



## AMA MEETS GUTA OVER IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW REVENUE DIGITALIZATION SYSTEM

The Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) has met the Business Committee of the Ghana Union of Traders Association (GUTA) over the implementation of a new digitalization system to be rolled out in the coming days.

The new system to be piloted in the Ashiedu Keteke Sub-Metropolitan District aims to among other things streamline processes, curb revenue leakages, and improve efficiency in financial transactions within the metropolitan area.

With the new digitalised system clients would receive an SMS from AMA via a registered business phone number with a link to access bills and complete payment through the banks, mobile money or by either dialling \*222\*33# across all networks, scan a QR code.

Speaking to the media after the meeting, the Mayor of Accra explained that the decision to transition to a digital revenue collection system comes amidst growing calls for greater accountability and technological advancement in public service delivery adding that by leveraging digital platforms, the AMA sought to not only optimize revenue generation but also broke all revenue leakages.

Hon Elizabeth Sackey emphasized the importance of engaging stakeholders like GUTA in the implementation process and stressed the urgent need for collaboration to ensure the successful adoption of the new digital system.



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The Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) has announced plans to construct a 300-meter walkway facility with hand rails to improve the mobility and safety of visually impaired patients navigating the premises of Ghana's leading eye care facility at the Korle Bu Teaching Hospital.

The new walkway facilities would be equipped with tactile paving and other accessibility features such as adequate lighting to assist the visually impaired pedestrians in navigating the area independently.

The decision to undertake the road safety enhancement works follows a request from George Lutterodt, popularly known as Counsellor Lutterodt, a Radiologist at the centre to reshape the design and features of the current walkway facility to best meet the needs of its intended users.

Mayor of Accra, Elizabeth Kwatsoe Tawiah Sackey, announced the plans when she conducted an inspection tour of the stretch on Tuesday, February 6th, 2024, to evaluate the challenges faced by patients of the facility.



## AMA CERTIFIES 7135 OUT OF 8407 FOOD HANDLERS SCREENED

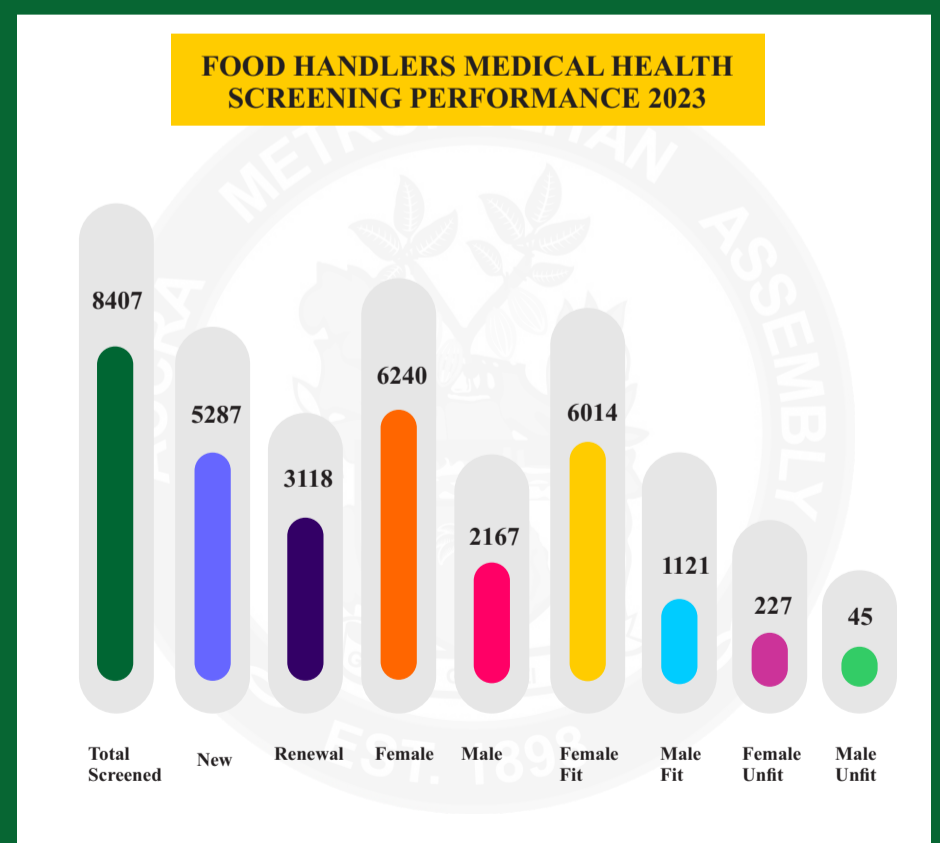
8407 food handlers in the Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) underwent mandatory medical health screening in 2023 to ensure safe and hygienic food for public consumption.

Of the number, 6240 were females while 2167 were males all from the hospitality industries, restaurants, drinking and chop bars.

The data contained in the 2023 Annual Report of the Public Health Department of the AMA revealed that 6014 females and 1121 males out of the total number screened were found fit and issued suitability health and safety certificates.

Speaking to the report, the Head of Public Affairs at the AMA, Gilbert Nii Ankrah said out of the number screened 5287 were new applicants while 3118 were renewals adding that the screenings included education sessions on proper hygiene practices, nutrition, and general health awareness and were designed to cover a range of health parameters, including communicable diseases, hygiene-related illnesses, and overall physical fitness among others.

He explained that the screening exercise was carried out to among other things maintain high standards in the food industry, and enhance public confidence by reducing potential health risks associated with food consumption.



## YAGG DELEGATION CALLS ON AMA TO PUSH FOR INTERGENERATIONAL EQUITY FRAMEWORK POLICY

A three-member delegation from the Youth Alliance for Green Ghana, a non-governmental organization (NGO), has called on the Presiding Member (PM) of the Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA), Hon. Alfred Asiedu Adjei to advocate for an Intergenerational Equity Framework Policy to safeguard the environment.

The visit forms part of a series of engagements with identifiable stakeholders in the country to push for sustained climate and environmental activism in Ghana.

Project Director for YAGG, Johnson Ofori Oduro, ESQ., who led the delegation accompanied by Prince Nketiah ESQ., Publicity and Media Officer and Estella Maria Ohene-Asante ESQ., Head of Finance, underscored the importance of responsible action to safeguard the future by ensuring that present actions do not affect generations to come.

The Policy according to him is a strategic plan designed to address and promote fairness, justice, and sustainability across generations and aims to ensure that present actions and decisions do not disproportionately burden or undermine the well-being, resources, or opportunities of future generations.



Per the new franchise residents and stakeholders would have the opportunity to assess Merskworld Co. Ltd quarterly to be evaluated through a scorecard to streamline waste collection services, and ensure a systematic and environmentally responsible approach to handling the city's waste.

Merskworld Co. Ltd was introduced to the residents and stakeholders of Ashiedu Keteke on Friday at a stakeholders' engagement held at the Church of Pentecost, Kantamanto Assembly, in Old Fadama.

Speaking at the stakeholder's engagement, the Head of Waste Management at the AMA, Mr Solomon Noi urged Assemblymen and Unit Committee Members in the communities to assist the accredited waste service providers to register residents and all institutions in their catchment areas to improve sanitation and avoid prosecution.

## NEW ZEALAND DELEGATION TOURS ACCRA; CALL ON AMA BOSS



A sixteen-member delegation from New Zealand, an island country in the South Pacific Ocean, has paid a courtesy call on the Mayor of Accra, Hon. Elizabeth K. T. Sackey at the City Hall.

The delegation led by Kofi Forgah, the Founder of the Cultural Immersion Tour who is in the country for two weeks called on the Mayor on Wednesday to among other things deepen bilateral relations, familiarize themselves with the Ghanaian culture as well as promote tourism through traditional activities, drama, and dance between the two countries.

Mayor Sackey welcomed the delegates and encouraged them to explore and taste different Ghanaian cultures.

The Coordinating Director of the Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA), Hon. Douglas N.K Annoful, expressed optimism about the tour adding that the visit would promote Ghana globally and establish sister city relationships with multiple cities in New Zealand.



## AMA INTRODUCES ACCREDITED WASTE CONTRACTOR TO RESIDENTS AND STAKEHOLDERS OF ASHIEDU KETEKE

The Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) has introduced Merskworld Co. Ltd a private waste collection firm to residents and stakeholders in the Ashiedu Keteke Sub-Metropolitan District as the accredited waste management service provider to curb illegal dumping and improve overall sanitation standards in the city.

Selected based on their operational capacity and staff strength, fleet of vehicles and logistics, Merskworld Co. Ltd under the new agreement was obliged to collect waste from households in Korle Dudor, Korle Woko and Amamomo Electoral Areas once a week or enter into a gentleman's agreement' with households to increase their service days.

## AMA ENGAGES TRADERS, TRANSPORT OPERATORS, CORPORATE INSTITUTIONS, ON IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW DIGITAL PAYMENT SYSTEM

The Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) as part of measures to ensure the smooth take-off of its new revenue payment system has engaged stakeholders and the business community in Accra.

The engagement according to the AMA sought to among other things ensure that the new revenue payment system was well understood, supported and accepted by all stakeholders.

At a meeting on Thursday, February 7th, at the Apostolic Reform Church of Ghana in Jamestown, the Mayor of Accra emphasized the importance of engaging widely on the new digital payment system and incorporating feedback. The stakeholders included transport union executives, market leaders, representatives from financial institutions, the Ghana Hoteliers Association, and pharmaceutical companies, among others.

She said the introduction of the new revenue payment system underscores the AMA's commitment to enhancing efficiency and transparency in its revenue collection operations adding that by engaging stakeholders and businesses from the onset, the Assembly aimed to solicit valuable feedback and garner support for the new system.



## LATE FATHER OF GA MANTSE TO BE BURIED SATURDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY 2024



The late father of Ga Mantse, His Royal Majesty (HRM) King Tackie Teiko Tsuru II, Dr. Ebenezer Tackie will be buried on Saturday, 10th February 2024 after the final rites scheduled to take place at the durbar grounds at the Ga Traditional Council (GTC).

Dr. Ebenezer Nii Amarah Tackie, who died at the age of 83 was the Head of the Department of Architecture and Former Dean of the Faculty of Environmental and Development Studies at the Kwame Nkrumah University of Sciences and Technology (KNUST).

This was disclosed on Thursday when a delegation from the Ga Mantse Palace called on the Mayor of Accra to officially inform her of the passing and funeral arrangements at the City Hall.



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