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Ghana's investment environment is undergoing one of its most significant transformations in recent times, following the enactment of the new Ghana Investment Promotion Authority Act.

The long-awaited legislation ushers in a new phase of investment promotion and facilitation strengthening the country's ability to support quality investments. In this edition, we examine the key provisions of the new law, what they mean for investors and businesses, and why the Act marks a defining moment in Ghana's economic progress.

We also present highlights from our latest Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) Report, offering insights into the performance of Ghana's investment environment in comparison with global trends and regional peers.

In addition, we provide an economic snapshot of the key developments shaping the economy, alongside a featured investment opportunity with strong potential for prospective investors.

As Ghana continues to advance its reform agenda, we invite you to explore this edition and discover the policies, opportunities and initiatives shaping the country's next phase of investment-led growth.

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Ghana's New Investment Era: GIPC Becomes GIPA Under Act 1173

Almost 13 years after President John Dramani Mahama assented to the GIPC Act, 2013 (Act 865) on 26 August 2013, Ghana has taken another significant step forward in its investment journey with the passage of a new law to strengthen investment promotion and facilitation. On 15 July 2026, President Mahama assented to the Ghana Investment Promotion Authority Act, 2026 (Act 1173), ushering in a new chapter for Ghana's investment ecosystem.

This milestone builds on a 63-year history of strategic investment facilitation, which began with the enactment of the Capital Investments Act, 1963 (Act 172). Over the years, Ghana's investment framework has continued to evolve through reforms aligned with global standards and local economic realities, leading to the introduction of the Investment Code, 1981 (Act 437), and subsequently the Ghana Investment Promotion t Act, 1994.

The Push for This New Legislation

Despite the notable achievements of the former investment law, GIPC Act, 2013 (Act 865), which contributed to the country's strong performance in attracting foreign direct investment, gaps were identified that required a review of the framework.

In an exclusive engagement, Ms. Naa Lamle Orleans-Lindsay, Director of the Legal Division of the Ghana Investment Promotion Centre (now Authority), explained that stakeholder feedback had pinpointed specific provisions in the old legislation that posed addressable challenges for investors.

"We saw the need to update the Act to better align with investor needs, attract more investments, and position Ghana as a leading investment destination in West Africa," she noted.

The identification of these gaps led to a series of stakeholder engagements aimed at strengthening the framework, addressing challenges, and ensuring that the law continues to effectively serve its intended purpose.

Our goal [was] to create a more flexible and investor-friendly environment, particularly for investments aligned with sustainable development, and this informed our decision to revise the law," she stated.

The Key Changes Introduced

The GIPA Act, 2026 (Act 1173), long anticipated by the investment community, marks a fundamental shift in investment attraction, facilitation, and promotion, reflecting the concerns and aspirations of stakeholders across all sectors.

The Authority's CEO, Mr Simon Madjie explained that "it introduces reforms designed to improve the ease of doing business, strengthen investor protection and align Ghana's investment regime with regional and international standards."

Among the key reforms introduced by Act 1173 is the removal of blanket minimum capital requirements for wholly foreign-owned enterprises and joint ventures with Ghanaian partners, while retaining a reduced threshold for trading enterprises. The Act also transforms the Ghana Investment Promotion Centre into the Ghana Investment Promotion Authority, expanding its mandate and strengthening its institutional and enforcement powers.

Investor protection is further enhanced through a statutory Investor Grievance Mechanism, alongside provisions that promote sustainable investment, technology transfer, and social inclusion. The Act also introduces an annual renewal requirement for enterprise registration.

Other notable reforms include the expansion of expatriate quota thresholds, the establishment of a One-Stop-Shop, the introduction of citizenship-by-investment, and alignment with the AfCFTA Protocol on Investment and international best practices.

Beyond strengthening Ghana's investment environment and promoting inbound investment, the new law grants the Authority a statutory mandate to **promote outward investment.**

What All These Means To The Investment Community

Commenting on the significance of the enactment, Mr Madjie described it as a defining moment in Ghana's economic journey, explaining that the "law addresses investor challenges around barriers to entry, investment processes, and navigating the country's investment ecosystem."

He further noted that the transition from a Centre to an Authority represents a substantial enhancement of Ghana's investment promotion capacity, enabling GIPA to provide comprehensive support to investors from initial engagement through expansion and reinvestment.

> "The Authority we are building today is designed to respond to investors with the speed, transparency, and consistency that global capital demands, while ensuring that the benefits of investment are shared broadly across Ghanaian communities," he added.

As countries intensify the race for global capital, Ghana's new investment framework sends a strong signal of intent: a country prepared to listen, adapt, and compete.

By strengthening investor confidence and improving the investment ecosystem, the law reinforces Ghana's position as a destination where opportunities can be unlocked and partnerships can thrive.

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GHANA'S ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

KEY MACRO INDICATORS	CURRENT RATE
GDP GROWTH RATE	6.4% (Q1 2026)
INFLATION RATE	5.3% (JUNE 2026)
MONETARY POLICY RATE	14% (JULY 2026)
TRADE SURPLUS	US$ 8.8B (JUNE 2026)
GROSS INTERNATIONAL RESERVE (MONTHS)	US$ 12.9B 5.0 MONTHS OF IMPORT COVER (JUNE 2026)
GROSS PUBLIC DEBT (% OF GDP)	41.5% (JUNE 2026)

Editor's Note

Ghana's economy continues to show steady progress. Economic growth reached **6.4%** in Q1, driven by expanding business and industrial activity.

While inflation ticked up slightly to **5.3%** in June, it remains comfortably within the central bank's target range of **8% (±2%).** The central bank held its benchmark interest rate at **14%** to keep borrowing costs and prices stable.

On the trade front, a **$12.9 billion** surplus now provides five months of import cover, while public debt dropped slightly to 41.5% of GDP.

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DZORDZOE SKINCARE

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

Natural, Handmade Skincare from Ghanaian Raw Materials

About The Project

Dzordzoe Skincare, established in 2022, is a natural skincare brand that produces handmade products from locally sourced raw materials such as shea butter, coconut oil, and cocoa butter. Its offering is female focused and safe for both the body and the environment, spanning diverse age groups, skin types, and lifestyles.

The brand is seeking investment to expand its operations, with funding applied to the acquisition of equipment and machinery to increase production capacity. The opportunity is supported by favourable market conditions, with Africa's beauty and personal care market valued at roughly US$8.9 billion in 2024 and projected to grow over the next decade, alongside rising demand for natural and organic ingredients. By building capacity around locally sourced raw materials, the project supports value addition within Ghana's cosmetics sector and strengthens the position of an indigenous brand in a growing market.

PROJECT SNAPSHOT

Project location
Date Street 26, Lakeside, Accra, Ghana

Projected Annual Sales
19.6K EUR

Investment Objective
Expand production capacity through the acquisition of equipment and machinery

Opportunity Type
Open for FDI through a minority stake

Total Investment Required (Funding Gap)
49.0K EUR (34.0K EUR)

Projected Employment
8 jobs

WHY INVEST?

Built on Ghana's Natural Raw Material Base

The brand's products are formulated from locally available raw materials, including shea butter, coconut oil, and cocoa butter. This grounds production in Ghana's agricultural strengths, supports backward linkages to local suppliers, and gives the brand a distinct, authentic value proposition.

Rising Demand for Natural and Organic Cosmetics

Consumer interest in natural and organic skincare continues to grow, alongside broader spending on personal grooming. According to Beauty Africa, the African beauty and cosmetics market was valued at about US$12 billion in 2024 and is projected to continue growing, with natural products among the fastest-growing segments. This positions the brand to serve expanding domestic demand while exploring regional export opportunities over time.

Low Capital Requirement with a Defined Funding Gap

The project requires a total investment of 49.0K EUR, with a funding gap of 34.0K EUR. The modest ticket size and clearly defined gap offer an accessible entry point for an investor seeking exposure to Ghana's cosmetics sector without a large capital commitment.

Impact Aligned Enterprise

As a female focused enterprise producing environmentally safe products, the brand aligns with priorities around health and wellbeing, decent work, and inclusive economic participation. It qualifies under the micro, small and medium sized enterprise (MSME) financing window, offering investors returns alongside measurable social impact.

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Ghana Gave Me More Than I Expected

Serving as Australia's High Commissioner to Ghana has been an immense honour for me. Over the last four years, I have discovered a country of exceptional richness, certainly because of its natural resources, but above all because of the strength, creativity and resilience of its people. I arrived as the world was still emerging from the aftermath of the pandemic.

Since then, I have witnessed economic challenges, coups in some of the countries that I cover and elections in Ghana. I witnessed remarkable resilience and countless reminders that diplomacy is, at its heart, about people and relationships. In the early weeks, one of the great privileges of this role has been meeting people from all walks of life: ministers and traditional leaders, entrepreneurs and artists, students and academics, diplomats and members of the Australian community. Each encounter helped me understand Ghana more deeply.

Arriving at a time when Ghana faced serious economic challenges gave me a sharper appreciation of the daily fortitude required of ordinary Ghanaians. As a diplomat, you spend time with ministers, business leaders and officials, but you also see the realities faced by market traders, small business owners, farmers and young people trying to build a future. The rising cost of living, unreliable infrastructure and the challenge of finding secure employment are not policy debates for many Ghanaians—they are everyday realities.

Despite significant global economic pressures, Ghana has demonstrated resilience and a continued commitment to democratic governance. Its institutions remain robust, and its role within West Africa, particularly in promoting stability, has been both consistent and important. What comes next, turning that stability into economic transformation, is Ghana's story to write.

For Australia, Ghana represents a trusted partner in a region of growing strategic and economic significance and in multilateral fora. For Ghana, I hope Australia has offered something of value in return, not just investment, but a genuine willingness to engage on equal terms. After four years in Ghana, it is clear to me that this is a relationship with strong foundations and considerable potential. Quietly, steadily, it is delivering value for both countries and is well placed to continue doing so in the years ahead.

Our bilateral relationship is defined less by scale than by substance—focused, practical and grounded in clear areas of mutual interest and supported by people-to-people and Commonwealth links that continue to deepen over time. It focuses on areas where cooperation delivers real results, and it evolves in response to shared priorities whether in sustainable resource management, education or agricultural innovation.

The mining sector remains central to this engagement. Ghana's position as a leading gold producer aligns closely with Australia's global mining expertise, and Australian companies have become established participants in the sector. I have witnessed how they are increasingly tied to the well-being of host communities and are investing in training and improvements in safety and environmental standards. Australian mining companies will need a level playing field, security of tenure and a stable regulatory environment to continue contributing to Ghana's economy.

People-to-people links are another cornerstone of the relationship. Through the Australia Awards program, Ghanaian professionals continue to access high-quality education and training in Australia, returning with skills that contribute directly to national development. Over time, this has created a network of alumni across government, industry and civil society, strengthening institutional links between our countries in ways that are both enduring and practical.

Alongside that, Australia's Direct Aid Programme has backed local initiatives in education, gender equality and community development, work that succeeds because of the strength of Ghanaian partner organisations. Through programs supporting women's economic empowerment, it was always a pleasure to meet extraordinary women in business, in agriculture, and in community leadership who are driving change in Ghana.

A visit to Jamestown earlier this year offered a close look at community-led effort in practice: young people in workshops at the Adanse Stool House, mothers receiving care, including support for postpartum mental health, at the Jamestown Maternity Home, and a community working to preserve its own heritage even as it builds toward its future. It was the kind of visit that stays with you, and I was glad to put the organisers in touch with our Direct Aid Program team.

I was also pleased that during my time in Ghana, the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) set up an office in Accra to support agricultural productivity, climate change resilience and sustainability. In a context where climate variability and food security remain pressing challenges, these partnerships underscore the role of applied research in delivering practical solutions that benefit farmers and communities.

Some of what I'll carry home is more personal than any programme. Years ago, my own child needed heart surgery, and I never expected that experience to find its way back to me in Ghana. It did, when I found myself helping raise funds through the Australian High Commission's Melbourne Cup charity ball for The Children's Heart Foundation Ghana. That effort helped fund surgery for two children in Accra this year. It's not the kind of thing you plan for when you take up a posting, and it ended up meaning more to me than almost anything on the official calendar.

In a region where my work spanned nine countries and no shortage of complexity, it was the quality of individual connection that made the posting genuinely human. And one of the great joys of serving here has been experiencing the richness of Ghanaian culture—from music that resonates far beyond national borders to the vitality of its visual artists.

Ghana does not let you stay at arm's length, and I'm grateful for that. I leave a better diplomat for having been here. More than that, I leave having been genuinely changed by this country, and by the people who were generous enough to let me in.

Berenice Owen-Jones

Australian High Commissioner to Ghana with non-resident accreditation to Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo (2022–2026).

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GIPA, Partners to Launch 2025 Annual FDI Report on August 21

The Ghana Investment Promotion Authority (GIPA), in collaboration with the Bank of Ghana, the Ghana Free Zones Authority and the Petroleum Commission, will launch the 2025 Annual FDI Report on 21 August 2026 at the Bank of Ghana Auditorium in Accra.

The launch will bring together policymakers, investors, diplomatic missions, development partners, the private sector and the media to take stock of Ghana's investment performance and outlook.

Ghana's Recovery Story

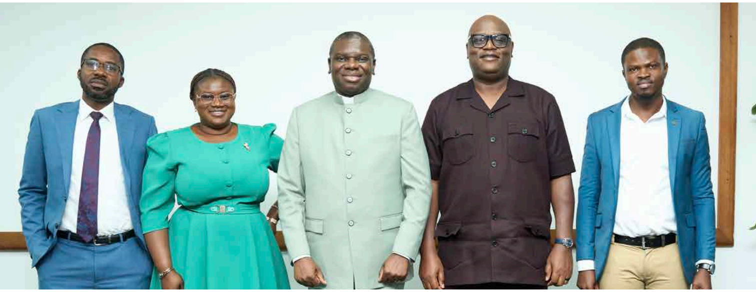
The report captures a year in which Ghana moved decisively from crisis to recovery after the 2022–2023 debt distress. It points to fiscal consolidation, tighter monetary policy and structural reforms under the IMF-supported programme as the main drivers of macroeconomic stabilisation.

These measures helped reduce inflation to single digits and stabilise the exchange rate, creating stronger signals of predictability for investors.

Investment activity, according to the report, was led by manufacturing, services and general trade, reinforcing Ghana's position as a regional hub for industrial production, commerce and digital services.

Greater Accra remained the main destination for projects, but the report also highlights high-value investments in the Western and Eastern Regions, pointing to a broader spread of investment activity across the country.

GIPA and its partners are inviting investors, private sector leaders, academia and the mediato the launch, where the full findings and investment opportunities will be presented.



GIPA Deepens Collaboration with DACF To Unlock District-Level Investment Opportunities

The Chief Executive Officer of the Ghana Investment Promotion Authority (GIPA), Mr Simon Madjie, has met the Administrator of the District Assemblies Common Fund (DACF), Mr Michael Harry Yamson, to discuss the Community Partners Fund, a framework to crowd in domestic and foreign investment in district-level projects, aligned with Ghana's inclusive growth agenda.

The engagement examined how DACF's constitutionally backed resource flows to local governments can be leveraged as anchor and de-risking capital for private investors seeking exposure to resilient, long-term assets across Ghana's districts, municipalities and metropolitan areas.

With Parliament required to allocate at least 5 per cent of national revenue annually to the DACF, the Fund provides a predictable public finance base that can be blended with private capital to support scalable interventions nationwide.

Discussions also centred on developing an investment-ready pipeline of district projects, supported by robust data, feasibility studies and clear governance frameworks, to meet the requirements of institutional investors, development finance institutions and corporate impact funds.

Priority sectors highlighted included e-mobility solutions, liquid oxygen plants for medical use, teacher housing, polyclinics, and modern water systems, all of which present opportunities for ESG-aligned, sustainability-focused investment.

During the meeting, Mr Madjie underscored GIPA's role in facilitating regulatory approvals, investor services and policy advocacy to ensure that capital deployed in DACF-linked projects benefits from Ghana's investment protection framework and an improving business environment.

He proposed establishing a joint working group to standardise reporting, impact metrics, and disclosure for investors, particularly those with sustainability and impact mandates.

Mr Madjie further noted that the collaboration with DACF will strengthen Ghana's value proposition as a destination where investors can deploy capital into well-governed, community-anchored projects backed by predictable public financing and a clear investment promotion framework.

For his part, the DACF Administrator, Mr Yamson, outlined ongoing and pipeline projects in education, health, water, roads and local economic development that are suitable for public-private investment structures and impact-oriented portfolios.

These include the provision of electric bikes for municipal and commercial use; a liquid oxygen and industrial gases production hub; the development of up to 50,000 teacher housing units via an innovative offtake model; the construction of 261 polyclinics and 87 diagnostic centres under private management; and the rehabilitation of more than 640 small-town water systems at an estimated cost of US$1.8 billion.

Mr Yamson expressed confidence that partnering with GIPA will broaden access to innovative financing models and accelerate the delivery of critical infrastructure and services to communities across Ghana.

By aligning this community-driven financing mechanism with GIPA's investment promotion mandate, the partnership creates additional pathways for blended capital structures in which statutory DACF resources, community contributions and private investment jointly deliver bankable, ESG-aligned projects across Ghana's districts.

GIPA IN THE REGIONS

GIPA Rolls Out Investment Roadshow Across Bono, Bono East and Ahafo

Building on successful Regional Investment Roadshows (RIR) under its Investment Opportunity Mapping Project (IOMP) in the Volta, Oti, Western, Central and Ashanti Regions, the Ghana Investment Promotion Authority (GIPA) is now shifting its focus to Ghana's middle belt, a largely agrarian corridor that is rapidly emerging as a hub for agribusiness, logistics, eco-tourism and value-added manufacturing.

Over the course of five days, the GIPA team and its partners will work with Metropolitan, Municipal and District Assemblies (MMDA's), traditional authorities, business chambers and local enterprises to identify, validate and package investment-ready projects that reflect the unique economic strengths of Bono, Bono East and Ahafo regions.

The roadshow will run from Monday 27th to Friday 31st July 2026, with stakeholder engagements and project showcases scheduled in Sunyani (Bono Region), Techiman (Bono East Region) and Goaso (Ahafo Region).

Courtesy visits to Regional Houses of Chiefs and Regional Ministers, targeted media engagements, project site tours and structured business-to-business (B2B) matchmaking sessions will form the core of the programme.

Increased Investment Project Profiles

Since the launch of the IOMP in July 2025 to June 2026, the Authority has received 381 investment project profiles from all 16 regions of Ghana, with Bono, Bono East, and Ahafo collectively contributing 103 profiles.

Additional data from the GIPA shows that Bono, Bono East and Ahafo, the three regions carved from the former Brong-Ahafo Region, have together attracted 57 registered companies and approximately US$383.65 million in foreign direct investment (FDI) between January 1994 and June 2026.

Bono East leads the three regions by investment value, recording US$266.9 million across 15 projects. The figure is driven overwhelmingly by agriculture, underscoring the scale-defining impact that flagship agribusiness investments can have on a region's FDI profile.

The Bono region has drawn the highest number of registered companies, at 32, with manufacturing (US$29.6 million) and export trading (US$10.1 million) forming the backbone of its US$56.7 million investment portfolio, much of it centred on cashew, timber and other agro-processing activities destined for export markets.

Ahafo, though the smallest of the three by project count, with 10 companies, has attracted US$60.1 million in investment, anchored by strong service-sector investment (US$44.3 million), including manufacturing, mining support services, and building and construction.

Investors in the three regions span the globe, from India, the United Kingdom, and the United States to Canada, China, Lebanon, and Australia, reflecting sustained international confidence in the agricultural, agro-processing, mining support, and manufacturing potential of Ghana's middle-belt regions.

Turning Local Potential Into Investable Projects

The Bono, Bono East, and Ahafo roadshow is designed as a practical deal-preparation platform that connects local economic ambitions with investor expectations.

Through project exhibitions, curated pitch sessions, and technical guidance, the Authority will support MMDA's small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and community actors in refining their concepts into compelling investment proposals backed by data and local insights.

By the end of the week, GIPA aims to build a verified pipeline of investment-ready projects and an investment intelligence database rooted in local content from the three regions, covering opportunities in agribusiness, agro-processing, storage and logistics, eco-tourism, mining-linked value addition and rural industrialisation.

The Authority will also enhance the capacity of regional stakeholders to present bankable projects and engage confidently with both domestic and foreign investors.

Structured Programme and Strategic Partnerships

Across Sunyani, Techiman and Goaso, each roadshow day will combine high-level stakeholder engagements with practical investment-focused activities. Morning sessions will feature opening ceremonies, remarks from regional authorities, GIPA leadership and national partners, followed by presentations on the regional investment landscape and GIPA's subnational strategy under the IOMP.

Afternoon sessions will emphasise action-oriented B2B matchmaking meetings and project showcases, in which selected local businesses and MMDAs pitch opportunities directly to potential investors. GIPA is collaborating with key partners including the Office of the Chief of Staff, the 24-Hour Economy Secretariat, Regional Coordinating Councils, the Ministry of Trade, Agribusiness and Industry (MOTAI), Ghana National Chamber of Commerce and Industry (GNCCI), Ghana Export Promotion Authority (GEPA) and Ghana Tourism Authority (GTA), among others, to ensure coordinated mobilisation and follow-up on investment leads.

Expected Impact on Regional Development

The Bono-Bono East-Ahafo Regional Investment Roadshow is expected to significantly improve the visibility of the three regions as viable investment destinations and to deepen investor confidence in subnational opportunities beyond Ghana's major urban centres. By documenting key projects in a comprehensive compendium and building a structured pipeline of bankable ventures, the Authority will create a clearer path for financing, partnerships and long-term regional development.

Post-event, GIPA will work with partner institutions to track investor interest, support due diligence and advance negotiations, ensuring that promising leads translate into concrete investments that create jobs, enhance value addition and expand Ghana's productive base in the middle belt.

The Bono-Bono East-Ahafo roadshow thus marks a decisive step in repositioning Ghana's regions as competitive, high-profile investment hubs under the broader IOMP.

Oil Palm Sector Offers Growing Investment Opportunities For Ghana's Economic Transformation

Ghana's oil palm industry is attracting renewed investor interest as government and private sector players work to expand agricultural production, strengthen local processing and create new opportunities across the value chain.

The sector, which covers plantation development, processing, refining, logistics and exports, is increasingly recognised as an important contributor to Ghana's industrialisation drive, rural development and employment creation. With favourable agro-ecological conditions, growing demand for palm-based products and access to regional markets, the industry presents opportunities for both domestic and international investors.

One company demonstrating the potential of the sector is the Ghana Oil Palm Development Company Limited (GOPDC), one of Ghana's leading integrated agro-industrial companies.

Established in 1975 and headquartered at Kwae in the Eastern Region, GOPDC cultivates oil palm and produces crude palm oil, refined palm oil and palm kernel products for local and international markets. Through its out-grower scheme, the company supports thousands of smallholder farmers, providing market opportunities and contributing to improved agricultural productivity and rural livelihoods.

The company's operations reflect the wider opportunities available within Ghana's oil palm value chain, including plantation expansion, processing facilities, refining, packaging, storage, transportation, mechanisation and the production of palm-based consumer and industrial products.

The investment potential of the sector was highlighted during an investor aftercare engagement between officials of the Ghana Investment Promotion Authority (GIPA) in the Eastern Region and the management of GOPDC.

The engagement brought together Mr Andrew Obeng, Investment Promotion Officer at GIPA, and Mr Samuel Ofosu Asamoah, Legal Counsel and Company Secretary of GOPDC, as part of efforts to strengthen engagement with existing investors, understand operational challenges and facilitate business expansion.

The discussions provided an opportunity for GOPDC to outline its current operations, future investment plans and key issues affecting its growth and competitiveness.

As part of its long-term expansion strategy, GOPDC is seeking to extend oil palm cultivation beyond the Eastern Region into the Western and Central Regions, where suitable agro-ecological conditions exist for large-scale production.

Access to suitable land remains a critical requirement for expanding commercial plantations. In support of this objective, GIPA has identified approximately 50,000 acres of land at Bonsokrom in the Ahanta West District of the Western Region as a potential location for the company's planned expansion, while facilitating further discussions with relevant government institutions.

The engagement also highlighted challenges affecting the competitiveness of the local oil palm industry. GOPDC raised concerns about the increasing influx of illegally imported palm oil products, noting that such activities create unfair competition, affect market prices and reduce the competitiveness of locally processed products.

The company called for stronger import controls, improved border surveillance and effective enforcement of existing trade regulations to protect domestic producers and encourage investment in local processing.

GOPDC also proposed targeted tax incentives for refined palm oil products to support value addition and improve the competitiveness of Ghanaian manufacturers.

Infrastructure remains another major concern for the company. GOPDC identified the deteriorating access road leading to its processing facility as a significant operational challenge. Although rehabilitation works commenced in December 2024, delays in completion have continued to affect transportation, increase vehicle maintenance costs and slow the movement of raw materials and finished products.

GIPA's investor aftercare programme seeks to support existing businesses by facilitating engagement with government institutions and helping to address challenges that affect investment operations. The Authority has committed to documenting the concerns raised by GOPDC and engaging the relevant institutions for possible interventions.

The outlook for Ghana's oil palm industry has received further support following government's plan to conclude a US$500 million World Bank financing agreement for large-scale commercial oil palm development through private sector lending under the Integrated Oil Palm Development Programme.

Presenting the 2026 Mid-Year Budget Review to Parliament, Finance Minister Dr Cassiel Ato Forson outlined government's commitment to developing a competitive and sustainable oil palm industry capable of supporting industrialisation, export growth, import substitution and employment creation.

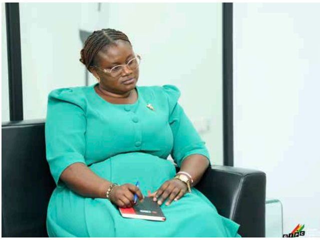
The financing arrangement is expected to expand commercial plantations, improve processing capacity and attract increased private sector participation in the industry.

A key component of the programme is the establishment of sustainability-compliant oil palm land banks to reduce investment risks and support responsible plantation development. Government assessments have reviewed more than 270,000 hectares in the Western Region, with about 10,780 hectares identified as suitable for sustainable oil palm cultivation. Similar assessments are ongoing in the Central, Eastern and Volta Regions.

The programme is expected to increase domestic palm oil production, strengthen smallholder farmer participation, create jobs and reduce Ghana's reliance on imported palm oil products.

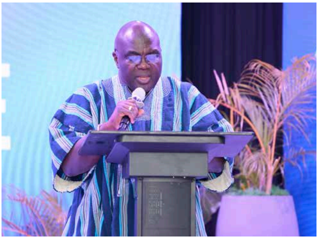
As investment in agriculture and agro-processing continues to gather momentum, Ghana's oil palm sector remains well placed to support the country's industrialisation agenda through increased production, value addition, export growth and employment creation. The Ghana Investment Promotion Authority, through its investor facilitation and aftercare services, continues to work with existing and prospective investors to identify opportunities, address investment constraints and strengthen partnerships across key sectors of the economy. By supporting business expansion and promoting a more responsive investment environment, GIPA is contributing to Ghana's efforts to attract sustainable investments that drive economic growth and development.

CEO's Meeting with Administrator of the District Assemblies Common Fund (June 2026)



GIPA at Ghana Investment & Trade Week (July 2026)

Citizen Experience Book Launch (July 2026)



CEO at 5th Annual Business Exchange Forum (Illinois) (July 2026)

DCEO's Meeting with SaudiArabian Investors (July 2026)

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