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To All Stakeholders

## NaSIA TAKES NECESSARY ACTION ON THE AKOSOMBO DAM SPILLAGE

The National Schools Inspectorate Authority (NaSIA) is deeply concerned about the recent dam spillage that has affected schools. Our thoughts are with all learners, staff and families who have been impacted by this unfortunate event. As an agency committed to enforcing standards and ensuring quality, well-being, safety of our learners and all staff of schools affected, we take this matter very seriously.

NaSIA is proactively taking the necessary steps to deal with the current challenges occasioned by the Akosombo Dam spillage. The Authority is currently in talks with other education agencies as part of the inter-agency collaboration and response to the flooding challenge and the following are some of the immediate first steps to be taken:

- Emergency response teams have been mobilized to affected schools to assess the
  extent of damage and implement necessary measures to address any potential
  risks to the schools.
- Inspectors of the Authority have been charged to encourage school leadership to create alternative venues and temporary school environments in the case of areas affected by the flood from controlled spillage.
- Inspectors are also expected to offer the necessary guidance and counselling to learners and teachers living along the Lower Volta River and its environs.
- Measures are being put in place to engage private school association heads in the affected areas.

The Authority will continue to monitor the situation and capture it as such in its reports to the Ministry of Education and other education stakeholders.

The National Schools Inspectorate Authority (NaSIA) formerly the National Inspectorate Board (NIB) is an autonomous agency under the Ministry of Education (MoE) established by the Education Act, (2008) Act 778 as amended by the Education Regulatory Bodies Act 2020, (Act 1023).

The Act 1023 mandates the Authority to "develop, publish, promote, and enforce highest quality standards and guidelines for quality education in public and private pre-tertiary education institutions" in Ghana. The Authority is also responsible for regulating all of Ghana's public and private pre-tertiary schools.

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