

Project Update: January 2008

All the project equipment and items were procured.

We continue with sensitization and advocacy programs on the conservation of the marine turtles. Issues on integrated coastal zone management were highlighted to the local community members and the fishermen in all the beneficiary communities.

To facilitate the education programs posters, prohibitive sign posts were developed to help educate the general public on the protection of the marine turtles. T-Shirts were printed and distributed to the community turtle protected volunteers as form of motivation and also to facilitate dissemination of information on the significance of turtle conservation to the general public.

Refresher training was organized for the community turtle protection volunteers and their capacities developed on identification and monitoring of marine turtles. The training also empowered the volunteers to be able to educate their local communities' members and the fishermen on the socio-economic and ecological significance of the marine turtles and the need to protect them to sustain their fisheries productivity. In all thirty five community turtle volunteers were trained on wildlife laws and identification and monitoring of the marine turtles from the six project communities. All the necessary tools and logistics that will enhance their effective delivery of volunteer work were issued to them.

Project Area Beaches



Left to right: Nyanyano, Winneba and Typical turtle nesting site at Mankoadze.



Left: Prohibitive information posts developed. Right: A volunteer actively pasting posters at Fetteh.

Project Equipment for the Community Volunteers



Volunteers receiving equipment at Mankoadze. © George Yamoah & Kwame Owusu