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INTRODUCTION

1.1 Overview

After the inauguration of the Governing Board of the Right to Information Commission (RTIC, the Commission) with an objective to implement the mandate under the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2019 (Act 989), there have been challenges with the implementation. Despite these challenges, the Board have made great successes on the implementation of the Act year on year. Before the beginning of the 2022 fiscal year, the Government of Ghana laid down plans to achieve a lot in its developmental agenda. However, outlooks and targets set were hard hit when the year began, as unforeseen internal and external factors took a toll on government programmes.

As a result of the Post Covid and subsequent eruption of the Russia-Ukraine war, economies of the world have been affected and Ghana is no exception, this led the government of Ghana to take measures to stabilise its fiscal position, hence the need to reduce its budgetary allocations to all agencies including the Right to Information Commission.

Budgets for capital expenditure and goods and services were cut down by over thirty-nine per cent (39%) and thirty-two per cent (32%) respectively. Despite the budget revision, the Commission still did not receive full disbursement of its budget allocation. In view of this, the Commission had to seek support from non-governmental organisations for its programme and activities. The Commission successfully received some financial and logistical support from these organisations to complement its 14 per cent and 19 per cent release for Capital Expense and Goods and Services respectively. Nevertheless, the Commission has not relented on its mandate and has built on its annual achievements year on year.

The general belief among the populace was that the RTI law is the solution to corruption, violation of rights relative to access to information, lack of transparency and accountability. However, refusal on the part of public institutions to grant access to information did cause debate among groups and media stations in questioning the commitment of public institutions to fully implement the RTI law. Though individuals and Civil Society Organisations such as United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), Centre for Democratic Development (CDD) and STAR-Ghana have commended the Commission for its efforts in implementing the RTI law, feedback from our regional programmes indicate that the public is of the opinion that the Commission is under the influence of the Government. The Commission is working assiduously with stakeholders in implementing programmes and reaching expeditious determination of cases that will go a long way to clear the air of this negative perception.

In line with section 77(4) of Act 989 "The Minister shall by 30th of June each year, lay before Parliament, an annual report on the activities of public institutions and the Commission in respect of the preceding year based on the annual report of the public institutions" The Commission has put together this report to provide an overview of activities of public institutions and the Commission between January 2022 and March 2023. The report also highlights the major achievements and challenges the Commission faced during the period under review, coupled with measures taken to overcome these challenges.



Board Members of Right To Information Commission

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION

2.1 Human Resource and Development

The Commission recruited one hundred and twenty staff between March and June, 2022 to assist in carrying out the various duties and roles of the Commission aimed at prosecuting the agenda for the implementation of Act 989. The Staff were taken through several training sessions to equip them with contemporary organisational practices and to sharpen their skills on the job.

2.2 Financial & Logistical Support

The Commission received financial and logistical support from the African Centre for Energy Policy (ACEP), Ghana Maritime Authority, Goil PLC, Ghana Investment Promotion Council, Vitamilk Ghana Limited, Blue Skies Limited, Promasidor Ghana Limited, Sena Anku Memorial Foundation, Lancet Laboratories, Alisa Hotel, My Eye Centre, STAR-Ghana, UNESCO and the RTIC Board. Items that were donated include desktop computers, laptops, printers, scanners, shredders, uninterrupted power supply machines, generator, and photocopier machines to support the Commission in its work.



Donation from ACEP to the Commission

2.3 Prosecution Training

The Attorney General's Department has given a fiat to the Commission to prosecute offences under the Right to Information Act, 2019 (Act 989). This serves as a measure to help strengthen enforcement undertaken by the Commission. The Commission, in collaboration with the Attorney General's Department organised a three (3) day training for selected staff of the

Commission to build their capacity on the rudiments of prosecution. Mrs. Evelyn Keelson, Chief State Attorney and Mr. Richard Gyambiby, Principal State Attorney facilitated the programme, taking participants through various subject areas including, the Ghana code for Prosecutors, Criminal Investigations and Enforcement, Criminal Advocacy, Disclosures in criminal trials, Criminal Case Management, the Trial Process, Advice and Charge Sheet preparation.



Staff of the Commission being trained by Mrs. Evelyn Keelson

2.4 Board and Staff Socialising

The Commission organised a day out for staff and Board Members of the Commission at Gomoa Wonderland, Central Region in Deccember 2022. The trip was planned to provide them time for socialising, relaxation and a change of environment. The day featured various fun activities such as football games, boat riding, handball, table tennis, among others. In the same month, the Commission organized its maiden Nine Lessons and Carols service at the Aggrey Chapel. Achimota School. Board Members, Staff, the Deputy Attorney General-Diana A. Dapaah, heads of public and private institutions, media fraternity, family and friends were treated to scintillating carols from the RTIC Choir and the Candlelight Choir Ghana.



Board Members and Staff of the Commission socialising



Board Members and Staff of the Commission socialising



Nine lessons and carols service at the Aggrey Chapel

ACTIVITIES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS UNDER ACT 989

3.1 Submission of Annual Reports by Public Institutions

The Commission in January 2023 made a print media publication, coupled with numerous follow-up calls to public institutions, requesting them to submit their annual reports as required under Section 77(1) of Act 989. Section 77 (1) provides that, "A public institution shall within sixty days after the 31st of December each year, submit a written report on the activities of the public institution under this Act during the preceding year to the Commission".

3.2 Summary of Reports Received from Public Institutions

At the time of compiling this report, the Commission had received three hundred and eighty-two (382) annual reports from six hundred and eighty-three (683) public institutions across the country. Out of the three hundred and eighty-two (382), one hundred and twenty-nine (129) representing 33.77%, received applications for information. Seven hundred and eighty-three (783) applications for information were received by these one hundred and twenty-nine (129) public institutions. The Ghana Tertiary Education received the highest number of requests for information with one hundred and seventy-one (171) applications representing 21.84% of the total applications.

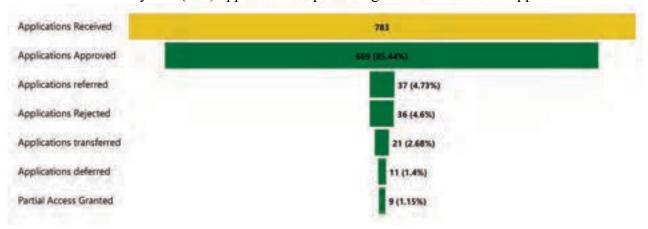


Figure 3.1: Graphical Representation of Reports Received from Public Institutions

3.2.1 Number of Applications Approved

Out of the seven hundred and eighty-three (783) requests received by the various public institutions, six hundred and sixty-nine (669) were approved by the information officers of the public institutions representing 85.44% of the total number of applications received.

3.2.2 Number of Applications Rejected

The total number of applications rejected by the various public institutions was thirty-six (36), representing 4.60%. The following reasons were cited for rejecting applicants' requests:

- 1. The information requested for fell under exempt information.
- 2. The information requested was not in custody of the public institution.

3.2.3 Number of Applications Transferred, Referred and Deferred

Twenty-one (21) of the requests received were transferred to relevant institutions, representing 2.68%, the number referred was thirty-seven (37), representing 4.73%, and the number of applications deferred was eleven (11), representing 1.40% of the total applications.

3.2.4 Number of Internal Review Requested, Granted or Dismissed

Out of the thirty-six applications that were rejected by the information officers of the public institutions, twelve (12) review applications were made to the respective heads of institutions by the dissatisfied applicants, representing 33.33% of the total number of applications rejected. Of these applications for review, ten (10) were granted, representing 83.00% of the review applications and the number of reviews dismissed was two (2), representing 17.00% of the review applications.

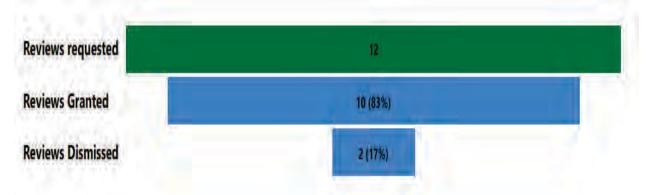


Figure 3.2 Graphical Representation of Applications for Internal Review

3.2.5 Regional Distribution of Submitted Reports

Figure 3.3 shows the regional distribution of annual reports received from public institutions in Ghana for the period of 2022. The Greater Accra Region submitted the highest number of annual reports of two hundred and eleven (211), which was over five hundred and fifty per cent (550%) more than the next highest region, Ashanti, Region with thirty-eight (38) reports. Other regions with a relatively high number of annual reports submitted include the Eastern region with thirty-two (32) reports, Central region with twenty-one (21) and Western region with twelve (12) reports. On the other hand, Ahafo, Upper East, Bono, Bono East, Northern, Savannah, North East, Upper West, Oti, Volta, and Western North regions submitted relatively fewer annual reports, with each region submitting ten (10) reports or less. This shows a distribution concentration in the Greater Accra Region, an even distribution in the regions a little north of the Greater Accra and a sparse distribution in the other regions as one moves up the map.

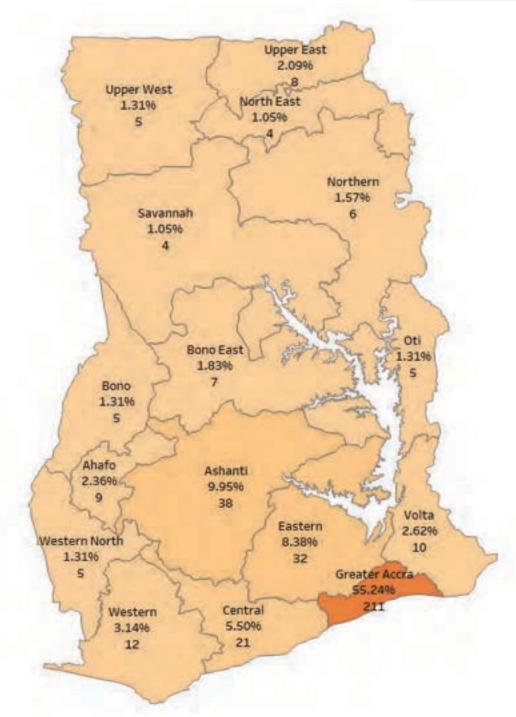


Figure 3.3 Geographical Representation of Regional Distribution for Annual Reports submitted by Public Institutions

Figure 3.4 shows the regional distributions for applications received by public institutions, out of the sixteen regions that had an annual report submitted to the Commission, only ten (10) regions had applications from applicants requesting for information. Greater Accra region received 86.97% of the total applications for information received across the country, followed by Ashanti region with 8.56%. Of the ten (10) regions that received applications for information, Bono East, Ashanti and Greater Accra regions received more application for information than the number of public institutions that sent their annual reports to the Commission, indicating on average, Bono East region receives 1.42 applications per institution, Ashanti region receives 1.76 applications per institution and Greater Accra region receives 3.23 applications per institution. The reason for the higher number of applications received in the Greater Accra Region can be ascribed to the higher number of public institutions situated in the region.

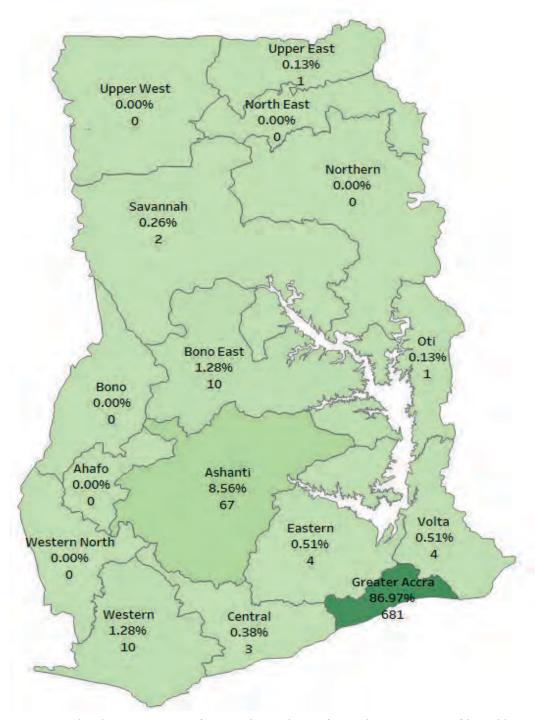


Figure 3.4 Geographical Representation of Regional Distribution for Applications Received by Public Institutions

3.2.6 Comparative Analysis

Referring to Figure 3.5, the Commission has seen growth in the number of annual reports submitted by public institutions. The annual growth in the number of annual reports received for 2022 was 102.12% whereas in 2021 the growth was 278.00%. The number of applications received by public institution in 2022 increased by 217.00%, while in 2021 it increased by 973.91%. Applications granted by these institutions to applicants increased by 320.75% in 2022, while it was 1123.08% in 2021. Applications rejected in 2022 grew by 414.29%, while in 2021 it grew by 75%. Two hundred and seven (207) public institutions submitted their annual reports for the first time in the 2022 reporting year. This is testament to the Commission's compliance and enforcement efforts.

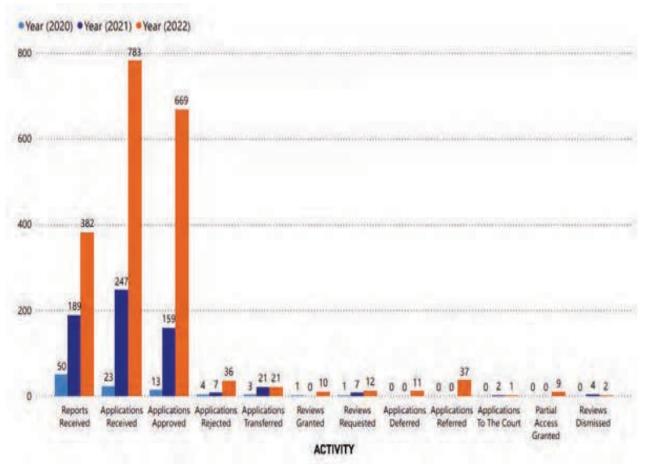


Figure 3.5 Graphical Representation of a Comparative Analysis on Annual Reports Received by the Commission

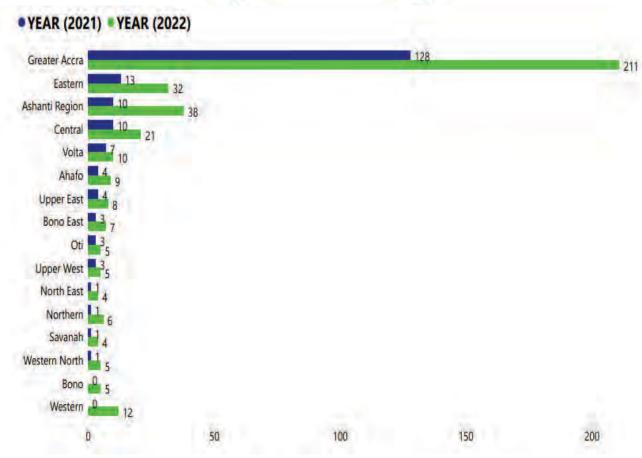


Figure 3.6 Graphical Representation of a Comparative Analysis of Regional Distribution for Annual Reports Received in 2021 and 2022

From Figure 3.6, a further breakdown of the regional distribution shows that, in 2022, reports were received from all sixteen (16) regions, as compared to the fourteen (14) out of sixteen (16) that were received in 2021. The Commission's presence in the Greater Accra Region, as well as various sensitisation activities performed by the Commission and its stakeholders in the region, can be cited as the reason for the region's steady increase in the number of reports submitted compared to the other regions. It can also be inferred that the region holds the highest number of public institutions and their head offices in the country. Ashanti Region surpassed Eastern Region, which place second in 2021, by six (6) reports in 2022

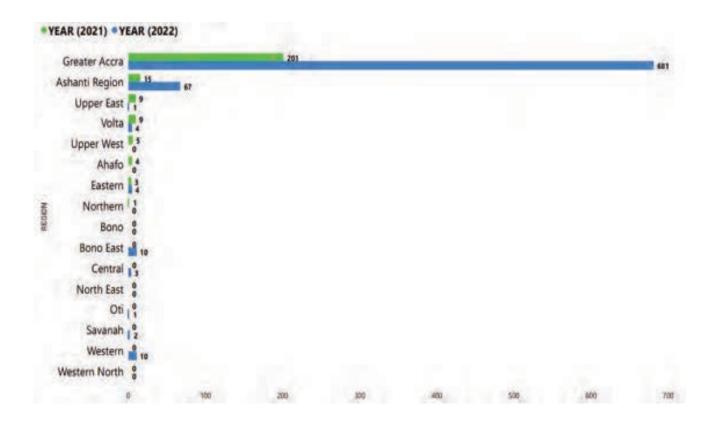


Figure 3.7 Graphical Representation of a Comparative Analysis of Regional Distribution for Applications Received in 2021 and 2022

From Figure 3.7, Ten (10) regions received applications for information in 2022, whereas eight (8) regions did same in 2021. Bono East, Central, Oti, Savanah and Western regions received applications for information from applicants for the first time in 2022, while Ahafo, Northern and Upper West were the only regions that received applications for information in 2021 but not in 2022. The Bono region, North East region and Western North region are the only regions that are yet to receive an application for information since the RTI Act came into force.

REVIEWS BY THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION COMMISSION AND THE JUDICIARY

Section 65 of the Right to Information Act, 2019 (Act 989) states:

"A person who is dissatisfied with a decision of a public institution or a relevant private body, may apply to the Commission for a review of the decision."

Section 36 of Act 989 states:

- "Where an applicant is refused access to information by a public institution
 - a) because the disclosure will be
 - I. prejudicial to the security of the state, or
 - II. injurious to the public interest, or
 - b) for any reason,

the applicant may apply to the High Court for a judicial review of the decision."

In line with Section 65 of Act 989, the Commission received applications for review of decisions made by various public institutions.

Pursuant to section 36 of Act 989, some aggrieved institutions made an application to the high court for judicial review of some decisions made by the Commission.

4.1 Summary of Applications for Review Received

Eighty-Five (85) applications for review were filed with the Commission during the period under review. Ten (10) applications for review were brought forward from the previous period to give a total of Ninety-Five (95) applications for the consideration of the Commission during the period under review. Twenty-Seven (27) of the total applications went through the full process and determinations were made by the Commission. Thirty-One (31) were settled through alternative dispute resolution means and Twenty-Seven (27) of the applications are at different stages of review as at the time of putting this document together.

Below is a breakdown of the applications for review.

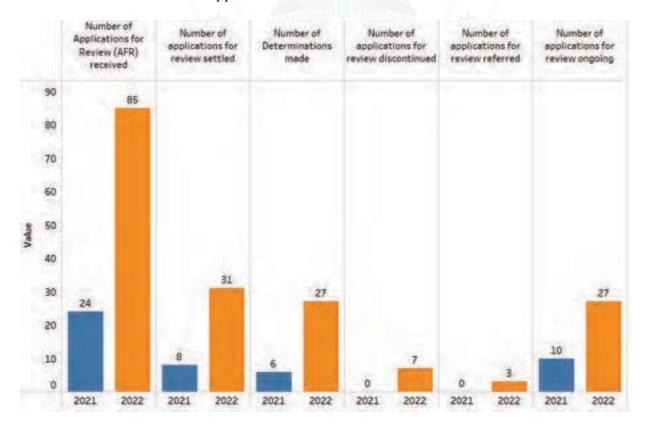


Figure 4.1: Applications Received for Review

From Figure 4.1, the number of applications received by the Commission for review between 2021 and 2022 increased by 254%. The percentage increase in determinations made on review applications between the stated period was 350%, while the percentage increase in settlements on applications for review was 287%.

Reasons for review applications filed with the Commission were as follows:

- 1. Refusal on the part of public institutions to respond to requests made by applicants for access to information.
- 2. Total denial of request made by applicants for access to information.
- 3. Dissatisfaction of applicants with responses received for requests or applications.

4.2 Determinations Issued by The Commission

CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT VS. AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/17/2021

The Applicant made an application to the Respondent institution on 13th September 2021 requesting for photocopies of evaluation report on contracts awarded by Agricultural Development Bank from 1st January, 2020 to date. Upon not receiving any response from the Respondent institution, the Applicant applied to the Commission on 12th October, 2021 requesting for a review of the decision by the Respondent institution denying him access to the information requested for. The Commission, in its request for response to the Respondent institution on 22nd October, 2021, requested for the reasons for the denial of access to the information.

In its response to the Commission, the Respondent institution stated that the Bank was initially set up under an Act of Parliament, the Agricultural Development Bank Act, 1965 (Act 286), as amended, as a commercial venture and was therefore never a public corporation or institution, neither was it part of the public service. The Respondent institution also argued that it was not a private institution receiving public funds or performing a public function. It further argued that by section 28 of the Public Procurement Act, 2003 (Act 663), a third party was not to be given access to certain information of a procurement process including evaluation report of a contract awarded as such information is restricted to contractors, suppliers or consultants who submitted tenders, proposals, offers or quotations.

The Commission invoked section 43(2) (f) of Act 989 to require for the submission of documents to determine its exemption under the Act. The Respondent institution requested for 7 days to do that which the Commission obliged to. During this period, the Commission received a letter from the external lawyer for the Respondent institution indicating that the Respondent institution was unable to accede to the request of the Commission to submit the documents for examination and further that the Respondent institution was going to proceed to Court. The Commission made its decision on 27th April, 2022 ordering the Respondent institution to grant access to the information requested for.

AFRICA EDUCATION WATCH VS. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/35/2022

The Applicant, in a letter dated 9th June 2022, requested for some pieces of information regarding school placement system. No response was received from the Respondent and an application for internal review was not responded to either. The Applicant therefore applied to the Commission for a review of the denial to grant him access to the information requested for. The Commission sent a letter dated 3rd October 2022 requesting for the reasons for denying the Applicant the information he requested for but the Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's letter as well. The Commission made its orders on 20th February 2023 to the Respondent to grant the Applicant access to the information he requested for.

SHERIFF ISSAH VS. DATA PROTECTION AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/08/2022

On 25th March 2022, Mr. Sherrif Issah appealed for a reversal by the Commission under Act 989 of a decision by the Executive Director of the Data Protection Commission refusing to grant him access to some pieces of information regarding data controllers. The Respondent, in its response to the Commission's request for response dated 31st March 2022, intimated that the answers to the Applicant's requests could be found on its website. The Applicant, however, indicated that the information found on the website was not sufficient as a response to his request. The Commission, in its decision, ordered the Respondent to provide the information requested for to the Applicant in hard copy or a pdf version of it.

DONATUS KUUZUME VS. INDEPENDENT EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE & GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/02/2022

The Applicant was a candidate in the professional law course entrance examination conducted by the Respondent on 24th August 2021. In October 2021, the results of the examination were published in the media under the heading "Order of Merit of Complete List of Candidates by the Independent Examinations Committee (IEC) of the GLC." As gleaned from the Applicant's documents submitted to the Commission, the publication showed the total marks awarded candidates for Section A (Multiple Choice Questions) and Section B (Questions 1 and 2). According to the Applicant, he made a request to the Respondent under section 18 of Act 989 asking for his scores in the exams conducted on 24th August 2021. Upon not receiving any response, he submitted an application for internal review to the Chairman of the General Legal Council on 17th November 2021. In a letter dated 25th November 2021 and signed by the Secretary to the General Legal Council, the Applicant was informed that that the General Legal Council had no access to documents in respect of Entrance Examinations and therefore could not order or compel the Respondent to submit documents to the Applicant.

On 16th December 2021, the Applicant submitted another application for internal review, this time addressed to its Chairman. He did not receive any response to this Application, so he applied to the Commission for a review of the Respondent's refusal to grant him access to the information he requested for. Upon receipt of the application, the Commission wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 26th January 2022, requesting for the reasons for failing to grant the Applicant access to the information he requested for. The Commission could not locate the Respondent's office and upon finding out through research that the Respondent is a sub-board under the General Legal Council, the Commission wrote to the Chairperson of the General Legal Council on 30th March 2022 requesting for the name of the Administrative Head of the Respondent to facilitate correspondences. The Commission subsequently wrote a reminder dated 31st May 2022 addressed to the Respondent through its Chairperson and drew the attention of His Lordship The Chief Justice, the Chairman of the General Legal Council, to it.

The General Legal Council, in its response, indicated that it had no control over the Respondent. Based on this response, the Commission wrote to the Respondent again on 21st June 2022 requesting to be furnished with the reasons for refusing to grant the Applicant the information he asked for. The Respondent responded to the letter indicating that the marked answer script and marking scheme are exempt from disclosure under Act 989 and stated that acceding to the Applicant's request would result in an unsustainable and unmanageable situation where examination candidates at all levels of education can request for their marked answer scripts.

The Commission, in its decision on 6th December 2022, ordered the Respondent to put in place an online mechanism that allows students to access and review their marked scripts using their students' numbers or any unique form of identification.

UMAR SULEMAN VS. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/17/2022

It was the complaint of the Applicant that, in a letter dated 24th February 2022, he caused a legal search to be conducted on the Respondent through his lawyers for certain pieces of information relating to environmental permits. The Respondent, in response to this search, wrote to the Applicant in a letter dated 3rd March 2022 expressing its willingness to provide the information requested by the Applicant subject to the payment of the statutory fee of Two thousand, five hundred Ghana Cedis (GH¢ 2,500.00), as required by the Fees and Charges (Amendment) Instrument, 2019 (LI 2386). Being dissatisfied with this response, the Applicant wrote to the Commission applying for a review of the Respondent's decision and a directive to the Respondent to provide the information requested by the Applicant.

Upon receipt by the Commission of the Applicant's application for review, the Commission wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 31st May 2022 requesting to be furnished with the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information he requested for and the reasons and legal basis for the fee charged. The Respondent, in a letter dated 6th June 2022, confirmed receipt of the Applicant's search and indicated that it had issued the Applicant's lawyer with an invoice of the approved search fee. The Respondent quoted the Fees and Charges (Amendment) Instrument, 2019 (LI 2386) and indicated that the law authorises the Respondent to charge specified fees for legal searches and due diligence inquiries.

The Commission, upon examination of the Fees and Charges (Amendment) Instrument, 2019 (LI 2386), directed that the Right to Information Act could not be used as a tool to circumvent the payment of statutory fees such as searches where there are obligations to pay such fees. The Applicant was ordered to pay the statutory fee of $GH\phi$ 2,500 for the legal search requested.

PIUS ASIEDU VS. INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/44/2022

The Applicant's complaint was that he requested from the Respondent certain pieces of information regarding the arrest and detention of one Collins Quarcoo (a.k.a Kola). Following the denial of access by the Information Officer of the Respondent institution to the information sought, the Applicant applied for internal review against the refusal by the Information Officer to the Director-General of the Respondent institution on 1st September 2022. However, after the application for internal review, the Applicant did not receive any communication from the Respondent. The Applicant made an application to the Commission for a review of the decision by the Respondent denying him the information requested for. The Commission, upon receipt of the application, wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 18th October 2022 asking for reasons why the information was not granted to the Applicant. The Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's letter. In its decision dated 24th January 2023, the Commission noted that the information regarding the ongoing investigation was exempt under section 7 (1) (b) of Act 989 and should not be given out and ordered the Respondent to give out those parts of the information that were not exempt under the Act. An administrative penalty of GH¢ 100, 000 was levied against the Respondent.

PIUS ASIEDU VS. NATIONAL SECURITY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/43/2022

It was the Applicant's contention that, on 9th August 2022, he made an application to the Respondent institution requesting for some information in connection with the arrest and detention of one Mr. Collins Quarcoo (a.k.a Kola). The Applicant did not receive any response. Upon not receiving any response from the Respondent institution, the Applicant made a review application in line with Act 989 to the National Security Coordinator. He did not receive a response to this application either. The Applicant therefore wrote to the Commission seeking a review of the decision by the Respondent denying him access to the information.

The Commission, as part of its investigative methods, wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 24^{th} October 2022 asking for the reasons for denying the Applicant's request for information. The Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's request. The Commission wrote its decision on 20^{th} February 2023 ordering the Respondent to release the information to the Applicant. An administrative penalty of $GH \not\in 50$, 000 was levied against the Respondent.

PAUL KOFI GOZO VS. GA EAST MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/40/2022

The Commission received an application for review against the Respondent, which had failed to release to the Applicant certain pieces of information he requested for in exercise of his rights under Article 21(1)(f) of the 1992 Constitution of Ghana and Section 18 of Act 989. It was the Applicant's contention that in a letter, he requested from the Respondent through its information officer some pieces of information. Upon not receiving any response from the Information Officer, the Applicant applied for an internal review of the refusal by the Information Officer to furnish him with the requested information.

Upon receipt by the Commission of the Applicant's application for review, it wrote to the Respondent requesting to be furnished with the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information he requested for. The respondent did not respond to the commission's request. The Commission made its decision on 22^{nd} February 2023 ordering the Respondent to release the information to the Applicant and levied GH¢ 20,000 administrative penalty against the Respondent.

OLIVER BARKER-VORMAWOR VS. MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/10/2022

The Applicant, who is a member of the Fix-The-Country group, made an application for review dated 29th April 2022 against the Respondent. It was the case of the Applicant that he requested for some information regarding the arrest and detention of Caleb Kudah of Citi FM from the Respondent through its Information Officer in a letter dated 31st May 2021. Upon the failure of the Information Officer to respond to the Applicant's request, he made an application for review on 11th February 2022. He did not receive a response to that application either. Per the Commission's investigative methods, it wrote to the Respondent on 30th May 2022 requesting reasons for failing to respond to the Applicant. The Commission did not receive any response from the Respondent. The Commission, in its decision dated 14th December 2022, ordered the Respondent to release some of the information to the Respondent but some were, however, exempt under Act 989 and could not be released. An administrative penalty of GH¢ 50,000 was levied against the Respondent.

MANASSEH AZURI AWUNI VS. OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/07/2022

On December 2, 2021, the Applicant applied to the Information Officer at the Jubilee House requesting for the cost of Presidential travels. The Applicant made the application in exercise of his right to information under Article 21(1) (f) of the 1992 Constitution of Ghana and section 18 of Act 989. On 19th January 2022, the Hon. Chief of Staff responded to the application indicating that the information requested was exempt under Act 989. Dissatisfied with that decision, the Applicant applied to the President in a letter dated 10th February 2022 for internal review contending that the information relating to the President's travels and their costs was statistical and factual per section 5 (2) of Act 989 and not exempt from disclosure. The Applicant also contended that the information he requested for accorded with the public interest and exposure of abuse of authority by the President and so the request was in line with section 17 (1) (d), (e) of Act 989.

The Applicant did not receive any response to this application, so he applied to the Commission on 4th March 2022 for a review. Upon receipt of the application for review, the Commission

conducted its investigations and wrote its decision on 23rd January 2023 stating that the information requested for is exempt from disclosure under sections 5 (1) (b) (ii) and 9 (1) (a), (2) of Act 989. It also found that section 17 (1) of Act 989 does not apply to this case.

GILBERT KORBLA KEKLIE VS. KETA MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/09/2022

On 6th May 2022, Mr. Gilbert Korbla Keklie, the Honourable Assembly Member for Dziehe-Ablame Electoral Area of Anlo Afiadenyigba of the Keta Municipal Assembly made an application to the Commission in respect of certain pieces of information requested from the Keta Municipal Assembly which request was refused. The Commission, upon receipt of the Applicant's application, wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 24th May 2022 requesting for the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information requested for. However, the Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's request for response.

In view of this, the Commission levied an administrative penalty of GH¢ 20,000 on the Respondent and ordered the Respondent to ensure the pieces of information requested were released to the Applicant not later than 14 days after receipt of the decision.

CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT VS. ELECTRICITY COMPANY OF GHANA

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/18/2021

The Applicant, Centre for Democratic Empowerment (CDE), lodged an application for review with the Commission in a letter dated 12th October 2021. The Commission, upon receipt of the Applicant's application, wrote to the Respondent on 8th December 2021 requesting for reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant's access to the information requested. The Respondent responded by a letter dated 20th December 2021 providing the Commission with reasons for the refusal of the Applicant's request. The Commission, in its decision on 25th April 2022, ordered that the Respondent furnish part of the information requested by the Applicant.

CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT VS. GOIL AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/22/2022

The Applicant requested for information on the details of contracts awarded by GOIL in the years 2020 and 2021. After the Applicant received no response, it applied for internal review dated 13th June 2022. The Respondent, by a letter dated 16th June 2022, responded stating that it was not a public institution and therefore not amenable to Act 989. The Applicant applied to the Commission for a review. The Commission wrote to the Respondent but received no response.

The Commission made a determination on the matter on 8th December 2022 levying administrative penalty of GH¢ 100,000 against the Respondent. The Commission, in its decision, also stated that GOIL was a public institution within the meaning of section 84 of Act 989 and ordered that the information requested by the Applicant be made available to the Applicant not later than 14 days upon receipt of the decision.

GILBERT KORBLA KEKLIE VS. KETA MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/15/2022

On 6th May 2022, Mr. Gilbert Korbla Keklie made an application to the Commission in respect of certain pieces of information requested from the Keta Municipal Assembly but did not receive any response. The Commission, upon receipt of the Applicant's application, wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 26th May 2022 requesting the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information requested for. However, the Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's request for response.

In view of this, the Commission levied an administrative penalty of GH¢ 20,000 on the Respondent and ordered the Municipal Chief Executive to ensure the pieces of information requested were released to the Applicant not later than 14 days after receipt of the decision.

GILBERT KORBLA KEKLIE VS. KETA MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/16/2021

It was the complaint of the Applicant that, in a letter dated 7th September 2021, he requested from the Respondent through the Secretary to the Assembly some pieces of information. Upon not receiving any response, he applied for internal review of the refusal by the Information Officer to furnish him with the requested information. This application for internal review was dated 28th January 2022. However, after the application for internal review, the Applicant did not receive any communication from the Respondent.

Upon receipt by the Commission of the Applicant's application for review, it wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 25^{th} April 2022 requesting to be furnished with the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information he requested for. The Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's request. The Commission, in its decision dated 13^{th} October 2022, levied an administrative penalty of $GH \not\in 20,000$ on the Respondent and ordered the Municipal Chief Executive to ensure the pieces of information requested were released to the Applicant not later than 14 days after receipt of the decision.

KWA KU KROBEA ASANTE VS. GHANA NATIONAL FIRE SERVICE AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/04/2021

The Commission received an application for review from the Applicant. Before bringing his application to the Commission, the Applicant had applied for internal review with the head of the Respondent institution but received no response. The Commission wrote to the Respondent but received no response either. The Commission consequently made a determination on 5th January 2022 and levied an administrative penalty of GH¢ 50,000 against the Respondent with an additional default penalty rate of 10% on the principal penalty in the event of a default for any additional 14 days later.

REDEEMER BUATSI VS. GHANA REVENUE AUTHORITY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/23/2022

On 24th June 2022, Mr. Redeemer Buatsi filed an application for review with the Commission against Ghana Revenue Authority for its denial of the Applicant's request for certain pieces of information pertaining to the implementation of the Electronic Levy Management System (ELMAS). The Commission wrote to the Respondent requesting for reasons for the denial. The Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's letter.

In view of this, the Commission, on 23^{rd} February 2023, per its decision, levied an administrative penalty of GH¢ 20,000 against the Respondent payable within 14 days of receipt of the decision with an additional default penalty rate of 10% on the principal penalty sum in the event of default and ordered that the pieces of information requested be provided to the Applicant. On 14^{th} March 2023, the Respondent via a letter wrote to the Commission advancing reasons why the information cannot be provided and submitted a cheque for GH¢ 20,000 as payment for the administrative penalty levied against it. The Commission responded with a letter for the requested information to be submitted for the Commission to determine whether or not it is exempt under Act 989.

MANASSEH AZURI AWUNI VS. GHANA EDUCATION SERVICE AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/37/2022

The Commission received an application for review dated 25th August 2022 filed by Manasseh Azuri Awuni against Ghana Education Service which had failed to release to the Applicant certain pieces of information he requested from the Respondent. The complaint of the Applicant was that he requested from the Respondent through its Information Officer certain pieces of information. The Respondent responded to the request on 5th August 2021 indicating that the subject matter of

the information requested was executed under a Presidential Initiative by the Nationwide Reopening of Schools and Educational Institutions Co-ordinating Committee. The Senior Presidential Advisor transferred the application to the Ghana Education Service (GES) for response. The Applicant was, however, not in the know about the transfer to GES.

Not receiving any response from the Office of the President, the Applicant sent an initial appeal to the Commission for a review. The Commission, in a letter dated 7th February 2022, wrote to the Office of the President requesting for reasons for the denial of the information requested by the Applicant. In response to the Commission's letter dated February 11 2022, the Honourable Chief of Staff informed the Commission that the application for information had been transferred to GES.

Despite the transfer, the Applicant did not receive any response from GES. On July 7 2022, the Applicant wrote to the Director-General of GES to follow up on the request but received no response and this compelled him to appeal to the Commission again for a review of the decision of the GES denying him access to the information requested for. Upon receipt of the Applicant's application for review, it wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 3rd October 2022 but the Respondent failed to respond to the Commission's request for response.

The Commission, by its decision on 24th February 2023, levied an administrative penalty of GH¢ 50,000 against the Respondent payable not later than 14 days upon receipt of the decision and an additional default penalty rate of 10% on the principal penalty in the event of a default. Additionally, the Respondent was ordered to provide the information requested to the Applicant.

DR. EDWARD ADDO VS. EASTERN REGIONAL LANDS COMMISSION AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/23/2021

It was the complaint of the Applicant that, in a letter dated 31st August 2021, after a search report was given to him by the Eastern Regional Lands Commission, he requested from the Respondent through its Information Officer information regarding the search report. Since no response was received from the Respondent, the Applicant applied for review at the Commission. The Commission wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 18th November 2021 requesting to be furnished with reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information he requested for. There was no response from the Respondent. The Commission made its determination on 7th April 2022 ordering the Respondent to provide the information requested for and imposed an administrative penalty of GH¢ 50,000 on the Respondent.

OCCUPY GHANA VS. LANDS COMMISSION AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/39/2022

The Applicant requested for some pieces of information relating to Government lands that have been relinquished. On 15th June 2022, the Respondent wrote back to the Applicant assuring that it was putting the appropriate measures in place to address the contents of the Applicant's 8th June 2022 letter. After series of correspondence between the parties, the Applicant petitioned the Right to Information Commission to intervene to order the Respondent to release to the Applicant the requested information. This petition was dated 20th September 2022.

As part of its process, the Commission wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 13^{th} October 2022 asking for the reasons for failing to provide to the Applicant the information requested for. The Respondent failed to respond to this letter. The Commission imposed an administrative penalty of $GH/\phi 100,000$ on the Respondent and ordered the Respondent to provide to the Applicant the information requested.

KWAKU KROBEA ASANTE VS. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/08/2021

It was the complaint of the Applicant that in a letter dated 23rd March 2021, he requested from the Respondent through its Information Officer some pieces of information relating to the E-Block Senior High Schools. Because no response was received from the Information Officer, the Applicant applied for an internal review of the refusal by the Information Officer to furnish him with the requested information. This application for internal review was dated 27th May 2021. However, despite the application for internal review, the Applicant did not receive any communication from the Respondent. Upon receipt by the Commission of the Applicant's application for review, it wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 6th July 2021. In the said letter, the Commission requested to be furnished with the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the pieces of information he requested for. In its response to the Commission dated 30th July 2021, the Respondent indicated that it was "undertaking the necessary research to enable it respond appropriately to the request". The Commission, upon receiving this response from the Respondent, granted the Respondent the extension requested pursuant to section 25 of Act 989. After ample time had passed, the Commission wrote to the Respondent in a letter dated 4th November 2021 notifying the Respondent that the time prescribed for extension by the Act had elapsed but the Respondent failed to respond. The Commission, in its decision on 7th April 2022, ordered the Respondent to grant the Applicant access to the information requested for and imposed an administrative penalty of GH¢ 50,000 on the Respondent.

CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT VS. NATIONAL LOTTERIES AUTHORITY

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/34/2022

It was the complaint of the Applicant that, in a letter dated 27th June 2022, he requested from the Respondent the evaluation report on contracts awarded by the Respondent and documents used by tenderers. The Respondent, in a letter dated 20th July 2022, responded to the Applicant's request stating that the information requested was exempt under Act 989. The Applicant, aggrieved by this response, wrote to the Commission for a review of the Respondent's decision. The Commission requested for the information to be submitted to the Commission for review to determine whether or not it was exempt under Act 989. After reviewing the documents, the Commission directed the Respondent to release a summary of the evaluation report to the Applicant within 14 days after receipt of the decision excluding the GRA tax clearance certificates, minutes and PPA official receipts.

GILBERT KORBLA KEKLIE VS KETA MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY RTIC/AFR/09/2022

The applicant requested certain pieces of information from the Keta Municipal Assembly on the 7th of September 2021. Upon failure of the Keta Municipal Assembly to release the information requested, the applicant invoked the right to internal review by a letter dated 28th January, 2022 after an earlier reminder had been sent to the Keta Municipal Assembly. The Keta Municipal Assembly did not respond to any of the letters from the Applicant. The Applicant therefore petitioned the Commission to compel the Keta Municipal Assembly to release the requested information

The Commission requested the Keta Municipal Assembly to give reasons for the refusal to grant access to the information. The Keta Municipal Assembly did not respond to the Commission's request either. The Commission therefore made a determination against the Keta Municipal Assembly ordering that the information requested be released as well as levying an administrative penalty of GHC20,000.00.



EVANS AZIAMOR -MENSAH VRS. GHANA MARITIME AUTHORITY RTIC/AFR/22/2021

In a letter dated July 6, 2021, Mr. Evans Aziamor-Mensah, a reporter with the Fourth Estate (hereafter "the Applicant") applied to the Ghana Maritime Authority (hereafter "the Respondent") through its information officer or designated information officer requesting to be furnished with certain pieces of information. After receipt of the application by the Respondent on 7th July, 2021, the Applicant did not receive any response from the Information Officer. On 13th October, 2021, the Applicant applied to the Director-General of the Respondent institution for internal review of the information officer or designated information officer's refusal to grant his application for information. Again no response was given to the Applicant, and this precipitated an application to the Commission for reversal of decision refusing to grant him access to information. The Commission wrote to the Respondent on 18th November, 2021 (and received on 24th November, 2021) asking for justification for refusing the Applicant's application for information. The Respondent, in a letter dated 1st December, 2021 responded to the Commission's letter and stated that the information requested for were internal working information and also bothered on public safety and were therefore exempt from disclosure.

The Commission, after perusing the said information resolved that same was not exempt and ordered the Respondent, through its Director-General, to furnish the Applicant with the pieces of information requested within 14 days. Since some of the requested information was non-existent, the information officer was ordered to communicate same to the Applicant.

KWAKU KROBEA ASANTE VS HeFRA RTIC/AFR/05/2021

The Applicant requested for information from the Respondent on 6th April, 2021. Upon receiving no response from the Respondent institution, the Applicant applied for internal review of the refusal to furnish him with the requested information. However, after the application for internal review, the Applicant has not received any communication from the Respondent.

After receipt of the Applicant's application for review, the Commission wrote to the Respondent requesting to be furnished with the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the information requested. However, the Respondent refused to respond to the Commission's letter. The Commission by its determination levied an administrative penalty of GHS 30,000 and ordered

the Respondent to furnish the Applicant with the requested information.

EVANS AZIAMOR– MENSAH VS GHANA POLICE SERVICE RTIC/AFR/21/2021

The applicant wrote to the Ghana Police Service on the 19th of August 2021 seeking certain pieces of information regarding the budgetary allocation to the Ghana Police Service during a period of time. The applicant then sent a petition to the Commission on the 15th of November 2021 seeking the assistance of the Commission to compel the Ghana Police Service to release the information requested.

The Commission on the 18th of November 2021 wrote to the Ghana Police Service seeking the reasons why the Service had declined the request for information. The Ghana Police Service again did not respond to the letter from the Commission. The Commission therefore made a determination against the Ghana Police Service, ordering them to release the information requested within 14 days as well as levying an administrative penalty of GHC50,000.00 against the Respondent.

KWAKU KROBEA ASANTE VS MINISTRY OF DEFENCE RTIC/AFR/07 /2021

The Applicant wrote a letter to the Respondent requesting for certain pieces of information. Upon receiving no response from the Information Officer, the Applicant applied for an internal review of the refusal by the information officer to furnish him with the requested information. However, after the application for internal review, the Applicant received a letter from the Respondent saying that it had transferred the application letter to the Chief of Staff, General Headquarters. That was the last communication the Applicant received from the Respondent.

After receipt of the Applicant's application for review, the Commission wrote to the Respondent requesting to be furnished with the reasons for the refusal to grant the Applicant access to the information requested for. The respondent failed to respond to the Commission's letter.

By its determination, the Commission ordered the Respondent to grant the Applicant access to the information since it was not exempt information.

4.3 Settlements Made by the Commission

MR. BENJAMIN DARKO (FIX-THE-COUNTRY) VS. CONTROLLER AND ACCOUNTANT GENERAL

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/20/2022

On 13th June 2022, the Applicant made an application to the Commission for a review of the decision by the Respondent refusing to grant him access to some information he requested for. The Applicant contended that he made an Application to the Respondent but received no response. Upon receipt of the letter, the Commission wrote to the Respondent on 23rd June 2022 requesting reasons for the Respondent's failure to respond to the Applicant. The Respondent acknowledged the Commission in its response and attached the documents requested by the Applicant. The matter was resolved and closed accordingly.

MR. MANASSEH AZURI AWUNI (THE MEDIA FOUNDATION FOR WEST AFRICA) VS. COUNCIL OF STATE

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/27/2022

The Applicant, in a letter dated 21st July 2022, applied to the Commission for a review of the denial of his application to the Council of State. The Applicant made an application to the Council of State requesting for information on the attendance at some meetings, salaries and allowances of members and advice to the President. However, he did not get a response. On receiving the application for review, the Commission wrote to the Council of State in a letter dated 31st August 2022 requesting for the reasons for refusing to grant the applicant access to the information he requested for. The Council of State responded to the Commission indicating that the Council of State was on recess and the Chairman out of the jurisdiction.

The Commission, in its response to the Council of State dated 3rd October 2022, stated that the absence of the Chairman from the jurisdiction should not impede the grant of access to information. The Council of State, therefore, provided the information requested for. The Commission, however, excluded the salaries and allowances of the members based on section 16 (1) and (2) (c) of Act 989. A combined reading of section 16 (1) and (2) (c) makes the disclosure of financial interests unreasonable and therefore exempt under the Act. The information provided by the Council of State was sent to the Applicant and the matter was closed.

GILBERT KORBLA KEKLIE VS. KETA MUNICIPAL EDUCATION DIRECTORATE

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/14/2022

The Commission received a petition on 6th May 2022 from Mr. Gilbert Korbla Keklie requesting the Commission to compel the Keta Municipal Education Directorate to provide him with information on the funding support from the Member of Parliament (MP) for Keta Constituency in the year 2020 for minor renovation works at Anlo State School in the Abutiakope Electoral Area. The Commission wrote to the Respondent, upon receipt of the petition, requesting reasons for its refusal to provide the information requested for. The Respondent in its response, submitted the information requested for. The matter was closed.

DR. ATSU & ANOTHER V S. GHANA HEALTH SERVICE AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/31/2022

Dr. Victor M. Atsu and Mr. Alhassan Ibn Osmanu made an application to the Ghana Health Service Council requesting for a Fact-Finding Committee Report. The Respondent refused to disclose the information because it was exempt under section 13 of Act 989. The Applicants appealed to the Commission on 5th August 2022. Upon receipt of the appeal, the Commission wrote to the Respondent on 29th August 2022 requesting for the production of the fact finding report to determine whether or not it was exempt under Act 989. Upon receipt of the report by the Commission and research into, and examination of, the report, the Commission issued its directives in its decision dated 8th November, 2022 directing the Respondent to redact the names and information of third parties in the report and to make the report available to the Applicants. Matter was closed.

SHERRIF ISSAH VS. CYBER SECURITY AUTHORITY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/18/2022

On 3rd June 2022, the Commission received an application for review from Mr. Sherrif Issah. According to Mr. Issah, he made an application to the Cyber Security Authority requesting for a "list of all organizations designated as Critical Information Infrastructure (CII) in Ghana". The Respondent responded refusing to grant the Applicant access to the information requested claiming that it was exempt under Act 989. The Commission, upon receipt of the application for review, wrote to the Respondent requesting reasons why the Applicant's application was refused. The Respondent responded to the request explaining the security concerns that came with granting access to the information requested by the Applicant. Upon receipt of that letter, the Commission invited the Respondent to explain and clarify their position. After that meeting, the Commission had a separate meeting with the Applicant and explained to him why the information he requested for is exempt. The matter was settled and closed.

RAYMOND ACQUAH & FIIFI KOOMSON VS. GHANA AIRPORT COMPANY LIMITED

AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/41/2022

On 9th September 2022, the Applicants applied to the Information Officer of the Ministry of Transport and the Managing Director of the Ghana Airport Company Limited, concurrently, requesting for certain pieces of information regarding the Ghana Airport Company Limited's contract with Frontiers Healthcare Services. The Ministry of Transport transferred the Applicants' request to the Ghana Airports Company Limited on 14thSeptember 2022 in accordance with Section 20 (4) of Act 989. The Respondent, in its response on 19th September



2022, indicated that the information which the Applicants had applied for was exempt from disclosure under section 10 of Act 989. The Commission wrote to the Respondent on 12th October 2022 requesting for the production of the information under section 43 (2) (f) of Act 989 for examination. Upon examination of the documents submitted by the Respondent, the Commission ordered the Ghana Airport Company limited to grant to the Applicants the information they requested for.

DR. ATSU & ANOTHER V S. GHANA AUDIT SERVICE AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/29/2022

On 30th May 2022, the Applicants, pursuant to Act 989, made a request through the Information Officer of the Audit Service, Head Office, Accra seeking certain pieces of information which were denied. An internal review application was submitted to the Audit Service, Head Office, Accra through the Auditor-General on 1st July 2022 by the Applicants, which was also denied. Following the denial by the Auditor-General, the Applicants applied for a review by the Commission under Act 989 of the Auditor-General's decision denying them access to the requested information.

Upon receipt of the review application, the Commission wrote to the Respondent asking for the reasons for its failure to respond to the Applicants. The Respondent sent an e-mail to the Commission and the Applicants on 18th October 2022, providing the documents requested for. The Commission, in a letter dated 3rd November 2022, informed the Applicants of the documents submitted and closed the matter.

MICHAEL AIDOO VS. GHANA ENTERPRISES AGENCY AFR NO: RTIC/AFR/38/2022

Mr. Michael Aidoo made a request to the Ghana Enterprises Agency requesting for a list of all beneficiary entities of the government-sponsored coronavirus alleviation programme (CAP) and the amount of money allotted to, and recovered from, each beneficiary. The Ghana Enterprises Agency responded to his application requiring him to pay an amount of Twelve Thousand, Six Hundred and Fifty Ghana Cedis (GH¢ 12, 650) as the cost of photocopy and binding. The Applicant applied to the Commission for a review of that decision. The Commission wrote to the Respondent quoting the fee stipulated in the Fees and Charges (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2022 (Act 1080) thereby reducing the cost of reproduction from GH¢ 12, 650 to GH¢ 1,647. The Respondent wrote to the Commission stating that it could grant the Applicant the option of viewing the documents he requested for since the Respondent did not have the capacity to print the number of documents. The Commission indicated that since the documents are in a form that can printed, access to it can be granted to the Applicant in a pdf form. Eventually, the Respondent wrote to the Commission indicating that it had posted the information requested for on its website.

However, after examination of the information on the website, the Commission realised that it did not contain all the information requested for. The Commission, in its directive dated 3rd February 2023, ordered the Respondent to update the list on the website or provide the information to the Applicant. The Respondent submitted the information on a pendrive to the Applicant providing all the information he requested for. Matter closed.

Find in Appendix 1, the list of other settled applications for review the Commission received.

4.4 Judicial Review

MINERALS COMMISSION V. RIGHT TO INFORMATION COMMISSION (EVANS AZIAMOR -MENSAH, INTERESTED PARTY)

After the ruling of the High Court on 17th March 2022, which ordered the Minerals Commission to comply with the directives of the Commission, the Minerals Commission served a Notice of Appeal on the Commission. However, after the settlement of records, no further steps were taken by the Minerals Commission.

AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK VS RIGHT TO INFORMATION COMMISSION

(CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT, INTERESTED PARTY)

The Agricultural Development Bank brought an action against the Commission in the High Court seeking a judicial review of the decision of the Commission. On 8th March, 2023, the Court, in its ruling, held that the application brought by ADB was incompetent and thereby dismissed same.



PROMOTION OF RIGHT TO INFORMATION

The Commission, by law, is mandated to promote and sustain awareness of right to information within the country as prescribed in section 45 of Act 989. In accordance with this provision, the Commission undertook a series of activities aimed at sensitising persons and institutions on Act 989. Some of these activities included provision of training to management and staff of some public institutions and collaborating with some public institutions, civil society organisations, and media houses to educate the public on right to information and Act 989. In line with section 4 of Act 989, the Commission also issued guidelines to public institutions to aid them in compiling information manual (as mandated by section 3 of Act 989). Outlined below are some activities that were undertaken.

5.1 Media Sensitisation and Awareness Drive

As part of strategies and activities to promote and sustain the awareness drive on right to information in the country, the Commission, led by the Executive Secretary, Yaw Sarpong Boateng, Esq., engaged media houses across some parts of the country to educate them on their role in the implementation of the Act and how to use their platforms to educate their listeners. The Commission granted interviews and educated the public on the following radio and television shows: Metro TV (Good Evening Ghana); GBC Uniiq FM (Breakfast Drive); Wontumi Radio (Movement in the Morning); Joy News (The Probe, AM Show, The Law); TV 3 (New Day); Asempa FM (Ekosiisen); GTV (Breakfast Show); Peace FM (Kokrokoo Morning Show); Eastern FM; Sunrise FM; Bryt FM; Kekeli FM; Kuul FM; Volta Star Radio; Tosh FM; Volta Premier FM; Oti Radio; Krachi FM and Kano FM. The Commission was also hosted by the Business and Financial Times on their weekly audio discussion on a Twitter Space Session.



RTIC Exe. Sec. being Interviewed on Metro TV Good Evening Ghana



RTIC Exe. Sec. speaking on The Probe show at Joynews TV



Mrs. Victoria Susuawu and the Exe. Sec. being Interviewed on GBC Volta Star 91.3FM



Stephen Owusu Esq. of RTIC being Interviewed on Diamond 93.7 FM



RTIC Exe. Sec. being Interviewed on The Law Show @joynews TV



Yaw Sarporg Boateng Esq. being Interviewed on Tv3 Newday show



Stephen Owusu Esq. of RTIC being Interviewed on Zaa Radio 99.3 FM



Christiana Adom of RTIC educating the public on Act 989 at GBC-Uniiq 95.7 FM



Mrs. Elizabeth Asare, RTIC Dep. Board Chair being Interviewed on JoyNews TV



Christiana Adom & Vincent Appau of RTIC being Interviewed on GTV's Breakfast Show



Angela Attakpah Esq. speaking on Kekeli Radio in Ewe



RTIC Exe. Sec. educating the public on Act 989 at Koridua

5.2 Institutional Training and Sensitisation

The Commission embarked on training sessions that increased public institution's understanding of the various provisions under the Act. The exercise was focused on institutions in the Greater Accra Region, among which were Ghana Standards Authority, Exim Bank Ghana, Ghana Commodity Exchange, Ghana Revenue Authority, Blue Skies, Tema Oil Refinery, Graphic Communications Group, Ghana Broadcasting Corporation, Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority, Energy Commission, State Interests' Governance Authority, GRIDCO, National Petroleum Authority, National Commission for Civic Education, Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana Investment Promotion Center and Electricity Company of Ghana. The training equipped institutions with knowledge about the application process and mode of granting access, explanations on exempts information, review process, role of public institutions under the Act, functions and powers of the Commission, and fees and penalties that can be administered.



Sensitisation at SIGA



Sensitisation at Ghana Standard Authority



Sensitisation at GRA



Sensitisation at Energy Commission



Sensitisation at NPA



Sensitisation at GBC

5.3 Nationwide Capacity-Building Tour

The Commission conducted a nationwide tour across four regional capitals, namely Koforidua (Eastern Region), Ho (Volta Region), Dambai (Oti Region) and Tamale (Northern Region) to continue with its awareness and sensitisation drive. The tour aimed at ensuring that citizens are better informed on their right to access information and institutions are better equipped with knowledge on the modalities to provide the information in the most efficient way. The tour included a variety of engagements to promote the implementation of the Act within public institutions and engaged media houses to educate the public on the processes to access information. The Commission paid courtesy calls on traditional rulers and their subjects to build capacity on the need for access to information and met numerous student bodies to educate them and encourage the use of access to information to participate in the national development dialogue. The Commission also held various stakeholder engagements to deliberate on implementation processes and rallied support for access to information across public institutions.

The tour began in Koforidua on 12th July, 2022 and the Commission paid a courtesy call on the Paramount Chief of the New Juabeng Traditional Area, Daasebre Kweku Boateng III and the Regional Minister, Hon. Seth Acheampong. In Ho, the Commission paid a courtesy call on the Asogli Traditional Council and the Regional Minister, Dr. Archibald Letsa. The final lap of the tour was in Dambai, where the Commission called on the Chiefs and Leaders of Dambai at the premises of the Chief of Dambai and Nifahene of the Thonke Traditional Area, Nana Kweku Beyonnor II, and the Regional Minister, Dr. Joseph Makubu. These visits provided the team with an opportunity to gain insight into the issues affecting the regions and to share ideas with the people.



The Commission pays a courtesy call on the paramount chief of New Juaben



Group Picture with the Paramount Chief of New Juaben



Participants during the sensitisation



The Commission pays a courtesy call on the Traditional Rulers of the Asogli State



The Commission pays a courtesy call on the Volta Regional Minister-Hon. Dr. Archibald Letsa



Mrs. Victoria Susuawu, member of the board of RTIC engaging Participants during the Sensitisation in their local dialect





The Commission pays a courtesy call on the Chief and Elders of Dambai



The Executive Secretary, Yaw Sarpong Boateng Esq. of RTIC educating Participants on ACT 989.

The Commission embarked on a collaborative regional sensitisation programme with Ghana Developing Communities Association and STAR-Ghana in the Northern Regional capital, Tamale, from 23rd August, 2022 to 26th August, 2022. The programme was aimed at sensitising staff of various public institutions and the public on the processes for providing and accessing information under Act 989. During the tour, the Commission paid a courtesy call on the Regional Minister, Hon. Shani Alhassan Saibu and engaged in various activities to promote the implementation of the Act within public institutions. The Commission also engaged in several radio interviews to educate the public on the processes of accessing information

5.4 Right to Information Week

The Right to Information (RTI) Week was celebrated in September 2022 to commemorate the International Day for Universal Access to Information. The celebration began on 17th September to 28th of September under the theme "Artificial Intelligence, e-Governance and Access to Information." The main objective of the Week celebration was to sustain the awareness creation the Commission has embarked on and improve the deliberative platforms provided for the implementation of Act 989 relative to the best practices that have helped some pioneers of right to information law to be successful in their jurisdictions.

Activities that were outlined for the celebration included a Launch and Media Engagement, a Health Walk and Screening, a Quiz on Act 989, Stakeholders Conference, and a Public Lecture. The Media Engagement brought together forty media houses to participate in its press launch. The Commission also featured on multiple radio and television programmes and carried out extensive social media coverage on all its social media handles.

In terms of the Health Walk and Screening, the Commission's staff, the media, and other stakeholders walked from the Commission's office at Dzorwulu to the Presbyterian Boys Senior High School Alumni Centre at Legon, where the event ended with a health screening exercise and a football gala to create awareness on Act 989. In attendance were staff of the Information Services Department, Ministry of Information, Volta River Authority Ladies, members of Bea-Fit Health Club, MDS Lancet Laboratories, Sena Anku Foundation, My Eyes Centre, Promasidor Ghana Limited, and the public.

A "What Do You Know?" quiz competition was organized for National Service Personnel in selected Municipal Assemblies in the Greater Accra Region to assess their knowledge of Act 989 and educate viewers and listeners on the Act.

The Stakeholder Conference focused its discussions on the negative attitude of officials of institutions towards access to information, delays in granting access to information, inadequate sensitisation of the public on the Act, inadequate resources for the Commission to carry out its mandate, inadequate support from the media to educate the public on the Act and recommendations to some institutions as well as the Commission.





RTIC Week Launch

RTIC Health Walk

The Commission, in collaboration with UNESCO, organised a Public Lecture on 28th September 2022 at Alisa Hotel to commemorate the International Day for Universal Access to Information (IDUAI). This provided a platform to deliberate on the theme for the Week, where representatives including the Board Chairman of the Commission, Justice K.A Ofori Atta, the Executive Secretary of the commission, Yaw Sarpong Boateng Esq., the Country Director of UNESCO, H.E. Abdourahamane Diallo, the UN Resident Coordinator, Charles Abani, and the Deputy Attorney- General, Hon. Diana Asonaba Dapaah, took turns to make their presentations. The RTI Week celebration was a huge success, with the Commission making significant efforts to increase awareness and understanding of the Act. This resulted in a heightened public understanding of the Act and its implications, furthering its purpose of providing access to information and improving transparency.



Stakeholders' Conference



IDUAI 2022 at Alisa Hotel



"What Do YOU Know?" during the RTIC Week

5.5 International Conferences

The Commission, in June 2022, participated in the 13th Edition of the International Conference of Information Commissioners (ICIC) held in Mexico. The conference is a leading global forum that seeks to address issues relating to promoting transparency, integrity, and accountability of public authorities. The theme for the Conference was "Access to information, participation and inclusion in the digital age." The Conference was held in a hybrid format (in-person and online), gathering representatives of member countries, partner organisations, academia, civil societies, media, among others. The sessions focused on several issues and challenges relating to public information and transparency in the face of artificial intelligence, cloud, or blockchain, adoption of the annual report, and the respective reports of the working groups and the regional networks. Keen interest was shown regarding topics such as access to public documentation, disinformation, and freedom of the press in the digital age, as well as an effective means for promoting and increasing the transparency of institutions.

Two new member countries from the African continent joined the ICIC, namely the Ivory Coast Commission for Access to Public Information and the Ethiopian Ombudsman, taking the total number of members to Seventy-three (73) national/regional institutions. The Executive Secretary of the Right to Information Commission, Ghana, Yaw Sarpong Boateng Esq., was elected as an Executive member of the Africa Network of Information Commissions (ANIC) during its meeting.



International Conference of Information Commissioners (ICIC)

5.6 Activities of Access to Information Division

5.6.1 Recruitment and Training of Assistant Information Officers

The provisions under Act 989 mandate every public institution to establish an Information Unit headed by an Information Officer or a designated officer. To foster the implementation of this provision under the Act, the Ministry of Information received clearance from the Ministry of Finance to recruit an additional two hundred and fifty (250) Assistant Information Officers in collaboration with the Office of the Head of the Civil Service. With support from the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), training was organised for the recruited officers, to help orient them on their duties and code of ethics that govern the conduct of the officers in the Ghana Civil and Local Government Services. The training was facilitated by resource persons from the Ministry of Information, the Information Services Department, the Right to Information Commission, the Office of the Head of Civil Service, the Office of the Local Government Services and UNESCO. The recruited officers have been duly posted to their respective public institutions to facilitate access to information requests.



Minister of Information, Hon. Kojo Oppong Nkrumah addressing Assistant Information Officers



The Executive Secretary of RTIC, Yaw Sarpong Boateng Esq. engaging the Assistant Information Officers



Training of Assistant Information Officers



Training of Assistant Information Officers

5.6.2 Online Records Management System

The Ministry of Information in collaboration with Top Archive Company Limited has designed an Online Records Management System (ORMS) to support the systematic management of RTI applications, retrieval and archiving of information. A demonstration session was organised for Top Archive to take members through the interface and operations of the ORMS. The Ministry proposed additional features necessary for the integration of the software, which include an e-payment system, an electronic signature upload, offline mode, and review of application component. The Ministry of Information saw the need for an e-payment feature to allow for the payment of all necessary fees or charges since non-payment of fees can hinder smooth access to information. It was also argued that the signatory mark with the computer mouse may not allow inclusiveness, hence a picture upload captured the true mark of the applicant. The poor nature of internet connectivity raised concern for the Ministry, hence the developer was tasked to explore the possibility of an offline mode to allow access in rural and poor interconnectivity areas. The Ministry proposed a "Review Feature" to be added which will allow for the review of applications. Preparations are ongoing for the National Information Technology Agency (NITA) to provide hosting services for the deployment of the ORMS.

MONITORING, ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE

As part of the mandate outlined in the Act, the Commission is to monitor and enforce the right to information guaranteed under Article 21(1)(f) of the 1992 Constitution of Ghana. To this end, the Commission has carried out a compliance and monitoring exercise to see this mandate through. The exercise was carried out to check and promote transparency in information flow and disclosure in our public institutions.

6.1 Compliance & Monitoring Exercise

The Commission commenced its compliance and monitoring exercise and has so far monitored One Hundred and Forty-Nine (149) public institutions.

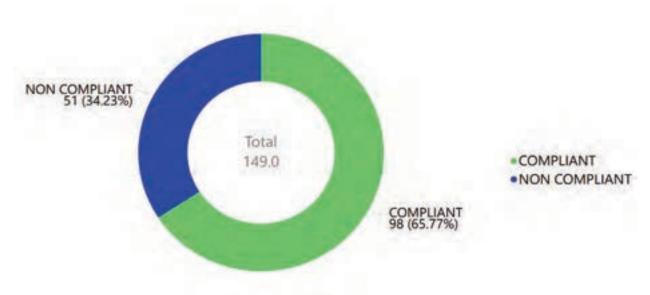


Figure 6.1 Graphical Representation of Institutions Monitored for the Year under Review

6.1.1 Non-Compliant

Fifty-one (51) of the One Hundred and Forty-Nine (149) institutions monitored during the period were found to be non-compliant, making up 34.23% of the total. This is primarily due to some public institutions' lack of knowledge of the law or their insufficient knowledge of the law. Some institutions are reluctant to grant access to information.

6.1.2 Compliant

The Commission recorded Ninety-Eight (98) out of the One Hundred and Forty-Nine (149) monitored institutions as compliant, which represents 65.77%. This modest success is attributed to the Commission's sensitisation effort, various stakeholder engagements over the period, and the posture and public pronouncements of the Commission.

6.1.2.1 Institutions with trained information officers

According to data gathered over the period under review, Sixteen (16) institutions representing 16.33% of the Ninety-Eight (98) compliant institutions had information officers who were not well-trained on the dictates of the law, and Eighty-Two (82) institutions representing 83.67% had trained information officers.

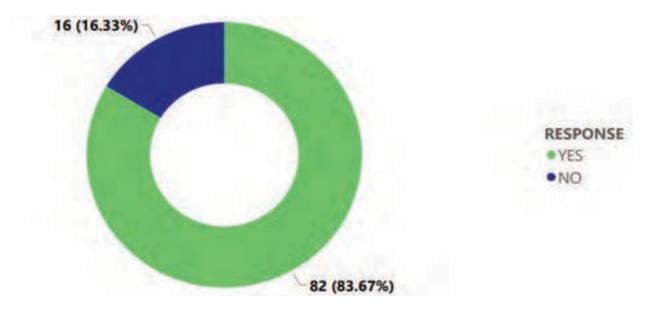


Figure 6.2 Graphical Representation of Institutions with Trained Information Officers

6.1.2.2 Institutions with an information unit

Records after the exercise indicate that Ninety-Two (92) out of the Ninety-Eight (98) institutions which represent 93.88 % had units designated for right to information matters. Public Institutions without information units need to put in measures to have information units in place as mandated by the law. These Information Officers are expected to be equipped with tools to process right to information requests in line with the stipulated timelines under the Right to information Act (ACT 989).

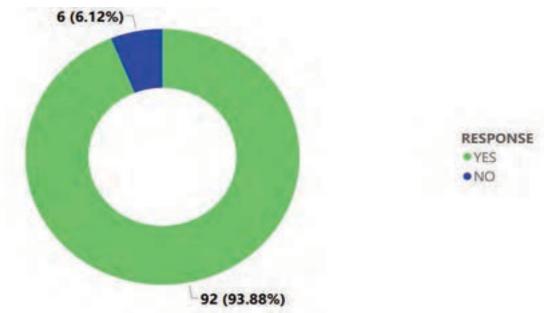


Figure 6.3 Graphical Representation of Institutions with Information Units

6.1.2.3 Institutions with an existing information manual

As a requirement of Act 989, every public institution is mandated to publish an information manual. Of the Ninety-Eight (98) compliant institutions with varying levels of compliance, Eighty-Five (85) had existing information manuals representing 86.73% of the total compliant institutions. Thirteen (13) of these compliant institutions representing 13.27% did not have an information manual published. The publishing of an information manual is important as it is a way of proactively disclosing information to prospective information seekers.

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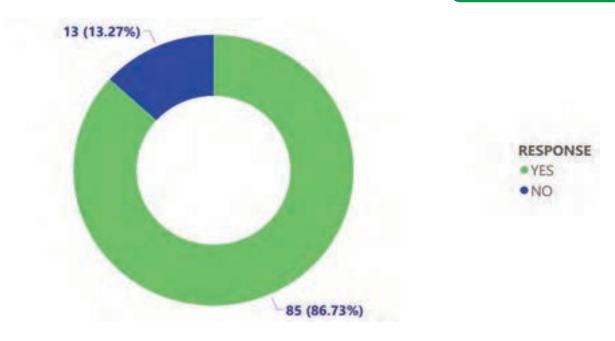


Figure 6.4 Graphical Representation of Institutions with Existing Information Manual

6.1.2.4 Is the information unit designated for only right to information issues?

Data from the monitoring of Ninety-Two (92) compliant public institutions shows that Sixty-One (61) of them had information units that do not focus exclusively on right to information related issues. This represents 66.3% of the total compliant institutions that have information units. However, Thirty-One 31 of the institutions, representing 33.7%, have information units to deal solely with RTI related activities.

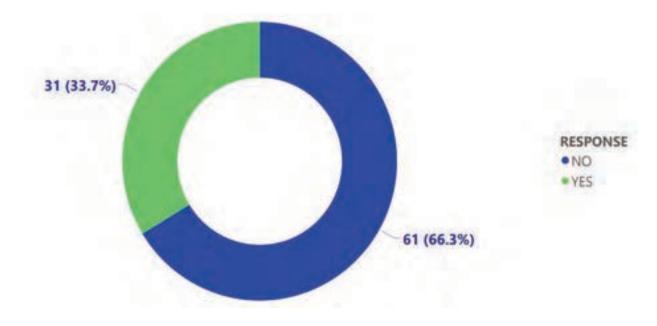


Figure 6.5 Graphical Representation of Institutions with Units Designated for RTI Related Issues

CHALLENGES AND OUTLOOK

7.1 Challenges

7.1.1 The Commission

Funding has been the major challenge for the Commission. The budget revision by the government required that all MDAs realign their annual programmes. Despite the Commission realigning its programmes, only a fraction of the allocated budget was received to carry out these programmes.

Logistics is considered the Commission's next major challenge. The lack of vehicles and working tools restricts activities of the Commission.

Compliance by public institutions has been appalling as most institutions have not made any commitment to implement right to information in their organisations. Bureaucracies in these institutions make monitoring processes cumbersome, hence hinders the Commission's effort in implementation measures.

Decentralisation is key to promoting right to information at the local level, and the lack of physical presence across the country hampers the Commission's effort in getting the right to information message to all citizens.

7.1.2 Public Institutions

Though some institutions experienced no difficulties in implementing their obligations under the Act, the Commission found that most institutions face difficulties in implementing the law, which prevents information officers from acting in accordance with the provisions of Act 989.

The points raised below are the challenges expressed in the compiled 2022 Annual Reports submitted by public institutions:

- Lack of information officer or designated information officer.
- Lack of office space or designated space and, if there is, it does not have furniture hence the place cannot be used for right to information activities.
- Inadequate awareness of Act 989 and its obligations among heads and staff of public institutions.
- Lack of logistics (computers / laptops, papers, printers, photocopier machines and so
 on) to enable the efficient running of information units and to help in smooth
 implementation of the law.

7.2 Recommendations by Public Institutions

In their 2022 annual reports, the public institutions gave recommendations on how best to help them overcome their identified challenges. These recommendations are as follows:

- Provide adequate funding for right to information sensitisation and training.
- Provide enough educational materials on Act 989 to enable easy understanding of the law.
- Assist public institutions by organising more forums for discussions and sensitisation.
- Provide logistics to help in running the information units effectively.
- Provide adequate training for information officers to equip them adequately to discharge their duties.

7.3 Outlook for 2023

The Commission is required under Section 45 of Act 989 to promote and sustain awareness within the country. In view of this, the Commission plans to continue with its institutional sensitisation programmes to educate institutions on their role in the implementation of the Act.

To further deepen the implementation of Act 989, the Commission, in collaboration with the Ministry of Information, has finalised a draft Regulations to be passed into a Legislative Instrument. The draft Regulations is currently at the final stage, which entails engagement with key stakeholders, after which it shall be submitted to the Minister of Information for subsequent submission to the office of the Attorney-General and Minister of Justice and thence to Parliament.

The Commission is putting measures in place to raise additional support from donor agencies to limit its reliance on Government.

The Commission intends to widen the scope to enhance broad monitoring of public institutions to achieve compliance with the law.

The Commission is working fervently with other institutions such as Ghana Post and the Regional Coordinating Councils to have access to office spaces at the regional and district levels to facilitate the decentralisation of the Commission.



APPENDICES

APPENDIX I: REVIEW APPLICATIONS AND DETERMINATIONS

Appendix A: Application Received for Review

	2021	2022
Number of Applications for Review (AFR) received	24	85
Number of applications for review brought forward from previous year	-	10
Number of Determinations made	6	27
Number of applications for review discontinued	-	7
Number of applications for review referred	-	3
Number of applications for review settled	8	31
Number of applications for review pending	10	27

<u>App</u>	endix B: List of other Settlements made by	the C	Commission
	APPLICANT/INSTITUTION	VS	PUBLIC INSTITUTION CONCERN
1	A YAMGA Y. AKOLGO	VS	KORLE-BU TEACHING HOSPITAL
2	OLIVER BARKER-VORMAWOR	VS	GHANA POLICE SERVICE
3	FIX-THE-COUNTRY GROUP	VS	ELECTORAL COMMISSION
4	ALIWU ALHASSAN	VS	EJURA SEKYEDUMASE
5	FIX-THE-COUNTRY & ORS (REP BY BENJAMIN DARKO)1	VS	MIN. OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY
6	ADWOA ADOBEA-OWUSU	VS	GHANA REVENUE AUTHORITY
7	OCCUPY GHANA REP BY CASELY HAYFORD	VS	OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL AND MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
8	THE FOURTH ESTATE REP BY PAUL KOFI GOZO	VS	GA SOUTH MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY
9	YEFL GHANA (ABDUL-GANIYU ALASSAN)	VS	NATIONAL YOUTH AUTHORITY
10	KUDITCHER, KWAME & PARTNERS (KWAME OWUSU, ESQ)	VS	STATE HOUSING COMPANY
11	MEDIA FOUNDATION FOR WEST AFRICA (EDMUND AGYEMANG BOATENG)	VS	LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE
12	MEDIA FOUNDATION FOR WEST AFRICA (VICTORIA ENYONAM ADONU)	VS	GHANA SCHOLARSHIP SECRETARIAT
13	MEDIA FOUNDATION FOR WEST AFRICA (NORAH ALUAYO KWAMI)	VS	LEDZOKUKU MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY
14	REPUBLIC BANK (JOHN WILMOT BAIDEN)	VS	GHANA EDUCATION SERVICE
15	SEDEM KWASIGAH	VS	MINISTRY OF TOURISM ARTS & CULTURE
16	VINCENT KEVIN NUGAH	VS	AFADZATO SOUTH DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
17	ISPYGH 247 (DANIEL AKWASI KORANTENG)	VS	PHARMACY COUNCIL GHANA
18	ZA YAN IMORO	vs	MINISTRY OF FISHERIES AND AQUACULTURE DEVELOPMENT
19	FRANCIS GLOVER	vs	SOUTH TONGU DISTRICT ASSEMBLY
20	OUT-ESSEL, TUAH-YEBOAH AND	vs	SUNYANI WEST MUNICIPAL
	ASSOCIATES (ROLAND BOADI GYAN ESQ)		ASSEMBLY
21	PROSPER PRICE MIDEDZI	VS	KW AME NKRUMAH UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
22	CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT	vs	GHANA COCOA BOARD
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Appendix C: List of Institutions with Administrative Penalties Imposed on them by the Commission

	Applicant	Respondent	Penalty	Status
1	THE FOURTH ESTATE (KWAKU KROBEA ASANTE)	HEALTH FACILITIES REGULATORY AUTHORITY – ACCRA	¢30,000	Paid
2	CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT (ERNEST DANNSA APPIAH)	AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK	¢300,000	Case pending in court
3	A YAMGA AKOLGO	KORLE-BU TEACHING HOSPITAL	¢30,000	Case pending in court
4	THE FOURTH ESTATE (EV ANS AZIAMOR-MENSAH)	GHANA POLICE SERVICE	¢50,000	Case pending in court
5	DR. EDWARD ADDO	EASTERN REGIONAL LANDS COMMISSION	¢50,000	Agreement to pay in tranches
6	GILBERT KOBLA KEKLIE	KETA MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY	¢20,000	Payment plan received from Keta Municipal Assembly
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9	CENTRE FOR DEMOCRATIC EMPOWERMENT (ERNEST DANNSA APPIAH)	GHANA OIL PLC	¢100,000	Case pending in court
10	OLIVER BAKER-VORMEWOR	MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY	¢50,000	Nil
11	REDEEMER BUATSI	GHANA REVENUE AUTHORITY	¢20,000	Paid Paid
12	AFRICA EDUCATION WATCH (KOFI ASARE)	GHANA EDUCATION SERVICE	¢50,000	Nil
13	THE FOURTH ESTATE (MANESSEH AZURE AWUNI)	GHANA EDUCATION SERVICE	¢50,000	Nil
14	OCCUPY GHANA	LANDS COMMISSION	¢100,000	Payment Plan
15	THE FOURTH ESTATE (PAUL KOFI GOZO)	GA EAST MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY	¢20,000	Nil
16	PIUS ASIEDU	NATIONAL SECURITY	¢50,000	Nil
17	PIUS ASIEDU	GHANA POLICE SERVICE: CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT	¢100,000	Nil

APPENDIX II: BREAKDOWN ON RTI ANNUAL REPORTS RECEIVED

Appendix A: Summary of reports submitted by public institutions

	2020	2021	2022
Number of reports received	50	189	382
Number of applications received	23	247	783
Number of applications approved	16	159	669
Number of applications partially approved			9
Number of applications rejected	4	7	36
Number of applications transferred (include referred for 2020 & 2021 figures)	3	21	21
Number of applications referred			37
Number of applications deferred			11
Number of reviews requested	1	7	12
Number of reviews granted	1	0	10
Number of reviews dismissed	0	4	2
Number of applications to the court	0	2	1

Appendix B: Regional distribution of reports received.

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS RECEIVED	2022
Ashanti Region	38
Bono Region	5
Bono East Region	7
Ahafo Region	9
Central Region	21
Eastern Region	32
Greater Accra Region	211
Northern Region	6
Savanah Region	4
North East Region	4
Upper East Region	8
Upper West Region	5
Oti Region	5
Volta Region	10
Western Region	12
Western North Region	5
Total	382

Appendix C: Regional distribution of applications received.

REGIONS	2022
Ashanti Region	67
Bono Region	0
Bono East Region	10
Ahafo Region	0
Central Region	3
Eastern Region	4
Greater Accra Region	681
Northern Region	0
Savanah Region	2
North East Region	0
Upper East Region	1
Upper West Region	0
Oti Region	1
Volta Region	4
Western Region	10
Western North Region	0
Total	783

APPENDIX III: LIST OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS

Appendix A: List of Public Institutions that submitted their annual reports for 2022

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43	Asikuma Odoben Brakwa District Assembly
44	Asokore Mampong Municipal Assembly
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46	Assin Foso Municpal Assembly
47	Asunafo North Municipal Assembly
48	Asunafo South District Assembly
49	Asuogyaman District Assembly
50	Asutifi North District Assembly
51	Asutifi South District Assembly
52	Atiwa East District Assembly
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54	Atwima Mponua District Assembly
55	Atwima Nwabiagya North District Assembly
56	Awutu Senya District Assembly
57	Awutu Senya East District Assembly
58	Ayawaso Central Municipal Assembly
59	Ayawaso East Municipal Assembly
60	Ayawaso North Municipal Assembly
61	Ayawaso West Municipal Assembly
62	Bawku Municipal Assembly
63	Bekwai Municipal Assembly
64	Berekum East Municipal Assembly
65	Berekum West District Assembly
66	Bia East District Assembly
67	Biakoye District Assembly
68	Bibiani Anhwiaso Bekwai Municipal Assembly
69	Birim Central Municipal Assembly
70	Birim North District Assembly
71	Birim South District Assembly
72	Births and Deaths Registry
73	Bole District Assembly
74	Bolgatanga Municipal Assembly
75	Bono East Regional Coordinating Council
76	Bosome Freho District Assembly
77	Bosomtwe District Assembly
78	Bui Power Authority
79	Builsa North Municipal Assembly
80	Builsa South District Assembly
81	Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation Company Limited
82	Bureau of Ghana Languages
83	Cape Coast Metropolitan Assembly
84	Central Gonja District Assembly
85	Central Region Development Commission

86	Central Regional Co-ordinating Council
87	Centre For National Distance Learning and Open Schooling
88	Chereponi District Assembly
89	Christian Health Association of Ghana
90	Coastal Development Authority
91	Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice
92	Community Water and Sanitation Agency
93	Controller and Accountant Generals Department
94	Council For Law Reporting
95	Council For Scientific and Industrial Research
96	Daffiama Bussie Issa District Assembly
97	Denkyembour District Assembly
98	Department of Children
99	Department of Co-operatives
100	Department of Factories Inspectorate
101	Department of Feeder Roads
102	Department of Gender
103	Department of Urban Roads
104	Dormaa Central Municipal Assembly
105	Driver Vehicle Licensing Authority
106	Eastern Regional Co-ordinating Council
107	Economic and Organised Crime Office
108	Effia-Kwesimintsim Municipal Assembly
109	Effutu Municipal Assembly
110	Ejisu Municipal Assembly
111	Ejura Sekyeredumase Municipal Assembly
112	Ekumfi District Assembly
113	Electoral Commission
114	Electricity Company of Ghana
115	Ellembelle District Assembly
116	Energy Commission
117	Engineering Council Ghana
118	Environmental Protection Agency
119	Fair Wages and Salaries Commission (FWSC)
120	Fanteakwa North District Assembly
121	Fanteakwa South District Assembly
122	Financial Intelligence Centre
123	Fisheries Commission
124	Food and Drugs Authority
125	Forestry Commission
126	Ga Central Municipal Assembly
127	Ga East Municipal Assembly
128	Ga North Municipal Assembly
129	Ga West Municipal Assembly
130	Gaming Commission of Ghana

131	Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences
132	Ghana AIDS Commission
133	Ghana Airports Company Ltd.
134	Ghana Atomic Energy Commission
135	Ghana Book Development Council
136	Ghana Broadcasting Company
137	Ghana Civil Aviation Authority
138	Ghana Cocoa Board
139	Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons
140	Ghana Commodity Exchange
141	Ghana Education Service
142	Ghana Enterprises Agency
143	Ghana Export Promotions Authority
144	Ghana Export-Import Bank
145	Ghana Free Zones Authority
146	Ghana Geological Survey Authority
147	Ghana Grid Company Ltd
148	Ghana Health Service
149	Ghana Highway Authority
150	Ghana Immigration Service
151	Ghana Infrastructure Investment Fund
152	Ghana Integrated Aluminum Development Corporation
153	Ghana Investment Fund for Electronic Communications
154	Ghana Investment Promotion Centre
155	Ghana Irrigation Development Authority
156	Ghana Maritme Authority
157	Ghana Meteorological Agency
158	Ghana Museums & Monuments Board
159	Ghana National Gas Company
160	Ghana News Agency
161	Ghana Ports and Habor's Authority
162	Ghana Post Company Limited
163	Ghana Prisons Service
164	Ghana Publishing Company Ltd
165	Ghana Railway Company Ltd
166	Ghana Railway Development Authority
167	Ghana Refugee Board
168	Ghana Reinsurance PLC
169	Ghana Revenue Authority
170	Ghana Rubber Estates Limited
171	Ghana School of Law
172	Ghana Shippers Authority
173	Ghana Standard Authority
174	Ghana Statistical Service
175	Ghana Tertiary Education Commission

176	Ghana Tourism Authority
177	Ghana UNESCO Commission
178	Ghana Water Company Limited
179	Ghana-India Kofi Annan Centre of Excellence in ICT
180	Gomoa Central District Assembly
181	Gomoa East District Assembly
182	Gomoa West District Assembly
183	Grains and Legumes Development Board
184	Graphic Communications Group Limited
185	GRATIS Foundation
186	Greater Accra Regional Co-Ordinating Council
187	Health Facilities Regulatory Agency
188	Ho Municipal Assembly
189	Hohoe Municipal Assembly
190	Information Services Department
191	Institute of Accountancy Training
192	Internal Audit Agency
193	Jaman South Municipal Assembly
194	Juaben Municipal Assembly
195	Kadjebi District Assembly
196	Kassena Nankana Municipal Assembly
197	Kassena Nankana West District Assembly
198	Keta Municipal Assembly
199	Ketu North Municipal Assembly
200	Kintampo South District Assembly
201	Korle Bu Teaching Hospital
202	Korle Klottey Municipal Assembly
203	Kpandai District Assembly
204	Kpando Municipal Assembly
205	Kpone-Katamanso Municipal Assembly
206	Krachi Nchumru District Assembly
207	Krowor Municipal Assembly
208	Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly
209	Kwabre East Municipal Assembly
210	Kwadaso Municipal Assembly
211	Kwaebibirem Municipal Assembly
212	Kwahu East District Assembly
213	Kwahu South Municipal Assembly
214	Kwahu West Municipal Assembly
215	La Dade-kotopon Municipal Assembly (LADMA)
216	La Nkwantanang Madina Municipal Assembly
217	Labour Department
218	Land Use-Spatial and Planning Authority
219	Lands Commission
220	Law Reform Commission
221	Lawra Municipal Assembly

222	Leap Management Secretariat
223	Mampong Municipal Assembly
224	Management Development and Productivity Institute
225	Mental Health Authority
226	Metro Mass Transit Limited
227	Mfantseman Municipal Assembly
228	Microfinance and Small Loans Centre
229	Middle Belt Development Authority
230	Minerals Commission
231	Ministry of Communications
232	Ministry of Defense
233	Ministry of Education
234	Ministry of Education Ministry of Energy
235	Ministry of Energy Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation
236	Ministry of Finance
237	Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture Development
238	Ministry of Food and Agriculture Ministry of Food and Agriculture
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	Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection Ministry of Health
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242	Ministry of Information Ministry of Lands and Natural Passaurass
	Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources
244	Ministry of Local Government, Decentralization & Rural Development Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
243	Ministry of Railway Development
247	Ministry of Roads and Highways
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251	Ministry of tourism, Art and Culture
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258	Nanumba North Municipal Assembly Narcotics Control Commission
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263	National Commission on Culture
264	National Commission on Small Arms and Light Weapons
265	National Communications Authority

266	National Council on Persons with Disability
267	National Development Planning Commission
268	National Folklore Board
269	
	National Food Buffer Stock Company
270	National Health Insurance Authority
271	National Identification Authority
272	National Information Technology Agency
273	National Insurance Commission
274	National Investment Bank
275	National Lottery Authority
276	National Media Commission
277	National Peace Council
278	National Pensions Regulatory Authority
279	National Road Safety Authority
280	National Schools Inspectorate Authority
281	National Sports Authority
282	National Teaching Council
283	National Theatre of Ghana
284	National Youth Authority
285	New Juaben North Municipal Assembly
286	New Juaben South Municipal Assembly
287	New Times Corporation
288	Nkoranza North District Assembly
289	Nkoranza South Municipal Assembly
290	Nkwanta North District Assembly
291	North Dayi District Assembly
292	North East Regional Coordinating Council
293	Nsawam Adoagyiri Municipal Assembly
294	Nuclear Regulatory Authority
295	Nzema East Municipal Assembly
296	Obuasi East District Assembly
297	Obuasi Municipal Assembly
298	Office of the Administrator of stool lands
299	Office of the Attorney-General and Ministry of Justice
300	Office of the Head of Civil Service (OHCS)
301	Offinso North District Assembly
302	Oforikrom Municipal Assembly
303	Okaikoi South Sub-Metropolitan District Council
304	Okaikwei North Municipal Assembly
305	Okere District Assembly
306	Old Tafo MunicIpal Assembly
307	Oti Regional Coordinating Council
308	Pharmacy Council*
309	Postal and Courier Services Regulatory Commission
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310	Precious Minerals Marketing Company Limited PLC
311	Prestea Huni Valley Municipal Assembly
312	Pru East District Assembly
313	PSC Tema Shipyard Ltd
314	Public Procurement Authority
315	Public Sector Reform Secretariat
316	Public Servants Housing Loans Scheme Board
317	Public Services Commission
318	Public Works Department
319	Pusiga District Assembly
320	Registrar General's Department
321	Right to Information Commission
322	Sagnarigu Municipal Assembly
323	Savannah Regional Coordinating council
324	Savelugu Municipal Assembly
325	Securities and Exchange Commission
326	Sefwi Akontombra Municipal Assembly
327	Sefwi Wiawso Municipal Assembly
328	Sekondi Sub Metropolitan District Council
329	Sekondi Takoradi Metropolitan Assembly
330	Sekyere Afram Plains District Assembly
331	Sekyere Central District Assembly
332	Sekyere East District Assembly
333	Sekyere Kumawu District Assembly
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335	Sene West District Assembly
336	Shai-Osudoku District Assembly
337	Shama District Assembly
338	SIC Life PLC
339	Social Security and National Insurance Trust
340	South Dayi District Assembly
341	Standard Chartered Bank
342	State Housing Company Ltd
343	State Interests and Governance Authority
344	State Protocol Department
345	Students Loan Trust Fund
346	Suame Municipal Assembly
347	Suhum Municipal Assembly
348	Sunyani West Municipal Assembly
349	Talensi District Assembly
350	Tano North Municipal Assembly
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355	Tema Metropolitan Assembly
356	Tema Oil Refinery
357	Tema West Municipal Assembly
358	Twifo Hemang Lower Denkyira District Assembly
359	Twifo Oil Palm Plantation Limited
360	Twifo/Ati-Morkwa District Assembly
361	University of Environment and Sustainable Development
362	University of Ghana
363	Upper Denkyira East District Assembly
364	Upper Manya Krobo District Assembly
365	Upper West Akim District Assembly
366	Upper West Regional Coordinating Council
367	Volta Lake Transport Company Limited
368	Volta Regional Cordinating Council
369	Volta River Authority
370	W.E.B Du Bois Memorial Centre for Pan-African Cultures
371	Wa Municipal Assembly
372	Wassa Amenfi East
373	Wassa East District Assembly
374	Water Resources Commission
375	Weija Gbawe Municipal Assembly
376	West Akim Municipal Assembly
377	West Gonja Municipal Assembly
378	West Mamprusi Municipal Assembly
379	Yendi Municipal Assembly
380	Yilo Krobo Municipal Assembly
381	Youth Employment Agency
382	Yunyoo Nasuan District Assembly

Appendix B: List of Institutions that Submitted Annual Reports in 2021 and 2022

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NO	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS
1	Ablekuma West Municipal Assembly
2	Abuakwa North Municipal Assembly
3	Abuakwa South Municipal Assembly
4	Abura-Asebu-Kwamankese District Assembly
5	Accra International Conference Centre
6	Accra Metropolitan Assembly
7	Ada West District Assembly
8	Adentan Municipal Assembly
9	Afigya Kwabre North District Assembly
10	Agona East District Assembly
11	Agona West Municipal Assembly
12	Ajumako-Enyan-Essiam District Assembly

13	Akrofuom District Assembly
14	Amansie Central District Assembly
15	Anloga District Assembly
16	Asante Akim Central Municipal Assembly
17	Ashanti Regional Coordinating Council
18	Ashiaman Municipal Assembly
19	Asunafo North Municipal Assembly
20	Asuogyaman District Assembly
21	Asutifi North District Assembly
22	Asutifi South District Assembly
23	Atiwa East District Assembly
24	Awutu Senya District Assembly
25	Ayawaso Central Municipal Assembly
26	Ayawaso North Municipal Assembly
27	Bawku Municipal Assembly
28	Birim North District Assembly
29	Birim South District Assembly
30	Bui Power Authority
31	Builsa North Municipal Assembly
32	Builsa South District Assembly
33	Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation Company Limited
34	Cape Coast Metropolitan Assembly
35	Central Gonja District Assembly
36	Chereponi District Assembly
37	Christian Health Association of Ghana
38	Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice
39	Controller and Accountant Generals Department
40	Council For Law Reporting
41	Council For Scientific and Industrial Research
42	Denkyembour District Assembly
43	Department of Children
44	Department of Co-operatives
45	Department of Feeder Roads
46	Department of Gender
47	Department of Urban Roads
48	Driver Vehicle Licensing Authority
49	Economic and Organised Crime Office
50	Electoral Commission
51	Electricity Company of Ghana
52	Engineering Council Ghana
53	Environmental Protection Agency
54	Fanteakwa North District Assembly
55	Food and Drugs Authority
56	Forestry Commission
20	Polestry Commission

58	Gaming Commission of Ghana
59	Ghana Academy of Arts and Sciences
60	Ghana Atomic Energy Commission
61	Ghana Book Development Council
62	Ghana Broadcasting Company
63	Ghana Cocoa Board
64	Ghana Commodity Exchange
65	Ghana Free Zones Authority
66	Ghana Geological Survey Authority
67	Ghana Health Service
68	Ghana Highway Authority
69	Ghana Integrated Aluminum Development Corporation
70	Ghana Investment Fund for Electronic Communications
71	Ghana Investment Promotion Centre
72	Ghana Meteorological Agency
73	Ghana News Agency
74	Ghana Ports and Habor's Authority
75	Ghana Post Company Limited
76	Ghana Prisons Service
77	Ghana Refugee Board
78	Ghana Shippers Authority
79	Ghana Standard Authority
80	Ghana Tourism Authority
81	Ghana Water Company Limited
82	Ghana-India Kofi Annan Centre of Excellence in ICT
83	Gomoa East District Assembly
84	Gomoa West District Assembly
85	Grains and Legumes Development Board
86	Ho Municipal Assembly
87	Hohoe Municipal Assembly
88	Information Services Department
89	Kadjebi District Assembly
90	Kassena Nankana Municipal Assembly
91	Korle Bu Teaching Hospital
92	Kpando Municipal Assembly
93	Kpone-Katamanso Municipal Assembly
94	Krachi Nchumru District Assembly
95	Krowor Municipal Assembly
96	Kumasi Metropolitan Assembly
97	Kwaebibirem Municipal Assembly
98	La Dade-kotopon Municipal Assembly (LADMA)
99	Lands Commission
100	Law Reform Commission
101	Lawra Municipal Assembly
102	Mampong Municipal Assembly

103	Management Development and Productivity Institute
104	Metro Mass Transit Limited
105	Mfantseman Municipal Assembly
106	Minerals Commission
107	Ministry of Communications
108	Ministry of Defense
109	Ministry of Energy
110	Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation
111	Ministry of Finance
112	Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture Development
113	Ministry of Food and Agriculture
114	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration
115	Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection
116	Ministry of Health
117	Ministry of Information
118	Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources
119	Ministry of Local Government, Decentralization & Rural Development
120	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
121	Ministry of Railway Development
122	Ministry of Roads and Highways
123	Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources
124	Ministry of the Interior
125	Ministry of tourism, Art and Culture
126	Ministry of Trade and Industry
127	Ministry of Transport
128	Ministry of Works and Housing
129	Ministry of Youth and Sports
130	Narcotics Control Commission
131	National Ambulance Service
132	National Biosafety Authority
133	National Blood Service, Ghana
134	National Commission for Civic Education
135	National Commission on Culture
136	National Communications Authority
137	National Food Buffer Stock Company
138	National Health Insurance Authority
139	National Identification Authority
140	National Information Technology Agency
141	National Pensions Regulatory Authority
142	National Road Safety Authority
143	National Teaching Council
144	National Theatre of Ghana
145	Nkoranza South Municipal Assembly
146	Nkwanta North District Assembly
147	North Dayi District Assembly

148	Nuclear Regulatory Authority
149	Obuasi Municipal Assembly
150	Office of the Administrator of stool lands
151	Office of the Attorney-General and Ministry of Justice
152	Office of the Head of Civil Service (OHCS)
153	Oforikrom Municipal Assembly
154	Okaikwei North Municipal Assembly
155	Postal and Courier Services Regulatory Commission
156	PSC Tema Shipyard Ltd
157	Public Procurement Authority
158	Public Sector Reform Secretariat
159	Public Works Department
160	Registrar General's Department
161	Right to Information Commission
162	Sekyere South District Assembly
163	Social Security and National Insurance Trust
164	State Protocol Department
165	Suhum Municipal Assembly
166	Tano South Municipal Assembly
167	TDC Development Company Limited
168	Techiman Municipal Assembly
169	Tema Metropolitan Assembly
170	Upper West Regional Coordinating Council
171	Volta Regional Cordinating Council
172	Volta River Authority
173	Water Resources Commission
174	West Akim Municipal Assembly
175	Yilo Krobo Municipal Assembly

Appendix C: List of Institutions that Submitted Annual Reports in 2021 but not 2022

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PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS
Architectural and Engineering Services Limited
Bia west District Assembly
Central Tongu District Assembly
Ga South Municipal Assembly
Ghana Navy
Hotel, Catering and Tourism Training Institute
Kwahu Afram Plains North District Assembly
Kwame Nkrumah Memorial Park
Nanumba South Dictrict Assembly
National Disaster Management Organisation
National Petroleum Commission
Pru West District Assembly
Sissala East Municipal Assembly
Upper Denkyira West District Assembly

APPENDIX IV: DATA ON MONITORING ACTIVITIES

Appendix A: List of Monitored Institutions

NO	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS
1	National Petroleum Authority
2	Ghana Broadcasting Cooperation
3	Exim Bank
4	Food & Drug Authority
5	Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority
6	Ghana Commodity Exchange
7	Ghana Revenue Authority
8	Tema Oil Refinery
9	Ghana Grid Company
10	Graphics Communication Authority
11	State Interest & Governance Authority
12	Energy Commission
13	Public Records
14	Ghana Railway Development Authority
15	Lands Commission
16	Passport Office
17	Electricity Company of Ghana
18	National Teachers Council
19	Ministry Of Defence
20	Information Service Department
21	Ministry Of Justice & Attorney General's Department
22	Fisheries Commission
23	Pharmacy Council
24	National Road Safety Commission
25	Narcotics Control Commission
26	National Peace Council
27	National Sports Authority
28	Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation
29	Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources
30	Ghana Enterprises Agency
31	Korlebu Teaching Hospital
32	Ministry of Health
33	Ministry of Gender, Child, and Social Protection
34	Forestry Commission of Ghana / Timber industry development division
35	Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ)
36	National Blood Service
37	Controller and Accountants Generals Department
38	Institute of Accountancy Training
39	Micro Finance and Small Loans
40	Council For scientific and industrial research
41	National Pensions Regulatory Authority
42	Ministry of Trade and Industry
43	Accra International Conference Centre
44	Ghana Cocoa Board

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95	West African Examination Council
96	Ghana Free Zones Board
97	Ghana Museums and Monuments Board
98	Ghana Geological Survey Authority
99	Ghana Immigration Service
100	Gaming Commission
101	National Commission on Civil Education
102	Ghana College Of Physicians & Surgeons
103	Parliament Of Ghana
104	Medical And Dental Council
105	Ghana Tourism Authority
106	Ghana Institute of Journalism
107	Pantang Hospital
108	Ministry Of Tourism, Culture &Creative Arts
109	Water Resources Commission
110	Ministry Of Agriculture
111	Ministry Of Communication and Digitalization
112	Ghana College Of Pharmacist
113	Office of the Special Prosecutor
114	Ministry Of Foreign Affairs
115	Labour Department
116	Public Procurement Authority
117	Ghana National Fire Service
118	Ministry of Finance
119	Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology, and Innovation
120	Ghana Highway Authority
121	Ghana Standard Authority
122	Environmental Protection Agency
123	Ministry of Education
124	Ghana Health Service
125	Ghana Education Service
126	Ministry of Employment and Labour Relations
127	Birth and Death Registry
128	Office of the Head of Civil Service
129	Ghana Prisons service
130	Accra Technical University
131	Ghana Investment Promotion Centre
132	Ministry of Energy
133	Export Promotion Authority
134	Securities and Exchange Commission
135	Rent Control Department
136	Judicial Service
137	Ghana Statistical Service
138	Ghana Gas
139	Ghana Psychology Council
140	Psychiatric Hospital

141	General Legal Council
142	University of Ghana
143	School of Nuclear and Allied Sciences
144	University of Ghana Medical Centre
145	Ministry of Fisheries and Aqua Culture
146	Ghana News Agency
147	Public Service Commission
148	37 military Hospital
149	National Theatre

Appendix B: List of Compliant Institutions.

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NO	PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS			
1	National Petroleum Authority			
2	Ghana Broadcasting Cooperation			
3	Exim Bank			
4	Food & Drug Authority			
5	Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority			
6	Ghana Commodity Exchange			
7	Ghana Revenue Authority			
8	Tema Oil Refinery			
9	Ghana Grid Company			
10	Graphics Communication Authority			
11	Ghana Railway Development Authority			
12	Lands Commission			
13	Electricity Company of Ghana			
14	National Teachers Council			
15	Information Service Department			
16	Ministry of Justice & Attorney General's Department			
17	Minerals Commission			
18	Ghana Museums and Monuments Board			
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50	Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture			
51	Ghana News Agency			
52	Public service commission			
53	National Road Safety Commission			
54	Narcotics Control Commission			
55	National Peace Council			
56	National Sports Authority			
57	Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation			
58	Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources			
59	Ghana Enterprises Agency			
60	Korlebu Teaching Hospital			
61	Ministry of Health			
62	Ministry of Gender, Child, and Social Protection			
63	Forestry Commission of Ghana / Timber industry development division			
64	Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice			
65	National Blood Service			
66	Controller and Accountants Generals Department			
67	Institute of Accountancy Training			
68	Micro Finance and Small Loans			
69	Council For scientific and industrial research			
70	National Pensions Regulatory Authority			
71	Ministry of Trade and Industry			
72	Accra International Conference Centre			
73	Ghana Cocoa Board			
74	Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources			
75	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs			
76	Social Security and National Insurance Trust			
77	Department of Feeder Roads			
78	Electoral Commission			
79	Ghana AIDS Commission			
80	Ghana Ports and Harbour Authority			
81	Ghana Post Company Limited			
82	Ministry of Information			

83	Office of The President
84	Ministry of Transport
85	Ministry of Works and Housing
86	Ghana Civil Aviation Authority
87	Department of Urban Roads
88	National Ambulance Service
89	Community Water and Sanitation Agency
90	National Identification Authority
91	Ministry of Interior
92	Ghana National Commission for UNESCO
93	Coastal Development Authority
94	Ghana Airport Company Limited
95	Bui Power Authority
96	Department of Co-operatives
97	Volta Star Textiles Limited
98	Integrated Community Centres for Employable Skills (TIVET)

Appendix C: List of non-compliant institutions			
1	Energy Commission		
2	State Interest and Governance Authority (SIGA)		
3	Passport office		
4	Public Records		
5	Pantang Hospital		
6	Medical and Dental Council		
7	Pharmacy Council		
8	Ghana Tertiary Education Commission (GTEC)		
9	Office of the Special Prosecutor		
10	Ghana College of Pharmacists		
11	National Commission on Civil Education		
12	Ghana Institute of Journalism		
13	Fisheries Commission		
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24	University of Ghana		
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26	University of Ghana Medical Centre		
27	National Theatre		
28	37 military Hospital		
29	Ghana Communication Technology University College		

30	Ghana-India Kofi Annan Centre of Excellence			
31	Accra College of Education			
32	National Disaster Management Organisation			
33	Audit Service			
34	College of Nurses and Midwives			
35	Fair Wages and salaries commission			
36	Greater Accra Regional Hospital			
37	Ghana registered nurses and midwives			
38	Data Protection Commission			
39	Department of social welfare			
40	LEKMA Hospital			
41	Ghana Tertiary Education Commission			
42	National Health Insurance Authority			
43	National Labour Commission			
44	Ghana National Petroleum Corporation			
45	National Communication Authority			
46	Architectural and Engineering Services LTD			
47	Regional Maritime University			
48	Ghana Police Service			
49	Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty			
50	Financial Intelligence Centre			
51	Economic and Organized Crime Office			

APPENDIX V: MEDIA LIST

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APPENDIX VI: ACTIVITIES IN RETROSPECT



RTIC Board at a Press Conference at RTIC premises



The Media at the Press Conference



Nana Kwame Duah, RTIC Board Member at the Presser



A journalist asking a question at the Presser



RTIC Board and the Press at the Conference



Staff of RTI Commission embarks on Health Walk



Some RTIC Staff and participants in Health Screening Exercise



An aerobic session with participants of the Health Walk



Justice (Rtd.) K.A. Ofori-Atta, RTIC Board Chairman addressing participants at the Stakeholders' Conference



Participants at the Stakeholders' Conference



Panel discussion during the Stakeholders' Conference



RTIC Board and participants at Stakeholders' Conference



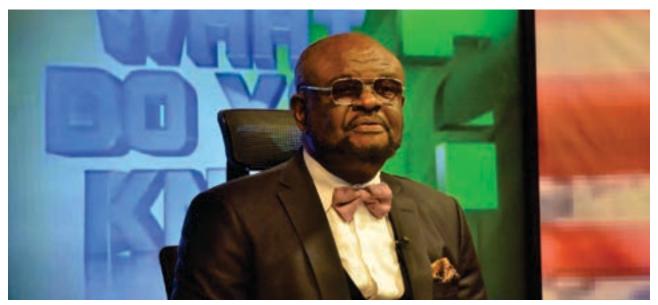
 $RTIC\ Staff\ at\ the\ Stakeholders' Conference$



The contestants for the "What Do You Know" Quiz purposely on RTI Act, 2019 (Act 989)



RTIC Staff and some attendees at the "What Do You Know" Quiz at GTV Studio



Mr. Dan Afari Yeboah, Quiz Master "What Do You Know"



Mr. Yaw Sarpong Boateng (1st from right) RTIC Exec. Sec, Mrs. Elizabeth Asare (2nd from right) RTIC Dep. Chair, Quiz Master, Mr. Osei Assibey, NSS Exec. Director and winners from the Ga North Municipal Assembly



Contestants with the Quiz Master, NSS Exec. Director and some members of the RTIC Board



Mr. Yaw Sarpong Boateng, RTIC Exec.Sec. addressing the audience at IDUAI 2022



RTIC Board Members and attendees at IDUAI 2022



Hon. Diana Asonaba Dapaah, Deputy Attorney-General and Min. for Justice addressing attendees at IDUAI 2022



Ambassador Farhat Ayesha, Pakistan High Commissioner, some dignitaries and attendees at IDUAI 2022



Some dignitaries and attendees at IDUAI 2022



Mr. Samson Lardy (front) M.C at IDUAI, Nana Kwame Duah, RTIC Board member (2nd from left) Presenting a citation to UNESCO Country Director, Mr. Abdourahamane Diallo and reps from UNESCO at IDUAI 2022



Mrs. Victoria Susuawu, RTIC Board Member presenting a citation to MFWA Rep.



Hon. Diana Asonaba Dapaah, Deputy Attorney-General and Min. for Justice (5th from right), RTIC Board and dignitaries at IDUAI 2022



Asogli State (Volta Region) Traditional Council



Some RTIC Board Members and Staff at the Asogli Traditional Council



Some RTIC Board Members and Staff pay a courtesy call to Dr. Archibald Yao Letsa, Volta Regional Min.



Some RTIC Board Members and Staff with The Volta Regional Minister- Hon. Dr. Archibald Letsa



Registration of some participants at the public lecture in the Volta Region



Supt. Effia Tenge (PRO of Volta Regional Police Command) asking questions at the public lecture



A group picture of some student participants with the RTIC Board after the public lecture in Volta Region



Some RTIC Board Members and Staff pay a courtesy cal to the New Juaben Traditional Area



Some RTIC Board Members with the New Juaben Paramount Chief, Nana Kwaku Boateng III and sub-chiefs



Registration of some participants at the public lecture in the Eastern Region



Stephen Owusu Esq. Head of Legal facilitating the public lecture in the Eastern Region



Some participants at the public lecture in the Eastern Region



RTIC Commission pays a courtesy call to Nana Kwaku Beyonnor II, Chief of Dambai and his Elders



A group picture of some RTIC Board Members, Staff, Chief and Elders at Dambai Chief's Palace



RTI Commission pays a courtesy call to the Oti Regional Coordinating Council



A group picture of some RTIC Board Members and staff with the Mr. M.A Azonko, Coordinating Director of Oti Region



A picture of Oti Regional Minister, Hon. Joshua Makubu, some Board Members of RTIC and other dignitaries in Oti Region



Some Security Personnel at the public lecture in Oti Region



Student participants during the public lecture in Oti Region



 $Some\ participant\ asking\ questions\ during\ the\ public\ lecture\ in\ Oti\ Region$



Some RTIC Board Members answering questions at the public lecture in Oti Region



Some participants asking questions during the public lecture in Oti Region



A group picture of student participants with the Oti Reg. Min. and some RTIC Board Members



Hon. Diana Asonaba Dapaah, Deputy Attorney-General and Min. for Justice reading a lesson at the RTIC maiden Carols Service at Aggrey Capel, Achimota



Some Staff and attendees at the Carols service at Achimota School



RTIC Choir singing at the Carols Service



Some management and staff of FDA trained on the RTI Act, 2019 (Act 989) by RTIC



Some RTIC Staff and participants of NPA after a training session on the RTI Act, 2019 (Act 989)



GRA participants at the sensitization on Act 989 at Alisa Hotel, Accra



Stephen Owusu Esq. Head of Legal, RTIC educating some staff of Ghana Standards Authority on Act 989



Participants of Blue Skies at the sensitization on Act 989



 $Some\ management\ and\ staff\ of\ Tema\ Oil\ Refinery\ being\ sensitized\ on\ Act\ 989\ by\ RTIC$



Hon. Kojo Oppong Nkrumah, (3rd from right) Yaw Sarpon Boateng Esq. RTIC Exec. Sec. (2nd from left) UNESCO Country Representative, Mr. Abdourahamane Diallo and some dignitaries after the training session



Some staff of RTIC, ATI Division and Assistant Information O翻 cers after the training session



Mrs. Elizabeth Asare, RTIC Deputy Chair being interviewed on the Show at JoyNews TV



Mrs. Christina Adom and Mr. Vincent Appau Bediako, RTIC Staff being interviewed on GTV Breakfast Show



Yaw Sarpong Boateng Esq. Exec. Sec. of RTIC being interviewed on Ekosiisen programme



The Exec. Sec. of RTIC educating the public on Kokrokoo programme



The Exec. Sec. of RTIC sensitizing the public on Uniiq FM



Mr. Benjamin Boakye, Executive Director, ACEP donates to RTIC



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Mrs. Elizabeth Asare, RTIC Dep. Chair receiving the items from Mr. Benjamin Boakye, ACEP



Some staff being served lunch at the picnic



RTIC staff canoeing at the picnic at Gomoa Wonderland



RTIC staff playing football at the picnic at Gomoa Wonderland



RTIC Staff after the picnic at Gomoa Wonderland

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