

OLD TAFO MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY

2020 ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT

**IMPLEMENTATION OF DISTRICT MEDIUM-TERM
DEVELOPMENT PLAN (2018-2021)**

MUNICIPAL PLANNING & CO-ORDINATING UNIT

1. INTRODUCTION

Profile

Location and Population

The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly is one of the forty-two (42) districts in the Ashanti region. Formerly a sub-municipal under the Old Tafo municipal assembly, it is located in the center the region and shares boundaries with the following districts; Kwabre East to the North, South and East by Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly and west by Suame Municipal Assembly. It is located between Latitude 6.35°N and 6.40°S and Longitude 1.30°W and 1.35°E and elevated 250 to 300 meters above sea level. It is approximately 270km north of the national capital, Accra.

The Old Tafo Municipality recorded a population of 204,494 (2010) and with an intercensal growth rate of 3.9%, is estimated to have a population of 277,718 in 2018. This represents 5.8 percent of the total population of Ashanti Region (4,780,380) and 1 percent in Ghana (24,658,823). Thus, it is the one of the populous Municipalities not only in Ashanti region but also nationwide.

Table 1.4: Population of Old Tafo (1970 – 2018)

Area/year	1970	1984	2000	2010	2018*
Old Tafo	25,038	33,415	160,918	204,494	277,718

(Source: Population Census Reports (1970, 1984, 2000 and 2010, 2018, *projected)

(b) Climate

Old Tafo Municipal falls within the wet sub-equatorial Climate. The average minimum temperature is about 21.5°C and a maximum average temperature of 30.7°C. The average humidity is about 84.16 percent at 0900 GMT and 60 percent at 1500 GMT. The moderate temperature and humidity coupled with the double maxima rainfall regime (214.3mm in June and 165.2mm in September) have contributed to population growth as will be demonstrated in the demographic analysis.

(c) Vegetation and Soil

The area falls within the moist semi-deciduous South-East Ecological Zone (tropical forest). Predominant species of trees found are Ceiba, Triplochlon, Celtis with exotic species. However, the rapid spate of urbanization has caused the depletion of most of these vegetation.

The major type of soil constituting the top soil of the municipality is the Forest Ochrosol. This soil comprised Old Tafo - Offin Compound Association; Bomso – Offin Compound Association; Nhyanao - Tinkong Association; Bomso – Suko Simple Association; Bekwai – Oda Compound Association and Bekwai – Akumadan – Oda Compound Association. Forest Ochrosol is endowed with the nutrient mostly needed to sustain the cultivation of food crops such as vegetables, plantain and cassava. The fast rate of urbanization in the Municipality has caused a drastic reduction in agricultural activities over the last decade. The demand for land for residential, industrial and commercial purposes has led to the conversion of farm lands due to its value appreciation.

Education

Education is a means by which the human resource base of the area can be developed for sustainable development, thus skilled labour is desirable in all sectors of the economy to support development. Many research studies have therefore found a positive and statistically significant correlation between education and per capita growth of GDP.

There are the presence of government, missionary and private schools in the Old Tafo Municipality. All the schools in the municipality have School Management Committees (SMC) or Parent-Teacher Associations (PTA's) to help improve education, but inactively functioning, thus resulting in poor coordination between teachers and parents which has resulted in the poor performance in the BECE in the municipality.

The distance one has to travel to access services provided by the nearest school is within the acceptable range. Nevertheless the educational sector is beset with mirage of problems which include Inadequate ICT centers, Lack of library centers, inadequate school infrastructure, inadequate teaching and learning materials, Insufficient furniture as a result of over population,

Lack of drainage, urinal and toilet facility in the schools, Frequent cases of flooding most of Zongo schools and lastly lack of motivation for teacher are identified causes of poor performance of students in the municipality which needs immediate attention.

Not forgetting of the problem of encroachment at educational centres where footballers, passer-byes, churches and criminals have left the school in the state of insecurity.

Health Care Delivery System

Quality health care for the prevention and promotion of healthy life styles is an indispensable commodity in the lives of the inhabitants of the Old Tafo Municipality. The Availability, affordability, and accessibility of this service have not been relegated to the background. There are therefore 19 health care facilities in the municipality consisting of; 5 hospitals, 5 maternity homes and 9 general clinics.

1.1. PURPOSE OF M&E FOR THE STATED PERIOD

The rationale for developing Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) for the implementation of the 2020 Annual Action Plan is summarized as follows:

- To assess whether the 2020 AAP (DMTDP, 2018-2021) developmental targets were being met.
- To provide information for effective coordination of District's development at the regional and national levels, African Union Agenda 2063 and the Sustainable Development Goals.
- To document progress made and lessons learnt from the implementation of programmes, projects and activities.
- To improve service delivery and influence allocation of resources in the District.
- To demonstrate M&E results to stakeholders as part of accountability and transparency.
- To identify achievements, constraints and failures so that improvements can be made to the AAP and project designs to achieve better impact.

1.2. PROCESSES INVOLVED IN CONDUCTING M&E

The Municipal Planning Co-ordinating Unit (MPCU) facilitated the preparation of the 2020 Annual Progress Report with the involvement of the Decentralised Departments of the Old Tafo Municipal Assembly.

Monitoring and Evaluation data were compiled from both primary and secondary sources. The secondary data were compiled from the various quarterly Reports of Departments and Agencies as well as from the Municipal Assembly. The primary data were also obtained from the quarterly site meetings, public hearings, town hall meetings, social accountability forums and the quarterly meetings with the various stakeholders involved in the plan implementation and monitoring.

1.3. STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF 2018-2021 DMTDP

ANNEX 2a: PROPORTION OF THE DMTDP IMPLEMENTED

Indicators	Baseline 2018	Target 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020
Proportion of the annual action plans implemented by the end of the year					
a. Percentage completed	32.18	100	79.27	100	68.37
b. Percentage of ongoing interventions	2.29	0	4.88	0	12.29
c. Percentage of interventions abandoned	0	0		0	0
d. Percentage of interventions yet to start	65.52	0	15.85	0	12.85
e. Percentage of interventions executed outside the plan	0	0	0	0	6.49
1. Proportion of the overall medium-term development plan implemented	8.78	34.48	30.41		

The 2020 Annual Progress Report is the appraisal of all programmes, projects and activities implemented during the year as indicated in the 2020 Composite Annual Action Plan of the Old Tafo Municipal Assembly.

The Annual Progress Report seeks to ascertain the targets set by the Municipal Assembly during the period under review. The Annual Progress Report will enable the Municipal to measure the actual performance against the set targets. The report presents the result of the assessment of the indicators and targets adopted for monitoring and evaluating the achievements and impacts of key policy and programme interventions executed in the year, 2020.

Proportion of the Annual Action Plan Implemented by the End of Year, 2020

The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly proposed a total of 117 programmes, projects and activities for implementation in the year 2020. Due to inadequate funding source (DACF, DDF etc), the assembly was able to initiate 80 of them representing 68.37 percent. The table below details the executed activities against the planned for the 2020 Annual Action Plan.

S/No.	Development Dimension	2020	
		Planned	Executed
1.	Economic Development	23	15
2.	Social Development	41	29
3.	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	18	14
4.	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	35	22
	TOTAL	117	80

1.4. DIFFICULTIES OR CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED

The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly is still in its formative years and thus encountered a lot of challenges in the implementation of the 2020 Annual Action Plan.

The specific constraints, problems or difficulties encountered by the Municipal Planning Coordinating Unit (MPCU) during the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Annual Action Plans under the DMTDP 2018-2021 are outlined below;

1. The main challenge facing the implementation of the plan is the absence of some of the key departments of the Municipal Assembly and thus hampering effective monitoring and evaluation of development projects and programmes.
2. Inadequate funding to facilitate M&E activities since the assembly is restricted to only the IGF and DACF funds, the latter of which is in arrears and the former inadequate to undertake the proposed development agenda of the municipal assembly.
3. Inadequate logistical support and other resources for monitoring and evaluation activities in the Municipality.
4. Difficulty of assessing performance because some indicators were without baseline to assist in setting realistic targets.
5. Lack of assigned permanent vehicle for Monitoring and Evaluation of programmes, projects and activities in the Municipality.
6. Different reporting formats of the Departments of the Municipal Assembly due to the requirement of their reporting Sector Ministries, Departments and Agencies.
7. Lack of sustainable funds to conduct MPCU activities, Social Accountability Programmes, Evaluation and Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation.

2. M&E ACTIVITIES REPORT

2.1. PROGRAMME/PROJECT STATUS FOR THE YEAR

3. ANNEX 4a: PROJECT REGISTER

No .	Project Description	Development Dimension / Thematic Area Of Policy Framework	Location	Contractor/ Consultant	Contract Sum GH¢	Source of Funding	Implementation Status (%)
1.	Construction of 1 No. 21-Unit Classroom Block with Ancillary Facilities at TAPASS (B) Basic School	Social Development	Tafo Pankrono (TAPASS 'B') Prim. Sch.	Jaborah Const. Ltd.	2,793,915.30	DACF	85
2.	Dredging of Boawene Stream at Pankrono Estate & Tafo Magazine Zone 11	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono Estate & Adompom	-	25,000.00	DACF	100
3.	Construction of 0.9m Pipe Culvert/U-Drain at Abed	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono Abed	M/S Nana Yaw Banahene Company Limited	¢198,987.65	DACF	100
4.	Construction of 0.9m Pipe Culvert/U-Drain at Abed Zongo	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono Abed Zongo	M/S Opatec Company Limited	¢198,815.10	DACF	100
5.	Construction of 2 No. Culvert from Arizona To Abednego	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono East	M/S Cephil Company Limited	¢196,090.00	DACF	100
6.	Renovation of The Municipal Education Office	Social Development	Tafo Pankrono	Opatec Company Limited	¢36,911.20	DACF	100
7.	Construction of 0.6m U-Drain /0.9m Diameters Pipe Culvert	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono Bediako	M/S Nana Yaw Banahene Company Limited	¢189,999.40	DACF	100

No .	Project Description	Development Dimension / Thematic Area Of Policy Framework	Location	Contractor/ Consultant	Contract Sum GH¢	Source of Funding	Implementation Status (%)
8.	Construction of 0.6m U-Drain	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Dabanka	M/S KMASS Consult Limited	¢198,951.50	DACF	100
9.	Construction of 1 No. Storm Drain	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Moro Market) Tafo Nhyiaeso	M/S Banicob Construction Works	¢198,771.80	DACF	100
10.	Construction of 2 No. Metal Footbridges	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Ahenbromun & Dabanka	AKN Investments GH. Ltd	¢97,093.00	DACF	100
11.	Construction of 0.6m U-Drain And 1.2 Diameter Pipe Culvert at Pankrono East	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono East	M/S Opatec Company Limited	¢188,633.70	DACF	100
12.	Gravelling Works of Pankrono Estates – Moshie Zongo Road (Link 4)	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pankrono Estates	M/S Samotrust Company Limited	¢184,987.60	DACF	100
13.	Rehabilitation of 2.0km Pia Dabanka Sir John - Akrugu Road (Lot 2)	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Pia Dabanka Sir John - Akrugu Road	Messrs. Joevide Company Limited	¢6,000,696.32	GSCSP	20
14.	Rehabilitation of 2.0km Okess Junction – Kwasi Oppong Road	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Okess Junction – Kwasi Oppong Road	M/S Gold Print & Construction Services	¢6,398,183.57	GSCSP	75
15.	Gravelling Works at Adompom Electoral Area	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Adompom	M/S Samotrust Company Limited	¢198,930.00	DACF	100
16.	Grading and Gravelling Works at Dabanka, Pankrono East and Pankrono Bediako Electoral	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Dabanka, Pankrono East and Pankrono Bediako	M/S Nana Yaw Banahene Company Limited	¢189,590.00	DACF	100

No .	Project Description	Development Dimension / Thematic Area Of Policy Framework	Location	Contractor/ Consultant	Contract Sum GH¢	Source of Funding	Implementation Status (%)
17.	Grading and Gravelling Works at Boanwene And Adabraka Electoral Areas	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Boanwene And Adabraka Electoral	M/S Nana Yaw Banahene Company Limited	¢183,380.00	DACF	100
18.	Renovation of 1 No. 3-Unit Classroom Block with Office and Store at TAPASS ‘A’ School	Social Development	Old Tafo Ahenbronum North	Opatec Company Limited	¢73,481.50	IGF	100
19.	Construction of 5 No. Metal Footbridges at Selected Electoral Areas	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Selected Areas Within the Municipality	Messrs. KMASS Consult Limited	¢196,576.00	DACF	100
20.	Construction of 1 No. 2-Storey Police Station	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	Tafo Pankrono	Messrs. Jaborah Construction Limited	¢891,695.47	DACF	30
21.	Construction of 1 No. 4-Unit Classroom Block with Office and Store at Pankrono M/A	Social Development	Pankrono	M/S Banicob Construction Works	¢491,218.95	DACF	-
22.	Grading and Gravelling works at Kwame Seniti and Asuo Afram Electoral Area	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	Kwame Seniti and Asuo Afram Electoral Area	M/S Viforgan Limited	¢197,126.10	DACF	

3.1. UPDATE ON DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUNDING SOURCES

4. ANNEX 5: UPDATE ON REVENUE SOURCES

REVENUE ITEM	BASELINE 2018	TARGET 2019	ACTUAL 2019	TARGET 2020	ACTUAL 2020
IGF	766,799.11	1,750,000.00	1,289,505.00	1,616,000.00	1,144,533.39
DACF	1,222,819.66	9,061,026.07	4,027,971.87	9,061,026.07	5,790,799.80
MP's CF	79,679.32	400,000.00	349,198.28	400,000.00	484,755.25
PWDs CF	-	300,000.00	144,403.68	300,000.00	139,141.79
SIF/HIPC	-	300,000.00	49,300.00	300,000.00	338,453.00
CIDA/MAG	-	75,000.00	67,459.18	75,000.00	132,161.47
GOG	-	1,130,382.12	354,914.69	1,130,382.12	1,120,867.81
DDF	-	699,000.00	250,963.86	298,101.40	57,838.81
Good & Services	-	100,279.08	8,104.94	100,279.08	5,191.46
UDG/GSCSP	-	9,578,445.16	257,002.22	11,692,431.45	10,238,363.64
TOTAL	2,069,298.09	23,394,132.43	6,798,823.72	23,357,220.12	19,452,106.42

The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly during the year 2020 was able to generate an IGF of **1,144,533.39**, which is 70.82 percent of the revenue target set for the year. Comparatively, the Assembly performed worse than last year's forecast, mainly due to the COVID19 pandemic which slowed down economic growth in the Municipality especially in the first 2 quarters of the year.

Nonetheless, issues such as poor revenue database, inadequate revenue staff, inadequate/lack of logistics for revenue mobilization and taxpayer apathy among others contributed also contributed to the inability to meet the targets.

The Assembly has therefore taken note of the challenges in revenue mobilization and seeks to effectively address these issues to help improve the Internally Generated Funds (IGF) of the Municipality for the ensuing year.

ANNEX 6: UPDATE ON EXPENDITURE

EXPENDITURE	BASELINE 2018	TARGET 2019	ACTUAL 2019	TARGET 2020	ACTUAL 2020
COMPENSATION	63,993.63	216,400.00	156,591.81	216,400.00	125,886.42
GOODS AND SERVICE	621,952.52	108,000.00	55,155.41	108,000.00	286,246.81
TRAVELLING AND TRANSPORT	-	238,000.00	232,232.75	238,000.00	256,758.92
UTILITIES	-	22,000.00	12,422.22	22,000.00	12,671.27
REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE	-	175,000.00	129,098.49	175,000.00	122,250.88
OTHER CHARGES	-	20,000.00	1,450.30	20,000.00	-
COMMON FUND- ASSEMBLY	-	9,061,026.07	3,458,032.51	9,061,026.07	2,560,026.01
COMMON FUND-MP	-	400,000.00	229,689.10	400,000.00	607,124.42
COMMON FUND- DISABILITY	-	300,000.00	89,579.53	300,000.00	157,288.28
DDF	-	699,000.00	267,184.52	699,000.00	0.00
UDG/GSCSP	-	9,578,445.16	166,128.94	9,578,445.16	4,289,267.97
GOG Salaries	-	1,130,382.12	361,351.20	1,130,382.12	-
SIF/HIPC	-	300,000.00	13,152.00	300,000.00	239,169.50
Dept. G&S TRANSFERS	-	100,279.08	7,552.00	100,279.08	46,011.80
CIDA/MAG	-	75,000.00	35,990.00	75,000.00	-
GENERAL CLEANING	-	9,000.00	5,660.00	9,000.00	-

RENTALS AND LEASE	-	41,000.00	33,285.00	41,000.00	-
TRAINING OR SEMINARS	-	78,400.00	74,205.23	78,400.00	-
INSURANCE PREMIUM	-	10,000.00	-	10,000.00	-
EMERGENCY SERVICES	-	33,530.00	36,665.20	33,530.00	-
EMPLOYEES SOCIAL BENEFITS	-	10,000.00	2,700.00	10,000.00	-
CONSULTING SERVICES	-	145,000.00	138,279.00	145,000.00	-
CAPET	-	-	-	-	-
OTHERS	687,222.13	-	-	-	-
MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES	53,108.13	-	-	-	-
CAPITAL EXPENSES	926.21	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1,427,202.62	22,750,462.43	5,506,405.21	22,575,462.43	8,702,702.28

Source: Municipal Finance Office, 2021

The data from the table above indicates the Municipal Assembly was able to expend only 38.54 percent of the expenditure estimate for the 2020 implementation period. This means that the contribution to socio-economic development of the municipality was severely impaired.

This scenario is not surprising due to the limited revenues received, especially from central government during the year under review. Additionally, the lack of some key personnel of the departments of the Assembly also contributed to the inability to meet the expenditure targets set for the year 2020.

4.1. UPDATE ON INDICATORS & TARGETS

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2019)	Target 2020	Actual 2020
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT			
1.	Percentage of arable land under cultivation	44 Acres		
	i. Maize	26.8(Mt)		
	ii. Rice (milled),			
	iii. Millet			
	iv. Sorghum			
	v. Cassava			
	vi. Yam			
	vii. Cocoyam			
	viii. Plantain	7.2(Mt)		
	ix. Groundnut			
	x. Cowpea			
	xi. Soybean			
	xii. Cocoa			
	xiii. Shea butter			
	xiv. Oil palm			
	xv. Cashew nut			
	xvi. Cotton			
	xvii. Cattle	250		
	xviii. Sheep	371		
	xix. Goat	340		
	xx. Pig			
	xxi. Poultry	3115		
2.	Number of new industries established			
	i. Agriculture,			
	ii. Industry,			
	iii. Service			
3.	Number of new jobs created			

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2019)	Target 2020	Actual 2020
	iv. Agriculture			
	v. Industry			
	vi. Service			
	SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT			
4.	Net enrolment ratio	38.2%		
	i. Kindergarten	55.8%		
	ii. Primary			
	iii. JHS	44.7%		
5.	Gender Parity Index	0.95		
	i. Kindergarten	0.96		
	ii. Primary			
	iii. JHS	0.92		
	iv. SHS	0.65		
6.	Completion rate	51.5%		
	i. Kindergarten	67.8%		
	ii. Primary			
	iii. JHS	62.2%		
	iv. SHS	68.2%		
7.	Number of operational health facilities			
	i. CHP Compound			
	ii. Clinic	5	5	4
	iii. Health Centre	0	2	0
	iv. Hospital	1	2	1
8.	Proportion of population with valid NHIS card			
	i. Total (by sex)			
	ii. Indigents			
	iii. Informal			
	iv. Aged			
	v. Under 18years			
	vi. pregnant women			
9.	Number of births and deaths registered			
	i. Birth (sex)			
	ii. Death (sex, age group)			
10.				

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2019)	Target 2020	Actual 2020
	Percent of population with sustainable access to safe drinking water sources¹ i. Urban	82%	90%	85%
11.	Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation services i. Urban	60%	75%	62%
12.	Maternal mortality ratio (Institutional)		0	0
13.	Malaria case fatality (Institutional) i. Sex ii. Age group			
14.	Number of recorded cases of child trafficking and abuse i. Child trafficking (sex) ii. Child abuse (sex)			
15.	Percentage of road network in good condition Total Urban Feeder	26.8km	35km	32.2km
16.	Percentage of communities covered by electricity Urban	100%	100%	100%
17.	Reported cases of crime i. Men, ii. Women iii. Children			
18.	Percentage of annual action plan implemented			
19.	Number of communities affected by disaster i. Floods	1		

The performance indicators above depict one that is commendable in terms of achieving the targets set for 2020. Although most of the indicators set were not achieved, the performance is one that is an improvement from last year's performance.

The water and Sanitation sector also improved its performance for the year as a result of the contribution of stakeholders in the sector in improving the situation. Notable among them is the construction of mechanized boreholes the municipality with funding from the Ministry of Special Development Initiatives.

The Education sector, however, could not achieve the set targets primarily because of inadequate data and poor tracking system. Meanwhile, the municipal Assembly is supporting the education directorate with the requisite teaching and learning materials to enhance academic performance and encourage enrolment. Additionally, the presence of private schools in the municipality help reduce the burden on the public ones, all in a bid to facilitate better education.

4.2. UPDATE ON CRITICAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ISSUES

ANNEX 7: UPDATE ON CRITICAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ISSUES IN 2020

The government in its bid to reduce poverty and inequality, has implemented several social benefit and interventions. These include Ghana School Feeding Programme, Capitation Grants, National Health Insurance Scheme, Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) Programme, National Youth Employment Program, One District-One Factory Programme, One Village-One Dam Programme, One Constituency-One Million Dollars Programme, Planting for Food and Jobs Programme, Free SHS Programme, National Entrepreneurship and Innovation Plan (NEIP) and Implementation of Infrastructural for Poverty Eradication Programme (IPEP).

Critical Development and Poverty Issues	Allocation GH¢	Actual receipt GH¢	No of beneficiaries	
			Targets	Actuals
Ghana School Feeding Programme				
Capitation Grants				
National Health Insurance Scheme				
Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) programme		25,840.17	55	55
National Youth Employment Program				
One District-One Factory Programme				
One Village-One Dam Programme				
Planting for Food and Jobs Programme				
Free SHS Programme				
National Entrepreneurship and Innovation Plan (NEIP)				
Others				

Unfortunately, there is little to no information available to report on the critical development and Poverty issues, except for the Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) Programme which received an amount of 25,840.17 Ghana Cedis but was able to disburse 24,010.00 Ghana Cedis

The inability to report on these issues stem from the fact that most of these programmes are implemented from the central government and with little or no official documentation to the municipal Assembly. Subsequently, the Assembly is unable to effectively track these programmes.

Nonetheless, the Assembly is committed to supporting the achievements of these programmes and provide support to actors and beneficiaries alike. We are hopeful, however, that the Assembly will be able to report on these flagship programmes/initiatives in subsequent years as funds are made available to support the implementation of the 2018-2021 DMTDP.

SOCIAL SERVICES

REGISTRATION AND WORKING WITH PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs)

During the year under review, The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly registered a total of Seventy-five (75) Persons with Disabilities (PWDs). The total registered members with disabilities are made up of Thirty-nine (39) females and Thirty-six (36) males. This number comprises five (5) difficulty seeing, nine (9) difficulty speaking/ hearing, fifty-three (53) difficulty moving, four (4) mentally challenged, one (1) intellectually challenged and three (3) other forms of disability.

In the year 2020, during the second and fourth quarters the Municipal received the 3% share of the Common Fund for Persons with Disabilities. The DFMC selected Thirty-six (36) persons in the second quarter and Fifty-one (51) Persons in the fourth quarter from the sixteen (16) electoral areas which cut across all disability groups. The disbursement was arranged to cover education, skill training and income generating ventures. Prior to this, a need assessment was conducted in both quarters through series of interviews to determine their requirement which was approved and the Assembly did the necessary procurement. Disbursement and presentation of items to the

Beneficiaries was done on the 4th and 22nd May, 2020 in the second quarter whilst the 4th quarter was done on Thursday 3rd December, 2020.

DISTRIBUTION OF RELIEVE ITEMS TO VULNERABLE GROUPS DURING THE COVID-19 LOCKDOWN

During the second quarter of the year under review, the Department in collaboration with members of the Emergency Relieve Committee distributed relieve items to vulnerable groups such as Persons with Disability (PWDs), the Aged and LEAP Beneficiaries as part of the government measures to ease the vulnerable in society during the lockdown in the Greater Kumasi Metropolitan Area.

SENSITIZATION OF SCHOOLS, CHURCHES AND WOMEN'S GROUPS ON VARIOUS TOPICS UNDER CHILD PROTECTION AND TOPICAL ISSUES CONFRONTING SOCIETY

During the year under review, a total of Eight Hundred and Forty-nine (849) pupils from three (3) different schools were sensitized on various topics under child protection. This was to ensure that children became aware of their rights and the roles parents should play in their child's upbringing. In addition, Forty-one (41) members of the Living Word Baptist Church Women Ministry, Old Tafo were sensitized on issues of Gender based violence Child Development and Protection while Forty-five (45) members of Evangelistic Centre Assemblies of God, Pankrono were sensitized on best family care practices (a topic under Child Protection).

COLLABORATIONS WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS

During the year under review, the Department in collaboration with National Commission on Civic Education (NCCE), National Youth Authority (NYA), Old Tafo Government Hospital and Information Service Department of the Old Tafo Municipal Assembly sensitized 958 students/pupils from eighteen (18) different schools within the Municipality on the importance of observing the Covid-19 Protocols.

HOME VISITATION

During the year under review, a total number of One Hundred and Twenty-two (122) households in the sixteen (16) Electoral areas of the Municipality were visited by staff of the Department to sensitize them on Child Protection specifically on best family care practices, neglect and injustice against children. A total of Four Hundred and Sixty-six persons were educated.

SENSITIZATION ON THE ACTIVITIES OF SSNIT

In the fourth quarter of the year under review, the Department in collaboration with Suame branch of the Social Security and National Insurance Trust (SSNIT) had an engagement with the Non-formal and Self-employed workers within the Old Tafo Municipality.

This drive was aimed at educating and enrolling all qualified workers in the Non-formal sector unto the Social Security Scheme to ensure retirement income security.

SENSITIZATION OF COMMUNITY GROUPS ON INCOME GENERATING ACTIVITIES

During the year under review, the Department organized training programs for five (5) women groups on the preparation of fresh yoghurt, soya bean khebab, soapy parazone, bead making and liquid soap. It was successful and participatory.

CHILD'S RIGHT, PROMOTION AND PROTECTION

A total number of Ten (10) cases were registered during the year. The cases handled were made up of Seven (7) child maintenance cases, one (1) Family Reconciliation case and two (2) child custody cases. The table below is a summary of the activity above.

ROADS INFRASTRUCTURE

The Department annual budget for 2020 from Ghana Road Fund (GRF) for Routine Maintenance activities is Eight hundred thousand Ghana Cedis (GHC 800,000.00). The Routine Maintenance activities which are ongoing namely.

- Grading Works
- Placement of Metal Gratings
- Slab Replacement
- Placement of Road Signs
- Minor Drainage Repairs
- Drain Cleaning
- Culvert Cleaning
- Desilting
- Resealing/Surface Works
- Construction of Speed Humps
- Pothole Patching

Asphaltic overlay of selected roads in Old Tafo Municipality, total length 9.6km, which has been completed representing (100 %). The contractor for the project is called JOSHOP COMPANY LIMITED

Improvement Work

The Department improvement works which were executed in the year under review namely.

- Rehabilitation of 2.0km road in Old Tafo Municipality under Ghana Secondary Cities Support Programme is ongoing by Messrs GOLD PRINT COMPANY LIMITED
- Rehabilitation of 2.0km road in Old Tafo Municipality under Ghana Secondary Cities Support Programme is ongoing by Messrs JOVAD COMPANY LIMITED
- Kumasi inner roads project is ongoing by Messrs CONTRACTA UK GHANA LIMITED

Below are some projects undertaken by the Old Tafo Municipal Assembly

- Construction of 0.9 diameter pipe culvert / u-drain at Abed in the Municipality.
- Construction of 0.9 diameter pipe culvert / u-drain at Abed-Zongo in the Municipality.
- Construction of 0.6meter u-drain at Dabanka with physical progress of 100%
- Construction of storm drain at Moro Market with physical progress of 100%
- Construction of 0.6meter u-drain / 0.9 diameter pipe culvert at Pankrono-Bediako with physical progress of about 85%
- Construction of 0.6meter u-drain / 1.2 diameter pipe culvert at Pankrono East Electoral Area with physical progress of about 75%
- Gravelling works at Adompom Electoral Area with physical progress of 100%
- Grading and Gravelling works at Boawene and Adabraka Electoral Areas with physical progress of 100%
- Grading and Gravelling works at Dabanka, Pankrono East and Pankrono Bediako Electoral Areas with physical progress of 100%
- Gravelling works of Pankrono Estate Moshie Zongo road (Link 4) at Pankrono Estate with physical progress of 100%

WASTE MANAGEMENT

CLEAN-UP EXERCISES.

The environmental health unit in collaboration with Zoomlion company conducted routine clean-up exercises and desilting all public drains in Central Business District, Town centres and other public spaces and weed along the drain basins to prevent mosquito breeding during the year. I hereby attached pictures of the exercises.

DISINFECTION EXERCISES.

This exercise was carried out by Zoomlion Disinfection Team with the supervision by Environmental Health Officers. Targeted areas sprayed or fumigated were Market places, Hospitals and other important places. The Desilting of open drains at Old-Tafo, Pankrono, Adabraka, Adompom and Nhyieso. This was aimed at reducing Vector Density, Larviciding, Adulticiding, Destruction of the virus and reduction of stench emanating from the choked gutters.

All the NAMCOP in Ashanti region did embark on a spraying exercise in all the markets in the Municipality.

CEMENTRY MANAGEMENT.

Covid-19 Burial Teams.

The Burial Team comprising of Environmental Health Officers and their Labourers in the Municipality. The purpose of this team is to provide practical direction on safe and dignified management of the covid-19 corpse and the safe disposal of potentially contaminated materials from the deceased as well as the waste from the burial process. From April, to December 2020, the team has buried a total of one hundred and sixty-six (166) covid-19 corpses.

4.3. EVALUATION AND PARTICIPATORY M&E

ANNEX 8: UPDATE ON EVALUATIONS CONDUCTED

The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly during the 2020 implementing year conducted monitoring and evaluations to assess the impact of the projects and programmes the Assembly had initiated and to also receive feedback from the beneficiaries of the projects. The M&E activities were organized on quarterly basis.

ANNEX 9: UPDATE ON PM&E CONDUCTED

The Old Tafo Municipal Assembly during the 2020 implementing year was unable to undertake any PM&E activities due to budgetary constraints and lack of the requisite skills/techniques to conduct the PM&E activities.

5. THE WAY FORWARD

5.1. KEY ISSUES ADDRESSED AND THOSE YET TO BE ADDRESSED

5.2. RECOMMENDATIONS

In conclusion, the way forward to address the challenges faced in the Monitoring and Evaluation activities, in addition to those yet to be addressed, include the following.

1. Provision of permanent vehicle for Monitoring and Evaluation exercise in the District will help to improve the routine inspection and supervision of programmes, projects and activities.
2. Organisation of Monitoring and Evaluation training programmes by the National Development Planning Commission (NDPC) to equip District Monitoring Teams with the required knowledge and experience.
3. Setting-up MPCU Fund to promote the functionality of MPCU as enshrined in the Local Governance Act 936, 2016 and the National Development Planning (System) Regulations, LI 2232, 2016.