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CRAN has began a construction of a six unit classroom block with an attached office for the teachers and a store room for the Anthony Basic School. The project is being funded by Bingo-Umweltstiftung Niedersachsen" (Bingo-Environment Foundation Lower Saxony, Germany) and CRAN Freundeskreis, e.V., CRAN's partners in Germany. Anthony is a community in the Twifo Hemang Lower Denkyira District of the Central Region of Ghana. It is one of the many rural communities that are within the fringes of the Kakum National Park. It has an estimated population of more than one thousand people. It is central to five other communities as such many of the children from these other communities attend the basic school in our community. The project which began in April is expected to be completed by the end of September. The community members and the school children are very excited about the project and are looking forward to its completion.



The picture on left shows the state of the school building which necessitated the construction of a new block. The picture on right shows the new building under construction.



Combine Harvester Delivered

CRAN has taken delivery of a combine harvester as well as a thresher and reaper in the Hohoe Branch to enable the organization support rice farmers in the Hohoe municipality as well as other districts that surround Hohoe. The machines were purchased with the support of CRAN Freundeskreis e.V. with the aim of helping CRAN Ghana to use the machines to generate income to support the organization's work. The Volta Region is one of the hubs of rice production in the country. There are thousands of farmers engaged in rice farming in and around the Hohoe municipality. But as it is typical of rice farmers in the country, the right equipment are not available to enable them enlarge their farms. Therefore, the coming of the combine-harvester will not only generate income for CRAN, it will also help the farmers to increase their yield, produce quality rice and work without



stress.

New Head of Operations for CRAN MF

Mr Saviour Deikumah, the former Assistant Finance Officer of the CRAN MF has now assumed the position of the Head of Operations of the CRAN MF. The assumption of the position started from the first week in June 2017. This came as a result of the departure of the former Head of Operations, Togbi Amey Zegu II (Mr. Simon Atiatorome) who resigned from the organization at the end of April 2017. Togbi joined the organization some twelve years ago as a field officer and rose through the ranks from that position and became a unit manager and eventually a Director of Operations. Mr Deikumah holds Bachelor of Commerce and Certificate Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICA), Ghana. He joined the organization in January 2012 as a loan officer. He rose from that position to the position of Assistant Finance Officer until he was appointed the Head of Operations. As a head, he is expected to lead the general operations of the CRAN MF, monitoring portfolio and clients' relation, handling of logistics, etc.



Mr Saviour Deikumah

Rain-Harvest Water Serving the People of Shama-Kedzi

The Shama-Kedzi rain-harvesting water project which was completed in 2015 is serving a very good course for the people in the community. Shama-Kedzi is a fairly large fishing coastal community with an estimated population of 5,000 people. This community has a peculiar problem of access to potable water. Distance from nearest community with piped water is far, while the water underground is salty, making it impossible to dig a well or sink a borehole. This made it very difficult for the people to find portable water for the chores at home. Thus necessitating the drive to find some solution to the problem. CRAN sort the support of Ghanaman CRG Trust to construct a 22ft wide and 10ft deep well to harvest rain water. This was assisted by CRAN Freundeskreis (CRAN Germany). Since the completion of this well, the problem of potable water has been brought to the barest minimum. Due to the size of the well, enough water is store to serve the people throughout the dry season. The people are depending on the rain water which is good enough for chores at home.



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