



**ACCRA
METROPOLITAN
ASSEMBLY**

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AMA, KoKMA TO BEGIN MAJOR DECONGESTION EXERCISE IN ACCRA METROPOLIS ON TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025

The Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) wishes to inform the general public, particularly hawkers, traders, and occupants of unauthorised structures who have encroached on pavements, footbridges, road shoulders, and other public right-of-ways within the Accra Metropolis, to vacate these areas by the close of day on **Monday, 19th May 2025**.

This follows the Assembly's decision to roll out a major decongestion exercise beginning **Tuesday, 20th May 2025**, to clear all illegal activities and structures obstructing pedestrian and vehicular movement in the city. Such encroachments are in violation of the AMA Hawkers Bye-Laws (2017) and contravene Section 117(1) of the Road Traffic Regulations, 2012 (L.I. 2180), and are therefore punishable by law.

This exercise aims to enhance public safety, urban mobility, and the city's free flow of vehicles and pedestrians.

It is being spearheaded by the AMA and the Korle Klottey Municipal Assembly (KoKMA) in collaboration with the various security agencies, market associations, transport unions, and other key stakeholders. Targeted areas include, but are not limited to:

- Central Business District (CBD)
- Okaishie
- Kaneshie Market Area
- Kwame Nkrumah Interchange and its surroundings

The decongestion exercise will be carried out in three phases over three consecutive days:

Day 1 – Tuesday, 20th May 2025

1. Triangles around the AMA Head Office
2. Kinbu Road to Railways (Brewery)
3. ECG Junction (Tema Station) to Railways (King Tackie Statue)
4. King Tackie Statue (Railways Park) to Zongo Lane
5. Opera Square Stretch to Coral Paint (Adabraka)

Day 2 – Wednesday, 21st May 2025

6. Wato Junction to King Tackie Tawiah School (Adabraka)
7. Cow Lane to King Tackie Tawiah Statue (Rawlings Park)
8. UTC Road to Children's Hospital (Timber Market)

9.Kwame Nkrumah Circle – Main Roundabout to VIP Roundabout

- Las Palmas – Otublohum Street
- TV Africa – Awudome – Glamour Road

Day 3 – Thursday, 22nd May 2025

10. Kwame Nkrumah Circle – Main Roundabout to VIP Roundabout

- Las Palmas – Otublohum Street
- TV Africa – Awudome – Glamour Road

11.Kaneshie – Highway to First Light

- Pamprom Lane
- Kaneshie Footbridges

The AMA wishes to state that before this announcement, consultations were held with market leaders, security agencies, and transport unions, where it was confirmed that adequate space exists in designated markets to accommodate all affected traders.

Additionally, the Assembly is working towards the introduction of a 24-hour city operation model, which will include a dedicated clean-up and security task force to improve sanitation, safety, and facilitate night-time business activities.

The AMA strongly urges all affected persons to liaise with the leadership at the various markets and avoid any inconveniences. The cooperation of the public is essential for the success of this exercise.

Let us all join hands to restore order, enhance safety, and make Accra a city we can live in and be proud of.

SIGNED.

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