

New Batch of TSIs Commissioned



Hon. Ofosu-Adjare and Mr. Frimpong inspecting the TSI parade

The GSA, on Friday, May 30, 2025, commissioned another batch of over 300 Trading Standards Inspectors (TSIs) into the country's standards regulation regime to ensure fair trading practices and protect consumers.

The newly-trained TSIs, the third cohort, will carry out a wide range of crucial activities, including checking the quality, accuracy, and safety of goods and services on the market; verifying volumes and weights to prevent deception; collecting samples for laboratory testing; identifying non-compliant products and

traders and taking appropriate enforcement actions.

The inspectors, who will be deployed nationwide, are mandated to enforce the Ghana Standards Authority Act 2022 (Act 1078). This forms part of the government's effort to ensure accurate measurements, uphold quality control, and support economic growth.

Hon. Elizabeth Ofosu-Adjare, Minister for Trade, Agribusiness and Industry (MoTAI), who commissioned them at a brief ceremony at the GSA head office at Shiashe, said the TSIs

would play a critical role in ensuring sufficient consumer protection and checking the quality of goods and services on the market.

She said the move formed part of the government's effort to ensure accurate measurements, uphold quality control, and support economic growth in line with the 24-hour economy.

"A 24-hour economy demands a robust framework that supports reliable trade activities and the TSIs have a

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significant role in contributing to the realisation of this vision by the President, His Excellency John Dramani Mahama,” the Minister said.

“By carefully inspecting products and services, the TSIs help to maintain high standards of quality of goods and safety of consumers, which is important for building consumer trust and confidence, which are essential for a thriving 24-hour economy,” she added.

Mrs. Ofosu-Adjare urged the TSIs to carry out their work with integrity while calling

for continued support for the efforts of the inspectors and recognise the important role they play in our quest for a 24-hour economy.

Mr. Clifford Frimpong, Acting Deputy Director-General, in charge of Conformity Assessment (DDG-CAS), said the ceremony stood as a testament to the inspectors’ commitment, discipline, and readiness to uphold the standards that safeguard consumers, promote fair trade, and support national development.

He praised the meaningful

contributions of the rest of the two cohorts of inspectors in advancing the mandate of the GSA. He said the officers had been inspecting weighing and measuring instruments at the marketplaces, protecting both consumers and businesses and through surprise inspections and educational campaigns, they had helped reduce the circulation of substandard goods and unfair trade practices.

Mr. Frimpong said the inspectors’ activities had contributed to greater awareness and compliance



Dignitaries present at the TSI commissioning

among market players, boosting confidence in the quality of goods and services across the country.

“Thanks to their efforts, and in collaboration with existing GSA regional offices and staff, the 1st and 2nd cohorts have significantly strengthened our presence across all regions of Ghana,” he said.

“By integrating into these regional teams, they have enhanced our capacity to conduct market surveillance, enforce standards, and respond swiftly to emerging issues. Their support has amplified the effectiveness of our regional operations, ensuring that GSA’s mandate is carried out more efficiently and thoroughly throughout the country,” Mr. Frimpong added.

He urged the newly-commissioned TSIs to be defenders of quality, accuracy, and fairness in trade. “Ghana is counting on you to maintain and elevate the standards set by your predecessors. You represent not just the Authority, but the hopes of consumers, the trust of traders, and the integrity of our economy,” he added.

Mrs. Jessica Nkansah, Director, Inspectorate Directorate, noted that the TSI programme was created to ensure a robust system that protects consumers, ensures fair trade, and upholds the standards that safeguard public health, safety, and confidence in our markets.

“The TSIs have been created to level the playing field to reward integrity and



Hon. Ofosu-Adjare addressing the TSIs and staff of GSA



Mr. Frimpong giving his remarks



Mrs. Jessica Nkansah giving an address

compliance, and to protect the interests of consumers and responsible traders alike,” she said.

Mrs. Nkansah said the inspectors would serve as both watchdogs and educators, working not just to enforce, but also to inform. She said while the inspectors were authorised to collect articles for testing, they must always issue receipts and were strictly prohibited from collecting money directly from traders. She urged all citizens to report any instances of blackmail, bribery, or unfair treatment, adding that the GSA was committed to building an effective and transparent system.



Chief Superintendent Charity Amankwa ,Commanding Officer of the Eastern Regional Police Training School



Hon. Ofosu-Adjare presenting a certificate to Jocelyn Eyrarn Ankora, the TSI representative

