

## **THE 69TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION.**

On Friday, 6th March 2026, the Birim South District Assembly in collaboration with the District Education Service organized a program to commemorate the 69th Independence Day celebration of Ghana. The event brought together district officials, teachers, students, and community members to celebrate the nation's independence while promoting unity, discipline, and sportsmanship among schools in the district.

The program began with the arrival of invited guests and participants at the venue. Students from the participating schools, teachers, and dignitaries gathered in an atmosphere of excitement and national pride. After everyone had settled, the master of ceremony gave the opening remarks and welcomed all the guests present. In the opening address, the importance of celebrating Ghana's independence and remembering the sacrifices of the nation's forefathers was highlighted.

Following the opening remarks, there was an inspection of the cadet corps and the four schools that were scheduled to participate in the football competition. The inspection was carried out by the District Chief Executive, the Member of Parliament, the District Police Commander, the Managing Director of Ghana Publishing Company and the Chairman for the National Democratic Congress to recognize the discipline and preparedness of the cadet corps as well as the participating schools. The schools that took part in the football matches were Apaaso Salvation, Akim Swedru Methodist, Apoli Ningo D/A, and Nuriya Islamic.

After the inspection, the District Chief Executive delivered a speech to address the gathering. In the speech, the DCE emphasized the significance of Ghana's independence and encouraged students to remain disciplined and work hard towards becoming responsible citizens who would contribute positively to the development of the country. The DCE also commended the organizers and participating schools for their effort in making the celebration meaningful.

After the speech, the football matches began. The matches created excitement among the students and spectators as the teams displayed determination, teamwork, and sportsmanship throughout the competition. At the end of the matches, the results were announced. Apaaso Salvation emerged as the winner and took the first position. Akim Swedru Methodist placed second, Apoli Ningo D/A came third, and Nuriya Islamic placed fourth.

In recognition of their participation and performance, the schools were presented with prizes. These prizes included cash rewards, footballs, jerseys, and books to encourage both academic and sporting excellence among the students.

Finally, the program ended with closing remarks in which appreciation was expressed to the district authorities, the education service, teachers, students, and all individuals who contributed to the success of the celebration. The closing address encouraged continued unity, discipline, and active participation in future district activities.

In conclusion, the 69th Independence Day celebration organized by the Birim South District Assembly together with the District Education Service was successful and memorable. The event

not only celebrated Ghana's independence but also strengthened unity and promoted sportsmanship among the participating schools.

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