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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

The Right to Information Commission warmly welcomes our cherished readers to the December edition of our newsletter.

As the year draws to a close, December presents a timely opportunity to pause, reflect, and celebrate the progress made over the past months. It has been a year defined by sustained engagement, strengthened partnerships, and an unwavering commitment to promoting transparency, accountability, and citizens' access to information in accordance with the Right to Information Act, 2019 (Act 989).

In this edition, we bring you highlights of key activities, engagements, and milestones that shaped our work in recent weeks. These include strategic stakeholder collaborations, nationwide public sensitisation initiatives, and institutional efforts aimed at deepening awareness and improving compliance with the RTI law

across the country.

We extend our sincere appreciation to our partners, stakeholders, media allies, and the general public for your continued support and collaboration throughout the year. Your trust and active engagement remain central to our mission of fostering an open, accountable, and informed society.

As we turn the page to a new year, we invite you to explore this edition and reflect with us on the collective strides made in advancing the right to information in Ghana.

Thank you for staying connected with us, and we wish you a happy, prosperous, and fulfilling New Year.

By
Corporate Affairs / Editorial Team

STAFF DURBAR AND END-OF-YEAR PARTY



Ms. Genevieve Shirley Lartey Esq., Executive Secretary, RTI Commission, delivering her remarks at the event.

The Right to Information Commission held its Staff Durbar and End-of-Year Party on Friday, 19th December 2025, bringing together Management, Staff, and Members of the Governing Board in a warm and celebratory atmosphere.

The programme began with an opening prayer led by Mr. Samuel Awuah, Manager, EIC Department, setting a reflective and thankful tone for the gathering. This was followed by a welcome address delivered by Mr. Stephen Owusu, General Manager, Legal Department, who warmly received participants and underscored the importance of the occasion as a moment to reflect on the year's achievements and strengthen unity among staff.

The Executive Secretary subsequently addressed the gathering, commending staff for their dedication, resilience, and commitment throughout the year. Her address highlighted the Commission's progress, key milestones achieved, and the collective effort that contributed to these successes.

As part of the programme, the Executive Secretary formally introduced the Members of the

Governing Board. The Chairman of the Governing Board, Dr. James Kwaku Asante in turn, delivered brief remarks, offering words of encouragement and reaffirming their support for the Commission's mandate and strategic direction.

The event concluded with closing remarks, after which participants engaged in networking and social interactions, bringing the year to a pleasant close in a spirit of appreciation, camaraderie, and renewed commitment.



The Board Chair, Dr. James Kwaku Asante (extreme left), The Executive Secretary, Ms. Genevieve Shirley Lartey Esq. (1st from right), with some Members of the Governing Board, RTI Commission, at the Durbar

GALLERY



Ms. Genevieve Shirley Lartey Esq., Executive Secretary, RTI Commission, addressing Management and Staff of RTIC at the event



Dr. James Kwaku Asante, Chairman of the Governing Board, RTI Commission delivering his remarks at the durbar



Ms. Christina Edmund, Dep. Board Chairperson, RTI Commission addressing Staff at the event



A Section of Staff of RTI Commission during the event



A Section of Staff of RTI Commission during the event



A Staff of RTI Commission moderating at the programme



Live Band performing at the durbar



The Executive Secretary (arrows) and Staff of the Commission being served at the event



Staff of RTI Commission being served at the event



Some Staff of RTI Commission at the programme



SENSITIZATION EXERCISES IN GREATER ACCRA AND ASHANTI REGIONS

In line with the Commission’s mandate to promote awareness and understanding of the Right to Information Law, 2019 (Act 989) across public institutions, the Commission’s Greater Accra and Ashanti Regional Offices conducted sensitization exercises at Department of Rural Housing and Accra Technical University, Agogo Ramsey School and Agogo Presbyterian School in December 2025.

The engagements sought to deepen participants’ knowledge of the provisions of Act 989 and to support the institutions in effectively meeting their statutory obligations under the law. Participants were guided through an overview of the Right to Information Law, the procedures for requesting access to information, as well as the exemptions and offences outlined in the Act.

The sessions were interactive, with participants raising questions on the applicability of exemptions, the enforcement powers of the Commission, and the role of other institutions in ensuring the effective implementation of the law.

The discussions reinforced the collective responsibility required to advance transparency and accountability in public service.

Overall, the sensitization exercises strengthened institutional understanding of the Right to Information Law and reaffirmed the Commission’s commitment to fostering a culture of openness and accountability within public institutions. The Commission remains dedicated to continuing stakeholder engagements and providing the necessary guidance to ensure full compliance with Act 989, thereby enhancing transparency, good governance, and public trust in the delivery of public services.



RTI Commission Staff with Management and Staff of Department of Rural Housing after sensitization.



Officers of RTI Commission (Accra) sensitizing Management and Staff of ATU



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