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**NCA HOLDS SENSITISATION FORUM FOR GOVERNMENT AND SECURITY AGENCIES IN THE UPPER EAST REGION**

***Bolgatanga, Upper East Region, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023:*** The National Communications Authority (NCA) has held a sensitisation forum for District and Municipal Chief Executives, security agencies and other state agencies in Bolgatanga, Upper East Region. The forum is aimed at educating the officials on the key functions of the Authority while offering insights into the projects being carried out by the Authority as well seek their collaboration in the execution of the NCA's mandate.



***Mr. Maurice James Abakisi welcoming the participants***

Welcoming the participants, Mr. Maurice James Abakisi, Zonal Manager for the Upper East Zonal Office, emphasised the importance of the sensitisation forum. He highlighted the significance of stakeholders understanding the NCA's functions and fostering collaboration to fulfill the Authority's mandate. Mr. Abakisi urged participants to seize the opportunity provided by the forum to gain insight into the NCA's activities and actively support the Authority in achieving its objectives.



*Mr. Kwame Gyan explaining the functions of the Authority*

While delivering the opening remarks and providing an overview of the NCA, Kwame Gyan, Deputy Director for the Consumer and Corporate Affairs Division, highlighted the essential functions of the Authority, referencing the laws establishing it and the various regulatory tools that assist the Authority in carrying out its mandate. He emphasised the pivotal role of the NCA in granting licences and authorisations for the twenty-seven (27) services it regulates and delved into the NCA's accomplishments in combating SIM box fraud through the successes achieved with the SIM registration exercise.



*Hon. Rex S.A. Asanga, the Municipal Chief Executive for Bolgatanga, speaking at the event*

Representing the Upper East Regional Minister, Hon. Rex S.A. Asanga, the Municipal Chief Executive for Bolgatanga expressed gratitude to the Authority for organising the educational forum. He reiterated the forum's significance in offering deeper perspectives on the Authority's operations and how the region can leverage them for its benefit. He further remarked that it was a noteworthy occasion for the NCA to expand its educational efforts to their region, a gesture for which they were immensely thankful.



*A cross-section of participants at the event*

The forum was attended by District/Municipal Chief Executives and their key staff, as well as Commanders and Officers from various Security Agencies and media outlets in Bolgatanga, Upper East Region.

This event is part of a two-day sensitisation workshop, with the second session scheduled to take place in Nareligu, North East Region, on December 7th, 2023.

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***About NCA***

*The National Communications Authority, (NCA), was established by an Act of Parliament, Act 524 in December 1996, which has been repealed and replaced by the National Communications Authority Act, 2008 (Act 769). The Authority is the statutory body mandated to license and to regulate electronic communication activities and services in the country.*