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VISION



“To facilitate the right of access to information: promote, and sustain awareness of the citizenry in their right of access to information and of institutions in their obligation to disclose information.”

MISSION



“To build an informed citizenry, to promote transparency in public discourse, protect, monitor and enforce the right of access to information and to hold public institutions accountable.”

CORE VALUES



- **Transparency**
- **Accountability**
- **Fairness**
- **Professionalism and**
- **Independence**



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FOREWORD

As we draw closer to the end of the year, the Right to Information Commission is pleased to present the November edition of our Monthly Newsletter. This edition highlights our continued efforts in promoting transparency, strengthening public awareness, and fostering a culture of accountability across public institutions.

November has been a month of significant engagements, productive collaborations, and impactful interventions in advancing the objectives of the RTI Act. From sensitization activities and monitoring exercises to our participation in key national conversations on

access to information, we remain committed to ensuring that citizens are empowered with the right information to support national development.

We invite you to explore this month's updates, success stories, and key highlights as we reflect on our progress and prepare for the milestones ahead. Thank you for your continuous support and partnership in championing the right to information in Ghana.

By
Corporate Affairs



SWEARING IN OF THE NEW GOVERNING BOARD - RTI COMMISSION



Ms. Genevieve Shirley Lartey Esq., (arrowed) Executive Secretary, RTI Commission and Members of the Governing Board being sworn in at the Jubilee House, Accra.

The Government of Ghana has further demonstrated its unwavering commitment to transparency and accountability in public service with the inauguration of the Right to Information (RTI) Commission.

The RTI Commission is entrusted with the critical responsibility of overseeing the effective implementation of the Right to Information Act, ensuring citizens' access to public information, and promoting transparency and accountability across all public institutions.

In a significant ceremony held on the 4th of November, 2025, President John Dramani Mahama administered the oath of office to the Commission's new Governing Board Members, comprising distinguished individuals who will play a crucial role in promoting good governance and citizen-centric administration.

In his keynote address at the inauguration ceremony, President Mahama underscored the Commission's pivotal role in fostering a culture of accountability, enhancing citizens' trust in governance, and promoting transparency in public affairs.

The newly Commissioned Governing Board is composed of the following persons; **Dr. James Kwaku Asante (Chairman)**, **Ms. Christina Edmund (Deputy Chairperson)**, **Ms. Genevieve Shirley Lartey, Esq. (Executive Secretary & Member)**, **Hon. Aba Edusah (Member)**, **Ms. Angela Emefa Kpegah (Member)**, **Hon. Wisdom Kobena Mensah Woyome (Member)** and **Mr. Christopher Belami Doughan (Member)**.





GALLERY



RTIC PARTICIPATES IN OFWA WORKSHOP ON STRENGTHENING INFORMATION INTEGRITY



The Right to Information Commission (RTIC) participated in a workshop organised by Open Foundation West Africa (OFWA) in partnership with the Wikimedia Foundation and the Media Foundation for West Africa (MFWA). The event, held on Thursday, 27th November 2025, at the OFWA Head Office in Sal Heights, brought together experts from the media and civil society to explore the theme “**Strengthening Information Integrity: Building Media and Civil Society Resilience Against Disinformation and Misinformation.**” The workshop provided a rich platform for dialogue on the growing challenge of information disorder and the need to safeguard the accuracy and integrity of public information.

The workshop aimed to strengthen the capacity of media professionals and civil society actors to identify and respond to misinformation and disinformation, promote fact-checking, and encourage responsible reporting. Participants gained hands-on experience in editing Wikipedia articles, verifying information, and managing online content.

The Commission was represented by **Shadrick Teddy Otoo** from the Corporate Affairs Department and **Andrew Adu Boahene** from the Enforcement, Investigation and Compliance

Department. The programme featured engaging presentations from **Dickson Kojo Anane** of OFWA, **Kweku Asante Krobea** of MFWA, and legal practitioner **Oliver Barker-Vormawor, Esq.** Discussions focused on digital knowledge, access to information, and public awareness.

Kweku Asante Krobea led a compelling session on understanding information disorder, its impact on society, and the importance of verification. Oliver Barker-Vormawor, Esq., provided an in-depth analysis of the MDHI Bill, 2025, encouraging participants to critically assess the proposed legislation and its implications for information governance.

The workshop highlighted the importance of collaboration in promoting transparency, accountability, and democratic participation, and the need for multi-stakeholder efforts to combat misinformation and disinformation in the digital age.





ONGOING SENSITIZATION DRIVE

As part of the Commission’s ongoing mandate to educate public institutions and the general public on the Right to Information Act, the Commission carried out sensitization sessions at Juansa Presby School, Global Model Community STEM School–Juaben, and Penworth Preparatory School in Asante Akyem Domeabra.

During the period under review, the Commission also monitored seven public institutions: Asokore Mampong Municipal Assembly, Asokwa Municipal Assembly, Kwadaso Municipal Assembly, Old Tafo Municipal Assembly, Suame Municipal Assembly, Oforikrom Municipal Assembly and Atwima Nwabiagya Municipal Assembly.

These engagements aimed to deepen understanding of Act 989 and support institutions in meeting their obligations under the law. Participants were taken through an overview of the RTI framework, procedures for accessing information, and key exemptions and offences.



The sessions also provided an opportunity for stakeholders to seek clarification on the relevance of exemptions, the Commission’s enforcement powers, and the role of other institutions in strengthening the effective implementation of the Act.





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