



REPUBLIC OF GHANA

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

BUDGET PERFORMANCE REPORT

(2018-2020)

FOR

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR



1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Mission of the Office of the Special Prosecutor is to investigate and prosecute alleged corruption or suspected corruption and corruption-related offences; to recover the proceeds of corruption and corruption-related offences, and take steps to prevent corruption to the end that it promotes good governance, transparency, accountability and probity in Ghana's Constitutional governance towards the attainment of the Constitution's preamble aspirations.

FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR

The core functions of the Office of the Special Prosecutor include the following:

- ❖ Investigation and prosecution of cases of alleged or suspected corruption and corruption related offences under the Public Procurement Act, 2003 (Act 663);
- ❖ Investigation and prosecution of cases of alleged or suspected corruption and corruption related offences under the Criminal and Other Offences Act, 1960 (Act 29) involving public officers, politically exposed persons and persons in the private sector involved in the commission of the offence;
- ❖ Investigation and prosecution of cases of alleged or suspected corruption and corruption related offences involving public officers, politically exposed persons and persons in the private sector involved in the commission of the offence under any other relevant law;
- ❖ Recovering and managing the proceeds of corruption;
- ❖ Receiving and investigating complaints from a person on a matter that involves or may involve corruption and corruption-related offences;
- ❖ Performing any other functions connected with the objects of the Office.

NATIONAL MEDIUM-TERM DEVELOPMENT POLICY OBJECTIVES

The National Medium-Term Development Policy Framework (2018-2021) contains one Policy Objective that is relevant to the Office of the Special Prosecutor that is to:

- ❖ Promote the fight against corruption and corruption-related offences, and such



existing offences under enactments arising out of or consequent to corruption and public procurement offences.

KEY PROGRAMMES AND SUB-PROGRAMMES

The Office of the Special Prosecutor is implementing two (2) key Programmes namely:

PROGRAMME 1: MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

PROGRAMME 2: ANTI-CORRUPTION MANAGEMENT

2.0 TRENDS IN BUDGET ALLOCATION AND RELEASES TO THE OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR (GOG)

Item Description	2018		2019		2020		
	Approved	Releases	Approved	Releases as at	Approved	Revised	Releases as at
	Budget	as at Dec. 2018			Budget GH¢	Budget GH¢	
Compensation	-	-	33,470,460.00		36,232,522.00	36,232,522.00	24,155,014.67
Goods and Services	1,000,000.00	154,261.84	88,013,859.00	65,690,067.55	91,852,210.00	41,913,960.40	39,016,845.46
Capex	2,791,214.00	-	58,675,906.00		60,000,000.00	60,000,000.00	
Total	3,791,214.00	154,261.84	180,160,225.00	65,690,067.55	188,084,732.00	138,146,482.40	63,171,860.13

A cursory look at the table above shows that, the Office of the Special Prosecutor's approved ceiling of **GH¢180.16m** for year 2019 increased significantly as compared to the revised allocation of **GH¢138.14m** given for year 2020.

The year 2018 recorded the lowest allocation of **GH¢3.79m** and this could be attributed to the fact that, the Office had now been established and their allocation formed part of the 2018 budget of the Ministry of Justice and Attorney-General's Office.



With regards to releases made to the Office under the various economic classifications, amounts of **GH¢154,261.84** and **GH¢65,690,067.55** were released as at the end of the 2018 and 2019 fiscal years. Also an amount of **GH¢63,171,860.13** has been released as at 16th November, 2020.

3.0 CONCLUSION

However, one major challenge identified during the implementation of their budgets in the period under review is their inability to initiate transactions on the GIFMIS platform to facilitate release of funds.

