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**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 Pursuant to Article 179 of the Constitution and Order 140(1) and (2) of the Standing Orders of the House, the Minister for Finance, Mr Ken Ofori-Atta presented the Budget Statement and Economic Policy of Government of Ghana for the 2023 Financial Year to the House on Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2022.
  
- 1.2 In accordance with Orders 140(4) and 181 of the Standing Orders of the House, the Rt Hon Speaker referred the Annual Draft Estimates of the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development to the Committee on Local Government and Rural Development for consideration and report.
  
- 1.3 The Committee met from Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> to Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, and considered the 2023 Draft Annual Estimates of the Ministry. The Committee invited the Hon. Minister for Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development, Mr Daniel Botwe, Officials from the Departments and Agencies of the Ministry, and Officials from the Ministry of Finance, for the consideration of the Estimates.

## **2.0 REFERENCED DOCUMENTS**

2.1 In considering the Estimates, the Committee relied on the following documents:

- i. The 1992 Constitution;
- ii. The Standing Orders of Parliament;
- iii. The Budget Statement and Economic Policy of the Government of Ghana for the 2022 Fiscal Year;
- iv. The Budget Statement and Economic Policy of the Government of Ghana for the 2023 Fiscal Year;
- v. The Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) for 2022-2025-Programme Based Budget Estimate for the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development for 2022;
- vi. The Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) for 2023-2026-Programme Based Budget Estimate for the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development for 2023;
- vii. Report of the Committee on Local Government and Rural Development on the 2022 Annual Budget Estimates of the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development.

## **3.0 VISION OF THE MINISTRY**

3.1 The Ministry exists to ensure good governance, equitable and balanced development at the local level through the promotion of good governance of urban and rural communities and the formulation of policies and plans, coordination, monitoring and evaluation of programmes

using highly trained and motivated staff and adoption of appropriate technology for national development.

#### **4.0 AGENCIES UNDER THE MINISTRY**

- i. Local Government Service
- ii. Office of the Administrator of District Assemblies  
Common Fund
- iii. Institute of Local Government Studies
- iv. Births and Deaths Registry
- v. Department of Parks and Gardens
- vi. Inter-Ministerial Coordinating Committee on  
Decentralisation
- vii. Department of Community Development
- viii. Land Use and Spacial Planning Authority

#### **5.0 POLICY OBJECTIVES**

5.1 The policy objectives of the Ministry as contained in the National Medium-Term Development Policy Framework (NMTDPF) are as follows:

- i. Ensure improved public investment
- ii. Improve population management
- iii. Promote resilient urban development
- iv. Improve decentralised planning
- v. Deepen political and administrative decentralisation
- vi. Improve the institutional capacity for effective human capital development
- vii. Improve popular participation at regional and district levels

- viii. Enhance the quality of life in rural areas
- ix. Enhance capacity for policy formulation and coordination
- x. Strengthen fiscal decentralisation
- xi. Strengthen the coordinating and administrative functions of the Regions
- xii. Ensure responsive governance and citizens' participation in the development dialogue
- xiii. Ensure effective implementation of the decentralisation policy and programmes

## **6.0 CORE FUNCTIONS**

6.1 The core functions of the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development are as follows:

- i. Design, monitor and evaluate policies, programmes and projects to reform local governments;
- ii. Formulate policies for the installation of effective decentralised public administration system at the Regional, District and Sub-District level;
- iii. Promote efficiency in local administration;
- iv. Facilitate the registration of births and deaths to provide the statistical basis for development planning;
- v. Advise Government on matters affecting local governance;
- vi. Conduct organisational and job analysis for RCCs and MMDAs;
- vii. Promote orderly development of human settlements in urban and rural areas;

- viii. Facilitate accelerated rural development and
- ix. Facilitate the allocation of resources for local level development.

## 8.0 PERFORMANCE REVIEW FOR 2022 AND OUTLOOK FOR 2023

### 2022 Budget Allocation to the Ministry

7.1 An amount of **One Billion, Eight Hundred and Sixty-One Million, Three Hundred and Fifty-Three Thousand Ghana Cedis (GH¢1,861,353,000.00)** was allocated to the Ministry and its agencies for the 2022 Fiscal Year. The breakdown of the allocation is as shown in Table 1.

Table 1 – 2022 Budget Allocations for 2022 by Sources and Expenditure Items

ITEM	SOURCES OF FUND					
	GoG	IGF	DP Funds	ABFA	Total	%
<b>Compensation</b>	856,889,000	2,916,000	-	-	<b>859,805,000</b>	46.2
<b>Goods &amp; Services</b>	54,575,000	5,639,000	148,910,000	-	<b>209,124,000</b>	11.2
<b>Capex</b>	171,879,000	1,197,000	509,348,000	110,000,000	<b>792,424,000</b>	42.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,083,343,000</b>	<b>9,752,000</b>	<b>658,258,000</b>	<b>110,000,000</b>	<b>1,861,353,000</b>	
<b>%</b>	58.2	0.52	35.4	5.9		<b>100</b>

*Source: 2022 Budget Statement and Economic Policy of the Government of Ghana*

## Expenditure and Releases for the Revised Budget for 2022

7.2 The breakdown of the Ministry's revised Budget Allocation, Releases and Actual Expenditures for 2022 is provided in Table 2.

Table 2 – Revised Budget, Releases and Actual Expenditures for 2022

Item	Allocation (Gh¢) A	Revised Budget B	Releases (Gh¢) C	Actual Expenditure (Gh¢) D	Difference b/n Revised and Actuals (Gh¢) B-D	% of Actual Expenditure over Release
Compensation	859,805,000	859,805,000	741,470,596.23	741,470,596.23	118,334,403.77	86.2
Goods and Services	209,124,000	195,969,065	79,612,357.42	80,106,742.36	115,862,322.64	40.9
CAPEX	792,424,000	719,077,100	314,018,169.23	306,930,494.76	412,146,605.24	42.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,861,353,000</b>	<b>1,774,851,165</b>	<b>1,135,101,122.88</b>	<b>1,128,507,833.35</b>	<b>646,343,331.65</b>	<b>63.6</b>

Source: Ministry's presentation

## Performance for 2022 and Outlook for 2023

7.3 The Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development (MLGDRD) disbursed an amount of GH¢261.45 million from the District Assemblies' Common Fund — Response Factor Grants (DACF-RFG) — to qualifying MMDAs under the District Assemblies Performance Assessment Tool (DPAT). The amount disbursed was to support the implementation of District Assemblies' Annual Action Plans.

7.4 In 2023, the Ministry will continue to assess the performance of MMDAs using the DPAT based on the outcomes for the 2020

and 2021 Fiscal Years. In line with this, GH¢220.59 million will be transferred to qualifying MMDAs.

- 7.5 The Ministry trained Physical Planning Officers in 22 MMDAs in the Greater Accra Region on the Permit Processing System to fast-track the issuance of building permits. In addition, the Ministry will integrate DPAT into the District Development Data Platform (DDDP) in 2023.
- 7.6 The Ministry organised a zonal refresher course for 258 MMDCEs and rolled out a dashboard to track the performance of MMDCEs. In addition, 260 MMDCEs were sensitised on the implementation of the YouStart Initiative.
- 7.7 The Office of the Head of the Local Government Service (OHLGS) recruited 2,100 officers comprising 387 professionals and 1,713 sub-professionals into various classes of the Service. In addition, a Performance Management System was instituted for OHLGS, RCCs, and MMDAs, and Performance Contract for MMDCEs with MMDCDs and RMS with their respective RCDs for 2022. The Office also assessed the implementation of the 2021 Performance Contracts of the 16 RCCs and 261 MMDAs in September 2022. The OHLGS will continue the inter-service and sectoral collaboration and cooperation meetings with key stakeholders at national and regional levels, organise orientation workshops for stakeholders on the Performance Contract at the RCC and MMDA levels, and implement the 2023 Performance Contract

for MMDCEs with MMDCDs, and Regional Ministers (RMs) with Regional Coordinating Directors (RCDs).

### **Local Level Development and Management Programme**

- 7.8 The Ministry, through the Department of Community Development trained 7,439 artisans comprising 3,724 males and 3,715 females – representing 50.1 per cent and 49.9 per cent respectively in 29 Community Development and Vocational Technical Institutes across the Country. The training helped to sharpen the technical and vocational skills of the youth for employment and job creation opportunities to reduce the incidence of poverty. Additionally, the Ministry trained 248 community educators in community development and social protection at the Rural Development College in Kwaso. The trainees will help to mobilise communities for developmental activities. Another 240 social workers received training in the use of Child Protection Toolkits.
- 7.9 The Department will also train 500 core staff and social workers in the use of Child Protection Toolkits and 500 Community Educators in Social Protection and Community Development. The Department will also develop new training modules on non-farm job opportunities such as soap making, Kente weaving and leather works to promote local economic development and income generation.

## **Department of Parks and Gardens**

- 7.10 The Department of Parks and Gardens maintained 1.66 million square meters of parks, gardens and road medians across the Country. In addition, the Department raised and supplied 1 million seedlings to the general public, basic and second cycle institutions and planted 30,088 trees as part of horticultural sensitisation programmes in line with climate change agenda. Furthermore, the Department recorded 47,997 visits to the Aburi Botanical Gardens.
- 7.11 In 2023, the Department will continue to maintain 2.1 million square meters of landscaped areas and road medians in urban and peri-urban communities. The Department will also propagate 400,000 seedlings for sale and supply to institutions, and plant 100,000 trees across the Country as part of the horticultural sensitisation programmes.
- 7.12 The Ministry under the Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP) trained 538 staff in 80 MMDAs implementing in the Productive Inclusion and Labour Intensive and Productive Works (LIPW) strategies. In addition, 167 contractors received training on LIPW, and 8,987 beneficiaries from 196 communities were trained and became eligible to receive grants to improve the productive capacity of the extreme poor. In total, the LIPW component provided 34,578 beneficiaries with jobs. Furthermore, the Ministry constructed 79 small earth dams and 64 feeder roads.

- 7.13 In 2023, the Ministry will continue the implementation of GPSNP II and scale it up to 100 MMDAs. Also, the Ministry will provide 15,000 beneficiaries with enterprise skills and grants to establish economic activities under the Productive Inclusion component, and provide 50,000 beneficiaries with short-term employment under the LIPW component.
- 7.14 The Ministry under the Ghana Secondary Cities Support Program (GSCSP) is implementing 117 infrastructural projects in 25 Municipal Assemblies under the Urban Development Grant (UDG) to improve urban management and basic urban services.
- 7.15 In 2023, the Ministry will supervise one-off designs of multi-year investments for the remaining proposed UDG sub-projects by the participating Metropolitan and Municipal Assemblies (MMAs). This is to ensure that all planned activities including civil works are fully completed.
- 7.16 The Ministry transferred an amount of GH¢2.56 million from UNICEF-Ghana to 160 MMDAs for child rights promotion and protection activities to support the implementation of Integrated Social Services (ISS). In 2023, the Ministry will continue the implementation of the ISS with additional 60 MMDAs to bring the total to 220 MMDAs.
- 7.17 The Ministry, under the Greater Accra Resilient and Integrated Development (GARID) Project, disbursed GH¢3.74 million to 17

MMDAs to improve operations and to maintain their drainage systems. The redevelopment of the Kumasi Central Market Phase II and the Takoradi Market . Phase I are ongoing with overall progress of work at a completion rate of 48 per cent and 79.8 per cent respectively. In 2023, the Ministry will continue to implement the GARID Project and the redevelopment of the Kumasi Central and Takoradi Markets.

### **Births and Deaths Registration Programme**

7.18 The Births and Deaths Registry registered 428,202 births and 33,788 deaths. The Registry also sensitised 699 staff on the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 2020 (Act 1027). In 2023, the Registry will continue to register births and deaths as they occur. In addition, the Registry will sensitise stakeholders on the Births and Deaths Act and the accompanying Regulations.

### **Regional Reorganisation and Development Programme**

7.19 The Ministry completed 25 out of 30 outstanding projects in the newly created regions. The completed ones include two 3-Storey RCC Administration Blocks at Sefwi-Wiawso, Damongo and Nalerigu, twelve 2-Storey Administration Blocks for Decentralised Departments and eleven Bungalows for senior staff of RCCs and Decentralised Departments. In 2023, the Ministry will complete the remaining ongoing projects.

## 8.0 2023 BUDGET ALLOCATION

8.1 For the 2023 Financial Year, the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development has been allocated a total amount of **Two Billion, Seventy-Four Million, Three Hundred and Twenty-Three Thousand, Four Hundred and Forty-Eight Ghana Cedis (GH¢2,074,323,448)**. The breakdown of the allocation sources of funding are provided below.

Table 3 – Budget Allocation for 2023 by Sources of Fund and Expenditure Items

ITEM	SOURCES OF FUND					
	GoG	IGF	DP Funds	ABFA	Total	%
Compensation	951,732,024	2,000,000	-	-	<b>953,732,024</b>	46.0
Goods & Services	28,690,337	4,844,277	355,774,310	-	<b>389,308,924</b>	18.8
Capex	120,954,600	2,333,975	570,593,925	37,400,000	<b>731,282,500</b>	35.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,101,376,961</b>	<b>9,178,252</b>	<b>926,368,235</b>	<b>37,400,000</b>	<b>2,074,323,448</b>	
<b>%</b>	<b>53.1</b>	<b>0.40</b>	<b>44.7</b>	<b>1.8</b>		<b>100</b>

Source: 2023 Budget Statement and Economic Policy of the Government of Ghana

## 10.0 OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### Payment of Cost-of-Living Allowance (COLA)

10.1 The Committee observed that out of the total amount of GH¢859,805,000 approved for the Ministry for Compensation in 2022, GH¢741,470,596.23 had been released as at September 2022, leaving a difference of GH¢118,334,403.77 for the fourth quarter of the year. The amount released constitutes 86.2 per cent of the Compensation Budget and the difference mentioned afore, constitutes 13.8 per cent which on average, would not be sufficient to pay for salaries and allowances of staff of the Ministry and all its agencies for the fourth quarter. On the average, an amount of GH¢214,951,250 representing 25 per cent of the allocation for compensation would be needed for payment of salaries for the last quarter of the 2022 Fiscal Year.

10.2 The Officials from the Ministry admitted that the 13.8 per cent left for the fourth Quarter of 2022, was not sufficient, and they added that it was as a result of Government's directive for the payment of Cost-of-Living Allowance (COLA) for all public servants on the Single Spine Salary Structure.

## **Releases for Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) from Additional Budget Funding Amount (ABFA)**

- 10.3 The Committee also observed that in 2022, an amount of GH¢110,000,000 was approved for the Ministry from the Additional Budget Funding Amount (ABFA). This amount was revised downwards to GH¢100,000,000. The Committee noted that out of the revised amount, GH¢38,752,686.88 had been released as at September, 2022. The Committee was informed that GH¢38,225,525.98 constituting 38.2 per cent of the revised Budget, was released to the Ministry.
- 10.4 The Committee expressed concern about the remaining 61.8 per cent yet to be released to the Ministry's account because of the adverse effect it had on projects earmarked for 2022. It was realised that the Ministry of Finance apportioned the available ABFA funds proportionally across all MDAs to ensure that earmarked projects did not stall.
- 10.5 The Committee bemoaned the quarterly allotments to MDAs for the reason that, some of the MDAs including the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development and its agencies have residential and office accommodation challenges to deal with. Even some of the agencies under the Ministry like the Births and Deaths Registry, were made to retain only GH¢6,260,000 of their IGF which translates into 33 per cent instead of the 50 per cent the Registry was allowed to retain from the total amount of GH¢20,732,030 generated as at September, 2022.

**10.6 The Committee strongly recommends that the Ministry of Finance finds other means of dealing with the inadequacy of funds without touching the portion of the IGF of the MDAs.**

### **Births and Deaths Registry**

10.7 The Committee was informed that the Births and Deaths Registry is now temporarily housed at the National Association of Local Authorities of Ghana (NALAG) headquarters. The Committee noted that the Registry pays rent while it awaits the commencement of construction of its own Headquarters in 2023 with support from the District Assemblies Common Fund (DACF). The Committee also learnt that most of the Registry's records are temporarily housed at the Local Government Institute's archives.

10.8 Considering the importance of the work done by the Births and Deaths Registry, the Committee considers it prudent that the Registry be well-resourced to perform efficiently in providing accurate and reliable records on births and deaths in accordance with its mandate under the Registration of Births and Deaths Act, 2020 (Act 1027).

**10.9 The Committee therefore recommends that special provision be made for the Registry to receive more financial support to construct its headquarters and regional offices to deal with its accommodation challenges.**

### **Institute of Local Government Studies**

10.10 The Committee, during the consideration of the 2022 Budget Estimates of the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development, proposed that the Institute of Local Government Studies be made to retain about 30 to 40 per cent of its Internally Generated Funds (IGF). It was gratifying to note that the Institute has now received approval to retain 100 per cent of its IGF to enable it deal with some of its financial difficulties. The Committee again recognise the potential of the Institute to train all local government staff.

**10.11 The Committee therefore recommends that the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development collaborates with the Institution to train staff of the Regional Coordinating Councils (RCCs), MMDAs and sub-districts as required under the Institute of Local Governance Studies Act, 2003 (Act 647).**

**10.12 The Committee again recommends that the Institute expands and improves on its teaching and learning programmes to attract other agencies outside the local government system.**

## Department of Parks and Gardens

10.13 The Committee was informed that the Department of Parks and Gardens requires about 2480 officers to augment its staff strength. The Committee therefore in its 2022 budget report to the House recommended the personnel of the National Youth Employment and National Service Scheme should be posted to the Department to augment its staff strength and assist in its operations. The Committee however, realised that its recommendations were not actualised by the Department of Parks and Gardens and so, it continues to grapple with the issue of understaffing.

10.14 The Committee therefore recommends to the Department of Parks and Gardens to consider applying to the National Service Secretariat for additional National Service Persons to assist in its operations. **The engagement of the Personnel has become necessary because of the by Government's decision to freeze employment in the Public Sector.**

10.15 **The Committee also urges the Department to be more innovative and proactive in its activities by charging fees for horticultural services. The Department should again be empowered to certify horticultural works in the country.**

10.16 The Committee was again informed that some parcels of land belonging to the Department have been taken over by some individuals as well as private and Government entities. The

Committee was further informed that absence of reliable water sources within some of the landscape maintenance areas and the destruction of lawns by the telecommunication and other companies like the Electricity Company of Ghana, and the Ghana Water Company, constitute major challenges that thwart the efforts of the Department.

**10.17 Regarding the parcels of land for the Department taken over by individuals and other entities, the Committee recommends that the Ministry collaborates with the Lands Commission to return the lands to the Agency where possible and get them registered and fenced, to avoid further encroachment.**

#### **Department for Community Development**

10.18 The Committee observed that out of the amount of GH¢100,000 approved under CAPEX, the Department for Community Development has not received any release from the Ministry of Finance. The Committee was informed that the amount was earmarked for the renovation of a facility sited at the Department's station at Kwaso in the Ashanti Region.

10.19 The Committee also noted that since the realignment of about 35 institutions of the Department to the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) Institute, the Department has not received much attention from Government.

**10.20** Considering the enormous contribution of the Department towards rural development, the Committee recommends that Government restructures the Department's core mandate to make it more viable to carry out innovative programmes.

10.21 The Committee was further informed that the Department was also confronted with land encroachment and staffing problems. The Committee recommends that the Department engages the National Service Scheme to post service personnel to the Department to assist in its operations. The Committee again urges the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development to assist the Department to repossess their lands.

### **Regional Coordinating Councils (RCCs)**

10.22 The Committee observed that three (3) out of the six (6) newly created RCCs do not have the relevant management unit to enable them account for expenditures made under their Budgets.

**10.23** The Committee strongly recommends that the Controller and Accountant-General and the Public Services Commission be directed to work together to ensure the establishment of the management units at the RCCs.

10.24 The Committee again noted that the compensation of Staff under the RCCs were captured under the MMDAs where they previously served before the creation of the new RCCs. The Committee bemoaned the delay in the setting up of the relevant management units since the issue has lingered on for about three years.

**10.25 The Committee recommends that the Controller and Accountant-General should ensure that the salary accounts of staff are transferred to their respective RCCs.**

10.26 The Committee also observed that most RCCs, particularly the newly created ones, have serious issues with office and residential accommodation. The Committee was informed that most of the RCCs operate from rented facilities. Although some office accommodation facilities are near completion.

**10.27 The Committee recommends that efforts be made by government to get the newly created RCCs as well as the old ones, suitable office and residential accommodation facilities, to enable them function effectively as expected.**

10.28 The Committee further realised that most RCCs and MMDAs encounter a number of difficulties in accessing funds from the Ghana Integrated Financial Management Information System (GIFMIS) due to its cumbersome nature and poor internet connectivity in the regions. The Committee recommends that the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural

Development provides the RCCs with the relevant training in accessing the GIFMIS platform.

**10.29 With the complex nature of the GIFMIS System and the poor internet connectivity, the Committee recommends that the Ministry helps by engaging with the National Information Technology Agency (NITA) and the telecommunication companies to secure reliable internet data sources for RCCs and MMDAs.**

10.30 Some RCCs including the Eastern Region complained of security challenges arising from chieftaincy disputes, illegal mining, land disputes and activities of nomadic herdsmen. The resources used to resolve the menace could have been channelled to help deal with other pressing needs. Issues of boundary disputes also affected revenue collection of some of the Assemblies.

**10.31 The Committee further recommends that Government takes bold steps to deal with the disputes and other menace like illegal mining in the country, particularly in the Eastern, Western, Western North and the Ashanti Regions. Commitment by Government is key in this regard as it will go a long way to help solve some of our security concerns and also enhance revenue generation of MMDAs in such places.**

10.32 **On expenditure, the Committee recommends that the usage of funds made available to RCCs particularly, from sources like Donor Partners and DACF, be prioritised and applied judiciously.**

#### **Metropolitan, Municipal and District Assemblies (MMDAs)**

10.33 The Committee was informed that almost all MMDAs owed salaries to their casual workers but the Assemblies could not generate enough funds as projected in 2022, to enable them settle such financial obligations. The Oti Regional Coordinating Council for instance, had an approved Budget of GH¢751,603.61 for 2022 but had actually received GH¢271,822.82 as at September and that constitutes 36.17 per cent.

10.34 **The Committee is of the view that the wide variations between projected amounts and actual expenditures suggest, revenue targets are unrealistic and unachievable. It therefore recommends that the MMDAs look at how projections are determined, particularly in respect of funds from IGF sources, in order not to create wide variations between projections and actuals.**

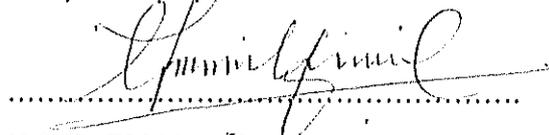
10.35 The Committee was again informed that the Land Use and Spatial Planning Authority has been realigned to the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development from the Ministry of Environment, Science,

Technology and Innovation effective 2023 Fiscal Year. The Committee considers this appropriate since the activities of the Authority aligns with those of the Ministry and would assist in the planning of local government and rural development. The Committee therefore urges the Ministry to grant the Authority the needed support to perform effectively.

## 11.0 CONCLUSION

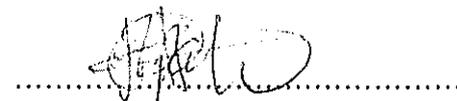
11.1 To ensure good governance at the local level, and enable the Ministry to implement its programmes and activities, the Committee recommends to the House to adopt its report and approve the sum of **Two Billion, Seventy-Four Million, Three Hundred and Twenty-Three Thousand, Four Hundred and Forty-Eight Ghana Cedis (GH¢2,074,323,448)** for the Ministry of Local Government, Decentralisation and Rural Development and its Departments and Agencies for the 2023 Fiscal Year.

Respectfully submitted.



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