

VRA HOLDS STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ON THE LOWER VOLTA DREDGING PROJECT AND AQUATIC WEEDS HARVESTING

By: Emmanuel Okyere Boateng, Community Relations, Akosombo

The Volta Regional Minister Dr. Archibald Yao Letsa has emphasized the importance of the Lower Volta Dredging Project and the need for all stakeholders to work together to ensure the success of the Project, since this would inure to the benefits of the people not only in the North Tongu District but the entire Lower Volta Basin.

The Minister made this statement at a stakeholders' engagement organized by the Volta River Authority at Dadome in the North Tongu District to sensitize seven communities; Amekokorpe, Ahumakorpe, Titikorpe, Saikorpe, Husikorpe, Aklakpanu and Dadome along the Volta River, on the Lower Volta Dredging and Aquatic Weed Harvesting Project.

The Project comprises dredging of the sand deposits from the lower Volta River to deepen the original river channel, enrich riverbanks, community supply or estate development as well as the harvesting of aquatic weeds and converting harvested weeds into commercially usable forms.

It aims to improve the flood resilience of the Lower Volta Basin, reduce the prevalence of schistosomiasis, enhance water quality and improve the socio-economic status of the Lower Volta Area.

The Project Coordinator Mr. Andreas Andoh, delivered a presentation on the overview of the Project to the stakeholders. He explained the project benefits detailing the scope of work, where two (2) contractors JSC Mediterranean Ghana Ltd. (JSC) and Lower Volta Dredging Contractors Ltd. (LVDCL) would dredge the entire stretch from Akuse to the Ada estuary. JSC would dredge from Akuse to the Sogakope bridge while LVDCL would dredge from the Sogakope bridge to Ada estuary as well as harvest the weeds from Kpong Head Pond to the estuary.

The Member of Parliament of North Tongu, Hon. Okudzeto Ablakwa stated that it was very crucial for stakeholders to be engaged continuously and the need for VRA to ensure transparency and accountability throughout the project for the benefit and well-being of the people in the Lower Volta Basin. He assured that once the Authority meets all relevant stakeholders and there is a consensus then the project is expected to go on without any disruption.

Togbe Kwasi Ningo VI, Manklalo of Mepe Traditional Area appreciated the Authority for engaging them to dialogue on the wellbeing of his people. He encouraged the Authority to look beyond their CSR projects and do more to seek the welfare of his people.

In his closing remarks, the District Chief Executive for North Tongu Hon. Devine Fenu thanked all the stakeholders for their participation and contribution to the success of the programme.

Other dignitaries present were the District Chief Executives for South Tongu, Hon. Seth Agbi; Central Tongu, Hon. Thomas Moore; the Paramount Queenmother, Mamaga Sreku IV; Chiefs of Mepe Traditional Area; some staff from VRA; the Contractors/Consultants of JSC Mediterranean Ghana Ltd and the Off takers.

















LOWER VOLTA DREDGING PROJECT

Powering the economy of Ghana and setting the standard for public sector excellence in Africa

PRESENTATION TO KEY STAKEHOLDERS



1/24/2024 | ...powering the economy of Ghana.

Volta River Authority | COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT





































