REPORT ON WA EAST DISTRICT CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ENGAGEMENT WITH THE STAKEHOLDER IN FUNSI, YAALA NO.1, YAALA NO.2, KUNDUGU, JABAGA, HOLOMUNI, BELLEKPONG, LOGGU, KULKPONG, CHASSIA, JANKORI, VIAHA, TIISA AND JEYIRI COMMUNITIES IN THE WA EAST DISTRICT HELD ON MAY 03, 04, 05, 2022.

INTRODUCTION

The District Chief Executive, Hon Dr Ewurah Kandia Suleman Mahama, The District Agriculture Director, Madam Mavis, as well as the some key staff of the District Assembly initiated working visit to 14No Communities to hold stakeholder durbars with them.

The communities visited are as follows: Funsi, Yaala No.1, Yaala No.2, Kundugu, Jabaga, Holomuni, Bellekpong, Loggu, Kulpong, Chassia, Jankori, Viaha, Tiisa And Jeyiri across the length and breadth of the District to brief them especially farmers on some agronomic practices as well as solicit feedback in respect of the Government Planting For Food and Jobs, Rearing For Export and other farming projects within the Wa East District.

ENGAGEMENT WITH COMMUNITIES IN WA EAST DISTRICT

The DCE and Director of Agriculture further explained activities involved in both Planting for Food and Jobs, Rearing for Export and other farming interventions to the people to gain clearer understanding of those projects, enabling them to participate fully in order to benefit them.

The District Director of Agriculture explained to the people some best farming practices including, use of certified seeds, the use of herbicides, application of fertilizer and herbicides.

The DCE interacted with attendees comprising of a cross-section of the communities namely, Chiefs, Religious leaders, women and youth, farmers and others.

OPEN FORUM

The Communities retreated the following concerns:

- i. Request for more dams and boreholes
- ii. Request for more farming inputs and training on Agriculture activities
- iii. Request for working farm working gears
- iv. Poor State of roads

HON DISTRICT CHIEF EXECUTIVE RESPONSES

The District Chief Executive explained that the Assembly intends to construct a number of dams and boreholes districtwide and he was optimistic that some of the communities would be beneficiaries.

On the request for farming inputs and training, the DCE informed the communities that he came with some few inputs for this season and still lobbying for more to boast Agriculture in the Wa East District. The DCE again added that some working gears are also part of the inputs the will give to the farmers to provide first level security to the farmers.

| COMMUNITY | TYPE OF FARM INPUT | QUANTITY |
|------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| FUNSI | Maize seed and | 10 bags of 50 kg and |
| | Cutlasses | 50 cutlasses |
| YAALA NO 1 | Cutlasses | 100 |
| YAALA NO 2 | Willington boat | 30 |
| KUNDUGU | Maize seed | 20 bags of 50 kg |
| JABAGA | Scale and Cutlasses | 5 scales and 40 Cutlasses |
| HOLOMUNI | Willington | 25 |
| BELLEKPONG | Cutlasses | 30 |
| LOGGU | Maize seeds | 10 bags of 50kg |
| KULKPONG | Maize seeds and scale | 15 bags of 50kg and 10 scales |
| CHASSIA | Cutlasses | 43 |
| JANKORI | Willington boat | 20 |
| VIAHA | Scale | 15 |
| TIISA | Maize seed | 10 bags of 50 kg |
| JEYIRI | Cutlasses | 10 |

CLOSING REMARKS

The people of these communities expressed delight for the engagement and praised the DCE, Director of Agriculture and staff of the District Assembly for the occasion. In total DCE engagement with the community had 540 people consisting 371 males and 169 females.

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The engagement session ended at 3.40pm with a closing prayer by Mallam Osman Baba.

PHOTO REPORT IN RESPECT OF THE VISIT TO THE COMMUNITIES



Figure 1: Presentation of Maize seed to community members



Figure 2: Presentation of Willington boats with cutlasses to community members