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STATEMENT

Following the launch of The Planting for Food and Jobs Phase II, the Government of Ghana is seeking the support of chiefs in the country to widen the program's scope.

President Akufo-Addo will on Saturday engage with members of the National House of Chiefs as part of efforts to make large tracts of land available for farming.

Recognized as custodians of land in Ghana, the release of land by our revered Chiefs to their subjects participating in the Planting for Food and Jobs Phase II will significantly address the challenge of access to land for agricultural production and boost the Government agenda of achieving food security for overall national development.

With about 80% of Ghana's land being customary ownership by chiefs and families, it is acknowledged that chiefs have the power to allocate, lease, or sell land for various purposes.

The President expects that the support of Chiefs will further enhance efforts to make the program successful.

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