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List of Abbreviation

APR	-	Annual Progress Report
MDA'S	-	Ministries, Department and Agencies
MTDP	-	Medium Term Development Plan
IGF	-	Internal Generated Fund
NABCO	-	Nation Builders Corps
DACF	-	District Assembly Common Fund
MLGRD	-	Ministry of Local Gov't, Rural Development &Env.
JICA	-	Japanese International Corporation Agency
DPCU	-	District Planning Co-ordinating Unit
RPCU	-	Regional Planning Coordinating Unit
M & E	-	Monitoring and Evaluation
NDPC	-	National Development Planning Commission
HFA	-	Health Facility Attendance Card
NHIA	-	National Health Insurance Authority
NHIS	-	National Health Insurance Scheme
OPD	-	Out Patient Department
IPD	-	In Patient Department
BAC	-	Business Advisory Centre
SME'S	-	Small Medium Scale Enterprise
ITN	-	Insecticide Treated Net
CDA	-	Community Development Alliance
GETFUND	-	Ghana Education Trust Fund
GoG	-	Government of Ghana
GSGDA	-	Ghana Shared Growth and Development Agenda
MOFA	-	Ministry of Food and Agriculture
NER	-	Net Enrolment Ratio
GPI	-	Gender parity index

CHAPTER ONE

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report covers the period from 1st January to 31st December, 2020. The review for 2020 marks the third year of implementation of policies, programmes and projects outlined in the Sene West District Assembly's Medium Term Development Plan (2018-2021) under the Agenda for Jobs: Creating Prosperity and Equal Opportunity for All. The dimensions under An Agenda for Jobs include; economic development, social development, environment, infrastructure and human settlement and governance, corruption and public accountability.

1.1 SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS

The review revealed that, there were Sixty-nine (69) activities, intervention, Programmes and Projects in the 2020 annual action plan. Out of which 62 programmes and projects representing 89.85% of activities were implemented while 10.14% were not implemented.

In all Thirty-nine (39) physical projects were found in the 2020 action plan. The review indicated that, 39 projects which were under execution, 24 projects represents 61.53% were completed while 15 projects represents 35.9% were on-going.

The purpose of this report is to provide management staff and other key actors with information on whether progress is being made towards achieving stated goals and objectives, provide feedback to enhance learning and to improve the planning process and effectiveness of interventions, increase project and program management, accountability with donors and other stakeholders and to provide managers with the opportunity to make timely adjustments and corrective measures to improve the project or program design, work plan and implementation strategies.

The report has been compiled from an assessment of the status of indicators and targets, which were adopted for monitoring and evaluating the achievements and impact of key policy and programme interventions undertaken during the year under review.

Processes used to monitor and evaluate attainment of the goals and objectives of the District Medium Term Plan within the 2020 year included; both primary and secondary data from departments and their reports respectively, District Planning Co-ordinating Unit meetings, District Composite Review meetings, Public hearing on

Budget, Assembly sub-committee meetings, meetings of sub-district structures, town hall meetings, participatory monitoring and evaluation of projects and programs and analyses of funds flow against outputs.

The report provides 2020 updates on the status of the following:

- Status of Implementation of the MTDP (2018-2021).
- Purpose of the M&E for the period.
- Programme/project status for the year 2020.
- Process involved and difficulty encountered.
- Receipts and disbursements from funding sources for the period 2020.
- Update on the set of core indicators and any additional ones identified in the M&E plan as well as the set targets.
- Update on critical development and poverty issues.
- Participatory M&E and other studies undertaken during the review period.

The report also considered;

- Key issues identified and those addressed and
- Recommendations for improvement.

1.2 THE KEY M&E OBJECTIVES FOR THE YEAR 2020

This report provides information on the progress being made by the Sene West District Assembly in the implementation of the MTDP.

It seeks to monitor progress towards the attainment of targets and to demonstrate results as part of accountability and transparency to the citizenry and other stakeholders. It also identifies the various weaknesses that are likely to hinder the achievement of the goals and objectives set in the MTDP (2018-2021) and makes recommendations for addressing any shortcomings that may be identified during the assessment of performances.

1.3 PURPOSE OF THE M&E FOR THE PERIOD 2020

The purpose of this report is to provide management, staff and other key stakeholders with information on progress made towards achieving stated objectives, provide feedback to enhance learning and to improve the planning process and effectiveness

of interventions, increase project and programme management with donors and other stakeholders and to provide managers with the opportunity to make timely adjustments and controlling actions to improve the programme or project design, work plan and implementation strategies.

1.4 PROCESSES INVOLVED AND DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED

The preparation of the 2020 APR was prepared by the DPCU with inputs from other stakeholders. Monitoring and evaluation data were compiled from both secondary and primary sources. Secondary data were compiled from the various quarterly and annual reports of Departments and Agencies, Development Partners and NGO's /CSOs as well as the District Assembly and its substructures.

Questionnaires and interviews were used in obtaining primary data. To facilitate data collection and analysis, standard reporting formats were prepared for all sector departments. Data collected focused on the core indicators from NDPC as well as specific District indicators and targets identified in the M&E plan.

Both primary and secondary data collected were first reviewed by the DPCU and sent back to key stakeholders for their comments. Data was collated, analysed and interpreted by the DPCU in collaboration with other agencies. The draft APR was prepared and reviewed by the DPCU.

A one-day stakeholder's validation workshop was organized to validate the APR report at the assembly mini conference-. Comments and suggestions emanating from the workshop had been incorporated in this final report.

1.5 CHALLENGES ENCOUNTERED IN IMPLEMENTING, MONITORING AND EVALUATING THE PLAN

During the implementation period, the Assembly encountered quite a number of challenges which needs to be addressed as soon as possible to avoid same in the subsequent periods. Among the challenges include;

- (i) Inadequate funds to pay contractors to meet timelines scheduled.

- (ii) Logistical and equipment challenges, there was no vehicle for monitoring of projects and programs of the various sectors in order for the departments to ensure the reliability of the data submitted.
- (iii) Limited participation by the departments of the Assembly in terms of the review Process
- (iv) Lack of commitment from some departments.
- (v) Inadequate capacity in M&E at MDAs and Sub-structure levels.
- (vi) Inadequate logistical and financial support for effective and continuous M&E activities.
- (vii) Absence of standard reporting requirements for MDAs

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF DMTDP Proportion of the DMTDP implemented in 2020

Indicators	Baseline	Target	Actual
	2019	2020	2020
Proportion of the annual action plans implemented by the end of the year.	78.3%	100%	89.85%
a. percentage completed	40%	100%	70.14%
b. percentage of ongoing interventions	60%	0	37.31%
c. percentage of intervention abandoned	0	0	0
d. percentage of intervention yet to start.	0	7.46	7.46
Proportion of the overall medium term plan implemented	52%	85%	73%

Details on the Annual Action Plan implemented in 2020

s/n	Development dimension	2020	
		Plan	Executed
1	Social Development	45	41 (91.11%)

2	Governance, corruption & public Accountability	15	14 (93.33%)
3	Economic Development	6	5 (83.33%)
4	Environment, infrastructure and human settlements	3	2 (66.66%)
	Total	69	62

The review revealed that, pertaining to details of the annual action plan implementation about 89.85% of activities were implemented under all the dimensions. Only 10.14% were not implemented.

SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Under this dimension, there were a total of 45 activities on the annual action plan of which 91.11% of them were implemented. The district strived in ensuring that, these activities are carried out to meet the objective of enhancing inclusive and equitable access to and participation in quality at all levels that will create opportunities for all. It further ensures that health of the people are guaranteed. It is the hope of the district that, all activities planned are implemented to achieve the main objective in this theme.

GOVERNANCE, CORRUPTION AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY

Under this dimension, there were a total of 15 activities on the annual action plan of which 93.33% of them were implemented. The district strived in ensuring that, these activities are carried out to meet the objective of enhancing inclusive and equitable access to and participation in quality at all levels that will create opportunities for all. It further ensures that citizens are involve in plan preparations and implementations to ensure value for money.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

The review revealed that, under Economic development out of six (6) activities which were planned, 5 were executed representing 83.33%. It was realized that, 17% of the activities were not implemented.. It is worth noting that the implementation of these activities under this dimension build a prosperous society. The remaining activities that could not be implemented is therefore a source of worry. This was as a result of resource constraint. In view of this the assembly is to re-strategize to ensure that all planned activities under this dimension are implemented in the next planned period to improve lives in the district.

ENVIRONMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE AND HUMAN SETTLEMENT

On Environment, Infrastructure and Human settlement, the Assembly planned to implement 3 activities in the year under review but only 2 representing 66.66% were implemented. One of the major challenges under this dimension in the district is Environmental pollution. An estimated 59 percent of solid and 77 percent of liquid waste generated in the district especially the district capital Kwame Danso are not properly disposed due to lack of engineered land fill and other disposal sites in the district.

By addressing these challenges the following strategies were adopted:

- a. Promote science and technology in waste recycling and waste to energy technologies
- b. Promote the use of environmentally friendly methods and production
- c. Enforce environmentally sound management of chemicals and all waste through their life cycle.

2.3 ASSESSMENT OF PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

	Indicators (categorized by development dimensions of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline In ton/ha	Target	Actual
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	2019	2020	2020
1	Total output in agricultural production			
	Maize	2.2	2.4	2.1
	Rice(milled	1.7	2.2	1.6
	Millet	1.2	1.5	1.4
	Sorghum	1.5	1.8	1.5
	Cassava	24	30	25
	Yam	21.4	30	23.5
	Plantain	2.8	3.5	3.1
	Garden egg	5.0	6.0	5.2
	Groundnut	1.6	2.4	1.4
	Soybean	1.9	2.2	2.0
	Cattle	8,679	12,500	13,971

	Sheep	2,500	4,000	4,600
	Goat	3,330	4,500	4,430
	Pig	1,340	2,000	1,550
	Poultry	17,012	20,000	22,036
	Donkey	-	-	-

2	Percentage of arable land under cultivation	45	-	45
3	Number of new industries established			
	i. Agriculture	-	-	-
	ii. Industry	-	-	-
	iii. Service	-	-	-
4	Number of new jobs created			
	• Agriculture	-	-	-
	• Industry	-	-	-
	• Service	-	-	-
	SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT			

5	Net enrolment ratio	103.59%	108.8%	113.8%
	▪ Kindergarten	M=98.0% F=109.4%	M=103.3% F=114.7%	M=108.3% F=119.7%
	▪ primary	M=72% F=79.0%	M=73.5% F=81.%	M=74.7% F=84.3%
	▪ JHS	M=28.8% F=31.3%	M=27% F=33.6	M=27.2% F=34.5%

2.5 NET ENROLMENT RATIO

Under the indicator, the general net enrolment ratio has been increased from 103.59% in 2019 to 113.8% in 2020 on social development, it was revealed that kindergarten recorded 222% in 2020 and had an increase of 15% in 2019 even though the target was 218% as seen below. In 2019, net enrolment for primary recorded 151.9% and increased to 159% in 2020. And finally net enrolment at the Junior High School in 2019 was 60.1% and increased to 61.7% though the target was 60.6%.

6	Gender Parity Index			
	▪ Kindergarten	1.13	1.12	1.11
	▪ Primary	1.22	1.25	1.27
	⌘ JHS	1.16	1.31	1.36
	⌘ SHS	0.73	0.73	0.72

	Completion rate			
	▪ Kindergarten	-	-	-
	▪ Primary	-	-	-

	▪ JHS	-	-	-
	▪ SHS	-	-	-

8	Number of operational health facilities	2019 Baseline	2020 Target	2020 Actual
	▪ CHPS Compound	7	10	7
	▪ Clinic	4	6	4
	▪ Health Centre	1	1	1
	▪ Hospital	1	1	1
9	Proportion of population with valid NHIS Card	38,309	48,102	40,296
	▪ Total (by sex)	M=15,495 F = 21,233		M=15,103 F =21,307
	▪ Indigents	M=1,412 F =1,812	8,802	M=1,736 F=2,446
	▪ Informal	M=3,827 F =6,637		M =3,846 F =6,883
	▪ Aged	M=438 F =880		M =452 F =865
	▪ Under 18 years	M=9,818 F =9,944		M=9069 F=9,205
	▪ Pregnant women	1,960		1,908

2.8 PROPORTION OF POPULATION WITH VALID NHIS CARDS

Under the indicator population with valid NHIS cards, the review indicated that, in 2019, total population of both sexes recorded 38,309 persons. In 2020, the review indicated that, the total population with valid NHIS cards had increased to 40,296 there has been an increased as compared to 2019. In general, it was revealed that, in terms of gender, female holds the highest number in all the categories. It is believed that, female especially pregnant women registers free and this initiative

might be an incentive to all pregnant women to register. This intervention is targeted reducing maternal mortality and it is indeed working. The picture under the aged shows a reverse. In general, even though the proportion of population with valid NHIS cards are marginally increasing, it is still low as compared to the entire district with an estimated population of 68,202 as at 2019. It means only 59.08% of the population has valid NHIS cards. It is clear that, about 40.91% has no valid cards.

10	Number of births & deaths registered			
	▪ Births (sex)	-	-	2,686 Male=1,515 Female=1,171
	▪ Death (sex, age group)			3 Male=3 Female=0
11	Percentage of population with sustainable access to safe drinking water sources.			
	▪ District	58%	62%	64%
12	Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation	31.6%	55%	33.3%
	▪ District			
13	Maternal mortality ratio	-	-	-
14	∝ Malaria fatality	-	-	-
	▪ Sex	0%	0%	0%
	▪ Aged group	0%	0%	0%
16	Percentage of road network in good condition			

	Total	50%	80%	52%
	Urban	30%	40%	32%
	Feeder	20%	40%	20%
17	Percentage of communities covered by electricity			
	District	50%	70%	55%
	Rural	20%	40%	25%
	Urban	98%	100	98%

2.11 PERCENTAGE OF COMMUNITIES COVERED BY ELECTRICITY

Under this indicator, it was discovered that, the total coverage for the entire district in 2019 was 50%. In 2020 the target was 70% but the actual percentage that was covered was 55% falling short of 15% with regards to the target set. In specific, on the rural of the district, it had a coverage of 25 % as recorded in 2020, at the urban, it had recorded 98% in 2019 and same in 2020. This is due to the growth of the major towns especially the district capital where development is fast. Some suburbs therefore do not have lights and that calls for that insignificant figure.

18	Reported cases of crime			
	i. Men	-	-	-
	ii. Women	-	-	-
	iii. Children	-	-	-

19	Percentage of annual action plan implemented		100%	78.6%
20	Number of communities affected by disaster	4	0	5
	i. Bushfires	3	0	4
	ii. Floods	1	0	1

Bush fire and flood disaster

- **Bush Fire:** There were several reported cases of bush fires that destroyed several hectares of farmlands and properties in some operational areas in the district. Seven farmers from Drobe, Lemu, Kyeamekrom and Bantama operational areas reported of about twelve hectares of cashew farms were destroyed by bush fire during the early part of the first quarter. Similarly, ten mango farmers reported of sixteen hectares of mango plantation being consumed by bush fire within the period. Several other crop farmers reported of bush fires destroying their crops which in all was calculated to about 30 hectares.

REVENUE SOURCES

EXPENDITURE ITEM	2019	2020	
FUNDING SOURCE	BASE LINE (GH¢)	TARGET (GH¢)	ACTUALS (GH¢)
IGF	320,852.77	430,000	474,027.70
DACF	1,532,878.05	3,715,385.27	2,453,719.55
MP' CF	168,640.54	360,000	332,812.27
PWD'S CF	341,342.68	170,000	158,835.37
DDF	1,225,652.91	1,035,000	451,167.93
TOTALS	1,225,652.91	4,676,420.27	3,870,562.82

Revenue Sources

2.14 IGF

The IGF actual for the year 2019 was Three hundred and twenty thousand, Eight hundred and fifty-two thousand Ghana cedis, Seventy seven Pesewas (**GHc320,852.77**) and that of 2020 was Four hundred and seventy-four thousand, Twenty-seven Ghana Cedis Seventy pesewas (**GH¢ 474,027.70**). There has been improvement in performance due to multiple set of strategies such as the operations of the revenue task force, change of location of collectors to mention but few.

2.15 DACF

Estimated revenue of **GHc3, 715,385.27** was expected from this source for the year 2020, however an amount of **GHc2, 453,719.55** was realised. This figure shows a short fall of 38.95% of the estimated amount. The late release and mandatory deductions made from this source constrained the Assembly's capacity to complete payments of projects that had been undertaken.

2.16 MP's CF

Estimated revenue of **GHc360, 000** was expected from this source for the year 2020, but an amount of **GHc332, 812.27** was received. This figure shows a short fall of 7.55% of the estimated amount

EXPENDITURE

YEAR	2019	2020	
EXPENDITURE	BASE LINE (GH¢)	TARGET	ACTUALS (GH¢)
COMPENSATION	2,277,521.95		3,031,235.09
GOODS & SERVICE	1,887,038.87		2,914,340.72
INVESTMENT/ ASSETS	1,650,313.91		1,285,440.40
TOTALS	5,814,874.73		7,231,016.21

2.17 UPDATE ON EXPENDITURE

The table above indicates the disbursement of funds for the period of 2019-2020.

Total expenditure increased from **GH¢5,814,874.73** in 2019 to **GH¢ 7,231,016.21** in 2020 for both compensation and goods and services.

EVALUATIONS CONDUCTED

Names of the Evaluation	Policy/Programme/Project Involved	Consultant or Resource Persons Involved	Methodology used	Findings	Recommendations
Mid-term evaluation	Construction of 1no. 6-unit classroom block with ancillary facilities at KDSHTS, Kwame Danso	DPCU members and stakeholders	Meetings and e-platforms for real information	One of the findings was that, the project could not complete as scheduled as a results of inadequate funds	It was recommended that, project stakeholders should have regular monitoring and meetings to ensure quality work and the project completion within schedule

PM&E CONDUCTED

Name of the PM&E Tool	Policy/Programme/Project Involved	Consultant or Resource Persons Involved	Methodology used	Findings	Recommendations
Participatory monitoring	Construction of 1 No.CHPS compound at Menkor	DPCU members and stakeholders	Monitoring, meetings and e-platforms	One of the findings was that, the project was completed but not	It was recommended that, project stakeholders should have regular meetings and monitoring to

				connected to electricity power	ensure quality of work.
Participatory Monitoring	Drilling, construction and mechanization of 3 No. boreholes at Kwame Danso, Akenten and Lemu	DPCU and stakeholders.	Monitoring and meetings	One of the finding was that, 2 out of the 3 of the project were completed but not in use	The projects should be completed and hand over to the beneficiaries to enable them have access to safe drinking water.

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 UPDATE ON CRITICAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ISSUES

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

The department within the year under review implemented the following activities:

✓ CHILD RIGHTS PROMOTION AND PROTECTION

Some of the major activities the department undertook to promote and protect the rights of children in the district for the year include;

1. Handling two welfare, four maintenance, child custody and child welfare cases brought to the department in addition to cases brought forward the previous quarter.
2. Continuing to engage the caregivers who are temporarily taking care of seven rescued children at the Volta Lake the previous quarter at the Kings Village.
3. Assisting families of a mental patient who delivered at the district hospital to waive her bills.
4. Offering general advice to clients.

The department recorded eight new cases from its cherished clients for the comprising of maintenance, child welfare and custody, and family welfare cases. After painstaking investigation by the department, few of the cases were amicably settled while one maintenance case was withdrawn for home settlement. The year witnessed people reporting at the department for advice, directions and enquiries of benefiting from the disability fund.

Breakdown is as follows.

s/n	Nature of cases	No	B/F	Total	Settled	Pending /adjourned	Referred	With Drawn
1	Maintenance	4	2	6	-	5	-	1
2	Child Welfare/Custody	2	1	3	1	2	-	-
3	Family Welfare	2	1	3	1	2	-	-

4	Paternity	-	1	1	-	1	-	-
5	General Advice	12	-	12	8	4	-	-
	TOTAL	20	5	25	10	14	-	1

✓ **CHILD SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT**

The department continued to engage caregivers at the Kings Village about the welfare of the seven trafficked children who were rescued in October this year. The children so far are in stable condition. Those with malaria and typhoid were sent to hospital and treated. Phone numbers of their relatives were taken and some of the relatives were spoken to. Home assessment of these children will be conducted next year pending the arrival of the care order from the District Court.

GENDER OF CHILDREN RESCUED

SEX	NO.	AGE(YRS)
BOYS	6	10-15
GIRLS	1	12

The Mampong Babies Home case is still pending as the father of the child has not reported at the office for investigation to start.

✓ **COMMUNITY CARE**

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The Disability Fund Management Committee members in their last meeting and in collaboration with the assembly slated Wednesday 4th November 2020 to hold a durbar to present items, equipment and cash to PWDs who needed support from the disability fund. Requests range from financial assistance to inject capital into their business, educational support, medical support, funds for fishing and farming, hairdressing equipment, tri-cycle etc.

It was a colorful event which witnessed fifty six PWDs i.e forty(40) males and sixteen(16) females receiving items purchased by the Assembly to them. The occasion was graced by the Hon. D.C.E, the DCD, DFO, Heads of Department and staff of the assembly. Two media houses were invited to cover the event namely rep from Peace Fm and the crew from our local Fm station Sene .

✓ **LEAP PROGRAMME**

As usual, leap beneficiaries and caregivers received their cash grants for the year under review.

The 68th cycle payment for the month of July and August 2020 was effected and over nine hundred and fourteen beneficiaries were on the payment vouchers to receive their cash grants between 8th and 15th October 2020 at various pay points in the district.

THE TABLE BELOW ILLUSTRATES THE STATISTICS OF PAYMENT PROCESS

	COMMUNITY	HH PAID	HH UNPAID	DECEASED	ABSENT	TOTAL HH
1	Kyeamekrom	33	4	1	3	37
2	Kwaku Donkor	14	2	-	2	16
3	Kofi Djan	22	2	-	-	24
4	Drobe	35	4	-	2	39
5	Lemu	37	5	-	5	42
6	Akenten	62	1	1	-	63
7	Dwankrom	66	2	-	2	68
8	Nkwakwanoa	32	1	-	1	33
9	Kanto	37	3	1	2	40
10	Kwame Danso	67	4	1	3	71
11	Mframa	21	3	-	3	24
12	Wiase	54	4	-	4	58
13	Shafa	13	1	-	1	14
14	Menkor	54	2	1	1	56
15	Akyeremade	49	1	-	1	50
16	Lassi	123	4	2	2	127
17	Bayarko	2	2	-	2	4
18	Bantama	138	10	1	9	148
	TOTAL	859	55	8	43	914

In all eight hundred and fifty-nine received their cash grants while fifty-five beneficiaries and caregivers could not be paid due to either the beneficiary was absent or deceased. There are few instances where

caregiver changed is been handled by the Case management Unit. The Amantin and Kasei Bank staff went about the payment process professionally and all the safety protocols of Covid-19 were rigidly adhered to.

There are over thirty leap beneficiaries and caregivers in selected communities' in the Target Survey 8 with e-zwich cards but whose names were not on payroll. The LMS brought a circular requesting all district officers to compile the names with their details and forward same to them. This was quickly done and the department is waiting for their names to be included in the payment vouchers. In all twenty-eight names of leap beneficiaries have been sent to LMS,

Again there are still about five outstanding Deceased Caregiver Replacement issues that are still pending at the Case Management Unit

✓ FREE RENEWAL OF NHIS FOR LEAP BENEFICIARY HOUSEHOLDS

The table below shows leaps beneficiary household members who renewed their NHIA cards free of charge at the scheme office for the year.

S/N	COMMUNITY	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
1	Kwame Danso	0	0	0
2	Bantam	0	0	0
3	Akenten	0	10	10
4	Lassi	6	11	17
5	Kyeamekrom	0	2	2
6	Lemu	4	2	6
7	Kanto	2	6	8
8	Wiase	0	1	1
9	Kofi Djan	0	0	0
10	Mframa	2	5	7
11	Dwankrom	0	2	2
12	Akyeremade	2	6	8
13	Kwaku Donkor	2	0	2
14	Nkwakwanoa	2	3	5
15	Shafa	4	1	5
16	Menkor	3	6	9
17	Drobe	4	2	6

18	Bayarko	0	0	0
	TOTAL	31	57	88

3.0.7 BUSINESS ADVISORY CENTER (BAC)

During the year under review the department collaborated with Sene west district assembly and other stakeholders to carry-out series of activities in the district. Among them were

3.0 ACTIVITIES IMPLEMENTED FOR THE YEAR

Training

DATE	ACTIVITY	TARGET GROUP	VENUE	NO. OF PARTS.			FUNDING SOURCE	REMARKS
				M	F	T		
18/02/2020	Strengthening of Association	All MSEs	District Assembly Hall-Kwame Danso	28	13	41	REP	Targeted participants exceeded
20/02/2020	Association Sustaining Training	All MSEs	Kajaji	17	64	81	REP	Targeted participants exceeded
10/03/2020	Study Tour	Fashion Designer	Mcjacks Klodin-Kumasi	15	59	74	REP	
12/03/2020	Study Tour	Hairdressers	Oyska School of Beauty-Kumasi	0	27	27	REP	Three participants couldn't take part
16/03/2020	Business Counselling	All MSEs	Kwame Danso, Bantama, Lemu, Mframa	25	25	50	REP	Exact number of clients were counselled
23/09/2020	Entrepreneurship Training	All MSEs	Roman Catholic Church-Kwame Danso	21	34	55	NEIP	Participants fully attended
05/10/2020	Entrepreneurship Training	CAPBUSS Beneficiaries	District Assembly Hall-Kwame Danso	21	29	50	NBSSI	Target Met
6/10/2020	Financial Literacy Training	CAPBuSS Beneficiaries	District Assembly Hall, Kwame Danso	23	27	50	NBSSI	Targeted participants met

13/10/2020	NVTI Examination	Graduate apprentice in Hairdressing	District Assembly Hall, Kwame Danso	0	25	25	REP	
4/11/2020	NVTI Examination	Graduate apprentice in Dressmaking	District Assembly Hall, Kwame Danso	1	15	16	REP/Client	four persons did not register as expected.
	Regulatory Requirement Training	All MSEs	Kwame Danso Bantama Lemu	5	37	42	REP	Registration with RGD is still in progress

Advisory, Counselling and Extension Services

SERVICE AREAS	NO. OF SESSIONS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Financial Assistance	4	290	305	65
Business Start-up	3	18	22	40
Registration with RGD	4	125	150	275
Registration with NBSSI	3	140	200	340
Registration with GSA/FDA	1	30	69	99
Marketing of Products	1	28	22	50
Training Programs	5	180	205	385

Advisory (Provision of Information)	3	320	205	525
Enterprise Site Inspection	4	8	10	18
NVTI Exams	2	7	40	47
Farmer Field For a				
Total	26	605	789	1394

Distribution of Start-up kits led by Hon. DCE - Sene West



Entrepreneurship and innovation Training for MSEs Sponsored by NEIP



NVTI PROFICIENCY TEST FOR DRADUATE APPRENTICE IN
HAIRDRESSING



**ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND FINANCIAL LITERACY TRAINING FOR
CAPBUSS BENEFICIARIES**



NVTI EXAMINATION FOR GRADUATE APPRENTICE IN DRESSMAKING



CHALLENGES

The office has its major challenge to be lack of means of transport to be able to undertake activities of the office. Again, funds not being release to carry out trainings and programmes of the office.

RECOMMENDATION

Hence, we recommend that Training Funds should be released so that all pending/ planned activities could be executed in due time. While a means of transport would facilitate the speed of activities of the office.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The department in the period under review collaborated with other decentralized departments, units and selected stakeholders to implement the following activities;

- **HIV/AIDS Sensitization and Awareness Training:** The Department collaborated with Ghana Health Service and Sene West District Hospital to train staff on new approach of sensitizing and creation of awareness of HIV/AIDS in extension delivery.



Figure 1: Staff at HIV/AIDS Sensitization and Awareness Training

This has gone a long way to help the staff to updating the entire staff on new approach in tackling the topic with farmers in extension deliveries.

▪ HIV/AIDS

Sensitisation and Awareness Training:

The Department collaborated with Ghana Health Service and Sene



Figure 2: HIV/AIDS Sensitisation and Awareness creation at Sene

West District Hospital to sensitize the general public on

Figure 3: HIV/AIDS sensitization

Sene FM. All attention has been drawn to COVID-19 so people don't talk about AIDS again and want to remind the public that HIV/AIDS is still there and for that matter nobody should under rate it.

- **Child Labour Sensitisation:** In collaboration with the Department of Social Welfare and Rural Development, sensitisation programme on Child Labour was organised for the staff to update them on child labour issues in extension delivery. One of the key points gathered from the training was that when we talk of child labour the following points must be considered carefully.



Figure 3: Staff at Child Labour training session

- The type of work given to the child
- Period/time that the work is given to the child and
- The age of the child

The training has given more insight to child labour issue in our extension deliveries.

- **Registration of Beekeepers:** The Department collaborated with Sustainable Livelihood Project (Rudeya) a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) whose main focus is keeping the environment save for livelihood. The two institutions registered 60 Beekeepers and cashew farmers in Wiase, Bantama, Mframa Shafa and Kwame Danso to give them technical and other support services.
- **Registration of cassava farmers:** Ghana Cassava Industrialisation Partnership Project (GCIPP) in collaboration with the Department has so far registered 1,600 farmers to be supplied with planting materials and further support them with some logistics. The GCIPP has also signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the farmers that they are going to buy the produce at harvest.

GCIPP Training: Ghana Cassava Industrialisation Project (GCIPP), a processing company at Amanteng in the Atebubu AmantenMunicipality



collaborated with the Department of Agriculture in the district to train 1,169 farmers made up of 827 male and 342 female. The participants were taken through the various cassava varieties, land preparation, planting distance and number days to mature for

- Harvesting. The farmers admitted that they have been cultivating cassava for several years but the training has opened their minds on so many new things like fertiliser application in cassava and mechanical harvesting.
- **Registration of Community Based Advisors (CBAs):** The Department collaborated with Hunger Project and AGRA (Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) to register 250 farmers made up of 158 males and 92 females into the 2020 farming season.

Beekeeping Sensitization programme: The Department collaborated with Sene West Beekeepers Association to carry out sensitization programme on Beekeeping management practices at Sene FM. Mr. Akwasi Mahama (Chairman of the Association) told his success story to the general public he was nobody in his community but apiculture had made him somebody so they should take it very serious.



Figure 5: Child Labour sensitization at Sene FM

Social Welfare and Rural Development on child labour.

● **Child Labour:**
Another collaborative work between Department of Agriculture and Department of

- **GCIPP:** Ghana Cassava Industrialization Partnership Project (GCIPP), a processing company at Amanteng in the Atebubu Amanteng Municipality is in collaboration



Fig. 6 Cassava Planting materials been offloading from

with the Department of Agriculture in the district to assist farmers to go into large scales cassava production to supply raw materials to feed the Agro processing factory at Amantin. The project has assisted over One Thousand farmers in cassava production. During the period under reporting, the project assisted farmers to plough 86 acres of land and distributed 3,600 bundles of cassava planting materials to cover 90 acres. Due to non calculated drought that hit the district from June to August most of the plating materials got spoiled, planting was ongoing as at the time of reporting.

- **Registration of Community Based Advisors (CBAs):** The Department collaborated with Hunger Project and AGRA (Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) to register 250 farmers made up of 158 males and 92 females into the 2020 farming season.

- **Rice Production Techniques: The Department collaborated with Soil Research Institute (SRI) to establish demonstration on rice production using**

bonding (Technically known as SAWA Project). the technology



Figure 7: Dr. Dugan from CRI (in white shirt) briefing the participants on the technology

demonstrated how farmers can increase

rice production within a small land area and also promote effective and efficient land use. Field day was organised to invite participants from the all the eleven Districts Agriculture Departments, Regional Agriculture Department, Sene West district Assembly, Traditional rulers, farmers and media personnel from various media institutions in the Bono East region and beyond.

- **Weed control in rice:** During the 2020 district RELC session, stubborn weeds in rice production was a major problem. Several chemical control measures were applied but could not solved the problem. The Department collaborated with Crop Research Institute (CRI) to establish rice demonstration plots on an infested land of the stubborn weeds. Different chemicals and combination of chemicals were used to fine out one that can best control the weeds. Treatment 5 proved to

be controlling the best than the other treatments. Pictures below show the various treatments.



Figure 8-14: Pictures of the various treatments under the control of stubborn weeds in rice

- **Rice Production Training:** In collaboration with Soil Research Institute, training was conducted on rice production for selected rice farmers in the district. The facilitator of the training Dr. Dugan, advised the farmers to always consider land size that they can properly manage instead of large farms where management practices are very poor. He said the SAWA Technology ensure effective and efficient land use where farmers can increase yields with a small land size.



Figure 15: Participants at rice production training

Collaboration with Projects (MoFA)

Provide brief description MoFA projects that are being implemented in the district and the scope of coverage (beneficiary communities and farmers). Elaborate on key project milestones in the district for the reporting period. Provide pictures to support descriptive activities of the project where possible. Indicate in your analysis the existing gap the project has contributed to overcome. 0

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- **Soap making training:** Thirty women were trained on soap making, after the training seventeen of them have started making their own liquid soap for sales. The training has been timely because it has helped many of these women who were trained to make their



Figure 16: District WIAD Officer welcoming participants to the training session

own soap for domestic purposes and sell the excess to the general public in this era of COVID-19. It has created an income generating activity for some of these women which some of them were just house wives.

- **Field Trip:** Sixty cashew farmers comprising 35 males and 25 females were taken to Wenchi Agricultural Research Station to learn more on cashew production. At the station, the officers took



Figure 17: An Officer at the Station taking a section of the participants through nursery practices.

the farmers through so many things including the different varieties of cashew, their yield levels and resistance to diseases and pests and other environmental conditions. They were also taken through nursery, grafting procedures, pruning and other cultural practices that will help them increased yield. During the follow up visit after the trip, it was noticed that most of the farmers had started applying the good agronomic practices they learnt at the station in their cashew plantation.

Name of Project/ Activity	Beneficiaries					Achievement (Result from intervention)
	Male	Female	Youth	Aged	PLWD	
PFJ maize	324	93	287	118	12	Farmers are able to increase their farms and income through the use of subsidised improve seeds and fertilizers
PFJ rice	467	54	319	188	14	
Capacity building for Women FBOs	0	43	35	8	3	At the end of the training, participants got to know why their FBOs are collapsing and promise to revive them as early as possible with the knowledge they had acquired from the training
Value addition to soya an guinea corn	0	48	43	5	7	At the end of the training, Seven participants (PWLDs) thanked the Department for the training which had helped them to know how to prepare soya milk and “Sobolo”
PERD (Distribution of Cashew seedlings)	450	327	590	123	64	40,000 seedlings were distributed to farmers free of charge to improve their living standards. Follow up have been made to ensure proper establishment of the seedlings.during the reporting

						period, officers went round to ensure that farmers have created fire belt to protect their farms from bush burning.
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Source: DAD, 2020



Figure 18 & 19: Distribution of cashew seedlings under Planting for Export and Rural Development (PERD)

2.1 Pest and Disease situation

Provide preamble to introduce pest and disease situation in the district. Fall Army worms have been reported in the district since 2008 and their numbers keep on multiply year after year. But with careful management by the Department and some serious farmers crops are able to be protected for consumption and income.

2.1.1 Fall Army worm

Indicate whether FAW outbreak was spontaneous or intermittent. What % of farmers were affected by the fall army worm infestation. Quantify the losses/gains by looking at the area destroyed/recovered and its corresponding value of crops (maize) and implication on livelihoods. List and link the managerial strategies used in the control of the pest. Compare the previous year with the current.

Fall Army worm situation

Total farmland affected (Ha)		Total Area Sprayed (Ha)		Total Area Recovered (Ha)		Total Area Destroyed (Ha)		Number of farmers affected ¹			
2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019		2020	
								M	F	M	F
39	108	39	108	39	108	0	0	33	21	63	28

Source: DAD

Analysis: Fall Army Worms incidence in the current period increased as compared to same time the previous year. This might be as the result of the incidence of COVID-19 lockdown when farmers were not able to come to the district Agriculture Office for chemicals to control them. At the same time Agriculture Extension Agents too were not able to pay their normal

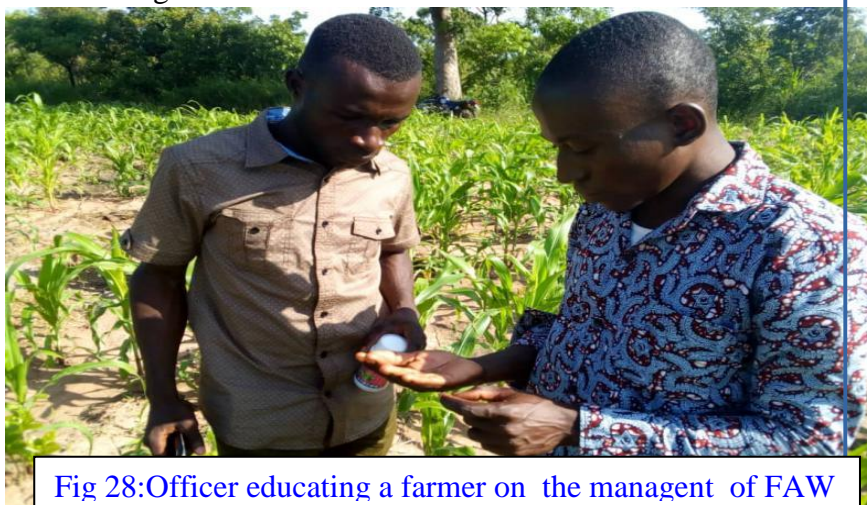


Fig 28:Officer educating a farmer on the managent of FAW

regular visits to farmers to help them solve the problem. Farmers who were affected and were able to report to the office were given free chemicals to fight the worms. The FAW situation and the poor rainfall pattern of the year can have negative effect on food security in the district at certain times of the preceding year.

2.1.1 Quantity of Chemicals Distributed under FAW

We expect you to link the outcome of chemicals used by farmers to the pest infestation (FAW) levels for the reporting period. Are they potent chemicals, easily available, affordable etc.?

¹Mandatory

Table...: Quantity of chemicals distributed

District	Type of Chemical	Quantity of chemical received	Quantity of Chemical Distributed	Unit of measure		Beneficiary farmers		Coverage (Ha)
				Litres	(Kg)	M	F	
Sene West	Adepa	36L	0	1L		0	0	0
	Warrior Supper	10L	5L	200ml		3	2	6
	Eradicoat 1	36L	0	1L		0	0	0
	Worm attack	12L	0	1L				

Source: DAD

5 liters of Warrior supper were distributed to 3 males and 2 females during the reporting period. This was because there were very few cases of Fall Army in the quarter.

- Vegetable production:** Dry season onion demonstration plot was established to demonstrate to the farmers the prospects in dry season onion cultivation. Only few farmers cultivate onion in the rainy seasons which get spoiled as onions are susceptible heavy rains. This is 2019 activity but due to late release of funds it was pushed to later date. The nursery



Figure 29: Onion demonstration plot at Kanto

- started in December 2019 and did the transplanting in January 2020. Farmers were impressed during harvesting. Some of them promise to make it their business during December this year.
- Germination test:** Germination test was conducted with 55 farmers comprising of 40 males 15 females. The test was conducted on two crops, maize and rice; farmers were targeted but only 55 benefited because some farmers did not show up due to the fear of COVID-19 infection though the germination test was done in smaller groups in three batches with other safety protocols observed.

● **Agricultural Extension Service Performance**

Compare number of AEA's at post as against number required. What is the implication of AEA's at post on agricultural extension delivery in the region?

Table...: Availability of Agricultural Extension Services

	2019			2020		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Number of AEA's required	16	8	24	16	8	24
Number of AEA's at post	5	0	5	5	0	5
% AEA's at post compared to required	31.3	0	31.3	31.3	0	31.3
% of female AEA's at post		0	0		0	0
Number of farmers			45,500			45,500
Ratio of farmer to AEA's at post			1:5,688			1:5,688

Analysis:

The district is not having enough staff and this is negatively affecting extension delivery. The district having more than 45,000 farmers has only 8 extension and 2 veterinary staff. One staff is supposed to cover close to 6,000 farmers. This does not help extension delivery because most farmers do not get enough extension services.

2.1.1.1 Demonstrations conducted

Provide the type of demonstration eg. Varietal trials, nutrient management (fertilizer application or non-application), land forms, etc

Table... **Number and types of demonstration conducted**

Region	No. of Demonstrations conducted		Type of demonstration		Beneficiaries			
	2019	2020	2019	2020	Male		Female	
Bono East					2019	2020	2019	2020
Totals		4		1. Varietal performance trial in maize (Kparifako) an Open Pollinated variety (OPV) and Omankwa		142		95

				also OPV				
		1		Weed management in rice.		19		13
		1		Rice production in bonds (SAWA Technology)		35		21

2.1.1.2 Improved Technologies Adopted by Farmers

Table..... Farmers adopting improved technologies

No.	Type of Technology adopted		Male		Female	
	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020
1		Good agronomic practices in vegetable production (staking of tomatoes, pepper and cucumber)		25		38
		Germination test before sowing				
		Use of certified seeds				
		Timely and properly placement of fertilizer application		550		370
		Pruning of Man\go		52		12

- i. **Farmers Day celebration:** District Farmers Day celebration was held at Batama to award the gallant. Below are some pictures of the farmers day.



Fig. 22: Traditional Authorities seated to grace the occasion



Fig. 23 Hon. John Nyaba (middle) DCE, delivering his speech



Fig. 24: Exhibits displayed at the durbar



Fig. 25: Some awards for the occasion



Fig. 26: The second runner-up receiving her award



Fig. 27: Alhaji Moro Sanda (2020 Overall Best farmer) receiving his certificate from the

Challenges and Recommendations

Enumerate the challenges based on the outline or the structure of the report and propose recommendations to address the challenges identified.

No	Challenge	Recommendation/ Way forward
1	Late release of funds has become a major setback.	Funds should be released early.
2.	Inadequate staff is having negative effect on activity implementation rate.	More staff should be posted to the district.
3.	Difficulties in meeting farmers due to COVID-19 pandemic.	More Radio programme organised instead of meeting farmers in groups though not budgeted for initially.
4.	Inadequate motorbike	More motorbike should be allocated to the district to enhance extension delivery

DISTRICT DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

During the period under review, the directorate executed a number of activities. These include the following;

1.0 STAFF STRENGTH:

2.1. Central administration (office)

CATEGORY	STAFF STRENGTH		
	MALES	FEMALES	TOTAL
TEACHING	29	1	30
NON-TEACHING	15	3	18
TOTAL	44	4	48

2.2. Staffing at the public schools

Below are the figures of the staff strength at the school levels in public schools in the District. (Teaching staff).

LEVEL	TRAINED STAFF		UNTRAINED STAFF		TOTAL	REMARKS
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES		
KG	54	92	0	3	149	
PRIMARY	207	38	3	0	248	
JHS	147	17	3	1	168	
SHS	46	3	0	0	49	
TVET	-	-	-	-	-	
SPECIAL SCHOOL	-	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL	454	150	6	4	614	

2.3 Teaching staff at the private schools

The staff populations are adequate at the basic level but are mostly untrained

LEVEL	TRAINED		UNTRAINED		TOTAL
	MALES	FEMALES	MALES	FEMALES	
KG	-	1	11	24	36
PRIMARY	3	-	24	16	43
JHS	-	-	9	4	13
SHS	-	-	-	-	-
TVET	-	-	-	-	-
SPECIAL SCHOOL	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	3	1	44	44	92

2.4. School/enrolment in public schools.

LEVEL	NO OF SCHOOLS	ENROLMENT		TOTAL
		MALES	FEMALES	
KG	50	135	2371	3724
PRIMARY	50	4099	3936	8035
JHS	27	1340	1127	2467
SHS	1	613	438	1051
TVET	0	0	0	0
SPECIAL SCHOOL	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	128	7405	7872	15277

SCHOOL/ENROLMENT IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS

LEVEL	NO OF SCHOOLS	ENROLMENT		TOTAL
		MALES	FEMALES	
KG	14	211	217	428
PRIMARY	14	470	478	945
JHS	3	87	86	173
SHS	-	-	-	-
TVET	-	-	-	-
SPECIAL SCHOOL	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	31	768	781	1549

.The District Director visited about 90% of schools in the districts to ascertain, at first hand, information on challenges in the schools as well as ensure smooth implementation of the new Standard Based Curriculum across the district and effective teaching and learning.

1. Mock exams for BECE Candidates for 2020 were successfully conducted. The Sene West and District Assembly, sponsored all two mock examinations conducted.
2. The District Education Oversight Committee (DEOC) was re-organize and inaugurated on 27th February, 2020. Since its re-constitution, regular meetings were held throughout the year.
3. Two day's orientation workshop was organized for sixty (60) newly trained teachers posted to the district to equip them on their new responsibilities.
4. Fifty-two complementary Basic Education facilitators were provided with Bicycles and PPEs.
5. Road map for 2020 BECE Result enhancement was also done together with heads and management.
7. 2020 BECE commences across the country on 14th September and successfully ended on the 18th of the same month. There was no record of examination malpractices from the three centers. In all twenty-nine (29) Junior High Schools and a total of eight hundred and forty-nine (849) candidates sat for the exams.
8. On the reopening day, 98% of schools were visited by the district directorate.
9. PPEs were distributed to the schools both students and teachers. Each school received two (2) thermometer guns to check the temperature of the final year students. In addition

nose masks and hand sanitizer were also provided to the teachers and the students.

- 10 Two new circuits were created in addition to the first five (5) to bring the total to seven (7) circuits. This was to meet the minimum requirement of (11) eleven schools under every circuits.
- 11 DOCUTECH Company accredited to install multifunctional copier/printer meant for examinations at the district offices across the country. The machines were received on 23rd of September, 2020.
12. Covid-19 Training workshop was organized for all JHS teachers to equip them with requisite skills during the pandemic.
- 13 Capacity Building workshop was organized for all primary school head teachers in the District on the Ghana Reading Learning Radio Programme. In all (26) twenty-six Headteachers were in attendance.
- 14 One day capacity Building workshop was also organized for Opinion Leaders, Assembly members, Chiefs and Religious Leaders on the Ghana Learning Radio-Reading Programme.
- 15 A two day Training workshop on Back-To-School Advocacy Campaign Organized And Dissemination of The Guidelines For Prevention of Pregnancy Among School Girls And Facilitation of Re-Entry into School After Child Birth. The Programme Commenced on 2nd and Ended on the 3rd of December, 2020.
- 16 Girl child week Celebration was organized in the District from 5th to 11th of November under the Topic “My Voice our Equal Future”.
- 17 A five-Day mandatory Training workshop on Differentiated Learning (DL) pedagogy was organized for 295 teachers in the GALOP Schools. It commenced on the 14th December and ended official on 18th of December, 2020. Out of 295 teachers forty-eight (48) teachers could not participate.

Success stories:

- ❖ In spite of the Covid-19 pandemic, regular school monitoring and supervision was done successfully.
- ❖ The government of Ghana donated a double cabin Isuzu pick to the Directorate. In March 2020. This gesture eased the Directorate's perennial problem of lack of official means of transport.
- ❖ All organized training workshops scheduled within the year were very successfully held.
- ❖ Eighteen (18) teachers who applied to head our schools without a substantive head, have gone through their interviews successfully. They are currently waiting for the letters of appointments.
- ❖ Finally the Government of Ghana on 17th December, 2020 provided five (5) motorbikes to the Directorate meant for the SISOs' monitoring and supervision in the schools.

DISTRICT DIRECTORY OF HEALTH

During the year under review, the directory carried out series of activities across the district, among them were:

CHPS covers the entire district population. The district continues to maintain its CHPS roll out plan and has all the demarcated 21 zones made functional.

The challenge has to do with proportion of functional zones having compound. Only 33.3% of the functional zones have compounds. Over the period the progress has become stagnant due to weak political will and inadequate community mobilization. During the period under review, community health management committees were engaged in meetings (taking into full consideration the covid-19 protocols and observing them) in various communities to promote healthy lifestyles.

OPD per capita decreased slightly from 1.6 in 2019 to 1.4 due to a decreased in total OPD attendance in the year 2020 and this can partly be attributed to the covid-19 pandemic where people were not patronizing health services as compared to previous years.

Table 1. 1 Bridging equity gaps in service delivery

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>Oct-Dec 2018</i>	<i>Oct-Dec 2019</i>	<i>Oct-Dec 2020</i>
	<i>Performance</i>	<i>Performance</i>	<i>performance</i>
No. of demarcated CHPS zones	21	21	21
No. of functional CHPS zones	21	21	21
Proportion of functional CHPS zones	100%	100%	100%
No. of CHPS compounds	7	7	7
Per capita OPD attendance	1.4	1.6	1.4

Doctor to population ratio continues to be a major challenge in bridging equity gap with current situation at 1:36,527 in 2020 compared to 1:35,701 same period 2019. Nurses and Midwives to population also need attention. It would be prudent if critical staff would be sponsored by the district.

The cumulative total number of ANC registrants for the period under review was 458 clients representing approximately 59.2% of expected pregnancies for the fourth quarter 2020 as against 58.6% for the same period in 2019.

An average visit per client increased slightly from 5.9 in 2019 fourth quarter to 6.0 in 2020 same period. This shows that the utilization of services at ANC is encouraging and quality issues are guaranteed.

In line with the reproductive health (RH) policy and standards, the haemoglobin (Hb) of pregnant women is checked at registration and 36 weeks to detect anaemia. Over the years, Hb checked at registration and at 36 weeks has stagnated but strikes of improvement is seen in 2020 as 79.8% and 48.4% were tested at registration and at 36 weeks respectively.

Some of the contributory factors include shortage of reagents and the absence of laboratories in some health facilities resulting in clients being referred elsewhere and never returning. The district has only one laboratory facility. Out of the tests conducted, 29.9% and 25% were anaemic at registration and at 36 weeks respectively.

Deliveries attended to by skilled personnel, decreased from 45.2% of total expected deliveries for the fourth quarter 2019 to 32.3% of total deliveries same period 2020.

Teenage pregnancy in the district is on the decline. 14% in 2019, and 10.8% in 2020. Education will continue to be held in schools and on the radio to increase awareness on teenage pregnancy.

District Coverage for family planning offered in the period under review was 28.9% of women in their reproductive age. This is a decrease in coverage as compared to 47.2% same period 2019.

The 2020 fourth quarter family planning coverage represents a total figure of 1062 acceptors who attended various health facilities in the district. This is a decrease in coverage as against the same period last year where a total of 2078 new and continuing acceptors were recorded.

Reduce morbidity and mortality; intensify prevention and control of non-communicable diseases

As the global burden of communicable and non-communicable diseases continues to grow; tackling it constitutes one of the major challenges for the health sector.

Table 1. 2 Non communicable diseases

CONDITION	Oct-Dec 2018	Oct-Dec 2019	Oct-Dec 2020
Hypertension	145	86	97
Diabetes Mellitus	17	27	4
Asthma	46	19	25
Sickle Cell Disease	3	2	2

Diabetic cases decreased from 27 cases in 2019 to 4 cases in the period under review, however same cannot be said for hypertension as cases increased from 86 in 2019 to 97 cases in the fourth quarter, 2020.

Efforts must still be made to ensure we intensify education for people to do away with some negative attitudes and lifestyles and promote healthy lifestyles such as regular exercising and eating of fruits and drinking plenty of water.

The DHD will continue its education to pregnant mothers on seeking early professional care during delivery.

Intensify prevention and control of communicable disease and ensure the reduction of new HIV/AIDS and other STI, especially among the vulnerable groups

Improving and strengthening Institutional service delivery is a key strategy to improving the quality of health care. This includes malaria control, Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses, safe motherhood, HIV/AIDS, control of sexually transmitted diseases, TB control among others. Service provision or delivery is an immediate output of the inputs into the health system, such as health workforce, procurement and supplies and finances. Increased inputs should lead to improved service delivery and enhanced access to services.

Malaria continues to be the leading cause of OPD attendance contributing to a total of 37.1% of all cases in the fourth quarter 2020.

Total OPD attendance decreased from 28249 in 2019 to 18755 in fourth quarter 2020.

Data also reveals that females form majority of the attendance.

Over the period the district continued to scale up the PMTCT services to other facilities to ensure every pregnant woman has access to such facilities. For the period under review, 100% of the facilities run the services and were able to counsel and test 421 mothers with 0 being positive for the period under review.

Table 1. 3 PMTCT services

PMTCT	2018	2019	2020
ANC REG.	440	412	421
TESTED	440	412	421
% TESTED	100	100	100
POSITIVE	0	0	0
Mothers on ARVs	0	0	0

Immunization service during the period under review was offered at both static and outreach sites at monthly intervals. Services are offered by a mix of staff in efforts to reach every child (REC). This effort has contributed significantly to the reduction in the incidence of vaccine preventable disease in childhood and avoidable deaths. Immunization coverage has been sustained over 80% for the past three years. Activities organized included

- Distributed EPI logistics and Vaccines to facilities.
- Monitored the Cold Chain System at facilities and district
- Preparation & submission of monthly reports.
- Organized a mop-up activity to vaccinate missed children in October.

COVID 19 SITUATION IN THE DISTRICT

Corona virus disease is a newly identified severe acute respiratory infection (SARI) caused by large RNA viruses named severe acute respiratory syndrome corona virus 2 (SARS-Cov-2). Belong to a large family of viruses that cause illness ranging from the common cold to more severe diseases. It Started in Dec 2019 in Wuhan and was declared a pandemic on 12/3/2020 by WHO.

Prior to Ghana recording its first case in March and subsequent incidence of cases in the country, the district had worked around the WHO approved thematic areas to prevent the disease and protect the population of Sene West.

COVID-19 Situation in the district

INDICATOR	COVID-19
Total Samples taken	364
Commulative Confirmed Cases	35

Commulative contacts	168
% of contacts completing 14 days follow up	100%
% results received of specimen taken	91%
Cases managed at Isolation center	3
Those managed at home	32
Covid-19 related deaths	1
COVID-19 infection among health staff	20
Active Cases	0
Cases De-Isolated	34

HIV/AIDS

The Assembly collaborated with Health directorate, Sene hospital, Education directorate, Agric directorate and other departments and unit to carry out the following activities in the year under review.

✓ HIV / AIDS Sensitization and Testing & Counseling (HTC) at Bantam

The Sene West District Assembly in collaboration with Ghana Health Service and Sene Hospital organized a one-day HIV/AIDS sensitization and Testing & Counseling at Bantama on 20th March, 2020. In all, 135 participants made up of 39 males and 96 females took part of the exercise. The programme was part of the measures to reduce HIV/AIDS infection in the District and the nation as a whole and also one of the steps to achieve the 90-90-90 fast track target by 2020.

- ✓ Monitoring activities was conducted at the health facilities in the district
- ✓ Organizing HIV/AIDS quarterly meetings
- ✓ Meeting with HIV data officers
- ✓ Support to HIV clients /victims
- ✓ Visit to HIV clients/ victims

- ✓ **HIV/AIDS Sensitisation and Awareness Training:** The Department collaborated with Ghana Health Service and Sene West District Hospital to trained staff on new approach of sensitizing and creation of awareness of HIV/AIDS in extension delivery.



Figure 4: Staff at HIV/AIDS Sensitisation and Awareness Training

This has gone a long way to help the staff to updating the entire staff on new approach in tackling the topic with farmers in extension deliveries.

PHYSICAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT

The department collaborated with the assembly and works department to organize sensitization programs in selected communities across the district, activity was meant to educate the general public on the importance and the needs of acquiring building permits and site plans. In all 347 stakeholders from Kwame Danso, Lemu Ntrubuso ,Lemu Kasamente, Kyeamkrom and Krenkuase were sensitized from March to December,2020.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH UNIT

The unit collaborated with other departments and units to carry out series of activities in the year under review. Among them were:

Disinfection exercise

The Zoomlion Ghana limited in collaboration with the Sene West District Assembly, on the 23rd July, 2020 disinfected all the six (6) market centres in the District including Lorry parks

The table below depicts the markets and their location

	NAME OF MARKET	LOCATION
1	BANTAMA MARKET	BANTAMA
2	KWAME DANSO MARKET	KWAME DANSO
3	KWAME DANSO NEW MARKET	KWAME DANSO
4	LEMU MARKET	LEMU
5	KYEAMEKROM MARKET	KYEAMEKROM
6	TATO-BATTOR MARKE	TATO BATTOR

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Again, on the 17th of September, 2020 a total of Fifty (50) churches and mosques in the District were disinfected.

Finally, on the 25th of September, 2020 to 30th September 2020 about 75 basic and Junior High Schools (both public and private) in the District were disinfected

✓ Premises inspection

The Inspection covered House to House, Eating Premises, Drinking Bars and Guest House. In all 9,845 Premises were inspected District wide. Some of the nuisances identified during the inspection were growth of weeds, human excrement on the bare ground, Accumulation of refuse reasonable preventable conditions, Accumulation of waste water behind bath house, exposed food meant for sale and cracked drinking glasses just to mention a few.

1,374 Abatement notices were issued out of these 1,374 were complied with.

There was no prosecution.

✓ **Clts implementation**

The Community Led Total Sanitation Programme was implemented in three (3) communities in the District. The communities were Tomuni, Toto Akura and Donkore. The Period of implementation was from 1st January, 2020 to 31st march 2020.

✓ **Waste management**

Solid waste

In Sene West District Solid waste is being managed by Zoomlion Ghana Limited.

There were nine (9) communal Refuse Containers place at vantage points in Kwame Danso. Most of the communal containers were placed near the Public toilets.

These communal Refuse Containers were emptied once in every week.

The table below shows the quantity of waste generated and evacuated to the final disposal site quarterly.

S/NO	QUARTER	GENERATION	COLLECTED	UNCOLLECTED
2.0.	First	8,100	2,700	5,400
3.0.	Second	8,100	2,700	5,400
4.0.	Third	8,100	2,700	5,400
5.0.	Fourth	8,100	2,700	5,400
Total		32,400	10,800	21,600

In the year 2020, out of the 32,400 tons of waste generate in the District, 10,800 tons (33.3%) was collected while 21,600 (66.7%) was not collected.

The reason why over 66% of the waste generated was not abated was that the few communal Refuse Containers were located at vantage points in the District capital only. The rest of the communities in the District were without communal Refuse Containers and for that matter they disposed of refuse indiscriminately. And this situation made it very difficult for Zoomlion Ghana Limited to collect all the waste that was generated and transported it to the final disposal site. If additional communal containers are not provided to the surrounding communities it would be difficult for Zoomlion Ghana Limited to collect the waste being generated in the District effectively and efficiently.

The total number of authorized refuse dumps in the District were 54 and the total number of unauthorized refuse dumps were 190. Method of refuse disposal at the communities outside Kwame Danso was crude dumping.

✓ **Liquid waste**

Liquid waste was being managed by the Sene West District Assembly. There were few household latrines and public toilets in the District and for that matter indiscriminate defecation was in the ascendency.

The table below shows the number of household latrines in the District

Table 5

HOUSEHOLD LATRINES										
AREA COUNCIL	2019					2020				
	WC	VIP	BIO DIGESTER	DIGNI-LOO	IPL	WC	VIP	BIO DIGESTER	DIGNI-LOO	IPL
BANTAMA	11	16	0	125	9	23	33	2	125	19
KWAME DANSO	75	66	20	318	39	106	102	53	378	56
KYEAMEKROM	2	11	0	37	8	9	10	6	37	20
SUB-TOTAL	88	93	20	420	56	138	145	61	540	95
GENERAL TOTAL	677					979				

From the year 2019 to 2020, there was an increment of 302 household toilets in the District representing 44.60%.

GENDER ACTIVITY

The assembly collaborated with gender desk officer and other stakeholders to organize a one-day training program in leadership qualities in local governance.

Among the topic discussed were:

- ✓ Women's voice in leadership
- ✓ The role of women in leadership and
- ✓ Importance of educating a girl child.

The program was organized in Lemu on 3rd November, 2020 with a total of 60 participants.

The picture below shows the training session



CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIVITY

The assembly collaborated with Ghana Fire Service to organize climate change activities in six selected communities across the district. In all 411 participants comprises of 304 males and 107 females were selected from Bantama, Kofi Djan, Lassi, Choboba, Tatto battor and Davakope for the program.

Among the topics discussed were;

- ✓ The causes of climate change and bush fires
- ✓ The negative effects of climate change and bush fire and
- ✓ Ways of preventing climate change and bush fire in the district.

The method used for the program was solely on presentation, complete discussion and sharing of experiences.

3.0.9 Social Accountability-Town Hall Meeting

In order to deepen transparency and accountability to the people, Town Hall Meeting and public hearing were organized at the district. The program were on the implementation of development projects and programs, review of 2019 Annual Action Plan & 2018-2021 DMTDP another on 2020 budget dissemination and the preparation of 2021 Annual Action Plan. The programs were organized in 16 communities

namely,(Chensenbattor,Lassi,Kwame,Danso,Kyeamekrom,Akyeremade,Tatto Battor,Dongodaagi,Bantama,Mframa,Akenten,Konkonse,Lemu,Menkor,Lemu Congo, Chaboba and Dwankrom) with 526 participants made up of 361 males and 165 females

Questions were asked by participants and the various heads of departments provided the needed answers accordingly.

Poor Road Network

Poor road network remains the major challenges being confronted with the people in the District. This makes it very difficult for dwellers in the District to easily move into the other smaller communities. As a result of this, economic activities are being hampered most especially during the raining season.

The various government departments intending to reach these communities to either educate the public on government policies or plans make it uncomfortable to them. The community members within the District take more hours to have access to healthcare.

Works on the major trunk road from Atebubu – Kwame Danso awarded in 2012 was terminated and reward to be tarred but is not progressing as the contractor has vacated site since the fourth quarter of 2020

3.1 THE WAY FOR WARD

3.1.1 Key issues addressed and those yet to be addressed

Key issues addressed include;

- Public display of weekly revenue returns.
- Strengthened expenditure tracking and reporting to ensure compliance to budgetary allocations and targets.
- Compliance of the GIFMIS system

The following issues are yet to be addressed;

- Establishment of District Database System.
- Street naming and property addressing project.

3.1.2 Recommendations

A number of important issues, which need to be addressed in the near future, include the following;

- Early release of DACF, DDF and other funds to the district.
- Harmonisation of M&E reporting formats and calendar for all MDA's/ Development Partners, NGO's and setting up of M&E units/focal persons in all MDA's for effective capacity building to ensure efficient tracking and reporting on progress of indicators.
- Establishment of a data base system with possible support from MLGRD.
- Effective collaboration between the Assembly and the GES, GHS and Agric departments on government interventions that are not directly controlled by the Assembly for adequate reporting
- Operationalization of district substructures.

APPENDIX I

SENE WEST DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

PROGRESS REPORT ON IMPLEMENTING PROJECTS (ON-GOING AND COMPLETED)

IN THE DISTRICT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 2020.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY COMMON FUND (DACF) PROJECTS

No	Name of Project	Location	Sector	Contractor	Contract Sum (GH¢)	Award Date	Exp. Date of Completion	Payment To Date (GH¢)	Status
1	Construction of 1 no. 6 unit classroom pavilion with office and store.	Tudeykope	Edu.	M/S Haippa Enterprise	96,575.90	12-4-12	12-08-12	88,850.92	Completed
2	Construction of 1 no. 3 unit classroom block with Library, office and staff common room	Wiase	Edu	M/S K.M. Omilo Ent.	181,464.16	24-05-16	24-11-2016	167,219.62	Contractor tasked to correct some defects
3	Construction of 1 no 20-seater water closet toilet	Donkore	Water & sanitation	M/S Adzifa Ventures	125,457.98	12-04-12	30-09-12	97,173.60	completed
4	Construction of 1 No CHPS compound	Mframa	Health	M/S Pacedam Ltd	165,848.59	25-03-15	25-08-15	140,731.39	Completed
5	Construction of 1 No. CHPS Compound	Chaboba	Health	M/S Mansabo Ent.	184,193.11	08-04-15	08-04-15	176,440.29	Completed

6	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with ancillary facilities	Chaboba	Edu.	J Y Akandifour	258,575.15	02-05-2018	02-11-2018	119,347.74	On-going (60% complete)
7	Construction of 1 No. CHPS compound	Menkor	Health	Shaz Ventures	221,892.83	02-05-2018	02-11-2018	153,033.61	Completed
8	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with ancillary facilities	Lemu	Edu	Frakwaba Enterprise	264,862.08	02-05-2018	02-11-2018	233,962.08	On-going (85% complete)
9	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with ancillary facilities	Lassi	Edu	N. Abagna Company Limited	267,862.50	02-05-2018	02-11-2018	126,012.14	Completed
10	Renovation of Nadmo office (old Administration Block)	Kwame Danso	Adm.	ADN Rocklay construction works	94,676.40	05-05-2020	05-05-2020	35,000.00	Completed
11	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with ancillary facilities	Lemu	Edu.	KKC Smartlife Enterprise.	256,110.23	26-04-2019	26-12-2019	35,000.00	On-going (50% complete)
12	Construction of 1 No. 6 unit classroom block at KDSHTS	Kwame Danso	Edu	Ianave const. Enterprise	433,906.70	26-04-2019	26-12-2019	265,000.00	Completed)
13	Construction of O P D at Sene Hospital	Kwame Danso	Health	Jika Investment Limited	348,650.68	26-04-2019	26-12-2019	105,000.00	On-going (50 % complete)
14	Construction of Dwan Traditional Council Office complex	Kwame Danso	Adm.	Frakwaba Enterprise	245,620.20	26-04-2019	26-12-2019	120,123.25	On-going (60% complete)
15	Rehabilitation of	Kwame	Edu	M/S	110,805.6	18-11-	18-04-	81,570.27	Completed

	1No.2-unit classroom block with 2 offices at Methodist school	Danso		Yewest ventures	6	2019	2019		
16	Supply of 900 dual desks	Selected schools in the district	Edu.	Shaz Ventures	135,000.00	30-04-2020	30-06-2020	20,250.00	On-going
17	Renovation of Wednesday Market structures	Kwame Danso	Economic	Jessmens Venturs	122,978.00	22-10-2020	22-02-2021	122,978.00	Completed
18	Renovation of Lemu SDA JHS	Lemu	Edu	Yenest Ventures	141,366.00	22-10-2020	22-02-2021	141,366.00	Completed
	TOTAL				3,655,846.17			2,229,058.19	

APPENDIX II

DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT FACILITY (DDF)

No	Name Of Project	Location	Sector	Contract or	Contract Sum	Award Date	Exp. Date Of Completion	Payment To Date	Status
1	Construction of police post with accommodation	Bantama	security	N. Abagna Company Limited	470,106.75	17-04-2018	17-12-2020	458,354.08	Completed
2	Rehabilitation of New market junction to hospital junction	Kwame Danso	Road	OBJ Ventures	199,904.75	16-07-2018	16-10-2018	198,254.74	Completed
3	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with office and store	Nkwankwadua	Edu	Shaz Ventures	476,830.80	29-07-2019	29-07-2020	474,149.08	Completed
4	Drilling, construction and mechanization of 3 No. boreholes.	Kwame Danso, Akenten and Lemu	Water & sanitation.	Solimobe and Sons Limited	74,299.50	27-05-2019	27-07-2019	64,650.16	2 out of 3 completed (the one left is 95% complete)
5	Re-gravelling of Kwame Danso new market phase 1	Kwame Danso	Economic	Asmark Construction Limited	240,000.00	29-07-2019	29-01-2020	228,000.00	Completed
6	Construction of 1No.CHPS compound	Konkonse	Health	M/S IANAVE construction Ent.	250,850.60	30-04-2020	30-08-2020	152,391.71	On-going

7	Drilling and mechanization of 2No. boreholes	Bantama and Kwame Danso	Water and sanitation	ADN Rocklay construction works	71,000.00	5-05-2020	05-07-2020	60,425.25	93% complete
8	Drilling and construction of 3No. boreholes with pumps	Drobe, Mframa and Chaboba	Water and sanitation	ADN Rocklay construction works	60,392.00	5-05-2020	05-07-2020	52,933.80	95% complete
9	Construction of 1No. 4-seater water closet toilet at KDSHTS	Kwame Danso	Water & Sanitation	Works dep't	31,111.00	23-04-2020	23-06-2020	28,855.00	Completed
10	Renovation of isolation center at Sene Hospital	Kwame Danso	Health	Works dep't					Completed
11	Procure and distribute 250 set of veronica buckets and metal stands	Major markets centers and other public places across the district	Sanitation	Borjan Ent.	36,280.26	20-04-2020	27-04-20	36,280.26	Items supplied
	TOTAL				1,914,552.92			1,582,424.90	

APPENDIX III

PROGRESS REPORT ON SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND (SIF)

No	Name Of Project	Location	Sector	Contractor	Contract Sum	Award Date	Exp. Date Of Completion	Payment To Date	Status
1	Construction of 3 No. 2 unit semi- detached teachers quarters with mechanized borehole	Tatobattor	Edu	Ufilas Enterprise Limited	244,120.13	29-04-2016			Completed
2	Construction of 1 No. 6 unit classroom block with 8-seater toilet facility.	Kyeamekrom	Edu	Ufilas Enterprise Limited	365,787.06	29-04-2016			Completed
3	Construction of 1 No. maternity with mechanized borehole	Bantama	Health	Ufilas Enterprise Limited	348,345.65	29-04-2016			Completed
4	Construction of 1 No. rural clinic with mechanized borehole	Lemu	Health	Ufilas Enterprise Limited	328,287.72	29-04-2016			Completed
	TOTAL				1,286,540.56				

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MINISTRY OF SPECIAL INITIATIVES PROJECTS (MOSI)

No	Name Of Project	Location	Sector	Contractor	Contract Sum	Award Date	Exp. Date Of Completion	Payment To Date	Status
1	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with office and store	Dwankrom	Edu	Solimobe and Sons Limited	200,000.00	6-11-2018			85% complete
2	Construction of 1 No. 3 unit classroom block with office and store	Lemu	Edu	Build Globe Limited	200,000.00	6-11-2018			Completed
3	Drilling of 7 No. borehole with hand pumps	Kwame Danso	Water & sanit.	OBJ Engineering Limited	100,000.00	6-11-2018			On-going
4	Construction of 3 No 20 Seater water closet toilet facilities.	Lassi, Kwame Danso & Bantama							On-going
5	Construction of 23 No 20 Seater water closet toilet facilities.	District wide	Water & sanit.						On-going
	TOTAL				500,000.00				

APPENDIX V
INTERNAL GENERATED FUND (IGF)

No	Name of Project	Location	Sector	Contractor	Contract Sum	Award Date	Exp. Date Of Completion	Payment To Date	Status
1	Construction of 1 No. 3-unit pavilion classroom block	Shafa	Edu	M/S Jessmen ventures	131,392.80	30-04-2020	30-08-2020	70,709.00	On-going (60% complete)
	TOTAL				131,392.82			70,709.00	