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350 Ghana Reducing Our Carbon (G-RoC) is a subsidiary of 350.org, is a formal network of youth groups formed with the aim of mobilizing and empowering young people in partnership with key stakeholders to actively champion the need to reduce our carbon emissions and promote renewable energy systems as a key effort in combating climate change. G-RoC seeks to position itself as a strategic youth-led group in influencing and contributing to policies and programming on low carbon emission related issues. We strive to ensure that the concerns of young people (as future leaders) are acknowledged and incorporated in decision making processes towards a low carbon or carbon-free economy. One of the ways we do so is strongly promoting the use of renewable energies in Ghana and globally as a whole.

Why the Name 350.org?

350.org was founded in 2008 by a group of university friends in the United States along with author Bill McKibben, who wrote one of the first books on global warming for the general public, with the goal of building a global climate movement.

350 was named after 350 parts per million -- the safe concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.





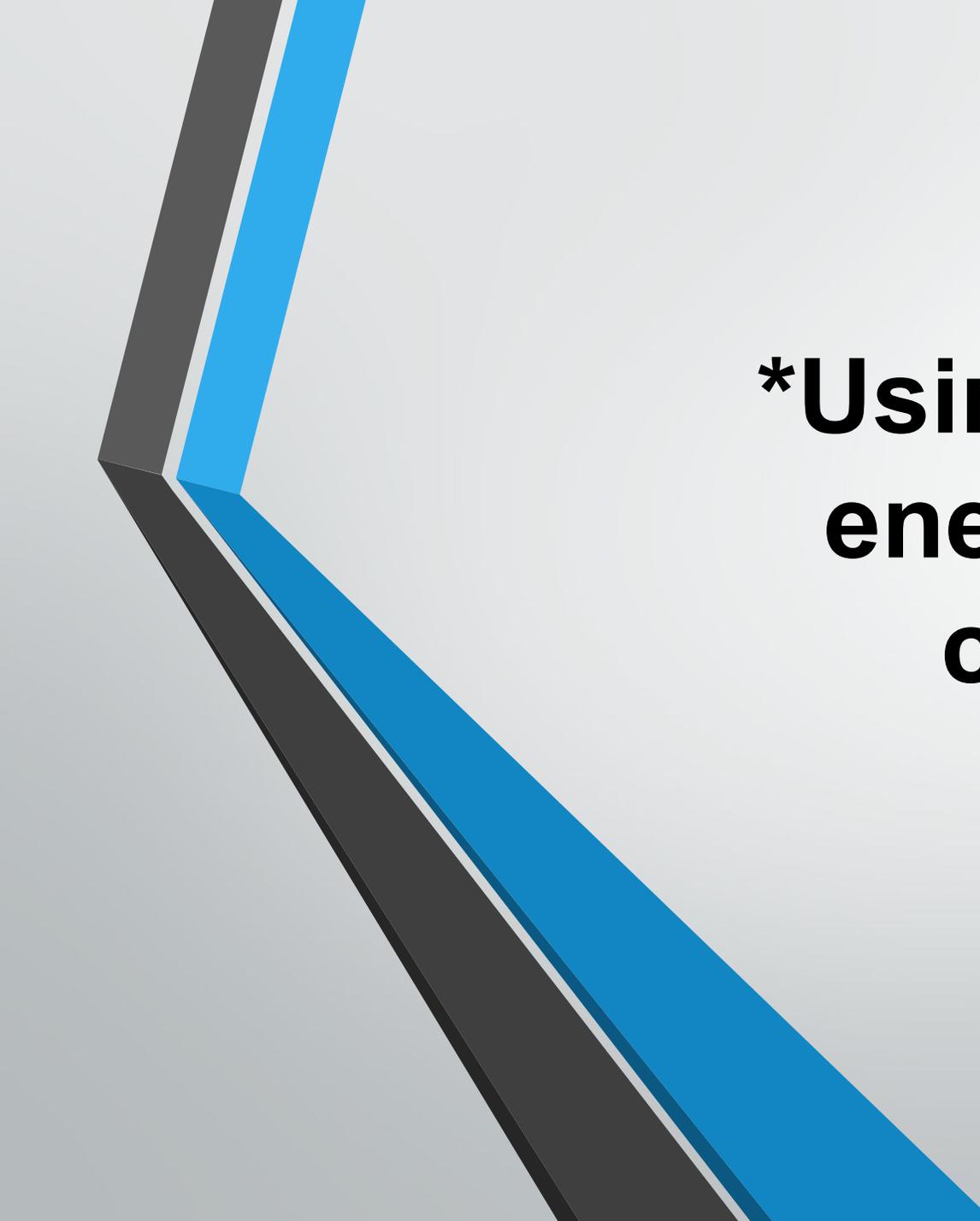
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***Using the alternative
energy narrative in
campaigning***



TACTICS USED

- ❖ Lobbying
- ❖ Following up on publications from the ministries. or Government
- ❖ Building the Grassroots to. Own the project
- ❖ Allies with schools
- ❖ Participating in RE programs at the National to ask strategic questions
- ❖ Media Engagement
- ❖ Petition Signing
- ❖ Twitter Storm

our achievements:

- ❖ STOPPED the establishment of 1st COAL. site in SHAMA



our achievements:

- ❖ Successfully campaigned against the establishment of coal-fired plant in Ghana





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Kenkey Festival



Reviewed the Renewable Energy Act 2011(832) of Ghana



BreakFree at Afram Plains



Press release to share our findings and Recommendations from the Renewable Energy Act 2011(832) with the media.



Climate Strike



❖ St Louis SHS Renewable Energy engagement, in other to encourage government to make our SHS go green in other to reduce costs.



Editorial
Restore tourism to its enviable glory

A video documentary being aired on CNN's programme Inside Africa on the country's slave castles will go a long way to rekindle interest in Ghana as a tourist destination. The documentary is part of a campaign to market the country's tourism potential and we understand that it is making waves with an estimated five million viewers.

The campaign is an initiative of the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture and has been aired since June 11 to August 5. Apart from its historical perspective, it has deep roots among African Americans and generally all black descendants in the 'new world' or the Americas as the case may be.

The history of the 'Middle Passage' and the horrendous journey that black African slaves endured during the brutal method of being transported to the 'new world' remains a dark spot in the annals of history, and thankfully, such landmarks can be found in Ghana's coast, and will serve as living lessons in history.

Tourism, which was once the fourth biggest foreign exchange earner for the nation, has been on the decline because as a country, we failed to find innovative means to sustain the influx of tourists coming to the country.

We are told that the documentary reached 2,124,000 viewers who are classified as frequent international travellers as well as a number of historic travellers. This should excite renewed interest in the country, and we would not be surprised to see the number of tourists increase significantly.

This is to say, the Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture must be commended for coming up with this 30-minute video documentary that focuses in part on the Elmina Slave as well as the tourism potential of the country.

In saying so, however, this means the Ministry needs to invest more to attract and sustain tourist visitors and this includes infrastructure investment like access roads. The hospitality industry also must be improved to offer world class service and our hotels, motels, guest houses and the like must improve their service delivery since a frustrated tourist will not give a good account of the bad service treatment he or she encountered while in the country.

Let us hope, the tourist is under no obligation to part way with his foreign currency, but will be only too happy to spend when the experience is exciting, fun and engaging. Ghana is blessed with a hospitable people but more needs to be done to make our country truly tourist friendly, and we need to work at that.

Continued smuggling subsidized fertilizer threatens success of PFJ

While making the Upper West region, President Akufo-Addo spoke extensively on his vision to transform the economy of the country and singled out his flagship agricultural programme 'Planting for Food and Jobs' as a key determinant of making the country food self-sufficient. He expressed the hope that by the end of his four-year term, one million farmers would have been registered.

In a bid to modernise the sector, the President indicated that planting materials, fertilizer and extension officers had been made available to farmers. However, reports reaching the R&P suggest that maize production could suffer a setback because subsidized fertilizer meant for the maize farmers has been impounded since some merchants sold diverting the product to neighbouring Burkina Faso, and has consequently remained locked up at the Regional Coordinating Council (RCC) in the Upper West region depriving farmers of the input to improve yields.

Struggling of the product in Burkina Faso is not new to Ghanaians since this has been occurring ever since subsidized fertilizer was introduced in 1998. Hence, we do not see why the product should be locked up and denied to farmers who need it urgently to improve maize yields.

Since this problem has been with us for years, by now we should have developed means to counter efforts by a few profiteers who want to reap a windfall from a product subsidised by government. We believe this problem is not being tackled as it should be because why is it that subsidized fertilizer always finds its way to Burkina Faso and we are unable to root out the problem? Perhaps, there is a ring of smugglers who are able to influence their way through and in the process, competent officials along the way who protect their corrupting.

Government cannot be subsidising farm inputs like fertilizer, only to be ferried across the border to be sold on the open market. Such inputs must be stored and shared to disburse them from the private otherwise efforts being made to modernise agriculture production will continue to falter.

Therefore, we need to find all possible means to stem the tide of smuggling of this crucial farm input.

NGO urges senior high schools to adopt renewable energy



Anne Akla, one of the 360 Ghana members doing a presentation on renewable energy at the St. Louis Senior High School

By Kibus CUDJO, Kumasi

For Ghana to reduce its usage of 10 percent, and renewable to the total energy mix by 2030, a local nongovernmental organisation devoted to helping to reduce carbon emission, 360 Ghana, has called for senior high schools to be waned-off the national grid.

As an alternative, 360 Ghana and senior high schools should be made to use renewable energy, with the support of government. This, they noted, will also help management of the various schools to sustain and channel their little but some resources to other essential areas such as health care, and so on.

The National Coordinator, 360 Ghana, Reducing Our Carbon, Peria Adu-Mensah, observed that climate change is not just a global issue, but it is a local one. The adoption of renewable energy

technologies such as solar for lighting and powering electrical gadgets is believed to significantly reduce the reliance on electricity, and thereby helping to reduce the carbon emissions. This call comes as the backdrop of the change of the government's goal of attaining an increase in the penetration in the energy mix from one percent to 10 percent by 2030, instead of the 2020 that was set by the Energy Commission.

The shift to renewable energy is particularly in line with fulfilling the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Goal 7, which talks about 'Affordable and Clean Energy'.

It is in view of this that 360 Ghana Reducing Our Carbon, an informal network of youth groups, modelling and empowering young people to promote

clean energy such as solar and wind energy must be encouraged, as part of the climate actions needed to address it. She maintained that as people embrace the idea of renewable energy it will pave the way to have supplies from the power generated to be exported.

Peria Adu-Mensah was speaking in an interview during a sensitisation programme on renewable energy, at the St. Louis Senior High School, in Kumasi, also co-ordinated by the government in its effort to accomplish the renewable energy goals but stressed that more work needs to be done to make their goal a reality.

She said that the 360 Ghana Reducing Our Carbon, an informal network of youth groups, modelling and empowering young people to promote

renewable energy systems, is embarking on a national campaign to encourage schools to go into the use of renewable energy.

The Group believes that the adoption of renewable energy systems is a key effort in combating climate change.

The engagement also sought to educate students about renewable energy whilst also exposing them to some emerging renewable energy technologies that can help schools and communities to become energy efficient.

St. Louis Senior High School is the first public school in the Ashanti region to have installed solar panel system, with the support of some beneficiaries of the programme.

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Swollen shoot disease worsening in heart of Ivory Coast cocoa belt

Swollen shoot disease is worsening in the heart of Ivory Coast's cocoa belt with some plantations seeing a significant drop in production, farmers and exporters said on Tuesday.

The viral disease, which typically kills trees within a few years, first appeared a few years ago in southern and western Ivory Coast but is now causing serious damage to crops.

Ivory Coast is the world's top cocoa grower with annual production reaching 2 million tonnes last season. About 60 percent of that comes from the south and west.

"That really worries me because before, around 2010-11, I had harvested four tonnes each year," said Goe Ouanane, who owns five hectares near the western town of Sawaou. "This year, I am at 1.8 tonnes."

means output could now be down from last year's recordtop.

"The disease scars us," said Sidibe Kamsi, a planter near the southern town of Mankro. "It is starting to spoil our production but we cannot do anything."

Ivory Coast's cocoa based economy has expanded this year to support 300,000 hectares of earlier trees over the next three years in an effort to curb the outbreak's spread.

One expert based in the commercial capital of Abidjan said that while the drop in production on plantations in central Ivory Coast was offset by rising production in processed cocoa beans in the west, government crackdown on illegal cultivation

The people of Akyem Awisa embraces Renewable energy at their Odwira Festival



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