# **REPORT OFTHE CONTROLLER AND ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL ON THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS**

# **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

The Controller and Accountant-General is required by Section 40 of the Financial Administration Act (FAA), 2003 Act 654 and Regulation 188 of the Financial Administration Regulations (FAR), 2004, LI 1802 to prepare and transmit to the Auditor-General and the Minister of Finance and Economic Planning (MoFEP) the Public Accounts on the Consolidated Fund of the Republic of Ghana by the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the following month.

The financial statements comprise:

- A Balance Sheet
- A Statement of Revenue and Expenditure
- A Statement of Receipts and Payments
- A Cash Flow Statement
- Notes to the Accounts

Included in this report is the Summary of Expenditure by Analysis by MDA

#### 2.0 THE SCOPE OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

In compliance with Articles 175 and 176 of the Constitution of the Republic of Ghana, these financial statements known as the Public Accounts of Ghana are prepared on the Consolidated Fund only. They do not include other public funds established by or under Acts of Parliament and retained Internally Generated Funds.

# 3.0 CLASSIFCATION OF ACCOUNTS

In 2012, a new Chart of Accounts (CoA) which uses the International Monetary Fund's Government Finance Statistics (GFS) classification was developed and adopted by Government for use by all Public Sector Institutions for budget preparation, execution, accounting and reporting.

The reporting format of the Financial Statements is based on the requirements of the financial laws.

# 4.0 SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

The summary of Receipts and Payments for the month of February is as follows:

	Feb 2013	Feb 2013	Feb 2013
	Budget	Actual	Variance
	GH¢	GH¢	GH¢
Receipts	2,039.86	2,547.97	508.11
Payments	2,531.03	2,394.93	136.10
Net Receipts/Payments	(491.17)	153.04	373.01

# 5.0 SUMMARY OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

The Revenue and Expenditure for the month resulted in a deficit of GH¢238.64million as follows:

	Feb 2013 BUDGET GH¢M	Feb 2013 ACTUAL GH¢M	VARIANCE GH¢M
REVENUE	1,562.63	950.07	(612.54)
EXPENDITURE	1,314.77	1,188.71	126.06
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	247.84	(238.64)	(486.48)

# 6.0 ADDITIONAL STATISTICS

#### 6.1 **REVENUE**

#### 6.1.1 Direct Tax

Direct tax amounted to GH¢374.19million as against the expected amount of GH¢652.08 million, indicating an unfavourable variance of GH¢277.89million.

#### 6.1.2 Indirect Tax

Indirect tax was GH¢429.08million against a budget amount of GH¢709.35million. This resulted in an unfavourable variance of GH¢280.27 million.

#### 6.1.3 Grants

There were no receipts of grant during the month.

#### 6.1.4 Other Revenue

Other Revenue for the month was GH¢146.79 million as against a budgeted figure of GH¢96.31million, giving rise to a favourable variance of GH¢50.48 million.

#### 6.2 **EXPENDITURE**

Expenditure is made up of Compensation of Employees, Use of Goods and Services, Consumption of Fixed Capital, Interest, Subsidies, Grants, Social Benefits, Other Expenses. The total for the month amounted to GH¢1,188.71 million as against the budget of GH¢1,314.77million, resulting in a favourable variance of GH¢126.06 million.

#### 6.2.1 Compensation of Employees

Compensation of Employees for the month was GH¢793.54 million against GH¢750.33million budgeted. This gives an unfavourable variance of GH¢43.21million.

#### 6.2.2 Goods and Services

Goods and Services paid for the month was GH¢48.95million as against the budgeted figure of GH¢145.20million, given a favourable variance of GH¢96.25million.

#### 6.2.3 Interest

Interest for the period was GH¢346.21million as against a budgeted figure of GH¢266.20million resulting in an unfavourable variance of GH¢80.01

#### 6.2.4 Social Benefits and Other Expenses

No expenditure was incurred in respect of social benefits and other expenses.

The above positions have resulted in a deficit of GH¢ 238.64 million at the end of February 2013 instead of a planned surplus of GH¢ 247.84 million.

## 7.0 PUBLIC DEBT

#### Debt repayment is made up as follows:

Domestic Debt repayment amounted to GH¢1,231.56million.

External Debt repayment amounted to GH¢ 32.31million.

#### 8.0 **APPROPRIATION**

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION	GH¢ Million 31,845.66
UTILISED APPROPRIATION AS AT FEBRUARY 2013	(5,029.18)
UNUTILISED APPROPRIATION	26,816.48

### 9.0 CONCLUSION

I wish to take this opportunity to thank all the staff of CAGD and other public officers for the immense contributions towards the preparation of the Report and the Public Accounts of the Consolidated Fund.

In compliance therefore with Section 40 of the FAA, 2003 (Act 654) and Regulation 188 of the FAR, 2004 (LI 1802), the Report and the Public Accounts on the Consolidated Fund for the month of February, 2013 are hereby presented.

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