School Hygiene Promotion

School Hygiene Promotion exercise was undertaken in Wa East District in the Upper West Region in the following schools: Busa-Tampaala Primary, Loggu SHS and Kunta Primary. The purpose of this promotion is to create awareness of issues related to water, sanitation and hygiene, to eliminate ignorance on hygiene in schools, to strengthen the standard of healthy living of students, and inculcate into students the habit of practicing proper hand washing with soap, as well as proper operation and maintenance of institutional latrines.

The participants will bring back the knowledge that they learned in this exercise to their household and contribute to improve hygiene in the community.

Share-out (GROW)

There was a Share-out exercise in Greater Rural Opportunities for Women (GROW) communities in the Upper West Region. In this exercise, women share-out their money to cultivate, to finance tractor plough and to buy seeds to start a new season of farming.

Every woman actively participated in this exercise and have high expectations for the next season.
DPC Household Latrine Construction

WASH in Disaster Prone Communities (DPC) is a social fund initiative targeted at LEAP beneficiaries in communities that have achieved Open Defecation Free Status.

Household Latrine Construction in DPC is ongoing in the three (3) Northern Regions, so far about 189 sub-structures and 63 super-structures have been constructed to support the vulnerable who cannot afford to build their own latrine.

ICS Volunteers and Stakeholders Engagement

International Citizen Service (ICS) is a programme that aims at utilizing potentials of young people in UK and Ghana with enthusiasm. We received new eighteen (18) ICS volunteers including four (4) boys and fourteen (14) girls on 10th June. The volunteers had a meeting with the stakeholders at the SMI Sisters Convent in Jirapa to discuss expectations for the three months stay in Jirapa communities; Sigiri, Mwofo, Tizza and Nim/Kom. They are expected to mentor children in the communities, support to improve their reading and writing skills. In addition, they are going to observe the punctuality of teachers.
Atu Wawu-kuri is a woman in Tissaa who is a member of Takaarinväri group.

She received GHS271.00 in the Share-out. Although some of the money was spent on her son’s school fees, ploughing her farm and buying herbicides, she could keep the rest of the money for other activities, such as grinding of corn and cassava.

She said, “I used to sell all my stocks to mill just the cassava and maize…..thanks to VSLA, I can now do a lot more.”

“Share-out expanded opportunities of my family and made our life better.”