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#### **ACRONYMS**

CCM Centre for Coastal Management

CEWEFIA Central and Western Region Fishmongers Improvement Association

CRC Coastal Resource Center

CSLP Coastal Sustainable Landscape Project
DAA Development Action Association

DFAS Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Science DMFS Department of Marine Fisheries Sciences

DQF Daasgift Quality Foundation

FtF Feed the Future

GIFA Ghana Inshore Fishermen's Association

GIS Geographic Information System

GNCFC Ghana National Canoe Fishermen's Council

HM Hen Mpoano

ICFG Integrated Coastal and Fisheries Governance
MESTI Ministry of Environment Science and Technology
MOFAD Ministry of Fisheries and Aquaculture Development

NDPC National Development Planning Commission

NGOs Non-Governmental Organizations

SFMP Sustainable Fisheries Management Project

SMEs Small and Medium Enterprises

SNV Netherlands Development Organization

SSG SSG Advisors

STWG Scientific and Technical Working Group

UCC University of Cape Coast URI University of Rhode Island

USAID United States Agency for International Development
WARFP West Africa Regional Fisheries Development Program

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#### **SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION**

The DAA Fisheries Training Center has a vision to smoke and sell hygienically produced fish on the Ghanaian market. To determine its consumers and what market to serve, a market surveillance was undertaking to determine if there is space for a premium smoked fish on the market.

#### **SECTION 2: LOCATIONS VISITED AND OUTCOMES**

#### 2.1 Ohayo Ghana - Accra

On the 1st of November 2016, the surveillance team embarked on a visit to Ohayo Ghana.

Ohayo Ghana is a Japanese company that trades in simple agricultural technologies such as fish processing fish and packaging equipment.

The purpose of the visit was to observe some of the best fish processing and packaging technologies available to inform the planning at the DFTC.

The Executive Director of OHAYO promised to provide technical support to the DFTC.

#### 2.2 West Halls Mall - Accra

The team also visited the ShopRite at the West Hill Mall on the 8th of November, 2016. The procurement manager at Shoprite said that the shop can only stock food items that have been certified by the Food and Drugs Authority (FDA). He therefore advised the team to contact the FDA for support with the certification.

#### 2.3 Shop and Save Mall

On the 9th November 2016, the team visited the Shop and Save Mall off the Spintex road. The officer in charge said that the next batch of products to be stocked by the shop, will be delivered in February 2017. He therefore asked the team to bring sample of the products from the DFTC for their management to peruse.

#### 2.4 The Light Academy

The team also visited the Light Academy on 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2016. The proprietress of the school expressed interest in procuring smoked tuna for the school and asked the team to provide her with a price list of the products on offer by the DFTC.

#### 2.5 Tot to Teen School

On 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016, Tot to Teen School was visited but the school authority stated that the school already had suppliers but will call on the DFTC as and when needed.

#### 2.6 De Youngster's International School

The team visited the De Youngster's International School at Madina, Accra on the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016 but the school authorities said they already had a fish supplier.

#### 2.7 Atlantic Lobsters & Dolphin Limited

The team visited the Atlantic Lobster & Dolphin Limited on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The person in charge happy to hear the DFTC wanted to sell hygienically produced fish and requested for a price list with details of fish species that the center can supply.

#### **SECTION 3: FINDINGS**

- All of the market places visited expressed interest in the products.
- Retailers want to stock hygienically processed fish.
- All the market places visited will accept the product (packaged fish) if the DFTC could obtain the FDA certification.

#### **SECTION 4: RECOMMENDATIONS**

The DFTC can access better markets if subjects itself to all the food certification protocols of the FDA.