KWAO TSEKOPE

Settlement Profile





OVERVIEW

Settled over 100 years ago, Kwao Tsekope is a settlement located within the Naa Amui electoral area of Ashaiman. There are 2,700 structures in the area including 2,007 housing structures. There is unclear ownership of the land between Tema Development Corporation and Tema Traditional Council.

Due to the unclear ownership, residents are under the threat of eviction.

Community Development Priorities

- Construction of drains
- Household Toilets
- Streetlights or Security Light
- Small Scale Loans

Education and Health Care

The community has two nursery schools, two private primary schools, and two private junior high schools. The community has only one traditional healing center and no hospitals or clinics.

Economic Activities

The economically active population is employed purely n the private sector, mostly self-employed in artisanship, trading, dressmaking, hairdressing and a few in the industrial sector.

Governance

The governance system in the community comprises of an elected assembly member, unit committee and opinion leaders. The unit committee collates reports to the assembly member and the zonal council. The assembly member then forwards the information to the Ashaiman Municipal Assembly (ASHMA). ASHMA also reaches the community with feedback of information through the elected assembly member. GHAFUP is one of the CBOs in the community, which deals with microcredit, slum upgrading, and advocacy. Currently, People's Dialogue Ghana is the only NGO operating in the community, which undertakes community programmes.

Community Statistics

Age of Settlement: 100 years

Population: 7,000 (3:7 male to female ratio)

Land Size: 25 Acres

Building Materials: Concrete, Wood,

Roofing Sheet, Mud

Non Residential

Buildings/Structures: Churches (9)

Mosques (7)

Commercial (693)

Basic Services

Schools: 8

Roads: 19 (internal and external)

Public Toilets: 10 Shared Taps: 44 Shower Facilities: 4 Waste Bins: 156 Skip Container: 0

Chop Bars, Restaurant and Game Centers: 70

Street Lights: 17