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ACRONYMS

AAP Annual Action Plan

BNDA Bunkpurugu Nakpanduri District Assembly
BECE Basic Education Certificate Examination
CHPS Community Health-based Planning Services

CLTS Community Led Total Sanitation

CRB Classroom Block

CWSA Community Water and Sanitation Agency

DA District Assembly

DACF District Assemblies Common Fund
DCD District Coordinating Director

DCE District Chief Executive

DDF District Development Facility

DMTDP District Medium Term Development Plan

DPO District Planning Officer

DPCU District Planning Co-coordinating Unit

DOA Department of Agriculture
1D1F One District One Factory
GES Ghana Education Service

GH¢ Ghana Cedis

GHS Ghana Health Service

GSFP Ghana School Feeding Programme

HH House Hold

HIPC Highly Indebted Poor Country

HIV/AIDS Human Immune Virus/ Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome

IGF Internally Generated Funds

JHS Junior High School

KG Kindergarten KM Kilometers

KVIP Kumasi Ventilated Improve Pit

LEAP Livelihood Empowerment against Poverty

M&E Monitoring and Evaluation

M/T Metric Tons

MP's CF Member of Parliament's Common Fund MSHAP Multi Sectorial HIV/AIDS Project

NADMO National Disaster Management Organization NDPC National Development Planning Commission

NGO Non-governmental Organization
NHIS National Health Insurance Scheme

NYEP National Youth Employment Programme

OD Open Defecation
ODF Open Defecation Free
PFJ Planting for Food and Jobs

PM&E Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation
PWD's CF Persons with Disability Common Fund
RPCU Regional Planning and Coordinating Unit

SHS Senior High School

GPSN Ghana Productive Safety Net SME Small Medium Enterprises

WATSAN Water and Sanitation

CHAPTER ONE

INTRODUCTION

The Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri District Assembly (BNDA) over the years has made tremendous strides to better the lives of its people through prudent management and accountabity practices that are performance driven.

In doing this, the Assembly over the years has marked out a path through the development of its Medium Term Development Plans (MTDPs) and Annual Action Plans (AAPs). These have guided the Assembly in its deliverables and have resulted in effective and efficient management of resources in the district.

Grants of Government and Donor Funding are used to realize this principal objective for the provision of basic quality services to the people.

Projects implementation are under the District Assembly Common Fund (DACF), District Development Facility (DDF) UNICEF and Internal Generated Fund (IGF) The Monitoring team visited all project sites and also interacted with stakeholders, this was to;

- a. Find out the status of all on-going projects
- b. Ensure that projects were executed according to specification and are within schedule time
- c. Ascertain whether the community members of the project area are satisfied with projects
- d. Ensure that there is value for money in the projects being implemented
- e. Measure the core national as well as district specific indicators

It is evident from the evaluations from the Monitoring that, about 80% of projects in the Annual Action Plan for 2020 have been successfully implemented whiles those that was not successful are rolled over to 2021.

Major challenges encountered were the persistent conflict management and resolution situation that mostly disrupted development activities, especially revenue mobilization and expenditure on conflict.

In addition to that are the delays of inadequate release of funds and lack of a vehicle for extensive and effective monitoring and evaluation of projects and programmes

1.2 **Scope**: The assessment and evaluation of indicators were done through the Annual Progress Report which is based on 2020 project or program implementation. This is derived from the Medium Term Development Plan, and focused on the Ghana Shared Growth and Development Agenda (GSGDA II) aimed at supporting Ghana's determination to accelerate the growth of the local as well as the national economy, to achieve a middle income status. Focuses was on policies, strategies and programmes that were done under the following thematic areas;

- Private sector competitiveness;
- Human Resource Development, Productivity and Employment;
- Accountable Governance.

1.2Methodology

The preparation of the Annual Progress Report included the collection of primary data through Monitoring and Evaluation, using Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) techniques / tools at stakeholder meetings in communities on project site possession and handing over sessions; focused group Discussions; interviews as well as observations of the physical projects and environment.

Data from the Review of the Annual Action Plan for 2020 provided secondary data from Departments and Agencies, providing progress of most of the core indicators measured in the analysis. The Performance review workshop on the AAP (2020) also helped to identify:

- i. uncompleted programmes and projects rolled on to 2020
- ii. Prioritization of identified key development issues 2020 implementation
- iii. Measuring the district and national core indicators.

1.3 PURPOSE OF MONITORING AND EVALUATION FOR 2020

The purpose and objectives were;

- To ensure the implementation of planned projects and programmes and ascertain the status of development projects and programmes in the District.
- To enable stakeholders determine through evidence based information, the effects of the various interventions implemented over the medium term and the impact in terms of positively transforming the lives of all beneficiaries in the District.
- To enable the District generate reliable, valid and dependable information to the Region and National authorities to formulate policies and make evidence based decisions to further improve the lives of the people in the District.
- To institute an effective and efficient system for tracking the progress of programmes and projects in the district through systematic monitoring and evaluation of the District Annual Action Plan.

1.4 SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES OF THE DMTDP

The District within the Medium Term Plan was given direction through the National Medium Term Policy Framework that is The Coordinated Programme of Economic and Social Development Policies of Ghana (2017-2020) under an agenda for jobs, creating prosperity and equal opportunity for all.

This gave the focus of the Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri District which was to "To improve the general wellbeing of all people of Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri District, through effective and efficient provision of social, economic and security in collaboration with development and private sector partners".

The four development dimensions under the agenda for Jobs, Creating Prosperity and Equal Opportunity for all include:

- 1. Economic development
- 2. Environment, Infrastructure and human settlement
- 3. Social Development
- 4. Governance, Corruption and Public accountability

1.5 Proportion Of Annual Action Plan Implemented By The End Of 2020

The Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri District Assembly composite Annual Action Plan for 2020 had 272 programmes and projects to be implemented. Out of this number, about 70% of total planned activities for the year were completed, 20% were started and are currently ongoing whiles 10% were not executed within the 2020 plan implementation period.

Comparatively the overall percentage of activities implemented and completed in 2020 shows an increase from the 2019 percentage of 60%.

1.6 Proportion of DMTDP Implemented during the Period

Over the Medium Term Plan (2018-2021), a total of 529 projects and programmes were planned, for the period.

The table below indicates in percentage terms various levels of completion of projects.

Table 3.0: Summary of DMTDP Achievements

INDICATOR	2017	2018	2
Proportion of Annual Action Plan (AAP) implemented by the			
end of the year			
a. Percentage Completed	47%	50%	60%
b. Percentage on-going	45%	25%	30%
c. Non executed (Percentage yet to start)	8%	10%	10%

12%	18%	25%

1.7 PROCESSES INVOLVED IN THE M&E

The District Planning Coordinating Unit's (DPCU) secretariat was charged with the responsibility of preparing a draft report for consideration by the DPCU. In preparing this report, the DPCU secretariat relied largely on both primary and secondary sources of data from the field and heads of decentralized departments.

The report preparation process begun with the Secretariat sending reminders to all Heads of decentralized departments to submit their respective annual progress reports on the extent of implementation of the 202 Annual Action Plan.

The unit also visited all projects sites to see for itself the extent of work done in other to report adequately on level of completion.

To ensure that M&E activities are participatory, DPCU members are usually called upon for field visits depending on the nature and type of project and the department or unit directly involved. This is done including key community stakeholders such as Chiefs, Queen mothers, Assembly members, unit committee members, traders, women groups, community members and opinion leaders who participated in the preparation of the DMTD Plan.

The Secondary data collected was checked for completeness, after which it was collated and analyzed. The analytical approach employed was largely descriptive.

To improve the quality of analysis, a number of consultative for awere organized to afford Heads of Departments and other participants to give deeper insights into some of the data items that were not clearly articulated in the decentralized departments' progress reports.

Finally, the DPCU organized a validation report meeting. This meeting afforded the DPCU secretariat the opportunity to share the draft report with members and other invited officers for their comments and inputs to improve in the quality of the report.

CHAPTER TWO

M & E ACTIVITIES REPORT

2.0 PROGRAMME/ PROJECT STATUS

Over the period, various projects and programmes have been implemented in the District with the objective of improving the livelihood conditions of the citizenry.

To achieve this objective, various projects and programs were carried out and targeted with the aim of addressing specific problems in education, economy, health, administration, water and sanitation etc.

Within the short term, the Social dimension received the greatest number of projects of 30 representing 63.8%.

The Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement dimension is next with a total project of Twelve (12) representing 22.5%.

Governance, Corruption and Public dimension ranked 3rd with Three (3) projects with a percentage of 6.4% and Economic dimension of two (2) 4.3%.

Table 4.0 below indicates the individual projects and the different dimensions of the economy that these projects are in.

Table 4.0: Spread of Projects in 2020

S/N	Dimension	Quantity	Percentage%
1	Social	30	63.8
2	Environment, Infrastructure and Human Settlement	12	25.5
3	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability	3	6.4
4	Economic	2	4.3
	Total	47	100

The District Monitoring Team visited all of the project sites to ascertain at first hand the progress of work, the level of community involvement in the project implementation and whether contractors are working according to time scheduled.

The sources of funding for project implementation during the year under review are: DACF, DDF, GPSNP, IGF and UNICEF.

2.1 District Assembly Common Fund (DACF)

Under the District Assembly Common Fund, Thirteen (13) subprojects including the mandatory projects made of two schools are implemented.

Out of this figure, only two (2) physical projects were rolled over in 2019, all the other 11 projects were started in 2020. Find below the details

2.2 GHANA PRODUCTIVE SAFETY NET PROJECT (GPSNP)

The Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP) directly contributes towards the goals of the Ghana's Coordinated Programme of Economic and Social Development Policies (2017-2024), and the Agenda for Jobs: Creating Prosperity and Equal Opportunity for all (2018-2021). This is in line with Government's vision for a strong economy by creating job opportunities for the people in the country which will ultimately increase economic growth and aggregate incomes.

The proposed project also contributes directly to the Government's National Social Protection Policy (NSPP), which aims to:

- (a) Reduce poverty by 50% through increased and improved effective and efficient social assistance for poor and vulnerable Ghanaians;
- (b) Enhance employment opportunities through the promotion of Productive inclusion and decent work to sustain families and communities; and
- (c) Increase access to social security and social insurance for all Ghanaians.

The objective of the GPSNP is to support the Government to strengthen safety net systems that improve the productivity of the poor in Ghana. It is against this background that there was to be the physical implementation of three projects in the Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri district under the Labour Intensive Public Works (LIPW) Component of the GPSNP. The projects are

- (a) Rehabilitation of degraded land with 8 Ha. Cashew trees at Kpemale,
- (b) Rehabilitation of degraded land with 8 ha. Cashew trees at Kpentaung and
- (c) Rehabilitation of a 3.5 km Feeder Road from Kpemale-Badimsugru.

2.3 UNICEF

Implementation UN-Habitat, UNICEF, UNDP and WHO in close collaboration with the Government of Ghana seek to address WASH in Emergencies, particularly, WASH in Flood Disaster in 24 Districts with disaster prone communities (DPCs) in Northern Ghana. The goal of this project is to improve health and livelihood of the people in the DPCs and to ensure increasing access to good drinking water and use of improved sanitation facilities by schools in the DPCs on a sustainable basis.

Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri district is one of the pilot sites under UNICEF WASH in Disaster Prone Communities-DPC Projects. The WASH in Disaster Prone Communities-DPC Project will improve health and disaster preparedness in selected communities by;

- Increasing access to disaster-resilient sanitation and water facilities
- Improving hygiene behaviors
- Strengthening disaster resiliency at the community level
- Increasing regional, district and local capacity for sustainable management of water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) facilities

2.1 UPDATE ON FUNDING SOURCES

Bunkpurugu- Nakpanduri District like all other Assemblies has multiple sources of seeking funds.

Some of which include but not limited to The District Assembly Common Fund (DACF), District Development Facility (DDF), Donor Funds, Internal Generated Funds, etc.

However, the main source of funds is from the Central Government and Donor Organizations.

The district has not been different from most districts in terms of revenue mobilization.

But over the period, significant improvement has been made. This has been particularly so with the institution of revenue mobilization measures aimed at improving IGF generation. The various sources of funds and their performance for Bunkpurugu Nakpanduri District Assembly are indicated in the table below.

Table 6.0: Update on Funding Sources

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No.	Funding Source	2017	20	18	20	19	
		Baseline	Target	Actual	Target	Actual	Targ
1.	DACF	1,292,508.5 9	1,975,854.24	1,354,880.25	4,145,200.80	345,433.40	-
2.	MP's COM. FUND	304,449.71	690,800.04	607,832.70	260,000.04	21,666.67	-
3.	IGF	53,551.16	87,388.20	20,801.00	85,101.48	13,836.60	-
4.	DECENT.DEPART MENTS	35,233.44	-	-	709,319.16	59,109.93	-
5.	OTHER GRANTS (SIF,SALARY)	1015,625.52	1,328,250.08	926,671.13	-	-	-
6.	PWDs CF	5,000	530,800.00	235,632.83	-	-	-
7.	MSHAP	0.00	9,978.48	4,146.95	-	-	-
8.	SIF	1,732,500			-		-
9.	DDF	51,413.64	990,800.04	712,800.00	1,577,181.24	157,712.36	-
10.	LEAP	-	-	-	-	-	-
11.	GSOP	568,720.21	1,752,927.12	24,877.45	-	-	-
12.	TOTAL	5,627,722.0	7,671,338.28	3,912,519.76	-	-	-

2.1 UPDATE ON DISBURSEMENTS

In line with the funding of activities of the Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri district is the disbursement of these funds for various purposes. This is done in connection with meeting the demands of the citizenry as well as fulfilling the mandates of the Assembly as an agent of development. The responsibilities of the district are so numerous that the funds realized, usually do not meet half way the demands or needs of the district. These expenditures though numerous are grouped into four (4) categories.

These are Compensation, Goods and Services, Investments and Assets.

Compensation: This involves all payments made to both established and non-established post. It includes payments of salaries and allowances to all employees employed by both government and the local Assembly.

Goods and Services: This comprises purchases of all consumables and services rendered to the Assembly. It also includes statutory funds ceded to decentralized departments for their daily administrative work.

Investments: Investment comprises all cost associated with the provision of physical infrastructure. Thus, investments are cost associated with roads, health facilities, educational facilities and all other physical infrastructure. It also includes the cost of heavy duty equipment such as earth moving equipment.

Assets: Assets are all physical properties of the Assembly, including completed physical infrastructure and heavy duty machinery.

2.3 CHALLENGES OF REVENUE MOBILIZATION

The district currently faces a number of challenges in relation to funds. These include;

- 1. Unwillingness on the part of tax payers to pay levies.
- 2. Lack of means of transport for revenue collectors
- 3. Under invoicing by revenue collectors.

2.4 MEASURES TO ADDRESS REVENUE CHALLENGES

- 1. Continuous education of the citizenry on the need to pay their levies
- 2. Provision of means of transport
- 3. Intensification of monitoring and supervision of revenue collectors
- 4. Reshuffling of revenue staff so as to reduce malfeasance

Table 7.0: Update on Disbursements

N	Expenditure	2017	201	18	20	19	20)20
0.	Item	Baseline	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actu
	Compensation		1,330,700.16	928,299.48	971,949	-	N/A	1,83
	Goods & Services	1,468,600.8	739,389.00	1,403,978.4 8	2,601,880	-	N/A	1,54
	Assets	2,034,410.5	8,368,846.08	2,0708,39.2 5	3,655,148	-	N/A	1,57
	Total		10,438,935.2	4403117.21	7,228,977			4,95

2.5 OTHER CHALLENGES OF FUND INFLOW AND UTILIZATION

> DEDUCTION FROM SOURCE

There are a lot of development challenges that needs to be tackled but funds are always not adequate as huge deductions are being done at source and this puts more pressure on the District.

> UTILIZATION OF FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH BUDGET

While programmes and projects are usually planned and budgeted for, the situation is not the same when it comes to disbursements. There is therefore the need to strengthen internal control mechanisms so as to follow utilization of funds in accordance with the budget.

> CHALLENGES WITH REGARD TO DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements of funds to the Assemblies do not come as stipulated. At times there are accumulated arrears with a lot of strings attached. Projects and programmes are affected negatively when disbursements to the Assemblies are delayed.

2.6 UPDATE ON INDICATORS AND TARGETS

Over the period, the Bunkpurugu Nakpanduri District Assembly has implemented programmes and projects in a bid to improve on the educational, health, nutrition and economic conditions of its citizens. Notwithstanding the financial, vehicular and human capacity challenges that the Assembly faces over the period, a lot was carried out by various sectors of the Assembly to ensure that the living conditions of the people are raised to another level. These achievements are indicated in the table below.

SUMMARY OF PROJECTS/PROGRAMS FOR 2020

DACF PROJECTS

S/N	PROJECT NAME	LOCATION	NAME OF CONTRACTOR	TOTAL SUM	START DATE	EXPECTED DATE OF COMPLETI ON	VALUE OF WORKDO NE (%)	PAYME NT MADE	BALAN CE AS AT 31/12/19	STATU S	REMAR KS
1.	Rehabilitation of 1 no. Military barracks	Bunkpurugu	M/S MANDIAYA ENTERPRISE	78,432.70	20/4/20 20	20/7/2020	100	48,000	30,432.7	Complet ed	In use
2	Mechanization of 5no. Boreholes and 60 sets of hand washing facility	Bunkpurugu , Najong1, Nakpanduri	M/S WIND- PULUNGU ENTERPRISE	87,250.00	20/4/20 20	20/7/2020	78	58,550.0 0	28,700	Ongoing	
3	Rehabilitation and extension of small town water supply to the market square and lorry station	Bunkpurugu	M/S WIND PULUNGU ENTERPRISE	78,899.00	20/4/20 20	20/7/2020	95	71,009.0 0	7,890	Ongoing	

4	Const. of 1no.	Nanyiar	Empire Creation	202,554.6	25/7/20	25/01/2019	100	150,000	20,554.6	Complet	
	3-unit		Ltd	5	19			0	5	ed	
	Classroom										
	block										
5	Rehabilitation	Bombila	M BAAKO	146,958.0	8/10/20	8/11/2020	92			On-	
	of 1no. 3unit		CONSTRUCTI	0	20					going	
	classroom block		ON								
6	Const. of 1no.	Badilong	Wund-Pulungu	249,692.4	25/7/20	25/01/2019	56	80,000	15,000	Complet	
	3-unit		Enterprise	1	18					ed	
	Classroom										
	block										
7	Construction of	Nanyiar-	MESSRS	25,785.00	9/05/20	9/06/2019	100	25,785.0	0.00	Complet	In Use
	Footbridge	Paak	WATAN		19			0		ed	
			ENTERPRISE								
8	Rehabilitation	Nakpanduri	WIND	63,357.30	24/06/2	24/9/2019	90	63,357.3	0.00	Complet	
	of 1 No. Police	1	PULUNGU	,	019			0		ed	
	Station at		ENTERPRISE								
	Nakpanduri										
0	Construction of	D1	Lymas Can	405 000	25/0/20	25/2/2010	56	405,000	05.000	Complet	
9	Disability	Bunkpurugu	Lymos Gen.	495,000	25/9/20 19	25/3/2019	30	495,000	95,000	Complet ed	
	Resource		Company Ltd.		19					eu	
	Centre										
	Centre										
10	Extension of	Bunkpurugu	Wilkins							Ongoing	
	electricity to 15		engineering								

	communities		services						
11	Rehabilitation of 1no. 6unit classroom block with ancillary facilities	Nayingberu k	MESSRS ADAMU DANJEGA CO. LTD	149,690.0	27/10/2 020	27/11/2020		Complet	
12	Rehabilitation of 2no. 3unit classroom block	Paknatik	MESSRS LYMOS GEN.CO.LTD	198,865.0 0	25/10/2 020	25/11/2020		Complet ed	
13	Rehabilitation of 1no. 3unit classroom block	Bunkpurugu Zongo	M BAAKO CONSTRUCTI ON WORKS	103,273.0	30/10/2 020	30/11/2020		Complet ed	

DDF PROJECTS

S/	PROJECT	LOCATIO	CONTRACTOR	TOTAL	START	END	VALUE	PAYME	BALANCE	STATUS	REMARK
N	NAME	N	NAME	SUM	DATE	DATE	OF WORKD ONE	NT MADE	AS AT 31- 12-19		S
1	Rehabilitati on of CHPS compound, weighing Centre, with 1 no. 2 seater kvip and 2 bay urinal	Tusugu	M/S M. BAAKO CONST. WORKS LTD	54,920.60	20/04/202	20/7/2020	100	35,504.3 7	19,416.23	Completed	
2	Spot improvemen t of Feeder Road (4.00 km)	Nanpontiba uk-Tusug	M/S M. BAAKO CONST. WORKS LTD	83,750.00	20/04/202	20/7/2020	100	68,512.5 0	15,237.5	Completed	
3	Extension of Binde Small Town Water System		MESSRS LYMOS GEN.CO.LTD	248,450.0 0	02/11/202	2/2/2021				ON- GOING	

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	Policy Objective: Accelerate good health and also prolong life in various households.									
	Programmes	Programmes Sub- Programmes		Indicators	Remarks in relation to criteria in Box 7					
				Baseline(2018)	Annual Target	Achievement				
JAN- DEC 2020	Infrastructure delivery and management	Infrastructure development	Routine House to House inspection	5,045 houses were inspected.	10,000 houses	8,203 houses inspected out of 10,000 houses set as a target for the year	Hard work went into this to be able to achieve this numbers.			
JAN- DEC 2020		Infrastructure and			ffordable water	er				
	Infrastructure delivery and management	Infrastructure development	Portable water supply	72%	80%	77.2%	Many households have access to safe and clean water in the district.			

DEC	Policy objective	: Accelerate food	safety for public	c consumption.			
DEC 2020	Infrastructure delivery and management	re Infrastructure Medical development screening		1,164 food handlers were screened district wide.	1,200	110 food handlers medically screened district wide	Target not achieved because exercise was not organized
							district wide due to elections, above all the transition.
JAN- DEC	Thematic Area:	Infrastructure and	l Human settlem	ent			
2020	Policy objective	: To ensure whole	esome meat pass	ed for public cor	sumption		
	Infrastructure delivery and			895 cattle 801 sheep	1000 cattle 750 sheep 700 Goats	1204 cattle 1,412 sheep	Many slaughtering are done outside a

	management			601 Goats	800 Pigs	847 Goats	slab/ abattoir
				1000 51		1 202 71	especially in
				1002 Pigs		1,303 Pigs	Binde /Najong
							due to lack of
							physical
							structure for that
							purpose.
JAN-	Thematic Area:	Infrastructure and	l Human settlem	ent			
DEC 2020	Deliay chiestiya. To accelerate anying montal algorithms and monor contation at acting and drinking monices						
	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Eating and	605 Food,	600 Food,	353 Food, Meat and	Target not
	delivery and	development	drinking	Meat and	Meat and	drink vendors'	achieved due to
	management		premises	Drink sellers	drink bars to	premises have been	more energy
			inspection		be inspected	visited for the year.	that went into
							domiciliary
							inspection.
JAN-	Thematic Area:	Infrastructure and	l Human settlem	ent			
DEC	Policy objective	: To accelerate go	od health withou	ut oro faecal bor	na disassas distri	ict wide	
2020	Toney objective	. To accelerate ge	od nearm withou	ut 010-1accai 001	ile diseases distri	ict wide.	
	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Carryout	9 rural	20 rural	21 rural	Target achieved
	delivery and	development	CLTs in	communities	communities	communities	
	management	_	communities	and 10	declared	declared ODF.	
				sections in 2	ODF.		
				Small Towns			
				declared			

				ODF.								
JAN-	Thematic Area:	Infrastructure and	d Human settlem	ent	L	L	1					
DEC	Policy objective: To accelerate sustainability in Open Defecation Free Status attainment											
2020	Policy objective: To accelerate sustainability in Open Defecation Free Status attainment											
	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	School	-	20 Schools,	1 Secondary and 4	Target not					
	delivery and	development	Health		both basic	basic schools	achieved due to					
	management				and		closure of					
					Secondary		schools as a					
					levels		result of					
							ongoing					
							pandemic.					
JAN-	Thematic Area:	Infrastructure and	l Human settlem	ient								
DEC												
2020	Policy Objective	e: To accelerate o	utreach program	s in our commun	ities							
	Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Fumigation,	2 Disinfection	2	4 Disinfection, 4	Targets					
	delivery and	development	Disinfection	organized	Disinfection,	Fumigation and 4	achieved due to					
	management		and		4 Fumigation	Disinfestation	ongoing					
					and 1	exercise organized	Pandemic, by					

			Disinfestation		Disinfestation to be organized	most importantly public places.	way containing and controlling infections and the spread of COVID 19 and other infectious		
JAN- DEC 2020	Policy Objective: To accelerate good market conitation								
2020	Infrastructure delivery and management	Infrastructure development	Market Sanitation	-	16 markets to be inspected	20 markets for the period inspected	Targets achieved due to intensification of hygiene and health education due to ongoing Pandemic		

S/N	INDCATORS	TARGET	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	REMARKS
1	Proportion of population with sustainable access to safe water sources	100%	79%	85.4%	86.1%	89.3%		This is due to low water table especially in the dry season
2	Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation household latrines/KVIP	55%	26%	37%	51%	62%	67%	Household latrine increased by 11% within the planned period.
3	Proportion of communities which are Open Defecation Free (ODF)	15%	27%	35	38%	52%	58%	There has been significant increase in number of ODF communities from December 2016 to date in the district
4	Proportion of communities which are triggered	58%	30%	40	43%	39%	47%	This is due to separation of the district.
5	% budget allocated to	23%	27%	32%	45%	47	51%	

water and sanitation				
programme				

CHALLENGES

- Woefully Inadequate Means of Transport (motorbikes) for sanitation programme/activities.
- -Very poor funding and logistical supply to the unit for implementation.
- -Poor staff commitment towards work.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Assembly should support staff with transport and logistics to enhance effective work.

- ightharpoonup Staff should be motivated to carry out their duties effectively.
- > More staff especially committed once should be posted to the district to enhance inspection.
- Funds should be given to the unit to enable the unit to embark on effective outreach activities.

Table 8.0: Update on Indicators and Targets

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs) ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	Baseline (2017)	Target 2018	Actual 2018	Targe t 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020	Target 2021	Actual 2021
1.	Total output in agricultural									
	production	1.46MT	2.2MT	2.10MT	2.2MT	2.5MT	4.0MT	52,207.60	60,000	_
	i. Maize	0.61MT	0.8MT	0.93MT	1.0MT	1.2MT	2.0MT	456.40	500.00	_
	ii. Rice (milled),						1.7MT	183.80	200.00	_
	iii. Millet	1.34MT	1.40T	1.38MT	1.5MT	1.3MT				
	iv. Sorghum	1.51MT	1.6MT	1.60MT	1.7MT	1.2MT	1.7MT	191.00	200.00	-
	v. Cassava	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	vi. Yam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	vii. Cocoyam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	viii. Plantain	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
	ix. Groundnut					1.03.475				
	x. Cowpea	-	-	-	1.1MT	1.0MT	1.5MT	550.1	580.00	-
	xi. Soybean	-	-	-	1.5MT	1.1MT	2.0MT	424.70	450.00	-
	xii. Cocoa	-	-	-	-	-	-	598.6	600.00	-
	xiii. Shea butter	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	xiv. Oil palm	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	xv. Cashew nut	_	-	_	-	-	1.0MT		_	_
	xvi. Cotton	4.750	5.650	4.700	(220	1 225				_
	xvii. Cattle	4,750	5,650	4,708	6,230	1,225	2,500			_
	kviii. Sheep	6,880	7,500	7,800	8,000	2,785	4,480			
	xix. Goat	3,951	4,060	4,100	5,000	3,900	5,750			-
	xx. Pig	3,050	4,000	3,600	5,335	2,500	5,000			-
	xxi. Poultry	2,980	3,100	4,000	6,000	7,000	14,700			-
2.	Percentage of arable land under	43%	45%	40%	50%			-		-
	cultivation									
3.	Number of new industries established	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	i. Agriculture,	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2017)	Target 2018	Actual 2018	Targe t 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020	Target 2021	Actual 2021
	ii. Industry, iii. Service	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.	Number of new jobs created iv. Agriculture v. Industry	-	30	25						
	vi. Service SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT	91	480	350						
5.	Net enrolment ratio i. Kindergarten	72.40%	-	79.30%	86.20	81.52	93.10	81.52	100%	-
	ii. Primary iii. JHS	86.40% 51.10%	-	88.05% 63.35%	90% 75.60 %	88.49 67.23	95% 87.85 %	88.49 67.23	100%	-
6.	Gender Parity Index	0.97		0.98	0.99	0.99	1	0.99	1	-
	i. Kindergartenii. Primaryiii. JHSiv. SHS	1 0.98 1.04	-	0.90 1 1	1 1 1	0.97	1 1 1	0.97 - -	1 1 1	-
7.	Completion rate i. Kindergarten	93.70%	-	95.28%	96.85 %	95.62%	98.43 %	95.62%	100%	-
	ii. Primary iii. JHS iv. SHS	95.20% 88.70%	90%	96.78%	100% 94.36 %	98%	97.19 %	98%	100%	-
		33.3	-	40	45	-	50	-	60	-
8.	Number of operational health facilities i. CHP Compound ii. Clinic	9	14	9	16	-	20	-	22	-
	iii. Health Centre iv. Hospital	5	6	5	6	-	6	-	7	-

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2017)	Target 2018	Actual 2018	Targe t 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020	Target 2021	Actual 2021
		2	2	2	2	-	2	-	3	-
9.	Proportion of population with valid NHIS card	50,941	50,690	37,392	59,984	58,795	83,856	-	-	
	i. Total (by sex) ii. Indigents iii Informal	5,035	2,236	17	5,998	5,176	21,803	-	-	
	iii. Informal iv. Aged v. Under 18years vi. Pregnant women	8,264	816	8,450	1,537	6,187	3,383	-	-	
		2,811	94	2,403	157	1,443	368	-	-	
		18,283	1,624	14,964	2775	8,339	6,105	-	-	
		2,903	159	2,731	209	1,283	449	-	-	
10.	Number of births and deaths registered	1,606	5,141	3,143	5,204	5,204	5,240	-	N/A	
	i. Birth (sex) ii. Death (sex, age group)	82	N/A	11	N/A		N/A	-	N/A	
11.	Percent of population with sustainable access to safe drinking water sources ¹	35	50	40	55	63	67	-	70	
	i. District	50	55	52	60	60	63	-	65	

¹ CWSA defines access to safe water to include the following elements:

^{1.} Ensuring that each person in a community served has access to no less than 20 litres of water per day

^{2.} Ensure that walking distance to a water facility does not exceed 500 meters from the furthest house in the community

^{3.} That each sprout of borehole or pipe system must serve no more than 300 persons and 150 for a hand dug well

^{4.} The water system is owned and managed by the community

^{5.} Water facility must provide all year-round potable water to community members

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2017)	Target 2018	Actual 2018	Targe t 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020	Target 2021	Actual 2021
	ii. Urban iii. Rural	43	45	45	50	55	60	-	70	
12.	Proportion of population with access to improved sanitation services	35	40	39	60	39	60	-	75	-
	i. District ii. Urban	18	40	35	50	2	5	-	7	
	iii. Rural	27	45	43	60	37	55	-	68	
13.	Maternal mortality ratio (Institutional)	80 per 100,000 live birth		36 per 100,000 live birth	20 per 100,00 0 live birth	-	15 per 100,00 0 live birth	-	10 per 100,000 live birth	-
14.	Malaria case fatality (Institutional) i. Sex	0.70%		0.40%	-	-	-	-	-	-
	i. Sexii. Age group	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.	Number of recorded cases of child	50	90	45	60	40	52	-	44	-
	trafficking and abusei. Child trafficking (sex)ii. Child abuse (sex)	47	89	45	85	60	75	-	70	-
	Safeguard the Natural Environment and	d Ensure a R	esilient, B	uilt Enviro	nment					
16.	Percentage of road network in good condition									
	Total	10	15	12	20		70	-	80	
	Urban	4	10	8	15		20	-	25	
	Feeder	25	40	30	40		50	-	55	
17.	Percentage of communities covered by electricity	11	50	11	50		65	-	80	
	District	3	15	3	15		22	-	25	

	Indicator (Categorised by Development Dimension of Agenda for Jobs)	Baseline (2017)	Target 2018	Actual 2018	Targe t 2019	Actual 2019	Target 2020	Actual 2020	Target 2021	Actual 2021	
	Rural	8	35	8	35		43	-	55		
	Urban	4 - h :1:4									
	Governance, Corruption and Public Accountability										
18.	Reported cases of crime	3	N/A	8	N/A	1	N/A	-	N/A		
	i. Men, ii. Women	NILL	N/A	1	N/A	-	N/A	-	N/A		
	iii. Children	NILL	N/A	NILL	N/A	-	N/A	-	N/A		
19.	Percentage of annual action plan	89	25	21	50	-	75	-	100	-	
	implemented										
20.	Number of communities affected by	25	32	35	36	73	70	-	-	-	
	disaster										
	i. Bushfire	17	29	31	29	32	36	-	-	-	
	ii. Floods	25	32	35	33	41	34				

CHAPTER THREE

UPDATE ON CRITICAL DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ISSUES

3.0 INTRODUCTION

Social protection programmes have been designed purposely to address critical development and poverty issues by Government to reduce poverty and vulnerability by promoting efficient labour markets, diminishing people's exposure to risks and enhancing their capacity to manage economic and social risk such as unemployment, exclusion, sickness, disability and old age.

Currently, Ghana is implementing great number of social protection programmes of which Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri District is a beneficiary. Some of these include; National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS), Capitation Grant, School Feeding, Free School Uniforms/Exercise Books, Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) among others. All these programmes are being implemented by different ministries and coordinated at the local level by various departments. Details of these social interventions and their objectives are indicated below.

3.1 GHANA SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAMME

The Ghana School Feeding Programme (GSFP) is a poverty initiative targeted at pro-poor and vulnerable pupils in deprived schools. This is geared at improving school attendance at the basic level through the provision of one hot meal per day for all pupils in the various beneficiary schools.

The total numbers of beneficiary schools now stand at thirty one (31) schools. The increased in number of beneficiary schools has significantly impacted on the enrolment levels in such schools.

During this year, the total number of students benefiting from this special program stands at 12,050.

3.2 FREE SHS PROGRAMME

The Free Senior High School Programme instituted in 2017/2018 academic year is in full operation in the two main public SHS in the district.

The objective of the Programme which is to assist all qualified students undergoes their education without any financial challenges have been met.

Information from district directorate of education on free SHS still reveals a total number of students to be 3,258 comprising of 1,707 boys and 1551 girls because of Covid 19.

In all, the total number of students benefiting from the Free Senior High School (SHS) moved significantly from 1765 to 3,258

Boarders are fed three times daily while their counterparts day students receive One Free Hot Meal (lunch) on School Days. Besides its benefit of increasing enrolment in public SHS, it has

also removed from parents the financial stress and burden of taking care of their children through SHS.

3.3 NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE SCHEME (NHIS)

This is a great social intervention that seeks to support all registered persons access free health care across the length and breathe of the country for a year period after registration. Renewals are done yearly. The extremely poor are registered free of child whiles the aged and children are registered at a highly subsidised price

The district office registered a total of Fifty Eight Thousand, Seven Hundred and Ninety Five (58,795) persons within the 2019 year.

3.4 CORONA VIRUS (COVID 19)

Corona virus it's a deadly disease that is caused by virus and has brought the economy of countries all over the world to its knees with Ghana inclusive.

On 12th March 2020, Ghana recorded its first case of the deadly virus and leadership of the country took prudent steps including the lock down of the country to curtail its spread.

Bunkpurugu Nakpanduri Assembly received a lot of items from the central government to prevent its populace from contracting the virus.

Below is a table indicating what and when it was received:

S/N	DATE	ITEM	QUANTITY(PCS)
1.	1/6/2020	Sunlight liquid soap	13pcs
2.		Tissue paper	41pcs
3.		Тар	73
4.		Hand washing tower	3
5.		Hand sanitizer	61
6.		Stand	30
7.		Veronica buckets	16
8.		Hand washing basin	111
9.		Stickens	58
10.		Dust bins	50

1.	2/6/2020	Cloth	1 bale	
2.		Face mask	2,000	
3.		Thermometer gun	10	
4.		Mega phone	10	
5.		Dust bins	30	
6.		Veronica buckets	20	
7.		Metal stand	20	
8.		Drain bowl	20	
9.		Dust bins	20	
10.		Hand sanitizer	20	
11.		Liquid soap	20	
1.	8/6/2020	Liquid soap	5	
2.		Thermometer gun	5	
3.		Dust bin	15	
4.		Tissue	60	
1.	16/6/2020	Veronica buckets	100	
2.		Liquid soap	100	
3.		Basin	100	
4.		Waste bin	100	
5.		Tissue	100	
1.	24/6/2020	Liquid soap	92	
2.		Thermometer	20	
3.		Sanitizer	84	
4.		Tissue	90	

5.		Veronica buckets	50
6.		Nose mask	3,000
1.	1/7/2020	Thermometer gun	137
2.		Hand sanitizer	3,441
3.		Nose mask	6,881
1.	6/7/2020	Hand sanitizer	10,000
2.		Nose mask	5,000
3.		Tissue	336
4.		Soap	336
1.	22/7/2020	Veronica buckets	168
1.	6/8/2020	Nose mask	5,000
1.	19/8/2020	Liquid soap	293
2.		Tissue	70
3.		Hand sanitizer	1,581

3.5 Vulnerable, Disadvantaged and Marginalized

The Department of Social Welfare takes lead in collaborating with Governmental and Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) in integrating the vulnerable, disadvantaged, and marginalized as well as Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) into the mainstream of development with the active participation and support of PWDs' families and communities for the realization of their God given potentials. The support included but not limited to: Community Care; Justice Administration; *Child Rights Promotion and Protection;* Community Development; Monitoring of growth and development; Registration of Day Care Centres and Monitoring Operations Of Day Care Centres; reproductive health; and Registration and rehabilitation of persons with disabilities

3.6 LIVELIHOOD EMPOWERMENT AGAINST POVERTY (LEAP) PROGRAMME

The Livelihood Empowerment against Poverty (LEAP) programme is a cash transfer from the central government to the extremely poor and vulnerable within households, in other to better their living condition. It also has a component that registers this group to enjoy free health care.

During the year under review, the total number of leap beneficiaries increased to 4009 beneficiaries.

3.7 NATIONAL YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMME (NYEP)

The National Youth Employment Programme (NYEP) is operational in the Bunkpurugu-Nakpanduri. The objective of the programme is to provide jobs to teaming unemployed youth in the District and the country at large.

At the moment, the contracts of beneficiaries in the various modules have elapsed except for youth in Arabic and Community Policing Assistant Service which has a total of 91 youth employed in the NYEP. Table 12 gives the state of NYEP by models in the District.

Table 9.0

Module	No. of previous	No. of current	
	beneficiaries	beneficiaries	
Community Health Extension Workers	83	0	
Youth in Fire Service	10	0	
Youth in Prison Service	7	0	
Environmental Protection Officer	9	0	
Youth in Arabic	40	40	
E- Health	4	0	
Community Policing Assistant Service	10	51	
Community Teaching Assistant	213	0	
TOTAL	376	91	
	Community Health Extension Workers Youth in Fire Service Youth in Prison Service Environmental Protection Officer Youth in Arabic E- Health Community Policing Assistant Service Community Teaching Assistant	Community Health Extension Workers 83 Youth in Fire Service 10 Youth in Prison Service 7 Environmental Protection Officer 9 Youth in Arabic 40 E- Health Community Policing Assistant Service 10 Community Teaching Assistant 213	

3.8ONE DISTRICT-ONE FACTORY

Soya beans is cultivated on greater quantities in the district and thus the district's resolution to have a soya beans processing factory under the governments one district one factory program. In September 2018, advertisement on soya beans processing was made on the dailies for private investors who want to invest in Soya's processing.

3.9 One Village-One Dam

Contracts were been awarded to three contractors at Kauk, Tusuuk and Binkura at the national level. Recent field monitoring on project sites indicated the total completion of Kauk and Tusuuk dams.

However, both dams have broken down and destroyed lives and property.

3.10 PLANTING FOR FOOD AND JOBS (PFJ)

Planting for Food and Jobs is an Agriculture social intervention aimed at supporting existing and new farmers with fertilizer and seeds by absorbing up to 50% of the initial cost of the inputs.

However, farmers are expected to pay the rest of the cost after harvest and sales.

Under the 2020 Planting for Food and Jobs, a total of Two Hundred and Twenty Thousand, Eight Hundred and Fifty Two (220,852) farmers registered and received various fertilizers and improved seeds for their farm works.

This number increased drastically from previous years.

Update on Critical Development and Poverty Issues

No.	Critical Development &	Allocation	Actual Receipt	No. of Bene	ficiaries
	Poverty Issue	(GH ¢)	(GH ¢)	Targets	Actuals
1.	Ghana School Feeding	-	-	-	-
	Programme (GSFP)				
2.	Capitation Grants	-	-	-	-
3.	Free SHS Programme	-	-	-	-
4.	Livelihood Empowerment	-	-	3,500	5,210
	Against Poverty (LEAP)				
	Programme				
5.	National Youth Employment	-	-	-	-
	Programme				
6.	Planting for Food and Jobs (PFJ)	-	-	200,000	207,437
7.	One district One factory	1	0	125,591	0
	programme				

EVALUATIONS CONDUCTED, FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

In line with the implementation of projects and programmes in the district, some evaluations have been carried out at various stages of projects lifespan including during and after.

Table 11.0: Provides Details of Evaluation Conducted Findings and Recommendations.

No.	Evaluation	Programme/	Consultant/ Resource	Methodology	Findings	Recommendations
		Project	Persons			
1.	Outcome/impact	Livelihood	Social Welfare	Focus Group	Improved livelihood,	Amount paid to
	(course and end of	Empowerment	Department, UNFPA	Discussions,	Provision of Jobs,	households should
	programme) Evaluation	Against Poverty	and UNICEF	questionnaire &	access to free NHIS,	be increased and
		(LEAP)		interviews	ability to enroll	more tools and
					children in school	equipment should
						be bought
2.	Outcome (after project	Planting for Food &	District Director of	Field visits,	Increased yield in	There should be
	span) evaluation	Jobs	Agric, Extension	questionnaire,	maize from	increase in project
			Officers and Crops	collection of data	2.10mt/ha-2.2mt/ha.	scope and
			officers	on output		intensification of
						fertilizer usage
3.	Outcome (after project	Use of Science and	District Director of	Field visits,	Increased adoption	Intensify
	span) evaluation	Technology in	Agric, Extension	home visits and	rate of improved	demonstration
		Agriculture	Officers & Livestock	collection of data	technology from	training with
		production	and Crops officers	on output	20%-35%	farmers
4.	Process (within project	Increase crop yield	District Director of	Farm visits,	Increased group	Intensify education
	life span) evaluation	and income growth	Agric, Crops officers	home visits,	formations from 5 to	and training
		among farmers	and Extension Officers	meetings and	10grps in all	
				questionnaire	communities.	

3.12 PARTICIPATORY MONITORING AND EVALUATION (PM&E)

Participatory monitoring and evaluation is a process where primary stakeholders actively participate in tracking progress towards the achievement of jointly agreed results to draw actionable conclusions. Usually in this assessment process, the beneficiaries through coaching and training are shown various forms by which they can assess their performance while also grading themselves alongside. Details of Participatory Monitoring and Evaluations conducted in the cause of programmes and projects implementation are indicated in the table 3.3.

Table 12.0: Update on PM&E Conducted

No.	Name of PM&E Tool	Project/Programme	Consultant	Methodology	Findings	Recommendations
1.	Transect walk	Use of Science and Technology	Director of Agriculture, Extension officer, Livestock Officer, Crops Officer	Observation, Home visit, Farm visit	Increased rate in adoption of improved technology	Intensify demonstration
2.	Stakeholder analysis	Planting for food and jobs (Increased income growth and reduce income variability)	Director of Agriculture, Extension officer and Crops Officer	Simple random sampling, weighing	Maize yields increased from 2.10mt/ha to 2.2mt/ha	Intensify the use of fertilizer
3.	Stakeholder analysis	NHIA (Increase The proportion of pop. With valid cards)	Director of NHIA, PRO officer, MIS Officer, Crops Officer	Home visit, Field visit, meetings	Increased the total registrants from 37,392 to 60,000	Intensify education
4.	Stakeholder analysis	Disaster risk reduction	NADMO Director and officers, DEHO,	Drama, interview,	Disaster reduced	More funds and airtime should be allocated for the

		Assembly members,	meetings	programme

CHAPTER FOUR

THE WAY FORWARD

4.0 INTRODUCTION

It is without doubt that, in carrying out any developmental agenda, various challenges will be encountered.

However, the success of any action does not only depend on the ability of identifying the challenges but, finding mitigation measures to avert these challenges.

Below were some challenges encountered and pragmatic ways in averting them in the near future.

4.1 KEY ISSUES

Some of the most critical challenges faced during the course of implementation included but not limited to; inadequate funds, inadequate computers and accessories; lack of a vehicle for M&E, n release of statutory funds and Inadequate staff.

The DPCU was also found to lack the minimum capacity required to effectively implement the M&E plan. Specifically, the DPCU has low M&E capacity when it came to the specifics of project monitoring as well as data analysis. In view of the critical nature of this challenge, there is an urgent need for capacity building in M&E for all members of the DPCU as well as the staff of the DPCU secretariat.

An inadequate motorbike for outreach programmes is another great challenge for all decentralised units.

Also, Management of the Assembly has been urged to consider buying a vehicle for projects monitoring.

Provision should also be made for the maintenance of that vehicle.

Again, management should resource the Project Inspection Team as it complements efforts of the Project Monitoring Team

Recommendations

A number of important issues requiring immediate attention among others include:

- An M&E vehicle should be allocated and maintained regularly and made available to the MPCU for effective monitoring of development activities/projects in the District;
- More pragmatic measures of mobilizing resources internally (IGF) should be introduced.
- Guidelines for the utilization of the DACF, which specifies that funds can only be used for 'development' projects, should be strictly implemented and closely monitored; and

Widen the scope of civil society participation in development planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation