG				14-Jul-20				60	On-going
34	Cleaning, Pushing and Fumigation of Final Disposal Site	Bomireso	DACF	Tabi Timbers and Company Limited	48,000.00	25,600.00	17-Jul-20	20-Jul-20	06-Aug-20	06-Aug-20	100	completed
35	Clearing, pushing and Fumigation of Refuse Dump site at Nyaboo	Nyaboo	DACF	Paa Olu Enterprise	41,500.00	41,500.00	28-Oct-20	28-Oct-20	27-Nov-20	13-Nov-20	100	completed
35	Evacuation of refuse at three Central Dump sites at Odumasi to Final Disposal site	Odumasi	DACF	Nimboat Construction Works	53,000.00		18-May-20	20-May-20	18-Jun-20	23-Jun-20	100	completed
36	Construction of Steel Factory	Odumasi					13-Nov-19				60	On-going
37	Supply of roofing sheet and cement for developmental projects	Municipal Wide	DACF	Yacoff Construction	42,539.00		08-Oct-20	12-Oct-20	15-Oct-20		100	completed

38	Supply of streetlight accessories	Municipal Wide	DACF	Paa Olu Enterprise	54,075.00		08-Oct-20	12-Oct-20	15-Oct-20		100	completed
39	Supply of 400 mono desks for schools in the Municipality	Municipal Wide	DACF	Yacoff Construction	97,850.00	97,850.00	08-Oct-20	12-Oct-20	09-Nov-20	30-Oct-20	100	completed
40	Construction of 1 No. 10 seater squat W/C toilet with mechanized borehole	Agyareago	DDF	Paa Olu Enterprise	184,531.00		30-Oct-20	20-Nov-20	30-Apr-21		25	On-going
41	Construction of 1 No. 10 seater squat W/C toilet with mechanized borehole	Kramokrom	DDF	Yacoff Construction	187,736.00		30-Oct-20	20-Nov-20	30-Apr-21		25	On-going
42	Construction of 1 No. 10 seater squat W/C toilet with mechanized borehole	Praaso	DDF	Yacoff Construction	185,733.00		30-Oct-20	20-Nov-20	30-Apr-21		25	On-going

43	Purchase of 1 No. motorbike for Environmental Health Unit	Municipal Assembly	DACF	S.K Ayensu Ventures	7,725.00	7,725.00	24-09-20	08-09-20	08-10-20	05-11-20	100	Completed
44	Reshaping of Obeniamse-Antwikrom road	Obeniamse-Antwikrom	DACF	Richgyan Company Ltd	37,150.00	33,435.00	15-10-20	22-10-20		12-11-20	100	Completed
45	Reshaping of Patriensa-Ayimkrom road	Patriensa-Ayimkrom	MPCF	Richgyan Company Ltd	59,400.00	53,460.00	22-10-20	29-10-20		19-11-20	100	Completed
46	Reshaping of 12km selected road	Anurusio - Agyareago, Anhwene pa-Afriyie lane, JK Presby lane, Boamah Agekum lane, Uncle Sam Baptist lane	DACF	Nimboat Construction works	88,900.00	80,010.00	26-10-20	28-10-20		18-11-20	100	Completed

47	Construction of 1 No. 11 Unit Market Shed with Urinal at Kyekyebiase	Kyekyebiase	DACF	Nimboat Construction Works	88,041.00		29-Oct-20	30-Oct-20	26-Feb-21		30	On-going
48	Manual Dislodging of 4 No. Public Toilet facilities	Odumasi	DACF	New Age Agro service	35,976.00	35,976.00	28-Oct-20	28-Oct-20	27-Nov-20	23-Nov-20	100	completed
49	Dislodging of 30 No. Official and Public Toilet Facilities	Municipal Wide	DACF	New Age Agro service	24,000.00	24,000.00	26-Oct-20	26-Oct-20	27-Nov-20	17-Nov-20	100	completed

S/N	PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION	DEVELOPMENT DIMENSION OF POLICY FRAMEWORK	SOURCE OF FUNDING	DATE STARTED	EXPECTED DATE OF COMPLETION	IMPLEMENTATI ON STATUS (%)	TOTAL BENEFICIARIES (Male/Females)	REMARKS
1	Capacity building on performance contract and financial management	Governance Dimension	DDF	12-11-20	13-11-20	100	Males- 35 Females- 22 Total- 57	
2	Capacity building on report and minutes writing and occupational health and safety	Governance Dimension	DDF	03-09-20	04-09-20	100	Males- 43 Females- 21 Total- 64	
3	Distribution of items to PWDs	Social Dimension	PWCF	02-02-20	14-08-20	100	Males- 63 Females- 105 Total- 168	
4	Leap Payment	Social Dimension	GoG	18-05-20	08-10-20	100	Males- 70 Females- 320 Total- 390	

5	Training workshop for PWD's	Social Dimension	PWCF	10-11-20	12-11-20	100	Males- 39 Females-61 Total-100	
6	Celebration of International Day for PWD's	Social Dimension	PWCF	03-12-20	03-12-20	100	300	
7	Technology improvement and training in cassava chips and flour processing for women	Economic dimension	DACF	30-07-20	30-07-20	100	Males- 3 Females-15 Total-18	
8	Distribute 40,000 oil palm seedlings	Social Dimension	MAG	43984	43870	100	392	
9	Technology improvement and packaging training in oil palm processing	Economic dimension	DACF	31-07-20	31-07-20	100	Males- 10 Females-25 Total-35	
10	Training in Batik production	Economic dimension	DACF	07-07-20	07-07-20	100	Males- 0 Females-10 Total-10	
11	Group dynamics for women	Economic dimension	DACF	08-07-20	08-07-20	100	Males- 0 Females-15 Total-15	

12	Training of women in income generating activities such liquid soap making and shower gel	Economic dimension	DACF	16-07-20	16-07-20	100	Males- 7 Females-23 Total-30	
13	Training of women in bee keeping	Economic dimension	DACF			100	Males- 0 Females-20 Total-20	
14	Training of women in preparation of rice banku	Economic dimension	DACF			100	Males- 0 Females-35 Total-35	
15	Food hygiene and screening	Economic dimension	DACF	10-06-20	12-06-20	100	Total-450	
16	HIV/AIDS programme	Governance	DACF	01-12-20	01-12-20	100	Total-250	
17	Sensitization on malaria	Governance	DACF	15-09-20	15-09-20	100	Males- 50 Females-100 Total-150	
18	Public education on bushfire	Environment	DACF	18-08-20	19-08-20	100	Males- 42 Females-24 Total-66	

19	Tree planting exercise	Environment	DACF	08-09-20	10-09-20	100	Total -125	
20	Sensitization of drivers on road safety	Governance	DACF	02-09-20	02-09-20	100	Males- 50 Females-0 Total-50	
21	Sensitization of communities on road safety	Governance	DACF	05-08-20	06-08-20	100	Total-100	
22	Registration of public transport operators, vehicle drivers and terminals	Governance	DACF	2020	2020	100	Total-320	
23	Public education on revenue mobilization	Governance	DACF	27-08-20	28-08-20	100		Use of information centres and radio stations
24	2020 fee fixing resolution	Governance	DACF	09-10-20	09-10-20	100	Total-157	
25	Support to PWD	Governance	PWCF			100	Males- 5 Females-7 Total-12	

26	36 th Farmers Day Celebration	Governance	DACF	06-11-20	06-11-20	100	Total - 100	
26	Mid- year review of 2020 AAP and composite budget	Governance	DACF	30-06-20	30-06-20	100	Total-40	
27	Stakeholders meeting on composite budget and planning	Governance	DACF	28-10-20	28-10-20	100	Total- 75	
28	MCE engagement with communities	Governance	DACF	13-03-20	13-03-20	100		
29	MCE engagement with communities	Governance	DACF	10-07-20	10-07-20	100		
30	MCE engagement with communities	Governance	DACF	13-11-20	13-11-20	100		
31	TEDMAG training on post harvest losses for 46 staff	Social Dimension	MAG	07-07-20	15-10-20	100	Males- 43 Females- 3 Total- 46	

32	Support 5 women groups with 5 acres rice and 5 women groups with 300 broilers	Social Dimension	MAG	27-08-20	11-11-20	100	Males- 2 Females- 93 Total- 95	Have recorded 5% mortality rate due to stress
33	Carryout fall armyworm sensitization and disease surveillance	Social Dimension	MAG	43832	44196	100	Males- 304 Females- 208 Total- 512	
34	Capacity building for livestock and fish farmers on RFJ	Social Dimension	MAG	43994	44117	100	Males- 39 Females- 24 Total- 63	
35	Establish 20 crops and 1 livestock demonstration for 21 farmers	Social Dimension	MAG	43923	44145	100	Males- 17 Females- 18 Total- 35	
36	Build capacity of women in bakery , business management etc	Social Dimension	MAG	44006	44006	100	Males- 4 Females- 104 Total- 108	
37	Training on general husbandry practices of small ruminants	Economic dimension						
38	Distribute 500 cockerels under RFJ	Social Dimension	MAG	43992	44077	100	Males- 5 Females- 38 Total- 43	

