

MINISTRY OF SANITATION AND WATER RESOURCES

SUSTAINABLE RURAL WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT (SRWSP)

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE

DISCLOSURE OF ABBREVIATED RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLANS (ARAPs) FOR ADDITIONAL FINANCING

The Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources, acting through the Community Water and Sanitation Agency (CWSA) have received additional financing from the International Development Agency (IDA) of the World Bank for the continued implementation of the Sustainable Rural Water and Sanitation (SRWSP) to provide both water supply and sanitation facilities in rural communities and small towns in six (6) regions of Ghana. The beneficiary regions comprise Brong-Ahafo, Central, Northern, Western, Upper East and Upper West Regions. The additional funds will successfully bring the SRWSP to closure in these same six regions.

The objective of the additional financing as in the main Project are to: (i) expand access to water and sanitation in rural and small town communities; and (ii) strengthen local capacity to manage rural and small town water and sanitation facilities and to ensure their sustainability.

The Abbreviated Resettlement Action Plans (ARAPs) has been prepared for the project comprising the following project components: (i) Community Water Facilities; (ii) Program Management, in accordance with the Ghana Environmental Protection Agency Act, Act 490, 1994 and its Environmental Assessment Regulations 1999 (LI 1652) amongst others, and the World Bank's Involuntary Resettlement Policy (OP) 4.12.

The ARAP outlines the applicable Acts, Regulations, Policies, Instruments, Baseline environmental and social conditions, the Land and Livelihood and other social impacts, Eligibility Criteria, Entitlements, Compensation and other resettlements assistance, measures to avoid, minimize, mitigate and monitor the impacts, amongst others; Consultations, and grievance redress mechanism and institutional roles and responsibilities.

Further details on resettlement related issues and other information can be found in the above mentioned document which are now available at the Community Water and Sanitation Agency Head Office and all regional offices of the six participating regions. The Documents are also available at Tano South Municipal, Jaman North, Pru West, Nkoranza South Municipal, Ejumako Enyan Essiam, Awutu Senya, Assin South, Abura Asebu Kwamankese, Gomoa West, Agona West, Assikuma Odoben Brakwa, Mfantseman Municipal, East Mamprusi Municipal, Gushiegu Municipal, Central Gonja, Chereponi, Saboba, West Mamprusi and Lambussie Districts.

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