

BRIEF PROFILE OF NORTH TONGU DISTRICT

North Tongu District is located in the central part of the Volta Region and serves as a major gateway between southern and northern Ghana. The district was established by Legislative Instrument (L.I.) 2081 in 2012 with Battor Dugame as its capital. It covers a total land area of approximately 1,131.64 square kilometres, bordered by the South Tongu District to the south, Ho West to the east, Shai Osudoku District to the west, and Adaklu District to the north.

The district has a total population of 110,891, consisting of 53,987 males (48.7%) and 56,904 females (51.3%). The Volta River, which divides the district into eastern and western banks, is its most dominant natural feature, supporting agriculture, fishing, and eco-tourism activities.

North Tongu's economy is primarily driven by agriculture, fisheries, trade, and services. Major crops include rice, cassava, maize, vegetables, and mangoes. The district's proximity to the Kpong Left Bank Irrigation Project (KLBIP) has made it a growing hub for commercial agriculture and agro-industrial ventures. The Volta River further supports aquaculture and cage fish farming, which continue to expand rapidly under private-sector participation serving as key livelihoods for many communities.

The district also plays an important role in regional trade, with Juapong and Battor serving as major market centres connecting the Volta Region to Greater Accra and Eastern Regions. The District Assembly is placing strong emphasis on value addition through agro-processing, packaging, and logistics development, to minimize post-harvest losses, and generate employment opportunities, particularly for the youth and women. Efforts are also underway to expand aquaculture and establish modern cold storage facilities to strengthen and modernize the fisheries value chain.

Improving infrastructure remains a top development priority. The District Assembly continues to invest in road networks, linking rural communities to farms and market centers, renewable energy promotion, potable water supply, and climate-resilient community infrastructure to enhance mobility and build resilience against flood-related disasters.

In education and human capital development, the Assembly is committed to expanding access to technical and vocational training, ICT education, to equip the youth for emerging job opportunities as well as entrepreneurship support programmes, especially for the youth and women. Health infrastructure is also being enhanced through the construction and upgrading of CHPS compounds, health centres, and hospitals, and expand sanitation coverage.

North Tongu District boasts unique natural and cultural attractions along the Volta River. Its serene riverbanks, wetlands, and green landscapes offer strong potential for eco-tourism, river cruises, and hospitality development. The district also celebrates several rich traditional festivals that showcase its vibrant cultural identity and attract visitors from across the country.

North Tongu District invites strategic partnerships and investments in key sectors that align with its development vision, focused on promoting inclusive economic growth and enhancing the livelihoods of its people.

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