

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Account Committee (PAC) of Parliament held its second sitting for the year 2022 on the report of Auditor-General on the public accounts of Ghana-Public Boards Corporations and other statutory institutions for the period ended 31 December 2018.

The PAC sitting held between 14th-18th March and 4th-5th April this year was to examine the status of implementations of the recommendations contained in the 2018 AG report.

Public Boards and other institutions who were flagged with infractions in the Auditor General's report were present to provide answers to recommendations raised by the Auditor General. The Seven days sitting by the committee raised some pertinent issues that the committee urged institutions to consider in order to prevent future occurrences.

The twenty-five member committee chaired by Hon. James Klutse Avedzi admonished Public Institutions to conduct themselves as stipulated by law to prevent avoidable financial irregularities. The committee scrutinized the AG's report on eighteen ministries including Ministry of Health, Ministry of Energy, Ministry of Agriculture and many more. COCOBOD, EOCO, GNPC, NADMO and National Sports Authority were some statutory Institutions that appeared before the PAC.

According to the PAC, the Auditor General can blacklist private auditors who as part of their contract fail to conduct follow-ups on reports they have issued to enable Audit Service and the committee to determine status of implementation of recommendations contained in the AG's report.

Auditors from Commercial Audit Department (review /Direct) and representatives from Parliamentary Affairs Unit of the Ghana Audit Service represented the Auditor General and assisted the Committee to a successful deliberation.

PARLIAMENT OF GHANA

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

PROGRAM FOR ZONAL PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER FOUR (4) AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE

CLUSTER 1: NORTHERN, SAVANNAH, NORTH EAST, UPPER EAST AND UPPER WEST REGIONS

DATE: MONDAY, 18TH - SATURDAY, 23RD APRIL, 2021

VENUE: MARIAM HOTEL, TAMALE

PROGRAM

S/NO	ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME
1	Departure - Accra	Monday, 18 th April, 2022	9:00 a.m.
2	Courtesy Call on the Northern Regional Minister	Tuesday, 19 th April, 2022	9:00 a.m.
3	Consideration of the Report of the Auditor-General on: 1. The Public Accounts of Ghana- Technical Universities and Polytechnics for the period ended, 31 st December, 2018 a. Tamale Technical University b. Bolgatanga Polytechnic c. Wa Polytechnic 2. Pre-University Educational Institutions for the year ended 31 st December, 2018. All Pre-University Educational Institutions in the Northern Savannah and North East Regions Cited in the Report	Tuesday, 19 th April, 2022	10:00 a.m.
4	Consideration of the Report of the Auditor-General on: 1. The Management and Utilisation of District Assemblies Common Fund and Other Statutory Funds for the year ended 31 st December, 2018. 2. Accounts of District Assemblies (IGF) for the year ended 31 st December, 2018. All Assemblies in the Upper East and Upper West Regions cited in the two Reports	Wednesday, 20 th April, 2022	9:00 a.m.
5	Consideration of the Report of the Auditor-General on: 1. The Management and Utilisation of District Assemblies Common Fund and Other Statutory Funds for the year ended 31 st December, 2018.	Thursday, 21 st April, 2022	9:00 a.m.

	2. Accounts of District Assemblies (IGF) for the year ended 31 st December, 2018.		
	All Districts in the Northern Region cited in the two Reports		
6	Consideration of the Report of the Auditor-General on: 1. The Management and Utilisation of District Assemblies Common Fund and Other Statutory Funds for the year ended 31 st December, 2018. 2. Accounts of District Assemblies (IGF) for the year ended 31 st December, 2018.	Friday, 22 nd April 2022	9:00 a.m.
	All Districts in the North East and Savanna Regions cited in the two Reports		
7	Consideration of the Report of the Auditor-General on the Pre-University Educational Institutions for the Financial Year Ended 31 st December, 2018	Saturday, 23 rd April, 2022	12:00 p.m.
	All Pre-University Educational Institutions in the Upper East and Upper West Regions cited in the Report		
8	Depart Tamale	Sunday, 24 th April, 2022	