

# The Annual Public Debt Report for the 2020 Financial Year

Submitted to Parliament

on

Monday, 29th March, 2021

by

Osei Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu, MP Minister Responsible for Finance

In Fulfilment of the Requirements of Section 72 of the Public Financial Management Act, 2016 (Act 921)









# Annual Public Debt Report for the 2020 Financial Year









### **Acronyms and Abbreviations**

ABED - Arab Bank for Economic Development

ABN AMRO - ABN Amro Bank N.V.

ABG - Access Bank (Ghana) Plc

ADF - African Development Fund

AfDB - African Development Bank

APEX - ARB Apex Bank Limited

AMCs - Asset Management Companies

AMI - Asset Management Industry

ATM - Average Time to Maturity

ATR - Average Time to Re-fixing

BAAG - Bank Austria AG
BADB - Banco do Brasil
BANS - Banco Santander
BBNV - Belfius Bank NV/SA
BBP - Barclays Bank UK Plc
BELG - Government of Belgium

BHI - Bank Hapoalim

BMS - Bond Market Specialists

BNDS - Banco Nacionale de Desenvolvimento Economico E Sociale

BNP - Banque Nationale de Paris

BoG - Bank of Ghana

BoP - Balance of Payments

BOST - Bulk Oil Storage and Transportation Company Ltd

BMH - Mees Pierson NV CALB - CAL Bank Limited

CBG - Consolidated Bank Ghana Limited

CCAB - Credit Agricole

CCRB - Cooeratieve Central Raifffeisen-Bank
CDB - China Development Bank Corporation

CITI - Citi Group CMBK - Commerzbank

COVID-19 - Coronavirus Disease of 2019

CNY - Chinese Yuan

CPI - Consumer Price Index
CRAs - Credit Risk Assessments

CSOB - Ceskoslovenska Obchodni Banka A.S

CWE - China International Water & Electric Corporation

DBF - Deutsche Bank, Frankfurt
DBI - Deutsche Bank, Italy
DBL - Deutsche Bank, London
DBNY - Deutsche Bank, New York



DBSA - Deutsche Bank S.A. (Brazil)
DESA - Deutsche Bank New York
DMBs - Deposit Money Banks

DNSK - Danske Bank

EBG - Ecobank Ghana Limited

EBID - ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development

ECBT - Export Credit Bank of Turkey ECF - Extended Credit Facility

ECG - Electricity Company of Ghana

ECGD - Export Credit Guarantee Department

ECOWAS - Economic Community of West African States

EDRL - Energy Debt Recovery Levy

EDI - Euroget de Invest S.A.

EIB - European Investment Bank

ESLA - Energy Sector Levies Act

EUR - Euro

EXIC - Export-Import Bank of China
EXIM - Export-Import Bank of India
EXUS - Export-Import Bank of U.S.A.

FBL - Fidelity Bank Limited

FRG - Government of the Federal Republic of Germany

FRNG - Government of France

FX - Foreign Currency

GACL - Ghana Airports Company Limited

GBP - Great British Pound GCB - GCB Bank Limited

GCAA - Ghana Civil Aviation Authority

GCTU - Ghana Communication Technology University

GDP - Gross Domestic Product
GFIM - Ghana Fixed Income Market

GH¢ - Ghana Cedi

GIR - Gross International Reserve

GIMPA - Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration

GoG - Government of Ghana

GMRA - Global Master Repurchase Agreement GPHA - Ghana Ports and Harbours Authority

GPRC - Government of the People's Republic of China

GRIDCo - Ghana Grid Company Limited

GRK - Government of the Republic of Korea

GSS - Ghana Statistical Service

GTB - Guaranty Trust Bank (Ghana) Limited

HSBC - HSBC Bank Plc

ICBC - Industrial & Commercial Bank of China



ICM - International Capital Market

ICT - Information and Communication Technology

IDA - International Development Association

IDR - Issuer Default Rating

IFAD - International Fund for Agric. Development

IMF - International Monetary Fund

INDG - Government of India

ING - Internationale Nederlanden GroepIPPs - Independent Power Producers

ITG - Government of ItalyJPY - Japanese Yen

KBCB - KBC Bank n.v

KFWB - KFW IPEX-Bank GmBH

KFED - Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development

KRW - Korean Won KWD - Kuwait Dinar

MFIs - Microfinance Institutions

MoF - Ministry of Finance

MMTL - Metro Mass Transit Limited

MPR - Monetary Policy Rate

MTDS - Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy

NDF - Net Domestic Financing
 NDF<sup>2</sup> - Nordic Development Fund
 NIP - National Identification Project
 NORB - Nordbanken International Division

NPC - Non-Paris Club NTC - Nigeria Trust Fund

o/w - of which

OFID - OPEC Fund for International Development

PCOE - Poly Changda Overseas Engineering Company Limited

PDs - Primary Dealers

PFM - Public Financial Management
PPAs - Power Purchase Agreements
PPPs - Public Private Partnerships

RCF - Rapid Credit Facility

RZB - Raiffeisen ZentralBank Osterreich AG (RaboBank)

S&Ls - Savings and Loans S&P - Standard & Poor's

SAR - Saudi Riyal

SARG - Government of Saudi Arabia
SBG - Stanbic Bank Ghana Limited
SCB - Standard Chartered Bank

SEC - Securities and Exchange Commission



SGB - Societe General Ghana Limited

SOE - State-Owned Enterprise

SOGE - Societe Generale
SPAG - Government of Spain
SPV - Special Purpose Vehicle
SSA - Sub-Saharan Africa

SSNIT - Social Security and National Insurance Trust

STC - State Transport Company

T-Bill - Treasury Bill
UK - United Kingdom
UKEF - UK Export Finance

UNCR - Unicredit Bank of Austria
USD - United States Dollar
VRA - Volta River Authority
WEO - World Economic Outlook



## **Table of Contents**

| Acronyms and Abbreviations                                  | iii  |
|---|------|
| Table of Contents   | vii  |
| List of Tables  | viii |
| List of Figures   | ix   |
| List of Boxes   | X    |
| List of Appendices  | xi   |
| Foreword  | xii  |
| Executive Summary   | xiv  |
| Section One: Introduction                                   | 1    |
| Section Two: Macroeconomic Developments for 2020            | 2    |
| Section Three: 2020 Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy    | 7    |
| Section Four: Government Borrowing and Financing Operations | 10   |
| Section Five: Gross Public Debt                             |      |
| Public Debt Dynamics  |      |
| External Debt Stock   | 15   |
| Domestic Debt Stock   | 23   |
| Section Six: Liability Management Operations                | 33   |
| Section Seven: Contingent Liabilities                       | 34   |
| On-Lent Loan Portfolio and Recoveries                       | 34   |
| Loan Guarantees   | 34   |
| Energy Sector Debt  | 37   |
| Section Eight: Other Finance Arrangements                   | 38   |
| Section Nine: 2021-2024 MTDS                                | 40   |
| Section Ten: Public Debt Management Reforms and Initiatives | 41   |
| Section Eleven: Conclusion                                  | 43   |
| Glossary  | 45   |
| Appendices  | 49   |



## **List of Tables**

| Table 2.1: Recent Macroeconomic Performance, 2016 – 2020                           | 3  |
|--|----|
| Table 2.2: Balance of Payments, 2019 & 2020  |    |
| Table 3.1: Cost and Risk Indicators of Existing Debt Portfolio, 2019 & 2020        | c  |
| Table 3.1: Cost and Nisk indicators of Existing Debt Fortiono, 2019 & 2020         | ٠٥ |
| Table 3.2. Feriornance indicators of MTD3, 2019 & 2020                             |    |
| Table 4.1: Summary of Government Financing Operations, 2019 & 2020                 | 10 |
| Table 4.2: Gross Domestic Issuance (Marketable & Non-Marketable), 2019 & 2020      | 11 |
| Table 5.1: Gross Nominal Public Debt, 2016 – 2020                                  | 12 |
| Table 5.2: Annual Public Debt Ratios, 2016 – 2020                                  |    |
| Table 5.3: Currency Composition of External Debt Stock, 2019 & 2020                |    |
| Table 5.4: External Debt Stock by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020                   |    |
| Table 5.5: Summary of 6-Year, 14-Year and 41-Year Eurobond Issuances in 2020       |    |
| Table 5.6: Summary of Ghana's Outstanding Eurobond Issuances, end 2020             |    |
| Table 5.7: External Loan Disbursements by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020           |    |
| Table 5.8: External Debt Service by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020                 |    |
| Table 5.9: Credit Rating   |    |
| Table 5.10: Holders of Domestic Debt (excl. Standard Loans), 2019 & 2020           |    |
| Table 5.11: Settlement of Repo Transactions, 2019 & 2020                           |    |
| Table 5.12: Settlement Value of Secondary Market Trading, 2019 & 2020              |    |
| Table 5.13: Holders of Outstanding Domestic US Dollar Bond, 2019 & 2020            |    |
| Table 5.14: Settlement of Secondary Market Trading in Ghana's Domestic Dollar Bond |    |
| Table 5.15: Performance of Primary Dealers in Government Securities Market in 2020 |    |
|  |    |
| Table 7.1: Recoveries on On-Lent Facilities, end 2020                              |    |
| Table 7.2: List of Outstanding Guarantees, end 2020                                |    |
| Table 7.3: List of Government Support to Various Institutions in 2020              |    |
| Table 7.4: Government Bailout Support to Various Institutions in 2020              | 36 |
| Table 8.1: E.S.L.A. Plc Outstanding Bonds, end 2020                                | 38 |
| Table 8.2: E.S.L.A. Plc EDRL Receipts in 2020                                      |    |
| Table 8.3: E.S.L.A. Plc Coupon Payments in 2020                                    |    |
| Table 8.4: E.S.L.A. Plc Novated SÓE Debt, 2019 & 2020                              |    |



## **List of Figures**

| Figure 2.1: Inflation, MPR, Interbank Weighted Avg. & 91-Day T-Bill Rates, 2016 - | - 20204 |
|---|---------|
| Figure 2.2: Fiscal and Primary Balances, 2016 – 2020                              | 6       |
| Figure 4.1: Planned Versus Actual Issuance for 2020                               | 11      |
| Figure 5.1: Gross Public Debt Developments, 2016 – 2020                           | 13      |
| Figure 5.2: Gross Public Debt Developments, 2016 – 2020                           | 15      |
| Figure 5.3: External Debt Stock by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020                 | 17      |
| Figure 5.4: Interest Rate Structure of External Debt Stock, 2019 & 2020           | 17      |
| Figure 5.5: Evolution of Ghana's Eurobond Yields, 2016 – 2020                     | 20      |
| Figure 5.6: Loans Signed, 2019 & 2020   | 22      |
| Figure 5.7: Evolution of Ghana's Sovereign Ratings, 2003 – 2020                   | 23      |
| Figure 5.8: Domestic Debt by Category, 2016 – 2020                                | 25      |
| Figure 5.9: Domestic Debt by Tenor (Marketable Instruments), 2019 & 2020          | 26      |
| Figure 5.10: Domestic Yield Curve (at Constant Maturity), 2019 & 2020             | 27      |
| Figure 5.11: Trade Volumes Against Outstanding Securities, 2016 – 2020            | 29      |
| Figure 5.12: Secondary Market Yield Curve, 2019 & 2020                            | 30      |



## **List of Boxes**

| Box 1: Ghana's 2020 Eurobond Issuance         | 19   |
|---|------|
| Box 2: List of Primary Dealers in Ghana in 20 | 2031 |



## **List of Appendices**

| Appendix 1A: Gross Public Debt (in millions of GH¢), 2016 – 2020  | 49 |
|---|----|
| Appendix 1B: Gross Public Debt (in millions of US\$), 2016 – 2020 | 50 |
| Appendix 2: Debt-to-GDP Ratios, 2016 – 2020                       | 51 |
| Appendix 3: List of Outstanding External Loans as at end 2020     | 52 |
| Appendix 4: List of Loans Signed in 2020                          | 60 |



#### **Foreword**

The main objective of the Government of Ghana (GoG), following Ghana's successful completion from the Extended Credit Facility (ECF) programme of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in April 2019, is to, among other things, maintain fiscal discipline and debt sustainability without compromising on economic growth.

This objective led to the introduction of a number of measures including the strict enforcement of the Public Financial Management (PFM) Act, 2016 (Act 921), to promote transparent and credible management of public finances and the enactment of the Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2018 (Act 982) to cap the annual fiscal deficit at 5.0 percent of Gross Domestic Product (GDP), while also posting a positive primary balance to ensure fiscal prudence and debt sustainability.

The year 2020 began on a promising note, and the country was well-primed to achieve its objectives, albeit being an election year. The macroeconomic environment was favourable and exhibited a strong sense of resilience to propel economic growth, as evidenced by the performance of key macroeconomic indicators in 2019. In addition, Government had successfully executed a landmark US\$3,000.0 million Eurobond issuance to finance the budget in a timely manner.

The bright prospect was, however, suddenly besmirched as news of the novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) broke, with Ghana recording its first case in March 2020. The year will forever be remembered as one that shocked the whole world, bringing the global health and financial systems almost to a standstill. What started as a health pandemic later became a permanent development and economic crisis plunging the world economy into recession.

The rippling effect was evident in the distorted annual plans and daily operations of Governments, businesses, and individuals. Governments around the world responded by initiating fiscal measures to mitigate the adverse effects of the pandemic. Many suspended existing legislations and fiscal rules, as all efforts were geared towards saving lives and protecting the livelihoods of citizens. While advanced economies were able to raise enough domestic financing to fight the pandemic, most emerging and developing countries, including Ghana, could not do same. They instead had to rely on development partners for additional and complementary support. Many countries, including Ghana, also had their sovereign ratings downgraded by rating agencies amid the crisis.

In March 2020, African Finance Ministers made a clarion call on bilateral, multilateral, and private lenders to waive debt service payments for 2020 and the subsequent thirty-six (36) months. The IMF revamped terms of a debt service-cancelling facility that allowed twenty-eight (28) countries to forgo debt service payments for six (6) months, while the G20 group of countries agreed to freeze bilateral debt payments for up to seventy-six (76) developing countries until the end of 2020. The impact of the pandemic on the public debt management landscape was quite telling, as unplanned borrowings had to be carried out to help ameliorate the devastating effect of the pandemic on lives, livelihoods, and the economy at large.



Managers of the Ghanaian economy had the uphill task of raising additional financing to deal with containing the virus, especially since revenue targets had to be revised downwards while simultaneously adjusting expenditures upwards to accommodate the fiscal impact of the pandemic.

Despite the above challenges which sought to reverse the gains made on development and growth, Government implemented a number of measures to deal with the pandemic. The Bank of Ghana (BoG) also responded by ramping up investments, cutting policy rates, and reducing the reserve requirements for banks to have the needed liquidity to increase lending to the private sector.

I must emphasise that the measures implemented during the year have started yielding fruitful results, setting the stage for sustainable and inclusive economic recovery.

In fulfilment of Section 72 of the PFM Act, the 2020 Annual Public Debt Report has been prepared, based on the approved Debt Management Strategy, while also recounting all major debt management activities performed during the year and taking into account the debilitating effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on debt operations. A comprehensive analysis of the total public debt portfolio, including guarantees to State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs), is also provided to enhance transparency in Ghana's public debt management operations.

Right Honourable Speaker, I am, therefore, pleased to table the 2020 Annual Public Debt Report before Parliament for the consideration of Honourable Members.

God bless!!!

Osei Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu, MP Minister Responsible for Finance



## **Executive Summary**

The 2020 Annual Public Debt Report is the fifth edition since the passage of the PFM Act in 2016. The report provides a detailed account of Government borrowings and debt management activities carried out during the 2020 financial year.

The global economy, over the years, has suffered some negative shocks which were deemed unprecedented at the time of their occurrence. The most dominant of these shocks included: the ever-common occurrence of increasing global crude oil prices; rising US Federal Reserve policy rates and quantitative easing; geopolitical conflicts; and, quite recently, international trade tensions.

While these shocks have adversely affected economies globally, the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 has posed a more devastating impact on the world's economies, in a manner that exceeds any other crisis. The long-term effects of the pandemic are, however, yet to be determined.

Governments across the world, including Ghana, initiated fiscal and social measures to mitigate the effects of the pandemic.

Among the measures implemented by the GoG were the closure of the country's borders, enforcement of social distancing protocols, and the imposition of partial lockdowns in some parts of the country. These measures proved to be effective in reducing the rate of virus infections, but this success also proved to be costly. As a result, Government's fiscal operations were affected due to the slowdown in economic activities, leading to significant revisions in the 2020 revenue targets, while expenditures increased and overrun the targets by wide margins. Debt financing of expenditures, therefore, increased in 2020, with a consequent increase in the fiscal deficit way above the original Budget target, but only marginally exceeding the Mid-Year revised target.

Following from these developments, Government suspended the implementation of the Fiscal Responsibility Act to accommodate the additional expenditures occasioned by the pandemic. The debt limit for contracting non-concessional external financing was also increased from US\$750.0 million to US\$1,000.0 million to cater for the construction and refurbishment of hospitals and other health infrastructure.

Endogenous shocks, mainly from the crystallisation of energy sector-related contingent liabilities and the costs of the financial sector bailout, exerted additional constraints on the finances of Government. The triple shocks (COVID-19 pandemic, energy sector, and financial sector bailout costs) threatened to wipe-out the economic and fiscal consolidation gains made over the last three (3) years.

To support the implementation of the 2020 Budget, Government successfully issued a US\$3,000.0 million Eurobond in the first quarter of 2020, notwithstanding the negative market conditions due to the pandemic. Government also secured financing from the World



Bank and the IMF's Rapid Credit Facility (RCF) to support efforts to mitigate the effects of the pandemic.

On the domestic front, Government issued more medium-to-long-term bonds (of 2-year, 3-year, 5-year, 6-year, 7-year, 10-year, 15-year, and 20-year maturities) to lengthen the maturity profile of the domestic debt. Tap-ins were also done on the medium-term instruments to raise the required financing, while the domestic US Dollar bond was rolled over. Additional domestic financing was obtained under the Asset Purchase Programme of the BoG.

The public debt portfolio was affected by contingent liability costs in the financial sector and energy sector costs, as well as the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. These factors contributed to aggravating the debt situation, with the country recording a debt-to-GDP ratio of 76.1 percent in 2020 compared to 62.4 percent in 2019.

Notwithstanding these difficult developments, Government remains committed to pursuing prudent debt management strategies to ensure that the public debt remains within debt sustainability thresholds and the fiscal measures implemented during the year will set the stage for economic recovery and debt sustainability in 2021 and the medium-term.



#### **Section One: Introduction**

- 1. The 2020 Annual Public Debt Report, the fifth in the series following the passage of the PFM Act, provides a detailed account of GoG's borrowing and debt management activities for the financial year ending 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2020. It reports on actual borrowing and use of funds, compared to those envisaged in the debt management strategy for 2020-2023. It discusses the composition of the public debt, changes in the portfolio, strategic policy initiatives, and performance outcomes.
- 2. The public debt management programme for the 2020 financial year was successfully executed, despite the debilitating economic and social impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 3. The global impact of the pandemic saw the erosion of hard-won developmental achievements in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA) and being replaced with an urgent need to save lives and livelihoods. During these challenging times, Ghana became the first country in Africa to issue a 41-year bond of US\$3,000.0 million and a second tri-tranche bond in the history of the country on the International Capital Market (ICM).
- 4. Government took proactive and strategic measures to control the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. These included the imposition of a partial lock down, creation of isolation centres, and other health preparedness programmes. The social and economic costs of these measures had negative impact on various sectors of the economy.
- 5. The adverse effects of the pandemic, therefore, changed the financing conditions in the country, as gross financing requirements increased significantly. This necessitated financing from the BoG's Asset Purchase Programme and funding from the World Bank. In addition, Ghana secured a US\$1,000.0 million loan from the IMF under the Fund's RCF.
- 6. The impact of the pandemic, coupled with the crystallisation of some energy sector "take or pay" contracts and the financial sector bailout, aggravated the debt situation. This led to an increase in the debt-to-GDP ratio from 62.4 percent in 2019 to a provisional figure of 76.1 percent in 2020, exceeding the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) threshold of 70.0 percent.



## **Section Two: Macroeconomic Developments for 2020**

#### **Global Economic Developments**

- 7. The January 2021 World Economic Outlook (WEO) by the IMF estimated a global output contraction of 3.5 percent for 2020, representing a marginal improvement of 0.9 percentage point from an earlier forecast of a 4.4 percent contraction. Global output projections experienced a dramatic contraction in the first half of 2020, mainly due to the economic shock of the global pandemic which severely impacted many world economies through increasing health risks, external trade disruptions, decline in commodity prices, and tightening of global financial markets.
- 8. Economic contraction in SSA was projected at 2.6 percent in 2020. However, the region's economy is expected to rebound with a 3.2 percent growth in 2021. Strong policy support, easing of restrictions, as well as production of vaccines are collectively expected to reduce uncertainties in the global market, and ease financing conditions globally to propel the growth momentum within SSA. However, countries with inherent structural vulnerabilities are likely to continue to experience tough external financing conditions and pressures.
- 9. Broadly, the global banking sector experienced tightening financial conditions due to the uncertainties in the global market on account of the pandemic.

#### **Domestic Economic Developments**

- 10. On the domestic front, the Ghanaian economy was on the path of consolidating recent gains for growth and jobs when the COVID-19 outbreak hit the country in early 2020. Government responded swiftly and decisively by taking measures to restrict the movement of people, leading to significant job losses and reduced incomes. This contributed to a reduction in domestic demand for goods and services, low productivity, high recurrent expenditure, and low revenue outturn, thus necessitating a drastic downward revision of the growth target for the year from 6.8 percent to 0.9 percent. The year under review further witnessed:
  - a very low but positive economic growth;
  - a primary deficit for the first time in four (4) years;
  - an increase in the headline inflation rate from 7.9 percent at the end of December 2019 to 10.4 percent at the end of December 2020; and
  - significant improvements in the balance of payments (BoP) position (recorded a trade surplus).



Table 2.1: Recent Macroeconomic Performance, 2016 – 2020

| Description   | 2016        | 2017  | 2018      | 2019       | 2020<br>Target | 2020<br>Prov. |
|---|-------------|-------|-----------|------------|----------------|---------------|
|   | Real Sector |       |           |            |                |               |
| Nominal GDP (GH¢'bn)                                  | 215.1       | 256.7 | 300.6     | 349.5      | 385.4          | 383.3**       |
| Real GDP Growth (%)                                   | 3.4         | 8.1   | 6.3       | 6.5        | 0.9            | 0.2*          |
| Non-oil GDP (GH¢'bn)                                  | 214.0       | 248.2 | 290.0     | 332.2      | 376.3          | 371.8**       |
| Non-oil GDP Growth (%)                                | 4.6         | 4.6   | 6.5       | 5.9        | 1.6            | 0.4*          |
|   |             | F     | iscal and | Debt Sect  | ors            |               |
| Fiscal Balance on Cash Basis (% of GDP)               | (6.5)       | (4.8) | (3.9)     | (4.8)      | (11.4)         | (11.7)        |
| Primary Balance (% of GDP)                            | (1.1)       | 0.5   | 1.4       | 0.8        | (4.6)          | (5.3)         |
|   |             |       | 57.6      | 62.4       |                | 76.1          |
| Gross Public Debt (% of GDP)                          | 56.8        | 55.5  | 54.4***   | 57.4***    | N/A            | 69.7***       |
| Interest Rate (91-Day T-Bill) (%)                     | 16.8        | 13.3  | 14.6      | 14.7       | N/A            | 14.1          |
|   |             | Mone  | etary and | External S | Sectors        |               |
| Year-on-Year CPI Inflation (%)                        | 15.4        | 11.8  | 9.4       | 7.9        | 11.0           | 10.4          |
| BoG Monetary Policy Rate (%)                          | 25.5        | 20.0  | 17.0      | 16.0       | N/A            | 14.5          |
| Broad Money (M2+) (%)                                 | 22.0        | 16.7  | 15.4      | 21.7       | N/A            | 29.6          |
| Current Account Balance (% of GDP)                    | (6.6)       | (3.4) | (3.2)     | (2.8)      | N/A            | (3.0)         |
| Gross International Reserves (US\$'bn)                | 6.2         | 7.6   | 7.0       | 8.4        | N/A            | 8.6           |
| Gross International Reserves (months of import cover) | 3.5         | 4.3   | 3.7       | 4.0        | 4.0            | 4.1           |
| Exchange Rate Depreciation (GH¢/US\$)                 | (9.7)       | (4.9) | (8.4)     | (12.9)     | N/A            | (3.9)         |

Source: Ministry of Finance, Bank of Ghana, and Ghana Statistical Service

#### **Real Sector Performance**

11. Provisional estimates released by the Ghana Statistical Service (GSS) in September 2020 showed that overall real GDP growth for the first-three quarters of 2020 averaged 0.2 percent, compared to the annual target of 0.9 percent and the 6.0 percent growth recorded for the first three quarters in 2019. Non-oil GDP growth for the first-three quarters of 2020 averaged 0.4 percent, compared to the annual target of 1.6 percent and 5.9 percent growth for the same period in 2019. Annual overall GDP growth for 2020 is estimated at 0.9 percent in line with the projection at mid-year. The provisional outturn for the non-oil counterpart is estimated at 1.6 percent, also in line with the mid-year projection (Table 2.1).

#### Inflation

- 12. After holding steady at 7.8 percent from January to March 2020, year-on-year Consumer Price Index (CPI) inflation increased to 10.6 percent in April and remained elevated before peaking at 11.4 percent in July in response to food price increases driven by panic buying before and during the partial lock down. However, following the gradual lifting of COVID-19 restrictions which helped ease food price pressures, the rate of inflation slightly eased downwards and settled at 10.4 percent at end-December 2020.
- 13. The BoG's Monetary Policy Rate (MPR) was reduced from 16.0 percent at the end of December 2019 to 14.5 percent in March 2020, as part of the measures to mitigate the imminent risks posed by the COVID-19 pandemic on domestic economic activity. It was maintained at 14.5 percent throughout the year (Figure 2.1).



<sup>\*</sup>Provisional GSS data for 2020 Q1 to Q3

<sup>\*\*</sup>Projected end-year estimates

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Excludes financial sector bailout and energy sector bailout costs

Inflation 91-Day T-bill Interbank Wgt. Av. Rate -MPR 30.0 25.0 20.0 In Percent (%) 15.0 10.0 5.0 0.0 2017 2016 2018 2019 2020 Prov.

Figure 2.1: Inflation, MPR, Interbank Weighted Avg. & 91-Day T-Bill Rates, 2016 – 2020

Source: Ministry of Finance, Bank of Ghana and Ghana Statistical Service

14. Interest rates in the money market showed a general downward trend in 2020. Particularly, the rate on the 91-day Treasury Bill (T-Bill) declined to 14.08 percent in December 2020, from 14.69 percent in December 2019. The weighted average interbank rate declined to 13.56 percent from 15.20 percent, reflecting the reduction in the MPR in March 2020, improved liquidity conditions on the market and increased trading among banks. As a result, average lending rates of Deposit Money Banks (DMBs) also declined to 21.10 percent in December 2020, from 23.59 percent recorded in the corresponding period of 2019, consistent with developments in the interbank market. More details are outlined in Section 5 of this report.

#### **External Sector Performance**

15. Provisional data indicate that the trade balance for 2020 recorded a surplus of US\$2,015.4 million, a decline by 10.7 percent compared to a surplus of US\$2,256.8 million in 2019. The decline in the surplus was largely driven by a contraction of 7.8 percent in total export receipts, especially from crude oil exports, as well as a decline of 7.3 percent in import demand during the period on account of the effects of the pandemic. The total value of exports decreased from US\$15,667.5 million in 2019 to US\$14,452.8 million in 2020. Imports also declined from US\$13,410.7 million in 2019 to US\$12,437.4 million. The current



account balance for 2020 recorded a deficit of US\$2,014.0 million (3.0% of GDP), compared to a deficit of US\$1,864.0 million (2.8% of GDP) during the same period in 2019.

Table 2.2: Balance of Payments, 2019 & 2020

| Description                   | 2019*<br>(in million | 2020 Prov.<br>s of US\$) |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Current Account Balance       | (1,864.0)            | (2,014.0)                |
| Trade Balance                 | 2,256.8              | 2,015.4                  |
| Financial and Capital Account | 3,067.6              | 1,551.5                  |
| Net Errors and Omissions      | 137.3                | (170.0)                  |
| Overall Balance               | 1,340.9              | (632.5)                  |

Source: Bank of Ghana

\*Revised figures

Reduced inflows in the capital and financial account, among other

developments, resulted in an overall BoP deficit of US\$632.5 million in 2020 compared to a surplus of US\$1,341.0 million in 2019 (Table 2.2).

17. The country's Gross International Reserves (GIR) at the end of 2020 stood at US\$8,624.4 million from a stock position of US\$8,418.1 million at end of 2019. This was sufficient to provide for 4.1 months of imports cover at the end of December 2020, compared to 4.0 months of imports cover as at end-December 2019.

#### **Exchange Rate Developments**

18. The foreign exchange market was relatively stable, with the local currency performing better in 2020 compared to 2019. Pressures from corporate demand, energy-related forex demand, and pandemic-induced portfolio outflows were offset by improved forex inflows, mainly from the substantial reserve build-up in 2019, the Eurobond issuance, reduced demand for imports, and the IMF RCF. Cumulatively, the Ghana Cedi depreciated against the United States Dollar (USD), the Great British Pound (GBP), and the Euro (EUR) by 3.9 percent, 7.1 percent, and 12.1 percent, respectively. This compares with larger depreciation rates of 12.9 percent and 15.7 percent for the US Dollar and Pound Sterling, respectively, and 11.2 percent for the Euro, during the same period in 2019.

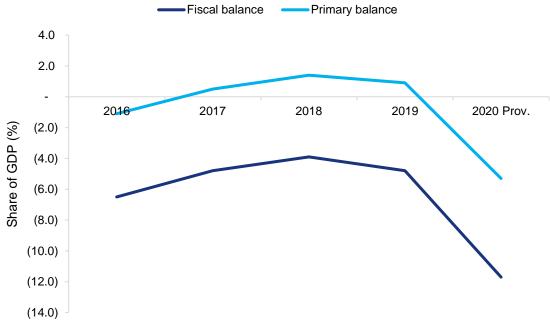
#### **Fiscal Performance**

- 19. The overall fiscal deficit target for 2020 was revised from GH¢18,880.9 (4.7 percent of GDP) to GH¢44,073.9 million (11.4 percent of GDP) to accommodate the negative impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Ghanaian economy. This resulted in a revision of the primary balance target from a surplus of GH¢2,810.6 million (0.7 percent of GDP) to a deficit of GH¢17,805.6 million (4.6 percent of GDP). Total revenues and grants were revised downwards by 20.0 percent from GH¢67,071.2 million to GH¢53,666.5 million. On the other hand, total expenditures (including arrears clearance) were revised upwards by 13.7 percent from GH¢85,952.1 million to GH¢97,740.4 million to reflect the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 20. The provisional outturn for revenue and grants of 14.4 percent of GDP at end-December 2020 exceeded the revised target of 13.9 percent of GDP, but lower than the 15.3 percent of GDP recorded in 2019. Total expenditures in 2020, including arrears clearance, was equivalent to 26.1 percent of GDP, compared to the revised target of 25.4 percent of GDP.



This resulted in an overall fiscal deficit of 11.7 percent of GDP, with a corresponding primary deficit of 5.3 percent of GDP.

Figure 2.2: Fiscal and Primary Balances, 2016 – 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance

21. Nominal public debt stock increased from GH¢218,228.9 million (US\$39,387.2 million) in 2019, representing 62.4 percent of GDP, to GH¢291,630.7 million (US\$50,832.4 million) in 2020, representing 76.1 percent of GDP. The increase resulted mainly from increased fiscal deficit and primary balance deficit, exchange rate depreciation, disbursement of existing loans, and contracting of new loans.



## Section Three: 2020 Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy

- 22. The 2020-2023 Medium-Term Debt Management Strategy (MTDS) was formulated in line with the 2020 Budget Statement and Economic Policy. The strategy was also based on analysis of alternative financing sources, debt composition and the cost-risk trade-offs with the view of identifying a robust debt management strategy consistent with preserving debt sustainability.
- Government debt management objectives adopted in the 2020-2023 MTDS were to support Government infrastructural projects and programmes and in fulfilment of Section 59 of the PFM Act.
- 24. The debt strategy focused on an appropriate financing mix with respect to external and domestic sources. On the external front, the strategy proposed issuances on the ICM and additional external borrowing for priority projects.
- 25. In addition to the programmed Net Domestic Financing (NDF), the strategy for domestic borrowing proposed the issuances of medium-to-long-term Government securities to create buffers for liability management operations. For cash and liquidity management purposes, the strategy envisioned issuances of short-term instruments. The strategy also planned the issuances of marketable and non-marketable debt against possible contingent liabilities arising from the financial and energy sectors restructuring activities in 2020.
- 26. Strategic risk benchmarks were set out in the 2020 MTDS for monitoring and mitigating risks embedded in the public debt portfolio.
- 27. In line with the strategy, Government issued a total of US\$3,000.0 million in February 2020 on the ICM in three (3) tranches of 6-year, 14-year, and 41-year Eurobonds amounting to US\$1,250.0 million, US\$1,000.0 million, and US\$750.0 million, which were priced at 6.375 percent, 7.875 percent, and 8.750 percent, respectively. An amount of US\$523.1 million of the proceeds was used to buyback part of the maturing 2023 Eurobond.
- 28. Implementation of Government's financing strategy in 2020 was affected by the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic due to declining revenues and rising expenditures to cater for COVID-related reliefs. To ensure that the strategy was in line with Government's debt management objectives of borrowing at minimum cost, subject to a prudent degree of risk, while promoting the development of the domestic market, Government revised the financing strategy for 2020. This was to ensure that, the COVID-19 pandemic notwithstanding, overall debt sustainability is achieved.
- 29. Following from the revised strategy, Government issued more medium-to-long-term bonds (of 2-year, 3-year, 5-year, 6-year, 7-year, 10-year, 15-year and 20-year maturities) to further



lengthen the maturity profile of the domestic debt portfolio. To meet the financing needs of Government, tap-ins were also done on the medium-term instruments.

- 30. An amount of GH¢7,240.6 million was utilised to support the financial sector bailout programme while an amount of GH¢6,833.9 million was used to restructure the energy sector debt. In addition, Government provided payroll expenditure support amounting to GH¢72.5 million for five (5) SOEs¹ whose operations were adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 31. The impact of the pandemic significantly increased gross financing requirements. Consequently, Government sought for and received both domestic and external support (BoG, IMF, World Bank, among others) to meet its obligations.
- 32. Contingent liabilities arising from the energy sector and COVID-19 pandemic-related expenditures affected the smooth implementation of the debt strategy. Medium and long-dated instruments were re-opened, which adversely affected certain strategic risk benchmarks set in the public debt portfolio, such as the Average Time to Maturity (ATM) for domestic debt which reduced to 4.8 years at end-December 2020 from 5.8 years at end-December 2019 (Table 3.1).

Table 3.1: Cost and Risk Indicators of Existing Debt Portfolio, 2019 & 2020

|                       |   | External Debt |               | Domestic Debt |               | Total Debt |               |
|-----------------------|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|---------------|
| Risk Indicator        | s                                       | 2019          | 2020<br>Prov. | 2019          | 2020<br>Prov. | 2019       | 2020<br>Prov. |
| Cost of Debt          | Weighted Av. IR (%)                     | 5.1           | 5.3           | 17.1          | 17.2          | 11.0       | 11.7          |
| Refinancing           | Average Time to Maturity (ATM) – Years  | 12.4          | 12.9          | 5.8           | 4.8           | 9.8        | 9.4           |
| Risk                  | Debt Maturing in 1 Year (% of Total)    | 4.7           | 3.1           | 31.7          | 28.8          | 15.3       | 14.3          |
| Internet Date         | Average Time to Re-fixing (ATR) – Years | 12.0          | 12.5          | 5.8           | 4.8           | 9.5        | 9.2           |
| Interest Rate<br>Risk | Debt Re-fixing in 1 Year (% of Total)   | 15.2          | 11.9          | 31.7          | 28.8          | 21.7       | 19.2          |
| RISK                  | Fixed Rate Debt (% of Total)            | 87.6          | 89.5          | 100.0         | 100.0         | 92.5       | 94.1          |
| EV Diak               | FX Debt (% of Total Debt)               |               |               |               |               | 50.6       | 46.5          |
| FX Risk               | ST FX Debt (% of Reserves)              |               |               |               |               | 17.3       | 13.4          |

Source: Ministry of Finance

33. The ATM for the external debt has been improving in recent years due to the country's longer-term issuances on the ICM. Ghana issued a 41-year Eurobond in 2020, which is the country's longest tenor issuance on the ICM. Domestic debt maturing in one year improved in 2020 as re-opens on existing instruments were done on the medium and longer end of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The SOEs involved are: Ghana Post Company Limited, PSC Tema Shipyard Limited, Intercity STC Coaches Limited, Metro Mass Transit Limited (MMTL), Ghana Airports Company Limited (GACL), Ghana Communication Technology University (GCTU), and Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA). However, GCTU and GIMPA showed low risk on credit exposure and so a "No objection" was granted for them to borrow on their own balance sheet.



the portfolio, as compared to 2019 where re-opens were done on existing instruments with maturities of less than 90 days.

- 34. As at end-December 2020, the domestic debt portfolio showed significant interest rate risks as the Average Time to Re-fixing (ATR) worsened to 4.8 years, from 5.8 years as at end-December 2019. However, domestic interest rates to be re-fixed in one year improved to 28.8 percent at end-December 2020 from 31.7 percent in 2019. This was due to a shift from reopening instruments with shorter remaining maturities to those above one year. Interest rate risk was moderate for external debt due to a greater proportion of external debt being held in fixed-rate loans or instruments with longer tenors, such as Eurobonds and concessional loans.
- 35. About 46.5 percent of the debt portfolio is exposed to exchange rate risk, as at end-December 2020, which is an improvement from the end-December 2019 figure of 50.6 percent. This is mainly due to increased issuances on the domestic debt markets. The main exposures of the debt portfolio are to the USD and EUR, which make up about 70.0 percent and 17.3 percent of the external debt stock, respectively.
- 36. As shown in the Table 3.2, the refinancing risks for the entire portfolio were within the targets set. Government's risk priority to lengthen the maturity profile was realised. In particular, the

target ATM was expected to be not less than 8 years. As at end of 2020, the ATM was 9.4 years mainly because one of the Eurobond tranches had the longest tenor issued by Ghana on the ICM.

Table 3.2: Performance Indicators of MTDS, 2019 & 2020

| Risk Indicators |   | 2019 | 2020<br>Target | 2020<br>Prov. |
|-----------------|---|------|----------------|---------------|
| Refinancing     | Debt Maturing in 1 Year (% of Total)          | 15.3 | 15 - 20        | 14.3          |
| Risk            | Average Time to Maturity (ATM) – Years        | 9.8  | ≥ 8            | 9.4           |
| Interest        | Debt Refixing in 1 Year (% of Total)          | 21.7 | ≤ 30           | 19.2          |
| Rate Risk       | Floating Rate Debt (% of Total External Debt) | 14.0 | 15 - 20        | 11.9          |
| FX Risk         | USD Debt (% of External Debt)                 | 70.8 | 60 ± 5         | 70.0          |
|                 |   |      |                |               |

Source: Ministry of Finance

37. The proportion of floating rate debt in the external debt portfolio was 11.9 percent against a target of 15-20 percent, while debt re-fixing in one year, which looks at variable rate debt in the portfolio (including short-term domestic debt), was 19.2 percent and within the target of less or equal to 30.0 percent.



## Section Four: Government Borrowing and Financing Operations

- 38. Government's total borrowing requirement to finance the projected 2020 deficit was estimated at GH¢44,073.9 million, of which GH¢32,127.0 million was to be financed from domestic sources and GH¢18,462.0 million from foreign sources (Table 4.1).
- 39. The actual net financing of GH¢44,897.9 million was slightly above the approved revised borrowing requirement by 1.9 percent. The composition of actual financing was, however, significantly different from the revised plan due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic and market conditions.
- 40. Compared to a target of GH¢18,462.0 million, the provisional outturn for net external financing was GH¢31.3 million which was substantially less than GH¢5,041.1 million recorded in 2019. The drop in the 2020 figure is largely on account of receipt of lower-than-expected programme loans and higher than anticipated debt repayment.
- 41. Domestically, the actual NDF was GH¢45,643.0 million, exceeding the revised target by 42.1 percent.

Table 4.1: Summary of Government Financing Operations, 2019 & 2020

| Description           | 2019     | 2020<br>Revised<br>Budget | 2020<br>Prov. | % Dev.<br>From<br>Budget |
|-----------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
|                       |          | (in millions              | of GH¢)       |                          |
| Financing             | 16,891.8 | 44,073.9                  | 44,897.9      | 1.9                      |
| Foreign (net)         | 5,041.1  | 18,462.0                  | 31.2          | (99.8)                   |
| Domestic (net)        | 13,087.2 | 32,127.0                  | 45,643.0      | 42.1                     |
| Other Financing       | (92.4)   | (10.3)                    | (103.9)       | 906.7                    |
| Ghana Petroleum Funds | (148.0)  | 990.8                     | 1,104.1       | 11.4                     |
| Sinking Fund          | (996.0)  | (6,291.9)                 | (572.9)       | (90.9)                   |
| Contingency Fund      | -        | (1,203.7)                 | (1,203.7)     | -                        |

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Gross Domestic Debt Issuance**

- 42. Gross issuances on the domestic market were largely undertaken to roll over maturities to finance the 2020 budget and build buffers for cash and liability management.
- 43. Actual gross domestic issuances (marketable and non-marketable) at face value as at end-December 2020 amounted to GH¢107,103.9 million. Of this amount, GH¢62,864.6 million was used to roll over maturing bills and the remaining GH¢44,239.3 million to finance Government operations (Table 4.2).
- 44. Financing of Government operations in 2020 was achieved through the issuance of short-term and medium-to-long-term debt instruments. In line with the debt management objective



of developing the domestic debt market, Government issued a range of instruments (securities).

- 45. Gross issuances of short-term domestic debt amounted to GH¢45,744.0 million representing 48.3 percent, while medium-to-long-term marketable issuances amounted to GH¢48,915.9 million representing 51.7 percent. Non-marketable instruments amounted to GH¢12,444.0 million representing 17.8 percent of the domestic portfolio at end-December 2020.
- 46. Government actual issuances in 2020 was in excess of the issuance calendar target by 27.2 percent as a larger part of the budget deficit was funded from domestic sources (Figure 4.1).
- 47. In net terms, short-term instruments amounted to GH¢520.1 million representing 1.2 percent of domestic issuances, while medium and long-term instruments amounted to GH¢26,917.5 million and GH¢16,801.7 million, representing 60.8 percent and 38.0 percent of the total domestic issuances, respectively. The significant reduction in the net-issuance of short-term debt instruments was in line with the approved debt strategy which sought to reduce the proportion of short-term debt by issuing more medium-to-long term debt instruments.
- 48. During the course of the year, Government experienced twenty-four (24) out of fifty-six (56)

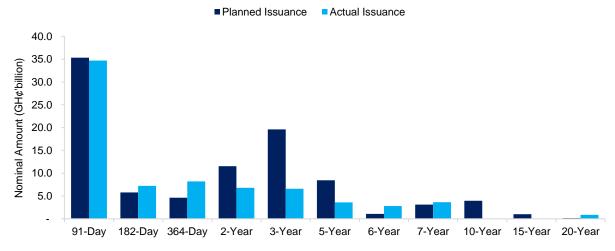
weeks of uncovered auctions. Government, therefore. had undertake tap-ins and swaps in short medium-term to instruments. particulary the 364-day T-Bills, 2-year, 3-year, 5-year, 6-year, 7-year, and 10year bonds, to build benchmark bonds and make up for the weekly uncovered auctions. Total uncovered auctions amounted to GH¢12,106.8 million.

Table 4.2: Gross Domestic Issuance (Marketable & Non-Marketable), 2019 & 2020

| Description             | 2019 2020<br>Prov. |            |
|-------------------------|--------------------|------------|
|                         | (in millioi        | ns of GH¢) |
| Gross Domestic Issuance | 65,494.4           | 107,103.9  |
| o/w Maturities          | 47,901.2           | 62,864.6   |
| o/w Net Issuance        | 17,593.2           | 44,239.3   |

Source: Ministry of Finance

Figure 4.1: Planned Versus Actual Issuance for 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance



#### **Section Five: Gross Public Debt**

- 49. The provisional nominal public debt stock as at end-December 2020 was GH¢291,630.7 million (US\$50,832.4 million) up from the 2019 stock level of GH¢218,228.9 million (US\$39,387.2 million) as indicated in Table 5.1. The nominal increase in the total public debt portfolio was on account of increases in both the external and domestic components of the debt stock.
- 50. The increase in the external debt stock by GH¢29,049.1 million (US\$4,366.4 million) from the 2019 stock of GH¢112,747.7 million was primarily due to additional disbursements of loans, the US\$3,000.0 million Eurobond issuance in February 2020, as well as exchange rate fluctuations during the year under review. The much higher rise of GH¢44,352.7 million (US\$7,078.8 million) in the domestic debt stock in 2020 was mainly due to net issuances of domestic instruments to pay down the cost incurred from the crystallisation of contingent liabilities in the energy sector and the financial sector bailout. Appendices 1A and 1B provide details on the total stock of debt.

Table 5.1: Gross Nominal Public Debt, 2016 - 2020

| Debt Type         | 2016      | 2017      | 2018           | 2019      | 2020<br>Prov. |
|-------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|---------------|
|                   |           | (in       | millions of GH | e)        |               |
| External Debt     | 68,762.1  | 75,777.6  | 86,202.5       | 112,747.7 | 141,796.8     |
| Domestic Debt     | 53,403.4  | 66,769.1  | 86,899.7       | 105,481.2 | 149,833.9     |
| Total Public Debt | 122,165.5 | 142,546.6 | 173,102.2      | 218,228.9 | 291,630.7     |
|                   |           | (in       | millions of US | \$)       |               |
| External Debt     | 16,437.7  | 17,158.2  | 17,875.4       | 20,349.4  | 24,715.8      |
| Domestic Debt     | 12,766.2  | 15,118.4  | 18,020.0       | 19,037.9  | 26,116.7      |
| Total Public Debt | 29,203.8  | 32,276.7  | 35,895.5       | 39,387.2  | 50,832.4      |

Source: Ministry of Finance

- 51. Measured as a percentage of GDP, total public debt increased from 62.4 percent in 2019 to 76.1 percent as at end-December 2020 (Table 5.2). A large part of the addition to the debt stock over the period spanning 2018 to 2020 resulted from financial and energy sector bailouts and disbursements related to COVID-19 expenditures. The costs incurred by Government to clean the impairments in the two (2) sectors resulted in the public debt increasing by 14.7 percentage points of GDP in the same period. In addition, the costs incurred to cover expenses related to COVID-19 resulted in the debt increasing by 4.6 percentage points of GDP in 2020.
- 52. Excluding the bailouts, the debt-to-GDP was within the Government target of 60.0 percent for the period 2018-2019. However, the 2020 figure of 69.7 percent, which excludes the cost of bailouts, exceeded the target.
- 53. The composition of the total debt stock as at end-December 2020, shows that domestic debt constitutes more than 50.0 percent of the debt portfolio. The share of external debt declined



from 51.7 percent in 2019 to 48.6 percent in 2020, whereas that of the domestic debt increased from 48.3 percent to 51.4 percent over the same period. This is because a large part of the budget financing for 2020 was from domestic sources.

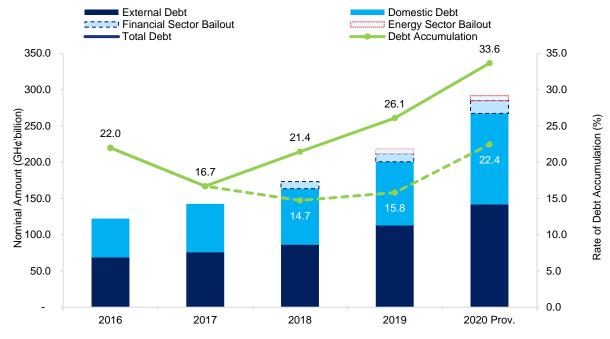
Table 5.2: Annual Public Debt Ratios, 2016 - 2020

| Debt Type                          | 2016            | 2017  | 2018  | 2019  | 2020<br>Prov. |  |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|---------------|--|
|                                    | (as % of GDP)   |       |       |       |               |  |
| External Debt                      | 32.0            | 29.5  | 28.7  | 32.3  | 37.0          |  |
| Domestic Debt                      | 24.8            | 26.0  | 28.9  | 30.2  | 39.1          |  |
| Total Public Debt                  | 56.8            | 55.5  | 57.6  | 62.4  | 76.1          |  |
| Total Public Debt (Excl. Financial |                 |       |       |       |               |  |
| & Energy Sector Costs)             | 56.8            | 55.5  | 54.4  | 57.4  | 69.7          |  |
|                                    | (as % of Total) |       |       |       |               |  |
| External Debt                      | 56.3            | 53.2  | 49.8  | 51.7  | 48.6          |  |
| Domestic Debt                      | 43.7            | 46.8  | 50.2  | 48.3  | 51.4          |  |
| Total Public Debt                  | 100.0           | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0         |  |

Source: Ministry of Finance

54. The decline in the share of external debt was largely due to increased funding from domestic sources.

Figure 5.1: Gross Public Debt Developments, 2016 – 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Public Debt Dynamics**

55. The main drivers of the nominal public debt are real GDP growth, price effects (interest rates and exchange rates), the primary balance, and the crystallisation of contingent liabilities.



- 56. Interest rates on the 91-day T-Bill had been stable for four (4) consecutive years and maintained stability in 2020, despite risks from the COVID-19 pandemic and election year cycle. GDP growth declined significantly to one of the lowest in Ghana's history. This was largely driven by a slowdown in economic activity in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, which had a negative effect on revenues and expenditures and resulted in a wider-than-planned financing requirement. As a result, total public debt as a percentage of GDP, including costs from the financial and energy sectors, rose to 76.1 percent, exceeding the ECOWAS threshold of 70.0 percent. Without these costs, however, the debt-to-GDP ratio was 69.7 percent.
- 57. Although exchange rates fluctuated during the year, the exchange rate depreciation exhibited one of the best runs in an election year and under an external economic crisis. Nonetheless, the depreciation of the exchange rate added 27.6 percent of the build-up of nominal external debt in 2020 compared to 55.1 percent in 2019. Other factors that added to the accumulation in the stock of nominal external debt include disbursements on existing external debt and Eurobond issuances on the ICM. Consequently, the external debt-to-GDP ratio increased from 32.3 percent in 2019 to 37.0 percent as at end-December 2020 (Figure 5.2).
- 58. The primary balance, which had been in a surplus for three (3) consecutive years since 2017, experienced a negative position in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic effect and this impacted on debt accumulation. The rate of public debt accumulation as at end-December 2020 was 33.6 percent from end-December 2019 rate of 26.1 percent (Figure 5.1).
- 59. Successful tap-ins in existing domestic securities and the crystallisation of contingent liabilities from the energy sector and financial sector bailouts also increased the debt stock. This adversely impacted on debt sustainability.
- 60. As at the end of the year, the debt-to-GDP ratio had increased significantly due to the impact of contingent liabilities that had accumulated since 2018, and the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. Specifically, off-balance sheet liabilities that were added to the debt stock on account of the financial sector clean-up costs and energy sector bailout costs made up about 4.6 percent and 1.8 percent of GDP, respectively. The costs relating to the COVID-19 pandemic accounted for 4.2 percent of GDP. These contributed to the rise in nominal public debt levels.
- 61. Fiscal costs, including those from the pandemic response and measures to support economic activities, as well as a more prolonged pandemic-related crisis, could have a tremendous impact on debt sustainability in the future.



External Debt/GDP Domestic Debt/GDP Domestic Debt/GDP (Without Bailout Costs) Public Debt/GDP 80.0 76.1 Public Debt/GDP (Without Bailout Costs) 70.0 62.4 69.7 57.6 56.8 60.0 55.5 Share of GDP (%) 57.4 50.0 54.4 39.1 40.0 37.0 32.3 32.0 29.5 28.7 30.0 30. 26.0 25.7 25.1 24.8 20.0 10.0 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 Prov. Source: Ministry of Finance

Figure 5.2: Gross Public Debt Developments, 2016 – 2020

#### **External Debt Stock**

62. Total external debt stock outstanding as at end-December 2020 was GH¢141,796.8 million (US\$24,715.8 million), reflecting an increase of 25.8 percent in Cedi terms and 21.5 percent in US Dollar terms over the figure of GH¢112,747.7 million (US\$20,349.4 million) recorded in 2019. The increase was largely due to the proceeds of US\$3,000.0 million in respect of the Eurobond issuance on the ICM, disbursements made by multilateral donors in response to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020 as well as cross exchange rate movements between the different currencies in the external loan portfolio.

#### **Currency Composition of External Debt**

- 63. Table 5.3 shows the currency composition of the external debt stock as at end-December 2020. The table shows that USD-denominated debt constituted 70.0 percent of the external
  - debt stock, with 17.3 percent being EUR. The Chinese Yuan (CNY), GBP and Japanese Yen (JPY) accounted for 3.8 percent, 2.2 percent, and 2.0 percent of the external debt stock, respectively. The other currencies, including the Kuwaiti Dinar (KWD), Korean Won (KRW) and Saudi Riyal (SAR) among others, accounted for the remaining 4.5 percent.
- 64. The USD portion of the external debt portfolio declined marginally by 0.7 percentage points to 70.0 percent as at end-December 2020,

Table 5.3: Currency Composition of External Debt Stock, 2019 & 2020

| Currency         | 2019         | 2020<br>Prov. |  |  |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|--|--|
|                  | (in percent) |               |  |  |
| USD              | 70.7         | 70.0          |  |  |
| Euro             | 16.6         | 17.3          |  |  |
| CNY              | 2.6          | 3.8           |  |  |
| GBP              | 1.9          | 2.2           |  |  |
| JPY              | 3.0          | 2.0           |  |  |
| Other currencies | 5.3          | 4.5           |  |  |

Source: Ministry of Finance



whereas the share of EUR rose marginally by 0.7 percentage points to 17.3 percent over the same period. The shares of CNY and GBP increased in 2020, whereas that of JPY declined.

#### **External Debt by Creditor Category**

- 65. The external debt comprises of multilateral, bilateral, commercial, export credits and other concessional debts.
- 66. Table 5.4 shows that the bulk of external debt stock of US\$12,630.5 million (51.1 percent) was owed to commercial creditors as at end-December 2020. The commercial stock comprises non-concessional loans obtained from commercial window and the holders of Ghana Eurobonds issued on the ICM. The share of commercial debt increased significantly from 48.5 percent in 2019 to 51.1 percent in 2020. Similarly, the proportionate share of the ICM in the commercial debt portfolio increased from 37.8 percent in 2019 to 41.3 percent in 2020 following the issuance of US\$3,000.0 million Eurobond in the same year.
- 67. A breakdown of the total external debt shows that multilateral debt, which is mainly contracted on concessional terms, amounted to US\$8,280.2 million or 33.5 percent of the total external stock as at end-December 2020. The stock of multilateral debt showed an

increase of 26.3 percent from the 2019 figure of US\$6,555.5 million. Out of this, International Development Association (IDA) is the largest multilateral creditor with 55.8 percent. The IMF and the African Development Bank Group (AfDB) hold 25.4 percent and 14.8 percent, respectively. The share of multilateral debt increased marginally from 32.2

Table 5.4: External Debt Stock by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020

| Description        | 2019     |       | 2020 Prov. |       |
|--------------------|----------|-------|------------|-------|
| Description        | US\$ mn  | %     | US\$ mn    | %     |
| Commercial         | 9,860.0  | 48.5  | 12,630.5   | 51.1  |
| o/w ICM            | 7,694.7  | 37.8  | 10,215.1   | 41.3  |
| Multilateral       | 6,555.5  | 32.2  | 8,280.2    | 33.5  |
| Bilateral          | 1,227.9  | 6.0   | 1,297.4    | 5.2   |
| Export Credits     | 1,049.0  | 5.2   | 966.1      | 3.9   |
| Other Concessional | 1,657.0  | 8.1   | 1,541.7    | 6.2   |
| Total              | 20,349.4 | 100.0 | 24,715.8   | 100.0 |

Source: Ministry of Finance

percent in 2019 to 33.5 percent in 2020 due to the inclusion of new loans contracted from the IMF under the RCF, IDA and AfDB in the external debt portfolio.

68. The stock of bilateral debt from both Paris and Non-Paris Club increased from US\$1,227.9 million in 2019 to US\$1,297.4 million in 2020. France, Germany, China and Korea remained Ghana's biggest bilateral creditors with 26.1 percent, 22.8 percent, 17.6 percent and 12.3 percent, respectively, as at end-December 2020. However, the proportionate share of bilateral debt declined from 6.0 percent in 2019 to 5.2 percent in 2020. Similarly, the proportionate shares of export credits and other concessional also saw a decline from 5.2 percent and 8.1 percent in 2019 to 3.9 percent and 6.2 percent in 2020, respectively. Figure 5.3 shows a breakdown of external debt stock by creditor category.



45.0 ■2019 ■2020 Prov. 40.0 35.0 Share of External Debt Stock (%) 30.0 25.0 20.0 15.0 10.0 5.0 0.0 ICM Multilateral Bilateral **Export Credits** Commercial **Export Credits** 

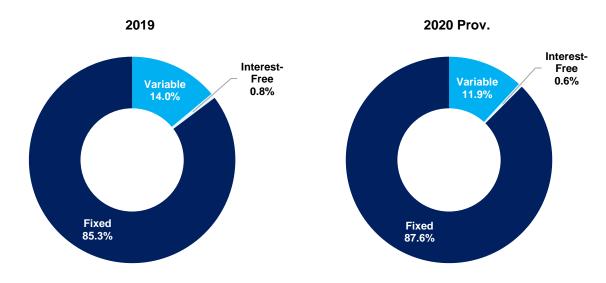
Figure 5.3: External Debt Stock by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Interest Rate Structure of External Debt**

69. The external debt portfolio is composed of fixed-rate, variable-rate and interest-free debt, which made up 87.6 percent, 11.9 percent and 0.6 percent of the external debt stock, respectively, in 2020. The share of fixed-rate debt rose by 2.3 percentage points to 87.6 percent from 85.3 percent recorded as at end-December 2019. This is attributed to the issuance of the Eurobond in 2020. Variable-rate debt, which is mainly from commercial creditors, as well as interest-free debt, which is made up of subsidised loans from a few bilateral creditors, both declined marginally as a share of the portfolio by 2.1 and 0.2 percentage points, respectively (Figure 5.4).

Figure 5.4: Interest Rate Structure of External Debt Stock, 2019 & 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance



#### **Ghana's Eurobond Issuances**

- 70. Over a decade after her debut on the ICM in 2007, Ghana issued her remarkable eighth Eurobond in February 2020 and raised an amount of US\$3,000.0 million in three (3) tranches of 6-year, 14-year, and 41-year Eurobonds of US\$1,250.0 million, US\$1,000.0 million, and US\$750.0 million, at coupon rates of 6.375 percent, 7.875 percent, and 8.750 percent, respectively (Table 5.5).
- 71. The 2020 Eurobond was a landmark achievement, as Ghana became the first country on the African continent to issue a 41-year bond, and issued a second tri-tranche bond in the history of the country. The transaction was phenomenal in many respects as the Eurobond came with the lowest ever coupon rate for Ghana, and was the first 41-year bond issued in Africa.

Table 5.5: Summary of 6-Year, 14-Year and 41-Year Eurobond Issuances in 2020

| Issuer                      | Republic of Ghana                               |                                 |                              |  |  |
|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|
| Issuer Rating               | B3 / B / B (Moody's / S&P / Fitch)              |                                 |                              |  |  |
| Status of Notes             | Senior Notes (Amortising)                       |                                 |                              |  |  |
| Issue Date                  | 11 <sup>th</sup> February, 2020                 |                                 |                              |  |  |
| Weighted Average Life (WAL) | 6-year 14-year                                  |                                 | 40-year                      |  |  |
| Issue Size                  | USD1.25bn USD1bn                                |                                 | USD750mn                     |  |  |
| Maturity Date               | 11 <sup>th</sup> February, 2027                 | 11 <sup>th</sup> February, 2035 | 11 <sup>th</sup> March, 2061 |  |  |
| Coupon                      | 6.375%  | 7.875%                          | 8.750%                       |  |  |
| Primary Listing             | The London Stock Exchange, Ghana Stock Exchange |                                 |                              |  |  |
| Use of Proceeds             | Liability managen debt & general budge          |                                 | of energy secto              |  |  |
| Governing Law               | English Law                                     |                                 |                              |  |  |
| Courses Ministry of Finance |   |                                 |                              |  |  |

Source: Ministry of Finance

- 72. As indicated in the 2020 Budget Statement and Economic Policy, the Eurobond proceeds were to finance growth-oriented expenditures in the 2020 budget (including restructuring of the energy sector) and conduct liability management operations.
- 73. An amount of US\$523.1 million of the proceeds realised was used to buy back part of the maturing 2023 Eurobond.
- 74. As at end-December 2020, the total outstanding balance of Eurobonds issued stood at US\$10,215.1 million (Table 5.6).



Table 5.6: Summary of Ghana's Outstanding Eurobond Issuances, end 2020

| Instruments | Issuance Date   | Maturity | Coupon<br>Rate<br>(%) | Amount<br>Issued<br>(US\$'m) | Outstanding<br>Amount<br>(US\$'m) |
|-------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 6-year      | February, 2020  | 2026     | 6.375                 | 1,250.0                      | 1,250.0                           |
| 14-year     | February, 2020  | 2034     | 7.785                 | 1,000.0                      | 1,000.0                           |
| 41-year     | February, 2020  | 2060     | 8.750                 | 750.0                        | 750.0                             |
| 7-year      | March, 2019     | 2027     | 7.875                 | 750.0                        | 750.0                             |
| 12-year     | March, 2019     | 2032     | 8.125                 | 1,250.0                      | 1,250.0                           |
| 31-year     | March, 2019     | 2051     | 8.950                 | 1,000.0                      | 1,000.0                           |
| 10-year     | May, 2018       | 2029     | 7.625                 | 1,000.0                      | 1,000.0                           |
| 30-year     | May, 2018       | 2049     | 8.627                 | 1,000.0                      | 1,000.0                           |
| 6-year      | September, 2016 | 2022     | 9.250                 | 750.0                        | 32.0                              |
| 15-year     | August, 2015    | 2030     | 10.750                | 1,000.0                      | 930.1                             |
| 10-year     | July, 2014      | 2026     | 8.125                 | 1,000.0                      | 1,000.0                           |
| 10-year     | August, 2013    | 2023     | 7.875                 | 1,000.0                      | 253.0                             |
| Total       |                 |          |                       | 11,750.0                     | 10,215.1                          |

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### Box 1: Ghana's 2020 Eurobond Issuance

Ghana became the first country in Africa to issue a 41-year (40-year WAL) bond and a second tri-tranche on the ICM in February 2020. This issue was Ghana's eighth appearance on the ICM since her debut in 2007. Ghana successfully raised a total of US\$3.0 billion in 6-year WAL (7-year final), 14-year WAL (15-year final) and 40-year WAL (41-year final) Eurobonds of US\$1.25 billion, US\$\$1.00 billion and US\$750.0 million, respectively. The three (3) tranches were issued at coupon rates of 6.375 percent, 7.875 percent and 8.750 percent for the short-dated, medium-dated and long-dated tranches, respectively.

The phenomenal transaction was a landmark achievement in many respects as the Eurobond came with the lowest ever coupon rate for Ghana, and was the longest tenor bond ever issued by an African issuer.

Despite initial concerns over the COVID-19 pandemic, and its potential adverse impact on market conditions for emerging markets' credits, the order book was five times over-subscribed. This translated into a peak order book of more than US\$15.0 billion.

The capital market reaffirmed its confidence in the Ghanaian economy, and it came just two (2) weeks after international ratings agency, Moody's, gave a resounding vote of confidence in the country's economy with a positive outlook. This successful outing followed a three-day roadshow in a series of fixed-income investor meetings in New York, Boston and London.

Distribution was well-diversified, with investor interest showing a heavy tilt from the US and the UK in the tri-tranche Eurobonds, and with fund managers representing the largest share in the asset class of investors.

The proceeds of the tri-tranche RegS/144A Eurobond offering was used for liability management operations, refinancing of energy sector debt and for budgetary purposes.

75. Developments in the yield curve for Ghana's outstanding Eurobonds in the secondary market from August 2016 to December 2020 are shown in Figure 5.5.



2022 FUROBOND 2023 EUROBOND 2026 EUROBOND 2026 EUROBOND 2 2027 EUROBOND 2032 EUROBOND 2035 EUROBOND 2049 EUROBOND 2051 EUROBOND 2061 EUROBOND 18 16 14 12 Yield (%) Aug-16

Sep-16

Ook-16

Jan-17

Jul-18

Aug-18

Aug-17

Jul-18

Aug-19

Aug-19

Jul-18

Aug-19

Jul-19

Jul-20

Figure 5.5: Evolution of Ghana's Eurobond Yields, 2016 – 2020

Source: Bloomberg

#### **External Loan Disbursements**

- 76. External loan disbursement amounted to US\$5,179.7 million as at end-December 2020, compared to US\$4,011.0 million as at end-December 2019. This represents an increase of US\$1,168.7 million (nearly 29.1%).
- 77. The increase was mainly attributed to the proceeds from the US\$3,000.0 million Eurobonds issued in 2020 and US\$1,000.0 million RCF from the IMF. The proceeds from the Eurobonds amounted to 57.9 percent of total disbursements during the year.
- 78. Disbursements from multilateral, bilateral and commercial sources during the year accounted for US\$1,448.6 million, US\$186.3 million, and US\$3,544.8 million, respectively. This represented 28.0 percent, 3.6 percent and 68.4 percent of the total disbursement, respectively (Table 5.7). The list of outstanding external loans as at end-December 2020 is provided in Appendix 3.



Table 5.7: External Loan Disbursements by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020

| Description     | 2019    | 2020 Prog.    | 2020 Prov. | Dev. from<br>Prog. |
|-----------------|---------|---------------|------------|--------------------|
|                 |         | (in millions  | of US\$)   |                    |
| Project Loans   | 821.4   | <i>755.</i> 9 | 1,179.7    | 423.9              |
| Multilateral    | 218.7   | 165.7         | 448.6      | 282.9              |
| Bilateral       | 104.9   | 158.9         | 186.3      | 27.5               |
| Commercial      | 497.8   | 431.3         | 544.8      | 113.4              |
| Programme Loans | 3,189.6 | 3,210.3       | 4,000.0    | 789.7              |
| Multilateral    | 189.6   | 210.3         | 1,000.0    | 789.7              |
| Bilateral       | -       | -             | -          | -                  |
| Commercial      | 3,000.0 | 3,000.0       | 3,000.0    | -                  |
| Total           | 4,011.0 | 3,966.1       | 5,179.7    | 1,213.6            |

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **External Debt Service**

- 79. Table 5.8 shows that total external debt service (principal repayments and interest payments) on Central Government debt for 2020 amounted to US\$2,611.2 million, compared to an outturn of US\$2,210.7 million in 2019. This represented an increase of US\$400.4 million (18.1 percent).
- 80. Provisional principal repayments for 2020 amounted to US\$1,545.3 million representing an increase of US\$209.2 million over the 2019 amount. Similarly, interest payments for 2020 totalled US\$1,065.9 million representing an increase of US\$191.3 million over the 2019. The increase in debt service is largely attributed to the payments on the Eurobonds.
- 81. External debt service paid to multilateral creditors was US\$165.3 million, US\$220.0 million to bilateral creditors, and US\$2,225.9 million to commercial creditors, representing 6.3 percent, 8.4 percent, and 85.2 percent, respectively.

Table 5.8: External Debt Service by Creditor Category, 2019 & 2020

|                                  |                         |              |            | Dev. from |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
| Description                      | 2019                    | 2020 Prog.   | 2020 Prov. | Prog.     |
|                                  |                         | (in millions | s of US\$) |           |
| Principal                        | 1,336.1 1,225.0 1,545.3 |              |            | 320.3     |
| Bilateral                        | 166.6                   | 280.3        | 178.0      | (102.3)   |
| Multilateral                     | 80.6                    | 87.3         | 106.5      | 19.1      |
| Commercial                       | 1,088.9                 | 857.4        | 1,260.8    | 403.5     |
| Interest and charges             | 874.6                   | 974.6        | 1,065.9    | 91.3      |
| Bilateral                        | 42.2                    | 49.9         | 42.0       | (7.9)     |
| Multilateral                     | 53.2                    | 60.2         | 58.8       | (1.4)     |
| Commercial                       | 779.1                   | 864.5        | 965.1      | 100.5     |
| Total debt service on Govt. debt | 2,210.7                 | 2,199.6      | 2,611.2    | 411.6     |
| Bilateral                        | 208.8                   | 330.1        | 220.0      | (110.2)   |
| Multilateral                     | 133.9                   | 147.5        | 165.3      | 17.8      |
| Commercial                       | 1,868.0                 | 1,721.9      | 2,225.9    | 504.0     |
| Courgo: Ministry of Finance      | •                       |              |            |           |

Source: Ministry of Finance

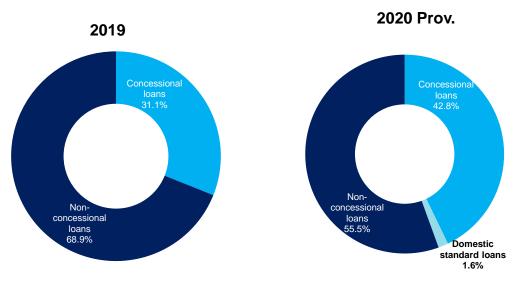
#### **New Commitments**

82. Government signed a total of fifty-nine (59) loan agreements in 2020 and issued a tri-tranche Eurobond of US\$3,000.0 million, all of which amounted to US\$7,058.7 million.



- 83. Of the 2020 figure (excluding the Eurobond issuance), sixteen (16) loans totalling US\$1,738.8 million were concessional, forty-one (41) in the sum of US\$2,254.4 million were non-concessional while two (2) loans totalling US\$65.5 million were domestic standard loans.
- 84. Concessional loans constituted 42.8 percent of total commitments in 2020, nonconcessional was 55.5 percent, while 1.6 percent was domestic standard loans (Figure 5.6). Detailed information on the number of loans signed by funding types and sector is provided in Appendix 4.

Figure 5.6: Loans Signed, 2019 & 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Credit Ratings**

- 85. For the year 2020, seven (7) rating actions were conducted on Ghana with mixed results. In January 2020, Moody's affirmed Ghana's long-term issuer and senior unsecured bond ratings at B3 and changed the outlook to positive from stable. A month later, Standard & Poor's (S&P) assessed Ghana and maintained the country's rating of B with a stable outlook.
- 86. The novel Coronavirus impacted ratings negatively. On 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, Moody's affirmed Ghana's B3 ratings but changed the outlook from positive to negative. Fitch, on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2020, affirmed Ghana's Long-Term Foreign-Currency Issuer Default Rating (IDR) at B and maintained its outlook at stable. S&P, on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, affirmed Ghana's ratings at B and changed the outlook from stable to negative.
- 87. The mixed credit rating review results were not peculiar to Ghana. Several countries, including South Africa, Nigeria, Angola, Mauritius, and the UK were either downgraded or suffered worsening outlook during the reporting period.
- 88. On 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2020, S&P Global Ratings lowered Ghana's long-term foreign and local currency sovereign credit ratings to B- from B and affirmed its B short-term ratings. However,



S&P adjudged the outlook to be stable. The reason for the ratings downgrade was because of the elevation in fiscal policy stance taken by Government to save lives and provide relief to many Ghanaians who were severely impacted by the pandemic. On 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2020, Fitch affirmed Ghana's Long-Term Foreign-Currency IDR at B and maintained its outlook at stable. Fitch in their report noted with satisfaction the retracement steps outlined by Government in addressing fiscal whiplash brought about by the pandemic. See Table 5.9 below for all the rating actions conducted on Ghana in 2020.

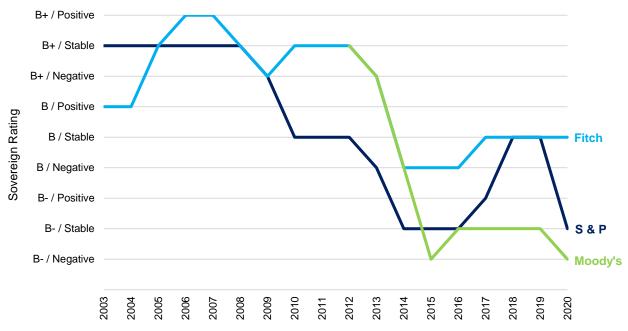
**Table 5.9: Credit Rating** 

| Agency  | Rating | Outlook  | Latest Rating Action                                  | Last Publication Date               |
|---------|--------|----------|---|-------------------------------------|
| S&P     | B-     | Stable   | September 2020: Rating downgraded from B to B-        | September 2020:<br>Downgraded       |
| Fitch   | В      | Stable   | May 2017: Outlook revised from negative to stable     | October 2020: Rating<br>Affirmation |
| Moody's | В3     | Negative | April 2020: Outlook revised from positive to negative | April 2020: Outlook<br>Revised      |

Source: Ministry of Finance

89. Ghana's credit ratings have recorded mixed performance since 2003. The evolution of Ghana's sovereign rating from Fitch Rating Services, S&P and Moody's Investor Services is shown in Figure 5.7.

Figure 5.7: Evolution of Ghana's Sovereign Ratings, 2003 – 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Domestic Debt Stock**

90. The outstanding stock of domestic debt at end-December 2020 stood at GH¢149,833.9 million, compared to GH¢105,481.2 million at end-December 2019 reflecting an increase of 42.0 percent. The increase in the stock of domestic debt was partly due to financing from



the BoG Asset Purchase Programme and net domestic borrowing used to support the 2020 budget.

#### **Domestic Debt by Category**

- 91. The stock of domestic debt comprises of marketable debt<sup>2</sup>, non-marketable<sup>3</sup> debt and domestic standard loans.
- 92. The share of domestic debt as a percentage of GDP increased from 30.2 percent in 2019 to 39.1 percent in 2020. As a percentage of total public debt, it increased from 48.3 percent in 2019 to 51.4 percent in 2020.
- 93. In line with the debt strategy for 2020, Government strived to mobilise funds through marketable and non-marketable debt instruments. There were two new standard loans signed in 2020 and a total of disbursement of GH¢131.1 million in the domestic standard loan portfolio. This led to an increase in the share of domestic standard loans to 0.15 percent of the total domestic debt as at end-December 2020 from 0.12 percent in 2019. The total non-marketable debt increased to GH¢26,694.4 million as at end-December 2020, from GH¢23,694.5 million as at end-December 2019. This represented 17.8 percent of the total outstanding domestic debt as at end-December 2020, as against 22.5 percent in 2019. Consequently, the share of marketable debt in the domestic debt stock increased from 77.4 percent as at end-December 2019 to 82.0 percent as at end-December 2020 (Figure 5.8).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Non-marketable securities include financial securities and instruments that are not transferable and cannot be bought or sold on the secondary market.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Marketable debt consists of financial securities and instruments that are traded and can be bought or sold on the secondary market.

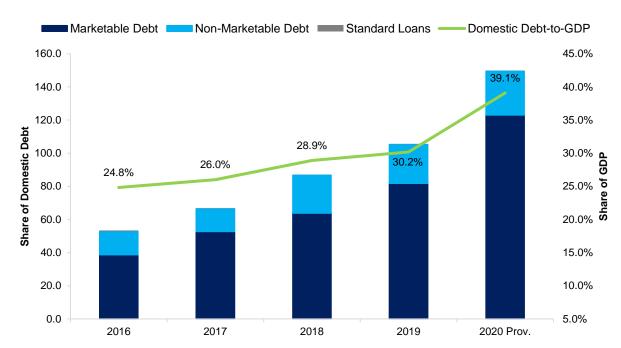


Figure 5.8: Domestic Debt by Category, 2016 – 2020

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Domestic Debt by Tenor**

- 94. Government, in 2020, continued to pursue a debt management strategy aimed at lengthening the maturity profile of the domestic debt portfolio and thus considered continuous issuances of medium (5-year, 6-year, 7-year, and 10- year) and longer-dated (15-year and 20-year) bonds.
- 95. Relative to 2019, Government issued more longer-dated instruments in 2020. Accordingly, the proportion of medium-term debt<sup>4</sup> increased from 72.7 percent in 2019 to 73.5 percent in 2020. Similarly, the proportion of the long-term debt<sup>5</sup> rose from 7.3 percent in 2019 to 12.8 percent in 2020. However, the proportion of short-term debt<sup>6</sup> in the portfolio of domestic marketable debt decreased from 20.0 percent in 2019 to 13.7 percent in 2020, in line with Government's efforts to manage rollover and refinancing risks in the domestic debt portfolio (Figure 5.9).

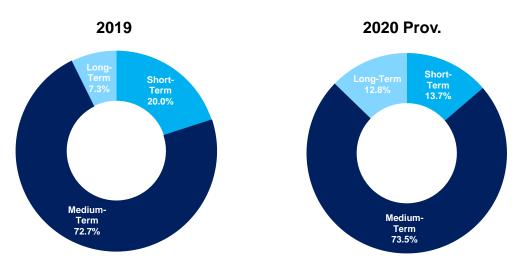


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Medium-term instruments: 2-year notes, and 3-year, 5-year, 6-year, 7-year and 10-year bonds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Long-term instruments: 15-year and 20-year bonds.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Short-term instruments: 91-day, 182-day and 364-day bills.

Figure 5.9: Domestic Debt by Tenor (Marketable Instruments), 2019 & 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Holding Structure of Domestic Debt**

- 96. The holding structure of Government securities continued to be dominated by the banking sector, including the Central Bank. As at end-December 2020, the banking sector held 51.0 percent of the total domestic debt stock compared to 44.3 percent recorded in 2019. The increase in the sector's holdings of domestic debt is attributed to increases in its stock of both the short and medium-term instruments.
- 97. The holdings by the non-bank sector recorded a marginal decline to 30.2 percent in 2020 from 30.7 percent in 2019. The share of domestic debt held by firms & institutions and individuals saw a decline from 21.0 percent and 8.2 percent in 2019 to 20.0 percent and 8.1 percent in 2020, respectively.
- 98. Domestic investors deepened their participation in the domestic bond market in 2020. As a result, holdings of Government securities by local investors increased by 54.2 percent from GH¢79,066.1 million in 2019 to GH¢121,925.1 million in 2020, while foreign investor holdings of domestic debt grew by 5.3 percent in comparison, from GH¢26,292.3 million in 2019 to GH¢27,687.2 million in 2020. Consequently, the share of foreign holdings decreased from 25.0 percent to 18.5 percent between 2019 and 2020, while the share of local investors in the domestic debt portfolio increased from 75.0 percent to 81.5 percent over the same period (Table 5.10).



Table 5.10: Holders of Domestic Debt (excl. Standard Loans), 2019 & 2020

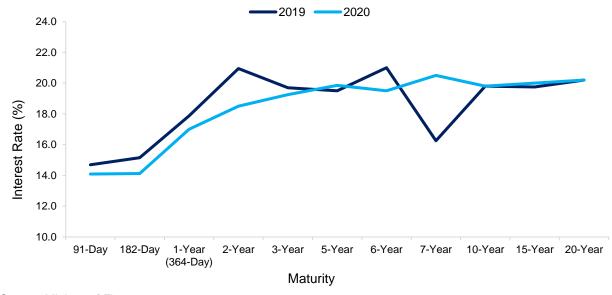
| Description          | 2019      |            | 2020 Prov. |            |
|----------------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| Description          | GH¢'m     | % of Total | GH¢'m      | % of Total |
| Domestic Sector      | 79,066.1  | 75.0       | 121,925.1  | 81.5       |
| Banking Sector       | 46,682.9  | 44.3       | 76,716.7   | 51.3       |
| Bank of Ghana        | 15,598.7  | 14.8       | 33,621.9   | 22.5       |
| Banks                | 31,084.1  | 29.5       | 43,094.8   | 28.8       |
| Non-Bank Sector      | 32,383.2  | 30.7       | 45,208.3   | 30.2       |
| Individual Investors | 8,678.9   | 8.2        | 12,136.2   | 8.1        |
| Firms & Institutions | 22,111.8  | 21.0       | 29,863.6   | 20.0       |
| Rural Banks          | 697.5     | 0.7        | 1,689.0    | 1.1        |
| Insurance Companies  | 581.8     | 0.6        | 858.2      | 0.6        |
| SSNIT                | 313.1     | 0.3        | 661.4      | 0.4        |
| Foreign Sector       | 26,292.3  | 25.0       | 27,687.2   | 18.5       |
| Foreign Investors    | 26,292.3  | 25.0       | 27,687.2   | 18.5       |
| Total                | 105,358.3 | 100.0      | 149,612.2  | 100.0      |

Source: Ministry of Finance & Bank of Ghana

#### **Government of Ghana Par Yield Curve**

- 99. Yields on Government securities for primary issuances generally inched down in 2020, compared to the same period in 2019, and kinks observed in the 2019 yield curve smoothened out over the period to reveal a relatively normal yield curve at end-December 2020.
- 100. Major changes in the yields were realized in the 7-year bond, which increased by about 425 basis points, as well as in the 5-year bond by about 35 basis points. The rates on the 91-day, 182-day and 364-day bills, and the 2-year, 3-year and 6-year bonds all declined by 61, 104, 90, 245, 45 and 150 basis points, respectively, which helped achieve a fairly concave-looking yield curve for securities in the domestic primary market at the end of December 2020 (Figure 5.10).

Figure 5.10: Domestic Yield Curve (at Constant Maturity), 2019 & 2020



Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Secondary Market Developments**

- 101. The secondary market in Ghana has seen steady growth over the past five (5) years with investors gradually moving away from the traditional concept of "buying and holding" securities.
- 102. Government has supported initiatives that seek to further grow and develop the market, such as the operationalisation of the Global Master Repurchase Agreement (GMRA) and the passage of the Corporate Insolvency and Restructuring Act, 2020 (Act 1015).
- 103. Ghana saw the biggest improvement on the Absa Africa Financial Markets Index, 2020 (a benchmark for robust, accessible and transparent financial markets in Africa), climbing seven (7) places to number six (6) out of a total of twenty-three (23) financial markets ranked.
- 104. Government will continue to reform dealings in the primary market and improve on the principle of market-making.

#### **Settlement of Repo**

- 105. The Guidelines for the GMRA launched in 2019 by the BoG became effective in October 2020. It was developed to reform the country's repo market in line with international best practice.
- 106. The settlement amount of repo transactions decreased by 31.4 percent to GH¢138,285.5 million in 2020, from GH¢201,605.3 million recorded in 2019. An amount of GH¢1.75 million constituted repo transactions settled under the GMRA for the

Table 5.11: Settlement of Repo Transactions, 2019 & 2020

| Description      | 2019<br>(in millions | 2020<br>s of GH¢) | %<br>change |
|------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Rep Value        | 201,605.3            | 138,285.5         | (31.4)      |
| Collateral Value | 204,385.8            | 141,731.3         | (30.7)      |

Source: Central Securities Depository

period October to December 2020. Government securities totalling GH¢141,731.3 million were used as collateral for the repo transactions in 2020 (Table 5.11).

#### **Secondary Market Trading of Government Securities**

- 107. The Ghana Fixed Income Market (GFIM) saw a record-setting year with GH¢108,405.3 million in trade volumes, exceeding the GH¢100,000.0 million target in 2020 by 8.4 percent. Government securities recorded GH¢97,572.8 million in trade volumes during the same period, equivalent to 90.0 percent of the total trade volume in 2020.
- 108. The record trading on the bond market was fuelled by attractive real returns on fixed income securities and increased liquidity among banks and fund managers. Domestic investors accounted for 80.0 percent of trading on the market, up from 71.0 percent in 2019. Liquidity jumped to 82.0 percent at the end of 2020, compared to 68.0 percent recorded at the end of 2019.



109. The outstanding securities and the corresponding trade volumes over the last five (5) years are presented in Figure 5.11.

Figure 5.11: Trade Volumes Against Outstanding Securities, 2016 – 2020



Source: Ghana Fixed Income Market

- 110. There was an increase in the level of Government securities traded and settled in the secondary market during the year.
- 111. On year-on-year basis, the value of Government securities traded and settled in the secondary market increased by 118.5 percent from GH¢44,309.6 million in 2019 to GH¢96,830.4 million in 2020 (Table 5.12).

Table 5.12: Settlement Value of Secondary Market Trading, 2019 & 2020

| Description      | 2019 2020    |          | %     |
|------------------|--------------|----------|-------|
| Description      | (in millions | change   |       |
| Settlement Value | 44,309.5     | 96,830.4 | 118.5 |

Source: Central Securities Depository

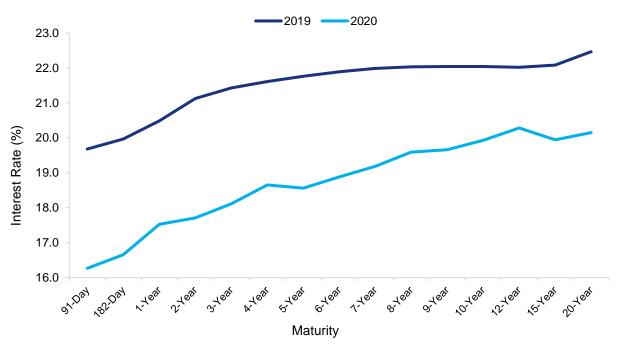
- 112. The most traded security in 2020 was the 3-year Government bond. This was followed by the 5-year bond, 2-year bond and 10-year bond in that order.
- 113. The 20-year Government bond recorded the lowest settlement value for 2020.



#### **Government of Ghana Secondary Market Yield Curve**

- 114. The secondary market recorded a positive yield curve in 2020 for Government securities, as the yield curve for the short-dated maturities was lower than the long-dated maturities. This was driven by a rise in domestic investors' appetite for the short-dated maturities at the short end of the yield curve, with foreign investors dominating activities in the medium-dated and long-dated maturities at the long-end of the yield curve.
- 115. The overall yield curve of Government securities in 2020 improved, compared to 2019. This was due to relative stability in the domestic market. The development is expected to contribute to the expansion of the economy in the ensuing year (Figure 5.12).

Figure 5.12: Secondary Market Yield Curve, 2019 & 2020



Source: Bloomberg

#### **Ghana's Domestic US Dollar Bond**

116. The face value of outstanding domestic dollar securities issued by Government was US\$388.9 million in 2020, 4.7 percent higher than the value of US\$371.4 million in 2019. The US\$371.4 million 3-year domestic dollar bond issued by Government in November 2017 matured in 2020, and a new 3-year domestic dollar bond valued at US\$388.9 million

Table 5.13: Holders of Outstanding Domestic US Dollar Bond, 2019 & 2020

|                      | 2019   |       | 202    | 20    |
|----------------------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| Description          |        | % of  |        | % of  |
|                      | US\$'m | Total | US\$'m | Total |
| Deposit Money Banks  | 328.7  | 84.5  | 347.1  | 89.3  |
| Firms & Institutions | 14.4   | 3.7   | 17.2   | 4.4   |
| Insurance Companies  | 0.9    | 0.2   | 0.6    | 0.1   |
| Others               | 27.4   | 7.0   | 24.1   | 6.2   |
| Total                | 371.4  | 95.5  | 388.9  | 100.0 |

Source: Central Securities Depository

was rolled-over by Government in 2020. This resulted in a net sale of US\$17.5 million.



117. Holdings in the domestic dollar bond is currently limited to only domestic investors. As at the end of 2020, DMBs held 89.3 percent of the bond, firms & institutions held 4.4 percent, while the remaining 6.3 percent was held by other domestic investors (Table 5.13).

#### Secondary Market Trading on Domestic US Dollar Bonds

118. The value of the domestic dollar bonds traded and settled in the secondary market in 2020

was US\$328.6 million. The settlement value of government domestic dollar bond in the secondary market increased by 37.9 percent from US\$238.3 million in 2019 to US\$328.6 million in 2020 (Table 5.14).

Table 5.14: Settlement of Secondary Market Trading in Ghana's Domestic Dollar Bonds

| Description      | 2019                  | %     |        |
|------------------|-----------------------|-------|--------|
| Description      | (in millions of US\$) |       | Change |
| Settlement Value | 238.3                 | 328.6 | 37.9   |

Source: Central Securities Depository

#### **Primary Dealer System**

- 119. Government has continuously strategised to ensure financing needs are met through the regular auctions and the book building process. Non-performance of some Primary Dealers (PDs) contributed to uncovered auctions in the year 2020.
- 120. To enhance efforts to develop the primary and secondary domestic markets and facilitate a more efficient primary dealer system, Government continued to implement reforms in the current primary dealer structure. These include:
  - revised PD guidelines published to ensure PD obligations and privileges are well-balanced, feasible and enforceable;
  - harmonised PD Requirements and Responsibilities Manual developed and published to guide the markets;
  - stronger oversight over PDs' support to the secondary market, including disciplinary measures for non-performance; and
  - opportunity offered to non-bank financial institutions to be part of the PD and Bond Market Specialist (BMS) system.

#### Box 2: List of Primary Dealers in Ghana in 2020

- 1) Access Bank (Ghana) Plc (ABG)
- 2) Absa Bank Ghana Limited (ABSA)
- 3) Fidelity Bank Limited (FBG)
- 4) Guaranty Trust Bank (Ghana) Limited (GTB)
- 5) Societe General Ghana Limited (SGB)
- 6) Stanbic Bank Ghana Limited (SBG)
- 7) GCB Bank Limited (GCB)
- 8) Cal Bank Limited (CAL)
- 9) Consolidated Bank Ghana Limited (CBG)
- 10) Ecobank Ghana Limited (EBG)
- 11) ARB Apex Bank Limited (APEX)
- 12) Standard Chartered Bank (Ghana) Limited (SCB)
- 121. These reforms are to help address the current inconsistencies in PDs' rights and obligations and incentivise those who meet their targets, as well as improve liquidity and efficiency of the bond market.



122. The total number of PDs at the end of the year was twelve (12), out of which ten (10) outperformed the target of 70.0 percent minimum requirement. Two (2) could not meet their requirements during the period under review and, therefore, registered various shortfalls as seen in Table 5.15.

Table 5.15: Performance of Primary Dealers in Government Securities Market in 2020

| Primary<br>Dealer | PDs'<br>Target | Total Bids<br>Allotted | 70% Minimum<br>Requirement | Excess/<br>Shortfall | % of Deviation | Remarks        |
|-------------------|----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| GCB               | 3,892          | 11,649                 | 2,724                      | 8,924                | 328            | Target Met     |
| ABSA              | 3,892          | 7,186                  | 2,724                      | 4,462                | 164            | Target Met     |
| EBG               | 3,892          | 6,252                  | 2,724                      | 3,527                | 129            | Target Met     |
| FBL               | 3,892          | 6,064                  | 2,724                      | 3,339                | 123            | Target Met     |
| APEX              | 3,892          | 4,801                  | 2,724                      | 2,077                | 76             | Target Met     |
| SCB               | 3,892          | 4,418                  | 2,724                      | 1,694                | 62             | Target Met     |
| SBG               | 3,892          | 3,644                  | 2,724                      | 920                  | 34             | Target Met     |
| CAL               | 3,892          | 3,519                  | 2,724                      | 795                  | 29             | Target Met     |
| SG                | 3,892          | 2,951                  | 2,724                      | 226                  | 8              | Target Met     |
| GTB               | 3,892          | 2,807                  | 2,724                      | 83                   | 3              | Target Met     |
| CBG               | 3,892          | 2,396                  | 2,724                      | (329)                | (12)           | Target Not Met |
| ABG               | 3,892          | 1,759                  | 2,724                      | (965)                | (35)           | Target Not Met |
| UMB               | 1,405          | 316                    | 984                        | (668)                |                | Delisted       |

Source: Bank of Ghana



## **Section Six: Liability Management Operations**

- 123. Government in 2020 continued its liability management programme in line with the 2020-2023 MTDS and 2020 Budget Statement and Economic Policy. The overarching objective was to reduce the risk exposure in the public debt portfolio through prudent and proactive debt management operations.
- 124. To address these key risks which include refinancing and rollover risks, a combination of techniques was employed, including buybacks and targeted debt re-profiling, as outlined in both the 2020-2023 MTDS and the updated MTDS documents.
- 125. The programme has so far contributed to improving Government's public debt mix and lowering interest payments to mitigate some of the risks in the debt portfolio. Consequently, the focus of Government's liability management programme in recent years, including 2020, has been to reduce the stock of large outstanding securities using cheaper debt where possible to smoothen the public debt profile.
- 126. In line with the chosen strategy, re-opens of medium-term and long-term treasury instruments were undertaken to build benchmark bonds, and enhance liquidity on the domestic debt market. To reduce rollover risks, debt re-profiling was undertaken, where longer-dated debt instruments were issued to replace shorter-dated instruments to extend the maturity profile of the debt portfolio and, by extension, smoothen Government's yield curve.
- 127. As indicated earlier, Government in February 2020 successfully issued Eurobonds of US\$3,000.0 million on the ICM. In line with the stated use of proceeds, an amount of US\$523.1 million was used to buyback a portion of the maturing 2023 outstanding Eurobond.



## **Section Seven: Contingent Liabilities**

#### **On-Lent Loan Portfolio and Recoveries**

128. The stock of recoverable loans as at end-December 2020, consisting of Export Credit Guarantee Department (ECGD) facilities, loans to SOEs, and other on-lent facilities to private companies amounted to GH¢14,738.4 million. Out of this, GH¢206.7 million were repayment arrears mainly from on-lent loans provided to SOEs. During the year under review, recovery of GH¢43.3 million was made on the on-lent portfolio (Table 7.1).

Table 7.1: Recoveries on On-Lent Facilities, end 2020

| Description                        | Outstanding<br>Debt | o/w Arrears      | Recoveries in 2020 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|
|                                    | (i                  | n millions of GH | t)                 |
| ECGD Facilities                    | 206.7               | 206.7            | -                  |
| On-lent Loans to Private Companies | -                   | -                | -                  |
| On-lent Loans to SOEs              | 14,531.7            | -                | 43.3               |
| Total                              | 14,738.4            | 206.7            | 43.3               |

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Loan Guarantees**

129. Loan guarantees contribute to reduction in borrowers' credit risk by making it possible to raise credit at lower costs. The outstanding stock of Government-backed guarantees as at end-December 2020 amounted to GH¢2,383.0 million (US\$415.4 million), as detailed in Table 7.2.

Table 7.2: List of Outstanding Guarantees, end 2020

| Beneficiary | Project Title   | Curr. | Disbursed<br>Outstanding<br>Debt | US\$<br>Equivalent | GH¢<br>Equivalent |
|-------------|---|-------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
|             |   |       |                                  | (in millions)      |                   |
| GPHA        | Design, Civil and Dredging Works in the Ports of Takoradi, Ghana    | EUR   | 128.1                            | 157.5              | 903.7             |
| GPHA        | Design, Civil and Dredging Works in the Ports of Takoradi, Ghana II | EUR   | 160.0                            | 196.8              | 1,129.1           |
| VRA         | Kuwait Fund Debt Relief Loan-VRA Portion                            | KWD   | 6.2                              | 20.2               | 116.2             |
| VRA         | Aboadze-Volta Transmission Line Pj.                                 | KWD   | 1.1                              | 3.5                | 20.2              |
| GRIDCo      | Financing of the Tumu-Han-Wa<br>Transmission Project                | EUR   | 16.8                             | 20.6               | 118.3             |
| GRIDCo      | Financing of Sub-stations Reliability<br>Enhancement Project (SREP) | EUR   | 13.5                             | 16.6               | 95.5              |
| Total       | . =   |       |                                  | 415.4              | 2,383.0           |

Source: Ministry of Finance



#### **Public Private Partnerships**

- 130. The contingent liabilities related to Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) are those from the National Identification Project (NIP) and Teshie Nungua Desalination Project.
- 131. As at end-December 2020, an amount of US\$4.23 million has been paid for the on-going NIP and US\$19.9 million for the Teshie Nungua Desalination Project.

#### **Credit Risk Assessment**

- 132. In 2020, ten (10) SOEs presented their requests to the Ministry of Finance (MoF), for a guarantee, "No Objection" or on-lending facility. A credit risk assessment was conducted on each entity to assess its fiscal risk to Government, as shown in Table 7.3.
- 133. Eleven (11) Credit Risk Assessments (CRAs) were carried out. Seven (7) entities requested for a "No Objection", two (2) for an on-lending facility, an entity each for Government guarantee and Government support. Two CRAs were conducted on Ghana Civil Aviation Authority (GCAA) in 2020.
- 134. As at end-December 2020, ten (10) entities were assessed to determine their credit worthiness. Each of the support extended was backed by the PFM Law. In the case of entities that were identified to be high risk, guarantee and on-lending fees were proposed to be charged as stipulated in the Law.

Table 7.3: List of Government Support to Various Institutions in 2020

| Institution                                       | Liability<br>Type   | Loan Amount (in millions)  |
|---|---|--|
| Management Development and Productivity Institute | Explicit  | GH¢2.0   |
| Ghana Civil Aviation Authority                    | Implicit  | US\$20.0   |
| Ghana Cocoa Board                                 | Implicit  | GH¢800.0   |
| Electricity Company of Ghana                      | Implicit  | GH¢300.0   |
| Ghana Airport Company Limited                     | Implicit  | US\$124.0  |
| Driver Vehicle and Licensing Authority            | Implicit  | GH¢20.0  |
| University of Ghana                               | Implicit  | GH¢46.0  |
| Ghana Maritime Authority                          | Implicit  | US\$43.0   |
| Volta River Authority                             | Explicit  | EUR15.0  |
| Ghana Water Company Limited                       | Explicit  | US\$54.8   |
|   | Management Development and Productivity Institute Ghana Civil Aviation Authority Ghana Cocoa Board Electricity Company of Ghana Ghana Airport Company Limited Driver Vehicle and Licensing Authority University of Ghana Ghana Maritime Authority Volta River Authority | Management Development and Productivity Institute Explicit Ghana Civil Aviation Authority Implicit Ghana Cocoa Board Implicit Electricity Company of Ghana Implicit Ghana Airport Company Limited Implicit Driver Vehicle and Licensing Authority Implicit University of Ghana Implicit Ghana Maritime Authority Implicit Volta River Authority Explicit |

Source: Ministry of Finance



- 135. Eight (8) SOEs<sup>7</sup> requested for Government support for payroll expenditure due to the adverse effects of COVID-19 pandemic on their operations which made it difficult for them to meet staff salary obligations.
- 136. Five<sup>8</sup> (5) of the SOEs were given direct Government support amounting to GH¢72.5 million, one (1) SOE was still going through the process to receive Government support, while the remaining two (2) were granted no-objection to borrow on their own balance sheets.

Table 7.4: Government Bailout Support to Various Institutions in 2020

| S/N | Institution  | Liability<br>Type | Loan Amount<br>(in millions of GH¢) |
|-----|--|-------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1   | Ghana Airport Company Limited                            | Explicit          | 43.4                                |
| 2   | PSC Tema Shipyard & Dry-dock                             | Explicit          | 1.0                                 |
| 3   | Intercity STC Coaches Limited                            | Explicit          | 3.7                                 |
| 4   | Metro Mass Transit Limited                               | Explicit          | 14.0                                |
| 5   | Ghana Post Company Limited                               | Explicit          | 10.5                                |
| 6   | Ghana Communication Technology University*               | Implicit          | 24.0                                |
| 7   | Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration* | Implicit          | 30.9                                |

Source: Ministry of Finance

#### **Financial Sector Clean-up**

- 137. Government completed the banking sector bailout of depositors of the failed banks, Savings and Loans Companies (S&Ls), and Microfinance Institutions (MFIs) in 2020. An amount of GH¢6,264.0 million was provided to complete the bailout for the S&Ls and the MFIs in 2020. The bailout amount comprised of GH¢1,000.0 million and GH¢5,264.0 million in cash and bonds respectively.
- 138. Government also started the provision of bailout packages for investors of fifty (50) failed Asset Management Companies (AMCs) in October 2020.
- 139. The Securities Exchange Commission (SEC), on 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2019, revoked the licenses of fifty-thee (53) fund managers with the aim of building resilience, protect investors, and restore confidence in the domestic capital markets. Three (3) of these firms had their licenses restored after a series of document verification, leaving revoked licenses of fifty (50) AMCs in 2020. Out of this, forty-seven (47) AMCs have claims against them.
- 140. Management of the bailout process is through the Amalgamated Fund Ghana Limited which is designed as a mutual fund. The mutual fund is structured as a 2-Tier open-ended mutual



<sup>\*</sup>Granted no-objection to borrow on their own books

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> GACL, GCAA, MMTL, Intercity STC, PSC Tema Shipyard, GIMPA, GCTU and Ghana Post Company Limited

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> MMTL, PSC Tema Shipyard, GACL, Ghana Post Company Limited and Intercity STC

fund under the management of GCB Capital Limited. Tier-1 is made up of short-term securities and provides immediate liquidity to investors (withdrawals are permitted from initiation). Tier 2 is made up of medium-term and long-term securities and provides deferred withdrawals from the first anniversary of the fund.

141. The SEC estimated an amount of GH¢8,500.0 million to bailout investors of the failed AMCs. Out of this, the Government provided GH¢976.6 million at end-December 2020 for the payment of investors of twenty-three (23) AMCs for which liquidation orders were obtained from the law court. This amount was a combination of a 3-year marketable bond of GH¢607.5 million and a 5-year zero coupon bond of GH¢369.1 million.

#### **Energy Sector Debt**

- 142. The energy sector restructuring, which begun in 2019, continued into 2020. As at end-December 2020, actual payment was GH¢6,833.9 million, comprising GH¢4,696.0 million and GH¢2,137.9 million in cash and bonds, respectively.
- 143. As part of measures to address the generation capacity concerns to meet demand under various contracts with IPPs for the provision of power using "Take-or-Pay" power purchase agreements (PPAs), Government commenced negotiations to review the PPA contracts following approval of the recommendation from the Negotiation Team. Subsequently, renegotiations have been concluded with CENIT Energy Limited, and discussions with AKSA Energy Company Limited are nearing completion.
- 144. Government will continue to enforce the moratorium on signing new PPAs and any long-term "Take-or-Pay" contracts until further notice or unless permission is granted by Government on a case-by-case basis.



## **Section Eight: Other Finance Arrangements**

- 145. E.S.L.A. Plc was incorporated in September 2017 as an independent Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) to, among others, issue debt securities for the purpose of refinancing the Energy Sector Debt.
- 146. As at end-December 2019, total outstanding bond issued by E.S.LA. Plc was GH¢6,000.0 million. The company issued additional bonds of GH¢1,629.5 million in 2020, bringing the value of outstanding bonds as at end-December 2020 to GH¢7,629.5 million. Details are shown in Table 8.1 below:

Table 8.1: E.S.L.A. Plc Outstanding Bonds, end 2020

| Description                       | Issued  | Cancelled            | Outstanding |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------------------|-------------|--|--|--|
| Description                       | (in     | (in millions of GH¢) |             |  |  |  |
| 7-year bond - November 2017       | 2,408.6 | -                    | 2,408.6     |  |  |  |
| Buyback and cancellation          | -       | (149.1)              | (149.1)     |  |  |  |
| 10-year bond - November 2017      | 2,375.3 | -                    | 2,375.3     |  |  |  |
| Buyback and cancellation          | -       | (297.4)              | (297.4)     |  |  |  |
| 10-year bond retap - January 2018 | 615.9   | -                    | 615.9       |  |  |  |
| 10-year bond retap - August 2018  | 264.8   | -                    | 264.8       |  |  |  |
| Buyback and cancellation          | -       | (218.3)              | (218.3)     |  |  |  |
| 10-year bond - June 2019          | 1,000.0 | -                    | 1,000.0     |  |  |  |
| 12-year bond - January 2020       | 430.5   | -                    | 430.5       |  |  |  |
| 12-year bond retap - March 2020   | 1,199.1 | -                    | 1,199.1     |  |  |  |
| Total                             | 8,294.2 | (664.7)              | 7,629.5     |  |  |  |

Source: ESLA Plc

147. Energy Debt Recovery Levy (EDRL) collections increased by 1.4 percent from the GH¢1,687.9 million recorded in 2019 to GH¢1,711.3 million in 2020. This is attributed to an upward revision of levies as well as increase in fuel consumption. A summary of EDRL collections from October 2017 when the bond programme commenced is shown in Table 8.2.

Table 8.2: E.S.L.A. Plc EDRL Receipts in 2020

| Year  | EDRL Received (in millions of GH¢) |
|-------|------------------------------------|
| 2017  | 279.7                              |
| 2018  | 1,353.7                            |
| 2019  | 1,687.9                            |
| 2020  | 1,711.3                            |
| Total | 5,032.6                            |

Source: ESLA Plc.



- 148. The company made total coupon payments of GH¢1,298.2 million to its bondholders. Coupon payments for 2020 and accrued interest as at 31st December, 2020 are shown in Table 8.3.
- 149. Following the issuance of the bonds, SOE debts amounting to approximately GH¢8,056.4 million have been novated to E.S.L.A. Plc as at 31st December, 2020. Out of this amount, GH¢1,870.3 million was

Table 8.3: E.S.L.A. Plc Coupon Payments in 2020

| Bond Tranche      | Total<br>Interest<br>Payment<br>(in millio | Accrued Interest (as at 31-12-2020) ons of GH¢) |
|-------------------|--|---|
| Tranche E1 (2024) | 429.6                                      | 2.6   |
| Tranche E2 (2027) | 534.4                                      | 2.2   |
| Tranche E3 (2029) | 198.5                                      | 1.5   |
| Tranche E4 (2031) | 135.7                                      | 157.3   |
| Total             | 1,298.2                                    | 163.6   |

Source: ESLA Plc.

settled in cash, while the remaining GH¢6,186.1 million was covered by debt swaps. This is detailed in Table 8.4.

150. The Board and Management team of E.S.L.A Plc will continue to monitor market activities and further issuances will be announced, subject to favourable market conditions.

Table 8.4: E.S.L.A. Plc Novated SOE Debt, 2019 & 2020

| Category         | Creditor's<br>Novation<br>2019 | Creditor's<br>Novation<br>2020<br>millions of G | Total<br>Creditor's<br>Novation |
|------------------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Cash Settlement  | 339.8                          | -   | 1,870.3                         |
| Debt-swap        | 648.9                          | 1,617.5   | 6,186.1                         |
| Total Settlement | 988.8                          | 1,617.5   | 8,056.4                         |

Source: ESLA Plc.



### Section Nine: 2021-2024 MTDS

- 151. The 2021-2024 MTDS articulates the strategic policies and debt management strategies to be adopted during the period 2021-2024.
- 152. This is a rolling plan subject to review in line with prevailing market conditions and significant changes in the macroeconomic framework. Accordingly, the strategy intends to achieve the following objectives:
  - Propose financing to meet Government's funding needs on a timely basis and at a relatively lower cost, subject to prudent levels of risk;
  - Promote the development of efficient primary and secondary markets; and
  - Pursue any other action considered to impact positively on the public debt stock.
- 153. The 2021-2024 strategy focuses on an appropriate financing mix to mitigate the cost and risk that could adversely affect the debt portfolio and seeks to continue Government's ongoing liability management programme to reduce refinancing and interest rate risk in the portfolio.
- 154. On the domestic front, the strategy seeks to build benchmark bonds by issuing or reopening medium-to-long-term bonds to improve liquidity and secondary market trading. The improvement in liquidity is expected to help bridge the gap between revenue collection and expenditure commitments.
- 155. On the external front, Government would issue sovereign bonds on the ICM if market conditions are favourable to finance the 2021 Budget and carry out liability management operations on the public debt portfolio. Reprofiling and reduction in cost in the domestic debt portfolio would be pursued as part of the liability management programme.
- 156. The strategy further considers contingent liabilities that may crystallise in 2021, especially from the energy sector and financial sector bailout.
- 157. To minimise the refinancing and rollover risks, the strategy sets out strategic risk benchmarks. The share of T-bills in the domestic debt stock is expected to be within 7-10 percent for treasury management purposes with an ATM of the total debt portfolio expected to be not less than 8 years.
- 158. Over the medium-term, the share of the variable rate debt in the total external debt is expected to be within the range of 15 to 20 percent. The share of the entire debt portfolio facing interest rate re-fixing in a year is not expected to be more than 30 percent.
- 159. To mitigate foreign exchange risk in the external debt portfolio, a strategic benchmark of 70±5 percent exposure to the US Dollar will be pursued.



# Section Ten: Public Debt Management Reforms and Initiatives

#### **Reforms in the Primary Dealer System**

- 160. Government will continue the reforms in the PD system by implementing the new PD guidelines and introduce BMS. Under the reforms, BMS would be appointed from within the list of existing PDs and licensed investment dealers to conduct Government's bond operations. PDs will continue to be the exclusive counterparts of Government in the auction of only T-Bills, while the issuance of securities with maturities of two (2) years and above would be conducted by the BMS.
- 161. Consultations are on-going with banks to incorporate the new BMS reforms in Government's Securities Market Guidelines.
- 162. It is envisioned that the reform will help improve the efficiency and transparency on the GFIM.

#### **Liability Management Operations**

- 163. Government will continue with the implementation of the liability management programme in the medium-term to reduce the level of risk embedded in the public debt portfolio through active debt management operations.
- 164. The next phase of the programme will include: a bond issuance on the ICM with part proceeds to re-profile both external and domestic debt; create benchmark domestic bonds through tap-ins to improve liquidity and secondary market trading; and build and maintain cash buffers to support debt management operations.

#### **Increased Interaction with Market Participants**

- 165. Government stayed committed to having meaningful and improved engagements with market participants and investors through periodic conference calls, investor presentations and roadshows despite the safety protocols and restrictions that accompanied the corona virus pandemic locally and on the international scene.
- 166. These exchanges focused mainly on issues surrounding market development and Government's financing plans and operations, and also provided an avenue for gathering reliable market intelligence first-hand. The establishment of a dedicated and updated "Investor Relations" section on the MoF website was thus pursued, with the goal of enhancing Government's relations with investors and promoting market transparency.
- 167. Government will continue to actively engage investors and market participants through regular townhall meetings, conference calls, and investor presentations with PDs, BMS, and key market players.



#### Limits on Concessional and Non-Concessional External Borrowing

- 168. The economy in 2020 was faced with the COVID-19 pandemic that had an adverse effect on public debt sustainability. This was due to declining revenues and increased spending on COVID-19 relief packages for citizenry.
- 169. To bring the economy quickly back onto the path of sustainable debt levels, nominal limits will be placed on concessional and non-concessional external borrowing to support the reduction in the rate of debt accumulation going forward.
- 170. The total limit set for non-concessional borrowing is up to US\$5,000.0 million from the ICM, and US\$2,500.0 million for concessional and non-concessional loans on a non-cumulative basis.
- 171. The determination of projects for both concessional and non-concessional loans are based on existing Government priority areas, addressing the COVID-19 pandemic, and generally in terms of commercial loans for projects for which concessional funding cannot be sourced.

#### **Credit Risk Policy**

- 172. The Government developed and operationalised a credit risk assessment framework to manage potential fiscal risks that may arise from the issuance of guarantees and on-lending facilities to SOEs.
- 173. To limit Government's exposure, a risk-based fee will be charged to cover the cost and credit risk to Government. The fee will be charged based on a credit risk assessment of the public entity.
- 174. Government has drafted a Risk-based Fee Policy, which will be subjected to a comprehensive stakeholder engagement before submitting it to Parliament for consideration.



#### **Section Eleven: Conclusion**

- 175. In 2020, public debt management was adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, financial sector bailout cost, and the crystallisation of contingent liabilities from the energy sector. This resulted in a revised debt management strategy to minimise the risk of exposure on the public debt portfolio.
- 176. Despite the global and domestic challenges, Government issued its second triple-tranche Eurobond on the ICM. The issuance contained a 41-year bond which was the first in SSA.
- 177. Government issued and tapped into medium-term and long-term domestic bonds, notably 5-year, 6-year, 10-year, 15-year, and 20-year bonds, to lengthen the maturity profile on the domestic debt market and build benchmark bonds.
- 178. The Ghanaian economy was on the path of consolidating recent gains for growth and jobs, when the COVID-19 outbreak hit the country leading to initial severe movement in restrictions, job losses and reduced incomes which led to a primary balance deficit. However, the external sector saw significant improvements as a trade surplus was recorded.
- 179. The COVID-19 pandemic derailed revenue performance while expenditure soared up due to the health and social costs incurred to contain the pandemic. This performance resulted in an overall fiscal deficit of 11.7 percent of GDP compared to the programmed deficit target of 11.4 percent of GDP.
- 180. Government accessed additional financing from the World Bank and IMF to support efforts to mitigate the effect of the pandemic.
- 181. Contingent liabilities in recent years have posed a threat to public debt management and debt sustainability. Even though, Government completed the banking sector bailout in 2020, the additional contingent liabilities from the Asset Management Industry (AMI) still pose a challenge to public debt sustainability.
- 182. In order to ensure that the public debt is on a sustainable path, potential risks and vulnerabilities to the public debt portfolio will need to be monitored and subjected to various macroeconomic and financial stress tests to improve debt dynamics.
- 183. Government commenced negotiations to review the PPA contracts with IPPs under the "Take-or-Pay" arrangements to address Government's fixed cost exposures. Government will continue to enforce the moratorium on signing new PPAs and any long-term "Take-or-Pay" contracts until further notice or unless exemptions are granted by Government on a case-by-case basis.
- 184. Despite the debt management challenges encountered due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Government is still committed to pursuing prudent debt management strategies to ensure



that the public debt stock is reduced to sustainable levels. Government plans to institute measures to ensure the overall fiscal deficit returns to the limit of 5.0 percent of GDP in the medium-term.



## **Glossary**

Average Time to Maturity The average time to maturity measures the weighted

average time to maturity of all the principal payments in the

portfolio.

Bilateral Debt Debt contracted from sovereign countries.

Bonds Debt securities that give holders unconditional right to fixed

income or contractually determined payments on a specified

date or dates.

Buy-back The repurchase by a debtor government of all or a portion of

its debt at a discount on face value.

Commercial Debt Short-term to medium-term borrowing from banking

institutions other than Official Development Assistance

(ODA).

Concessional loans Loans that are extended on terms substantially generous

than loans contracted on the open market.

Contingent Liability Obligations that do not arise unless a discrete event occurs

in the future.

Coupon The annual interest rate paid on a bond, expressed as a

percentage of the face value.

Credit Rating A rating based on an assessment of the credit worthiness of

the borrower. Credit ratings of Government are done by credit rating agencies such as Standard and Poor's (S&P),

Moody's, and Fitch.

Credit Risk Credit risk refers to the risk that a borrower may not repay a

loan and that the lender may lose the principal of the loan or

the interest associated with it, or both.

Debt re-profiling A relatively light form of sovereign debt restructuring in which

the tenor of a government's liabilities is extended in maturity,

but coupons and principal are not affected.

Debt Service Debt payments in respect of both principal and interest.

Debt-to-GDP Ratio of a country's gross public debt (in nominal terms) to a

country's gross domestic product (also in nominal terms).



Disbursed Outstanding Debt The amount, at any given time disbursed and outstanding

less principal repayments.

Disbursement The transfer of the committed loan amount from the lender to

the borrower once contractual conditions are fulfilled.

Dollar-Denominated Bond A bond issued in USD outside the United States.

Domestic Debt Debt issued on the domestic capital market.

ESLA The Energy Sector Levies Act, 2015 (Act 899) is an Act to

consolidate existing energy sector levies to promote prudent and efficient utilization of the proceeds generated from the levies, impose a price stabilisation and recovery levy, facilitate sustainable long-term investments in the energy

sector, and to provide for related matters.

E.S.L.A. Plc A Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), incorporated as a public

limited liability company, to issue long-term bonds to resolve

energy sector debts due banks and trade creditors.

Eurobond Bond issued by a borrower in a foreign country, denominated

in a Eurocurrency (e.g., US Dollar, Canadian Dollar, Yen, Euro), and under-written and sold by an international

syndicate of financial institutions.

External Debt Debt issued to foreigners outside the domestic capital

market.

Fiscal Responsibility Act The Fiscal Responsibility Act, 2018 (Act 982) is an Act to

provide for fiscal responsibility rules to ensure

macroeconomic stability and debt sustainability.

Gross Domestic Issuance New debt issuance required to partly fund the budget deficit

from domestic sources, including maturities.

Gross Domestic Product The market value of all final demand goods and services

produced within a country in a given period, usually a quarter or a year. The GDP is determined using data for production, expenditures, or income and is presented in nominal terms

at current prices or in real terms at constant prices.

Gross Public Debt The cumulative aggregate of the net value of all government

borrowings (drawdowns), less principal repayments and denominated in a single reporting currency as of the end of a

reporting period.



Guarantee An undertaking to answer for the payment of another

person's debt or obligation in the event of a default by the

person primarily responsible for the debt repayment.

Interest Payment The amount paid periodically over a period to a lender as

compensation for use of capital.

Interest Rate The cost or price of borrowing, or the gain from lending,

normally expressed as an annual percentage rate.

International Capital Market Financial markets for selling and buying of long-term debt or

equity-backed securities.

Maturity The time at which the debt instrument expires and all

principal and interest payments related to the instrument is

expected to have been repaid in full.

Monetary Policy Rate The rate at which Ghana's Central Bank, Bank of Ghana,

lends to commercial banks.

MTDS A debt management strategy planned to be implemented

over the medium-term (usually three to five years) to achieve a composition of a desired debt portfolio with regards to the

cost-risk trade-off.

Multilateral Debt Debt contracted from multilateral financial institutions such as

World Bank and the IMF, and regional development banks

such as the African Development Bank.

Net Borrowing The difference between Issuance and Redemption of a debt

instrument.

Net Domestic Financing 
New debt issuance required to partly fund the budget deficit

from domestic sources less maturities.

No-Objection An approval granted by the Minister for Finance to an entity

to borrow on their books without any recourse to

Government.

On-lending Government borrowed funds lent to SOEs and other

institutions. Government would generally do this as a

measure to promote strategic policy implementation.

PFM Act The Public Financial Management Act, 2016 (Act 921) is an

Act to regulate the financial management of the public sector within a macroeconomic and fiscal framework; and to define



responsibilities of persons entrusted with the management and control of public funds, assets, liabilities and resources.

Primary Dealer A firm that buys Government securities directly from the

Government with the intention of re-selling them to others.

Principal Repayment Payment made towards reducing disbursed outstanding

debt.

Public Debt Total debt obligations of Government and guarantees

extended to public sector companies, institutions and

agencies.

Refinancing Risk The risk associated with a borrower not being able to borrow

to repay existing debt.

Repo A generic name for both a Repurchase Transaction and a

Sell/Buy-Back. It is a sale of a quantity of securities (by the Seller) at a purchase price at the start of the transaction and a simultaneous agreement to repurchase from the other party

(Buyer) at a different price and at a future date.

Roll-Over The extension or transfer of debt from one period to the next

Secondary Market A market where previously issued financial instruments such

as bonds are bought and sold; a market that investors sell to

other investors.

Special Purpose Vehicle A subsidiary company with an asset or liability structure and

legal status that makes its obligations secure even if the

parent company goes bankrupt.

Short-Term Debt Outstanding debt with a maturity of less than one year.

Sinking Fund A fund created by a borrower for the purpose of settling debt

obligations.

State-Owned Enterprise A legal entity partially or wholly owned by Government to

conduct business on or on behalf of Government.

Yield The return on an investment or interest received from holding

a particular security. The yield is usually expressed as an annual percentage rate based on the investment's cost,

current market value or face value.

Yield Curve A graph that shows the mathematical relationship between

yield and maturity computed across all government securities

(or other securities).



## **Appendices**

Appendix 1A: Gross Public Debt (in millions of GH¢), 2016 – 2020

| S/N  | Item  | 2016      | 2017      | 2018                      | 2019      | 2020 Prov. |
|------|---|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Ont  | Rom   | 2010      |           | oss Public Del            |           | 20201101.  |
| 1    | External Debt                                 | 68,762.1  | 75,777.6  | 86,202.5                  | 112,747.7 | 141,796.8  |
| 2    | Domestic Debt                                 | 53,403.4  | 66,769.1  | 86,899.7                  | 105,481.2 | 149,833.9  |
| 3    | Total Public Debt                             | 122,165.5 | 142,546.6 | 173,102.2                 | 218,228.9 | 291,630.7  |
|      |   | 122,10010 |           | ernal Debt Sto            |           |            |
| 4    | Multilateral                                  | 23,208.2  | 28,210.6  | 30,817.4                  | 36,321.2  | 47,504.1   |
| 5    | Bilateral                                     | 4,754.1   | 5,345.1   | 5,810.0                   | 6,803.3   | 7,443.1    |
| 6    | Export Credits                                | 5,501.8   | 6,453.4   | 5,958.4                   | 5,812.0   | 5,542.7    |
| 7    | Commercial                                    | 11,638.5  | 11,641.9  | 11,406.8                  | 11,996.8  | 13,857.2   |
| 8    | International Capital Market                  | 16,519.5  | 16,252.8  | 24,006.3                  | 42,633.4  | 58,605.0   |
| 9    | Other Concessional                            | 7,139.9   | 7,873.8   | 8,203.7                   | 9,180.9   | 8,844.7    |
| 10   | Total External Debt                           | 68,762.1  | 75,777.6  | 86,202.5                  | 112,747.7 | 141,796.8  |
|      |   |           |           | estic Debt Sto            | ock       |            |
| 11   | A. Marketable Debt                            | 38,667.5  | 52,606.6  | 63,752.7                  | 81,663.8  | 122,917.9  |
| 12   | Short-Term Instruments                        | 20,105.2  | 11,996.8  | 11,031.9                  | 16,341.0  | 16,861.0   |
| 13   | 91-Day Treasury Bill                          | 10,477.6  | 5,444.7   | 5,576.6                   | 7,153.4   | 10,030.7   |
| 14   | 182-Day Treasury Bill                         | 7,112.4   | 2,867.0   | 3,049.8                   | 2,842.7   | 2,856.5    |
| 15   | 364-Day Treasury Bill                         | -         | -         | -                         | 6,344.9   | 3,973.8    |
| 16   | 1-Year Treasury Note                          | 2,515.3   | 3,685.2   | 2,405.5                   | -         | -          |
| 17   | Medium-Term Instruments                       | 18,562.3  | 35,816.0  | 47,927.0                  | 59,348.0  | 90,375.6   |
| 18   | 2-Year Fixed Treasury Note                    | 4,227.0   | 6,400.6   | 13,049.8                  | 13,526.1  | 17,441.5   |
| 19   | 2-Year USD Domestic Bond                      | 395.9     | 418.0     | -                         | -         | -          |
| 20   | 3-Year USD Domestic Bond                      | -         | 977.8     | 1,067.7                   | 2,057.8   | 2,231.2    |
| 21   | 3-Year Fixed Rate Bond                        | 6,658.6   | 7,255.5   | 10,930.3                  | 12,929.6  | 27,342.7   |
| 22   | 5-Year GoG Bond                               | 6,480.0   | 11,204.0  | 12,160.7                  | 15,808.0  | 22,499.6   |
| 23   | 6-Year GoG Bond                               | -         | -         | -                         | 1,780.7   | 2,870.6    |
| 24   | 7-Year GoG Bond                               | 201.7     | 2,150.5   | 2,857.4                   | 4,580.8   | 5,388.1    |
| 25   | 10-Year GoG Bond                              | 599.0     | 7,409.6   | 7,861.2                   | 8,665.1   | 12,601.8   |
| _26  | Long-Term Instruments                         | -         | 4,793.8   | 4,793.8                   | 5,974.8   | 15,681.2   |
| 27   | 15-Year GoG Bond                              | -         | 4,793.8   | 4,793.8                   | 5,812.7   | 15,342.6   |
| 28   | 20-Year GoG Bond                              | -         | -         | -                         | 162.1     | 338.6      |
| _ 29 | B. Non-Marketable Debt                        | 14,247.9  | 13,934.6  | 23,022.3                  | 23,694.5  | 26,694.4   |
| 30   | 3-Year Stock (SSNIT)                          | 1,137.0   | 881.8     | 502.9                     | 172.5     | 0.0        |
| 31   | Long-Term Govt Stock                          | 11,987.4  | 11,987.4  | 11,987.4                  | 11,987.4  | 8,376.4    |
| 32   | Long-Term Govt Stock (Bank Bailout)           | -         | -         | 9,581.2                   | 10,698.1  | 17,595.8   |
| 33   | GoG Petroleum Financed Bonds                  | 80.0      | 80.0      | 80.0                      | 80.0      | 80.0       |
| 34   | TOR Bonds                                     | 572.0     | 514.8     | 400.4                     | 286.0     | 171.6      |
| 35   | Revaluation Stock                             | 361.1     | 361.1     | 361.1                     | 361.1     | 361.1      |
| 36   | Other Government Stock                        | 1.0       | 100.5     | 100.5                     | 100.5     | 100.5      |
| 37   | Telekom Malaysia Stocks                       | 109.5     | 109.5     | 109.5                     | 109.5     | 109.5      |
| 38   | C. Standard Loans Total Domestic Debt (A+B+C) | 488.0     | 227.9     | 124.7                     | 122.9     | 221.6      |
| 39   | Total Domestic Debt (A+B+C)                   | 53,403.4  | 66,769.1  | 86,899.7<br>s of Domestic | 105,481.2 | 149,833.9  |
| 40   | A. Banking System                             | 27,834.4  | 23,619.3  | 39,192.1                  | 47,380.4  | 78,404.7   |
| 41   | Bank of Ghana                                 | 13,056.2  | 13,002.6  | 13,933.3                  | 15,598.7  | 33,621.9   |
| 42   | Deposit Money Banks                           | 14,778.2  | 10,616.7  | 25,258.8                  | 31,781.6  | 44,782.8   |
| 43   | B. Non-Bank Sector                            | 13,486.6  | 17,256.2  | 25,256.6                  | 31,761.0  | 43,520.4   |
| 44   | SSNIT   | 1,463.4   | 1,402.6   | 795.6                     | 31,003.7  | 661.4      |
| 45   | Insurance Companies                           | 179.0     | 340.5     | 462.4                     | 581.8     | 858.2      |
| 46   | Other Holders                                 | 11,844.1  | 15,513.2  | 20,248.8                  | 30,790.7  | 42,000.8   |
| 47   | C. Foreign Sector                             | 11,594.4  | 25,665.6  | 26,076.2                  | 26,292.3  | 27,687.2   |
| 48   | D. Other Standard Loans                       | 488.0     | 227.9     | 124.7                     | 122.9     | 221.6      |
| 49   | Total (A+B+C+D)                               | 53,403.4  | 66,769.1  | 86,899.7                  | 105,481.2 | 149,833.9  |



Appendix 1B: Gross Public Debt (in millions of US\$), 2016 - 2020

|      | •                                   |             |          |               |          |            |
|------|-------------------------------------|-------------|----------|---------------|----------|------------|
| S/N  | Item                                | 2016        | 2017     | 2018          | 2019     | 2020 Prov. |
|      |                                     |             |          | oss Public De |          |            |
| 1    | External Debt                       | 16,437.7    | 17,158.2 | 17,875.4      | 20,349.4 | 24,715.8   |
| 2    | Domestic Debt                       | 12,766.2    | 15,118.4 | 18,020.0      | 19,037.9 | 26,116.7   |
| 3    | Total Public Debt                   | 29,203.8    | 32,276.7 | 35,895.5      | 39,387.2 | 50,832.4   |
|      |                                     |             |          | ernal Debt St |          |            |
| 4    | Multilateral                        | 5,548.0     | 6,387.7  | 6,390.5       | 6,555.5  | 8,280.2    |
| 5    | Bilateral                           | 1,136.5     | 1,210.3  | 1,204.8       | 1,227.9  | 1,297.4    |
| 6    | Export Credits                      | 1,315.2     | 1,461.2  | 1,235.6       | 1,049.0  | 966.1      |
| 7    | Commercial                          | 2,782.2     | 2,636.1  | 2,365.4       | 2,165.2  | 2,415.4    |
| 8    | International Capital Market        | 3,949.0     | 3,680.1  | 4,978.1       | 7,694.7  | 10,215.1   |
| 9    | Other Concessional                  | 1,706.8     | 1,782.8  | 1,701.2       | 1,657.0  | 1,541.7    |
| 10   | Total External Debt                 | 16,437.7    | 17,158.2 | 17,875.4      | 20,349.4 | 24,715.8   |
|      |                                     |             | Don      | nestic Debt S | tock     |            |
| 11   | A. Marketable Debt                  | 9,243.5     | 11,911.6 | 13,220.1      | 14,739.2 | 21,425.1   |
| 12   | Short-Term Instruments              | 4,806.2     | 2,716.4  | 2,287.6       | 2,949.3  | 2,938.9    |
| 13   | 91-Day Treasury Bill                | 2,504.7     | 1,232.8  | 1,156.4       | 1,291.1  | 1,748.4    |
| 14   | 182-Day Treasury Bill               | 1,700.2     | 649.2    | 632.4         | 513.1    | 497.9      |
| 15   | 364-Day Treasury Bill               | -           | -        | -             | 1,145.2  | 692.6      |
| 16   | 1-Year Treasury Note                | 601.3       | 834.4    | 498.8         | -        | -          |
| 17   | Medium-Term Instruments             | 4,437.3     | 8,109.8  | 9,938.4       | 10,711.5 | 15,752.8   |
| 18   | 2-Year Fixed Treasury Note          | 1,010.5     | 1,449.3  | 2,706.1       | 2,441.3  | 3,040.1    |
| 19   | 2-Year USD Domestic Bond            | 94.6        | 94.6     | -             | -        | -          |
| 20   | 3-Year USD Domestic Bond            | -           | 221.4    | 221.4         | 371.4    | 388.9      |
| 21   | 3-Year Fixed Rate Bond              | 1,591.8     | 1,642.9  | 2,266.6       | 2,333.6  | 4,765.9    |
| 22   | 5-Year GoG Bond                     | 1,549.1     | 2,536.9  | 2,521.7       | 2,853.1  | 3,921.8    |
| 23   | 6-Year GoG Bond                     | -           | -        | -             | 321.4    | 500.4      |
| 24   | 7-Year GoG Bond                     | 48.2        | 486.9    | 592.5         | 826.8    | 939.2      |
| 25   | 10-Year GoG Bond                    | 143.2       | 1,677.7  | 1,630.1       | 1,563.9  | 2,196.5    |
| 26   | Long-Term Instruments               | -           | 1,085.4  | 994.1         | 1,078.4  | 2,733.3    |
| 27   | 15-Year GoG Bond                    | -           | 1,085.4  | 994.1         | 1,049.1  | 2,674.3    |
| 28   | 20-Year GoG Bond                    | -           | -        | -             | 29.3     | 59.0       |
| 29   | B. Non-Marketable Debt              | 3,406.0     | 3,155.2  | 4,774.0       | 4,276.5  | 4,652.9    |
| 30   | 3-Year Stock (SSNIT)                | 271.8       | 199.7    | 104.3         | 31.1     | 0.0        |
| 31   | Long-Term Govt Stock                | 2,865.6     | 2,714.3  | 2,485.8       | 2,163.6  | 1,460.0    |
| 32   | Long-Term Govt Stock (Bank Bailout) | -,555.5     | -,       | 1,986.8       | 1,930.9  | 3,067.0    |
| 33   | GoG Petroleum Financed Bonds        | 19.1        | 18.1     | 16.6          | 14.4     | 13.9       |
| 34   | TOR Bonds                           | 136.7       | 116.6    | 83.0          | 51.6     | 29.9       |
| 35   | Revaluation Stock                   | 86.3        | 81.8     | 74.9          | 65.2     | 62.9       |
| 36   | Other Government Stock              | 0.2         | -        | -             | -        | -          |
| 37   | Telekom Malaysia Stocks             | 26.2        | 24.8     | 22.7          | 19.8     | 19.1       |
| 38   | C. Standard Loans                   | 116.7       | 51.6     | 25.9          | 22.2     | 38.6       |
| 39   | Total Domestic Debt (A+B+C)         | 12,766.2    | 15,118.4 | 18,020.0      | 19,037.9 | 26,116.7   |
| - 30 | . C.a. Democre Dest (ALDIO)         | ,           |          | rs of Domesti |          |            |
| 40   | A. Banking System                   | 6,653.9     | 5,348.1  | 8,127.1       | 8,551.5  | 13,666.3   |
| 41   | Bank of Ghana                       | 3,121.1     | 2,944.2  | 2,889.3       | 2,815.4  | 5,860.4    |
| 42   | Deposit Money Banks                 | 3,532.8     | 2,403.9  | 5,237.8       | 5,736.1  | 7,805.8    |
| 43   | B. Non-Bank Sector                  | 3,224.0     | 3,907.3  | 4,459.8       | 5,718.8  | 7,585.8    |
| 44   | SSNIT                               | 349.8       | 317.6    | 165.0         | 56.5     | 115.3      |
| 45   | Insurance Companies                 | 42.8        | 77.1     | 95.9          | 105.0    | 149.6      |
| 46   | Other Holders                       | 2,831.4     | 3,512.6  | 4,198.9       | 5,557.3  | 7,320.9    |
| 47   | C. Foreign Sector                   | 2,771.7     | 5,811.4  | 5,407.3       | 4,745.4  | 4,826.0    |
| 48   | D. Other Standard Loans             | 116.7       | 51.6     | 25.9          | 22.2     | 38.6       |
| 49   | Total (A+B+C+D)                     | 12,766.2    | 15,118.4 | 18,020.0      | 19,037.9 | 26,116.7   |
|      |                                     | · _ , · ••- | ,        | , -=          | ,        | ,          |



## Appendix 2: Debt-to-GDP Ratios, 2016 – 2020

|             |  |                                | Public De                      | ebt (in millio                  | ns of GH¢)                      |                                  |
|-------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| S/N         | Description  | 2016                           | 2017                           | 2018                            | 2019                            | 2020<br>Prov.                    |
| 1           | External Debt  | 68,762.1                       | 75,777.6                       | 86,202.5                        | 112,747.7                       | 141,796.8                        |
|             | Domestic Debt with Financial &   |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                  |
| 2           | Energy Sector Costs  | 53,403.4                       | 66,769.1                       | 86,899.7                        | 105,481.2                       | 149,833.9                        |
|             | Total Debt with Financial &  |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                  |
| 3           | Energy Sector Costs  | 122,165.5                      | 142,546.6                      | 173,102.2                       | 218,228.9                       | 291,630.7                        |
|             |  |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                  |
|             | Domestic Debt without Financial &  |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                  |
| 4           | Energy Sector Costs  | 53,403.4                       | 66,769.1                       | 77,318.6                        | 87,680.3                        | 125,404.1                        |
|             | Total Debt without Financial &   |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                  |
| 5           | Energy Sector Costs  | 122,165.5                      | 142,546.6                      | 163,521.1                       | 200,428.0                       | 267,201.0                        |
|             |  |                                |                                |                                 |                                 |                                  |
|             |  |                                |                                |                                 | _                               |                                  |
|             |  |                                |                                | Debt to GD                      | Р                               |                                  |
| S/N         | Description  | 2016                           | 2017                           | Debt to GD<br>2018              | P<br>2019                       | 2020<br>Prov.                    |
| S/N         | Description  External Debt/GDP   | <b>2016</b> 32.0%              | <b>2017</b> 29.5%              |                                 |                                 |                                  |
|             |  |                                |                                | 2018                            | 2019                            | Prov.                            |
|             | External Debt/GDP  |                                |                                | 2018                            | 2019                            | Prov.                            |
| 1           | External Debt/GDP  Domestic Debt/GDP with Financial  | 32.0%                          | 29.5%                          | <b>2018</b> 28.7%               | <b>2019</b><br>32.3%            | Prov.<br>37.0%                   |
| 1           | External Debt/GDP  Domestic Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs  | 32.0%                          | 29.5%                          | <b>2018</b> 28.7%               | <b>2019</b><br>32.3%            | Prov.<br>37.0%                   |
| 1 2         | External Debt/GDP Domestic Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs Total Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs                             | 32.0%<br>24.8%                 | 29.5%<br>26.0%                 | 2018<br>28.7%<br>28.9%          | 2019<br>32.3%<br>30.2%          | Prov.<br>37.0%<br>39.1%          |
| 1 2         | External Debt/GDP Domestic Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs  Total Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs  Domestic Debt/GDP without | 32.0%<br>24.8%                 | 29.5%<br>26.0%                 | 2018<br>28.7%<br>28.9%          | 2019<br>32.3%<br>30.2%          | Prov.<br>37.0%<br>39.1%          |
| 1 2         | External Debt/GDP Domestic Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs Total Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs                             | 32.0%<br>24.8%                 | 29.5%<br>26.0%                 | 2018<br>28.7%<br>28.9%          | 2019<br>32.3%<br>30.2%          | Prov.<br>37.0%<br>39.1%          |
| 1<br>2<br>3 | External Debt/GDP Domestic Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs  Total Debt/GDP with Financial & Energy Sector Costs  Domestic Debt/GDP without | 32.0%<br>24.8%<br><b>56.8%</b> | 29.5%<br>26.0%<br><b>55.5%</b> | 2018<br>28.7%<br>28.9%<br>57.6% | 2019<br>32.3%<br>30.2%<br>62.4% | 97.0%<br>37.0%<br>39.1%<br>76.1% |



## Appendix 3: List of Outstanding External Loans as at end 2020

| S/N  | Creditor | Project Title   | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|------|----------|---|---|
| 1    | ABED     | Rehabilitation of Transport Sector 2nd Programme Project                          | 14.85                                     |
| 2    | ABED     | Korle Lagoon Rehabilitation Project   | 19.07                                     |
| 3    | ABED     | Bolgatanga Hospital Rehabilitation Project  | 2.46                                      |
| 4    | ABED     | Tamale Storm Water Drainage Project   | 19.27                                     |
| 5    | ABED     | Achimota-Anyinam Road Project "USD"   | 13.36                                     |
| 6    | ABED     | Small Farms Irrigation Project II   | 15.27                                     |
| 7    | ABED     | Korle Lagoon Rehab Project (Additional Ioan)                                      | 10.26                                     |
| 8    | ABED     | Rehab. of Bolgatanga Regional Hospital (Additional loan)                          | 4.28                                      |
| 9    | ABED     | Tetteh Quashie Mamfe Road Project   | 36.22                                     |
| 10   | ABED     | Basic Education Support in Ashanti & Brong Ahafo Regions                          | 15.18                                     |
| 11   | ABED     | Construction of Seven (7) Bridges   | 33.95                                     |
| 12   | ABED     | Radiotherapy and Nuclear Medicine Treatment Service Project                       | 28.78                                     |
| 13   | ABED     | Construction of Trauma & Acute Pain Centre Project in Korle -Bu                   | 2.68                                      |
| 14   | ABED     | Integrated Rural Development Project  | 7.97                                      |
| 15   | ABN AMRO | Accelerating Tuberculosis Case Detection in Ghana                                 | 162.68                                    |
| 16   | ABN AMRO | Rehabilitation and Upgrading of Tamale Teaching Hospital Phase II                 | 55.46                                     |
| 17   | ABSA     | Integrated National Security Communication Enhancement Network Project - Phase II | 203.93                                    |
| 18   | ABSA     | Ghana Rural Telephony and Digital Inclusion Project                               | 177.18                                    |
| 19   | ADF      | Anyinam-Kumasi Road Construction  | 14.21                                     |
| 20   | ADF      | Food Crops Development Project  | 40.16                                     |
| 21   | ADF      | Small Scale Irrigation Development Project  | 71.99                                     |
| 22   | ADF      | Poverty Reduction Project   | 0.79                                      |
| 23   | ADF      | Achimota-Anyinam Road Rehabilitation Project                                      | 30.49                                     |
| 24   | ADF      | Fourth Line of credit to Agric Development Bank                                   | 57.93                                     |
| 25   | ADF      | Rural Financial Service Project   | 8.64                                      |
| 26   | ADF      | Tetteh-Quarshie-Mamfe Road Project  | 122.73                                    |
| 27   | ADF      | Cashew Development Project  | 65.46                                     |
| 28   | ADF      | Inland Valleys Rice Development Project   | 94.11                                     |
| 29   | ADF      | Tema-Aflao Road Rehabilitation Akatsi-Aflao                                       | 85.53                                     |
| 30   | ADF      | Livestock Development Project   | 140.16                                    |
| 31   | ADF      | Akatsi-Dzodze-Noepe Road Upgrading Project  | 39.5                                      |
| 32   | ADF      | UEMOA Road Programme I  | 168.07                                    |
| 33   | ADF      | Community Forestry Management Project   | 52.16                                     |
| 34   | ADF      | Health Services Rehab Project III   | 134.27                                    |
| 35   | ADF      | Rural Enterprise Project (agric-based)  | 59  |
| 36   | ADF      | Nerica Rice Dissemination Project   | 22.88                                     |
| _ 37 | ADF      | Integrated Management Invasive Aquatic Weeds in W/A                               | 11.34                                     |
| 38   | ADF      | Nsawam Apedwa Road Project  | 108.18                                    |
| 39   | ADF      | Development of Senior Secondary Education Project III                             | 158.96                                    |
| 40   | ADF      | Tsetse and Trypanosomiasis Free Areas Project                                     | 45.6                                      |
| 41   | ADF      | Export Market and Quality Awareness Programme                                     | 115.9                                     |
| 42   | ADF      | Second Poverty Reduction Support Loan   | 347.7                                     |
| 43   | ADF      | Urban Poverty Reduction Project   | 161.9                                     |
| 44   | ADF      | Accra Sewerage Improvement Project  | 359.09                                    |
| 45   | ADF      | Afram Plains Agric. Development Project   | 158.18                                    |
| 46   | ADF      | Ghana-Togo-Benin 330kv Power Inter-connection Project                             | 71.04                                     |
| 47   | ADF      | Power System Reinforcement Project  | 171.57                                    |
| 48   | ADF      | Northern Rural Growth Programme   | 304.25                                    |
| 49   | ADF      | Gender Responsive Skills and Community Development Project                        | 16.04                                     |
| 50   | ADF      | Poverty Reduction Support Loan III  | 775.51                                    |
| 51   | ADF      | UEMOA-Ghana Road Programme - Additional Loan                                      | 31  |
| 52   | ADF      | Tema Aflao Rehab. Road Project - Additional Loan                                  | 162.8                                     |
| 53   | ADF      | Akatsi-Dzodze-Neope Road Upgrading Project - Additional Loan                      | 77.61                                     |
| 54   | ADF      | Rehabilitation of Pokuase-Awoshie Road  | 406.86                                    |
| 55   | ADF      | Poverty Reduction and Business Environmental Support Programme (Loan III)         | 386.4                                     |
| _ 56 | ADF      | Development of Skills for Industry Project  | 338.34                                    |



| S/N | Creditor   | Project Title  | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|-----|------------|--|---|
| 57  | ADF        | Rural Enterprise Programme III (REP III)   | 239.93                                    |
| 58  | ADF        | Program Based Operation  | 317.36                                    |
| 59  | ADF        | Electricity Distribution System Reinforcement and Extension                                    | 101.75                                    |
| 60  | ADF        | Accra Urban Transport Project  | 361.6                                     |
| 61  | ADF        | Public Financial and Private Sector Competitiveness Support Programme - Phase II (PFMPSCSP II) | 274.91                                    |
| 62  | ADF        | Greater Accra Sustainable and Livelihood Improvement Project                                   | 21.92                                     |
| 63  | ADF        | Savanah Zone Agricultural Productivity Improvement Project (SAPIP)                             | 154.58                                    |
| 64  | ADF        | Ghana Incentive-Based Risk-Sharing System for Agricultural Lending                             | 78.16                                     |
| 65  | ADF        | Cocoa Sector Institutional Support Project (COSISP)  | 0.73                                      |
| 66  | ADF        | Eastern Corridor Road Development Program  | 0.35                                      |
| 67  | ADF        | Savannah Investment Programme (SIP)  | 48  |
| 68  | BAAG       | Sogakope District Hospital   | 16.16                                     |
| 69  | BAAG       | Begoro District Hospital - Sixty Beds Project  | 29.73                                     |
| 70  | BAAG       | Turnkey Construction of Five Polyclinics   | 9   |
| 71  | BAAG       | Supply & Installation of Steel Bridges in Wa   | 16.47                                     |
| 72  | BAAG       | Five Polyclinics Phase II  | 38.29                                     |
| 73  | BAAG       | Upgrading of Highway Infrastructure - Steel Bridges II   | 32.97                                     |
| 74  | BAAG       | Rehabilitation of the Adomi Bridge   | 72.83                                     |
| 75  | BAAG       | Improvement of Water Treatment plants (Five Towns)   | 40.14                                     |
| 76  | BAAG       | Rural Health Centres - Five Polyclinics Phase III  | 51.89                                     |
| 77  | BAAG       | Enhancement of Road Safety- Implementation of Photovoltaic-Based Street Lighting               | 51.18                                     |
| 78  | BAAG       | Implementation of Pedestrian Bridges at Hazardous Road Locations in Ghana                      | 53.63                                     |
| 79  | BADB       | Construction of Hangar for Ghana Airforce  | 26.6                                      |
| 80  | BADB       | Financing of Civil Engineering Works - Eastern Corridor Road Project                           | 196.7                                     |
| 81  | BANS       | Development of Kumasi Airport (Phase II)   | 399.01                                    |
| 82  | BBNV       | Construction of Drinking Water Facility  | 4.71                                      |
| 83  | BBP        | Construction of Seven (7) District Hospitals and Provision of Integrated IT Systems in Ghana   | 336.31                                    |
| 84  | BELG       | Clinical Laboratory Improvement Project  | 6.55                                      |
| 85  | BELG       | Elmina Fishing Harbour & Benya Lagoon Restoration Project                                      | 22.51                                     |
| 86  | BELG       | Koforidua Water Supply Project Phase I   | 12.63                                     |
| 87  | BELG       | Rehabilitation of Kpong Pumping Station  | 23.5                                      |
| 88  | BHI        | 3K Water Supply Project  | 172.69                                    |
| 89  | BHI        | Legon University Hospital and Other Related Works  | 400.53                                    |
| 90  | BHI        | 3K Water Supply Project (Phase II)   | 227.4                                     |
| 91  | BHI        | Expansion of the University of Ghana Hospital-Phase II   | 116.04                                    |
| 92  | BMH        | Sub-Transmission Improvement Project Phase II  | 103.65                                    |
| 93  | BMH        | Rehabilitation of Tamale Teaching Hospital   | 17.33                                     |
| 94  | BNDS       | Buyer Credit Facility - Eastern Corridor Road Project  | 652.42                                    |
| 95  | BNP        | Supply & Installation of Equipment (SHEP IV)   | 20.88                                     |
| 96  | BNP        | Ada Coastal Protection Works Project   | 51.23                                     |
| 97  | BNP        | Vessel Traffic Management Information System (VTMIS)   | 69.89                                     |
| 98  | BNP        | Supply of Steel Bridges for the Enhancement of Rural Development on<br>Selected Feeder Roads   | 43.28                                     |
| 99  | BNP        | Kwame Nkrumah Interchange - Phase II   | 487.65                                    |
| 100 | CALB       | Purchase of Smart Prepaid Meters and Accessories for ECG                                       | 162.56                                    |
| 101 | CCAB       | Improvement of Electricity Supply, Accra & Kumasi  | 44.1                                      |
| 102 | CCRB       | Ada Coastal Protection Works - Phase II  | 645.68                                    |
| 103 | CDB        | China Development Bank Master Facility Agreement (Tranche B)                                   | 1,505.36                                  |
| 104 | CITI       | Self Help - Electrification Programme 4 (SHEP 4)   | 368.22                                    |
| 105 | CITI       | 10-Yr Sovereign Bond 2023  | 1,451.47                                  |
| 106 | CITI       | 2018 Eurobond issuance   | 11,474.20                                 |
| 107 | CITI       | 2019 Eurobond Issuance   | 17,211.30                                 |
| 108 | CITI       | 2020 Eurobond Issuance   | 17,211.30                                 |
| 109 | CMBK       | Supply & Installation of Telecom System Project  | 6.69                                      |
| 110 | CMBK       | Supply of 75 Jonckheere Buses & Spare Parts  | 20.35                                     |
| 111 | CMBK       | Supply of 75 Jonckheere Buses and Spare Parts  | 20.35                                     |
|     | J.1.1.D.1. | Capp. Stro Continuoro Bacco and Oparo Farto  | 20.00                                     |



| S/N | Creditor | Project Title  | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|-----|----------|--|---|
| 112 | CMBK     | Supply of 150 Buses and Spare Parts  | 19.31                                     |
| 113 | CSOB     | Design, Fabrication, Supply and Installation of 50 No. Composite Bridges and Related Civil Works                       | 40.23                                     |
| 114 | CWE      | Supply & Installation of Equipment SHEP 4  | 382.56                                    |
| 115 | CWE      | NES - Upper West Regional Electrification Project  | 211.23                                    |
| 116 | CWE      | Upper West Electrification Extension   | 549.2                                     |
| 117 | DBF      | Rehabilitation and auxiliary infrastructure of Kumasi Inner Ring Road and Adjacent Streets                             | 161.65                                    |
| 118 | DBF      | Financing of Kumasi Airport Redevelopment-Phase III  | 220.63                                    |
| 119 | DBF      | Modernisation of Konfo Anokye Teaching Hospital Project  | 479.48                                    |
| 120 | DBI      | Construction of a University and Related Dormitory Facilities in Somanya, Eastern Region                               | 249.78                                    |
| 121 | DBI      | Modernization and Equipping of Selected Health Facilities (Tetteh Quarshie Memorial, Kibi, Aburi and Atibie Hospitals) | 187.99                                    |
| 122 | DBL      | Modernization of the Kumasi Market- Phase II   | 139.77                                    |
| 123 | DBL      | Development of Kumasi Airport (Phase II)   | 27.39                                     |
| 124 | DBL      | Redevelopment and Modernisation of Kumasi Central Market and its<br>Associated Infrastructure-Phase II                 | 276.43                                    |
| 125 | DBL      | Completion and Equipping of Bekwai District Hospital   | 128.25                                    |
| 126 | DBL      | Design, Construction and Commissioning of Potable Water Infrastructure project in Tamale                               | 46.64                                     |
| 127 | DBNY     | Supply of Medical Equipment  | 861.64                                    |
| 128 | DBNY     | Construction of Tamale Airport   | 143.43                                    |
| 129 | DBNY     | Sovereign Bond 2024-2026   | 5,737.10                                  |
| 130 | DBNY     | Sovereign Bond 2028-2030   | 5,336.12                                  |
| 131 | DBNY     | GOG 6-Yr Amortizing Sovereign Bond   | 183.51                                    |
| 132 | DBSA     | Modernisation of Kumasi Central Market and Kejetia Infrastructure Project Phase I                                      | 423.85                                    |
| 133 | DBSA     | Design and Construction of Kasoa Interchange   | 456.05                                    |
| 134 | DESA     | Supply of 2 C-295 Military Transport   | 55.73                                     |
| 135 | DNSK     | Construction of 7 Bridges in the Northern Region of Ghana  | 404.69                                    |
| 136 | EBID     | Akatsi-Aflao Road Rehabilitation Project Main  | 13.9                                      |
| 137 | EBID     | Modernisation of Ghana National Fire Service   | 22.41                                     |
| 138 | EBID     | SHEP-4 Ashanti Region and Brong Ahafo Region   | 126.18                                    |
| 139 | EBID     | Bekwai District Hospital (Health Services Rehab Project III)   | 18.74                                     |
| 140 | ECBT     | Akim Oda, Akwatia and Winneba Water Supply Project   | 472.94                                    |
| 141 | EDI      | 2 Regional and 6 Districts Hospitals   | 833.52                                    |
| 142 | EDI      | 500 Bed Military Hospital Project In Kumasi  | 442.58                                    |
| 143 | EIB      | West African Gas Pipeline Project  | 205.6                                     |
| 144 | EXIC     | Bui Hydroelectric Dam Project  | 621.65                                    |
| 145 | EXIC     | Kpong Water Supply Expansion Project   | 991.94                                    |
| 146 | EXIC     | E-Government Platform Project  | 585.18                                    |
| 147 | EXIC     | Legon ICT Project (Phase II)   | 146.65                                    |
| 148 | EXIC     | Bui Dam Project - Additional Loan  | 415.68                                    |
| 149 | EXIC     | Bui Dam Project - Additional Loan  | 269.92                                    |
| 150 | EXIC     | Ghana Dedicated Security Information System Phase II   | 637.21                                    |
| 151 | EXIC     | Polytechnics, Technical and Vocational Training Centres Upgrading Project of Ghana                                     | 275.77                                    |
| 152 | EXIC     | Integrated National Security Communication Enhancement Network Project- Phase II                                       | 570.48                                    |
| 153 | EXIM     | Rural Electrification Project - India  | 46.02                                     |
| 154 | EXIM     | Purchase of Goods form India   | 41  |
| 155 | EXIM     | Construction of Presidential Palace & Offices  | 46.03                                     |
| 156 | EXIM     | Supply of Goods from India   | 92.47                                     |
| 157 | EXIM     | Fish Harvesting and Waste Management Support Project   | 92.8                                      |
| 158 | EXIM     | Design and Construction of 84km Railway Line between Tema and Akosombo   | 1,611.13                                  |
| 159 | EXUS     | Supply of Equipment – BOST   | 121.7                                     |
| 160 | EXUS     | Self Help Electrification (SHEP IV) - EXUS   | 631.31                                    |
| 161 | EXUS     | Mampong Water Supply Project   | 42.01                                     |
|     |          | ייין אין אין אין אין אין אין אין אין אין   | .=.01                                     |



| S/N        | Creditor     | Project Title  | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|------------|--------------|--|---|
| 162        | EXUS         | Rehabilitation and Expansion of Ridge Hospital                                 | 403.33                                    |
| 163        | FRG          | District Towns IV.   | 32.36                                     |
| 164        | FRG          | Rehabilitation of Sogakope Akatsi Road Project                                 | 60.66                                     |
| 165        | FRG          | Multi Donor Budget Support - Germany   | 71.42                                     |
| 166        | FRG          | Land Administration Project  | 11.92                                     |
| 167        | FRG          | Promotion of Perennial Crops   | 29.59                                     |
| 168        | FRG          | Multi Donor Budgetary Support III - Germany                                    | 60.03                                     |
| 169        | FRG          | District Towns V   | 23.1                                      |
| 170        | FRG          | Multi Donor Budget Support IV  | 62.5                                      |
| 171        | FRG          | Poverty Focused Rural Transportation Programme                                 | 21.92                                     |
| 172        | FRG          | Multi Donor Budgetary Support ( V & VI)  | 313.47                                    |
| 173        | FRG          | District Development Facility Project  | 88.69                                     |
| 174        | FRG<br>FRG   | Outgrowers and Value Chain Fund  | 32.54<br>375.13                           |
| 175<br>176 | FRG          | Multi Donor Budget Support (VII-IX) e-Zwich Rural Branchless Banking Project   | 18.61                                     |
| 177        | FRG          | District Development Facility Phase III (DDF III)                              | 45.87                                     |
| 178        | FRG          | Outgrower and Value Chain Fund II  | 46.62                                     |
| 179        | FRG          | Multi Donor Budget Support (MDBS X-XI)   | 122.16                                    |
| 180        | FRG          | Renewable Energy Programme: Pilot Photovoltaic System                          | 26.66                                     |
| 181        | FRG          | New Performance Oriented Public Financial Management-GAS                       | 0.87                                      |
| 182        | FRG          | Establishing a Deposit Protection Scheme in Ghana                              | 45.87                                     |
| 183        | FRNG         | Urban Roads - Takoradi & Tema  | 17.64                                     |
| 184        | FRNG         | Small Outgrowers Phase II  | 2.08                                      |
| 185        | FRNG         | Drainage Improvement in Accra  | 9.96                                      |
| 186        | FRNG         | Construction of Rural Bridges - Northern Ghana                                 | 6.8                                       |
| 187        | FRNG         | Improvement of Urban Roads & Wood Market in Kumasi                             | 113.17                                    |
| 188        | FRNG         | Community Based Rural Development Project                                      | 49.4                                      |
| 189        | FRNG         | Urban Development in Accra & Kumasi  | 132.32                                    |
| 190        | FRNG         | Perennial Crops  | 106.56                                    |
| 191        | FRNG         | Rice Sector Support Project  | 67.88                                     |
| 192        | FRNG         | Small Town Water Supply & Sanitation Project                                   | 70.97                                     |
| 193        | FRNG         | Urban Transportation Project (UTP)   | 123.38                                    |
| 194        | FRNG         | Natural Resource and Environmental Governance Programme                        | 30.87                                     |
| 195        | FRNG         | District Development Facility Project  | 100.56                                    |
| 196        | FRNG         | Rehab of Awoshie-Pokuasi Road  | 194.14                                    |
| 197        | FRNG         | Ghana Urban Management Pilot Project   | 257.52                                    |
| 198        | FRNG         | Kpong Generation Station Retrofit Project                                      | 309.59                                    |
| 199        | FRNG         | District Development Facility - Phase II                                       | 142.5                                     |
| 200        | FRNG         | Kumasi Roads and Drainage Extension Project                                    | 32.22                                     |
| 201        | GPRC         | Purchase of Goods from China   | 12.36                                     |
| 202        | GPRC         | Ghana National Communication Infrastructure. Backbone - Phase I                | 85.8                                      |
| 203        | GPRC         | Ghana Dedicated Security Information System (Phase 1) Project                  | 88.31                                     |
| 204        | GPRC         | Bui Hydropower Dam Project   | 926.83                                    |
| 205<br>206 | GPRC<br>GPRC | ICT - Enabled Distance Education Project                                       | 26.1                                      |
| 207        | GRK          | Cape Coast Kotokuraba Market Project Petroleum Products Storage Depots Project | 166.13<br>38.59                           |
| 208        | GRK          | LPG Cylinder Manufacturing Plant Project                                       | 39.77                                     |
| 208        | GRK          | Buipe-Bolga Petroleum Pipeline Project   | 152.78                                    |
| 210        | GRK          | Prestea-Kumasi Power Enhancement Project                                       | 375.84                                    |
| 211        | GRK          | Establishment of the University of Environment and Sustainable                 | 3.53                                      |
| 211        | Ortic        | Development Project  | 0.00                                      |
| 212        | HSBC         | Redevelopment of Police Hospital   | 170.92                                    |
| 213        | HSBC         | Accra Bus Rapid Transit Project  | 276.91                                    |
| 214        | HSBC         | Obetsebi Lamptey Interchange   | 186.16                                    |
| 215        | HSBC         | Obetsebi Lamptey Interchange - Phase II  | 69.88                                     |
| 216        | ICBC         | Rural Electrification - Northern Region  | 409.62                                    |
| 217        | ICBC         | Rural Electrification Programme CWE  | 235.66                                    |
| 218        | ICBC         | Self-Help Electrification Programme in Five Regions HUNAN                      | 79.88                                     |
| 219        | IDA          | Thermal Power Project  | 70.14                                     |
| 220        | IDA          | Urban Environmental Sanitation Project-URB 4                                   | 4.45                                      |
|            |              |  |   |



| S/N      | Creditor | Project Title  | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|----------|----------|--|---|
| 221      | IDA      | Public Enterprise & Private Technical Assistance Project                           | 15.46                                     |
| 222      | IDA      | Village Infrastructure Project   | 19.66                                     |
| 223      | IDA      | Trade and Investment Gateway Project   | 95.79                                     |
| 224      | IDA      | Public Sector Management Reform Project  | 0.23                                      |
| 225      | IDA      | Community Water and Sanitation Project II  | 56.69                                     |
| 226      | IDA      | National Functional Literacy Project   | 100.64                                    |
| 227      | IDA      | Urban V Project  | 12.68                                     |
| 228      | IDA      | Road Sector Development Project  | 986.89                                    |
| 229      | IDA      | Rural Financial Services Project   | 21.04                                     |
| 230      | IDA      | Ghana Aids Response Project  | 62.94                                     |
| 231      | IDA      | Community-Based Poverty Reduction Project  | 13.5                                      |
| 232      | IDA      | Agric. Services Sub-sector Investment Project                                      | 237.46                                    |
| 233      | IDA      | Second Health Sector Program Support Project                                       | 301.78                                    |
| 234      | IDA      | Land Administration Project  | 101.2                                     |
| 235      | IDA      | Education Sector Project   | 392.95                                    |
| 236      | IDA      | Second Poverty Reduction Support Financing   | 419.31                                    |
| 237      | IDA      | Community Based Rural Development Project  | 293.88                                    |
| 238      | IDA      | Second Urban Environmental Sanitation Project                                      | 300.37                                    |
| 239      | IDA      | Small Town Water SS & Sanitation Project   | 119                                       |
| 240      | IDA      | First Phase of Coastal Transmission Backbone Project                               | 193.34                                    |
| 241      | IDA      | Third Poverty Reduction Support  | 618.91                                    |
| 242      | IDA      | Economic Management Capacity Building Project                                      | 126.95                                    |
| 243      | IDA      | Multi Sectoral HIV/AIDS Project  | 76.95                                     |
| 244      | IDA      | Micro Small Scale and Medium Enterprise Project                                    | 241.38                                    |
| 245      | IDA      | Fourth Poverty Reduction Support Credit  | 732.03                                    |
| 246      | IDA      | eGhana Project   | 201.81                                    |
| 247      | IDA      | Fifth Poverty Reduction Support Credit   | 555.85                                    |
| 248      | IDA      | Energy Development and Access Project  | 456.75                                    |
| 249      | IDA      | Health Insurance Project   | 76.6                                      |
| 250      | IDA      | Nutrition and Malaria Control for Child Survival Project                           | 123.51                                    |
| 251      | IDA      | Urban Transport Project  | 229.24                                    |
| 252      | IDA      | Second Phase of the Coastal Transmission Backbone Project                          | 229.24                                    |
| 253      | IDA      |  | 76.58                                     |
|          | IDA      | West Africa Agricultural Productivity Programme (WAAP) Support Project             |   |
| 254      |          | Small Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project- Additional Financing               | 50.69                                     |
| 255      | IDA      | Additional Financing- Economic Management Capacity Building Project                | 47.73                                     |
| 256      | IDA      | Sixth Poverty Reduction Support Credit   | 477.04                                    |
| 257      | IDA      | First Agric. Development Policy Operation  | 123.97                                    |
| 258      | IDA      | First Natural Resources & Environmental Governance Development Policy<br>Operation | 98.08                                     |
| 259      | IDA      | West African Transport and Transit Facilitation Project                            | 384.36                                    |
| 260      | IDA      | Community Based Rural Development Project - Additional Financing                   | 105.92                                    |
| 261      | IDA      | Economic Governance and Poverty Credit   | 1,540.57                                  |
| 262      | IDA      | Transport Sector Project   | 1,196.34                                  |
| 263      | IDA      | Second NREG - World Bank   | 54.06                                     |
| 264      | IDA      | Small Town Water Supply and Sanitation Project- Additional Financing               | 51.8                                      |
| 265      | IDA      | e-Ghana Project Additional Financing   | 241.19                                    |
| 266      | IDA      | Second Agric Development Policy Operation  | 239.97                                    |
| 267      | IDA      | Energy Development and Access Project Additional                                   | 375.83                                    |
| 268      | IDA      | Third Natural Resource and Environmental Governance Development Policy             | 380.88                                    |
| 269      | IDA      | Sustainable Water and Sanitation Project   | 405.32                                    |
| 270      | IDA      | Social Opportunities Project   | 470.23                                    |
| 271      | IDA      | Abidjan-Lagos Transport Facilitation Project                                       | 608.42                                    |
| 272      | IDA      | Seventh Poverty Reduction Support Credit (PRSC-VII)                                | 1,164.52                                  |
| 273      | IDA      | Oil and Gas Capacity Building Project  | 199.85                                    |
| 274      | IDA      | Third Agriculture Development Policy Operation                                     | 297.32                                    |
| 275      | IDA      | Local Government Capacity Support Project  | 925.58                                    |
| 276      | IDA      | Ghana Skills and Technology Development Project                                    | 362.04                                    |
| 277      | IDA      | Land Administration Project II   | 265.11                                    |
| <u> </u> | וטו      | Land Administration 1 Toject II  | 203.11                                    |



| S/N        | Creditor     | Project Title   | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|------------|--------------|---|---|
| 278        | IDA          | Inter-Zonal Transmission Hub Project of the West African Power Pool (APL3) – Phase            | 131.65                                    |
| 279        | IDA          | Regional Trade Facilitation Project - Phase II  | 8.07                                      |
| 280        | IDA          | Fourth Agriculture Development Policy Operation   | 266.77                                    |
| 281        | IDA          | West Africa Regional Fisheries Programme - Phase I  | 182.13                                    |
| 282        | IDA          | Ghana Commercial Agriculture Project  | 518.43                                    |
| 283        | IDA          | West Africa Productivity Program (WAAPP) - 2A   | 318.56                                    |
| 284        | IDA          | Public Private Partnership Project  | 112.39                                    |
| 285        | IDA          | Ghana Statistics Development Project  | 155.27                                    |
| 287        | IDA          | Ghana Secondary Education Improvement Project   | 792.85                                    |
| 288        | IDA          | eTransform Ghana Project  | 419.49                                    |
| 289        | IDA          | Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition Improvement Project                                   | 344.87                                    |
| 290        | IDA          | Africa Higher Education Centres of Excellence Project   | 113.41                                    |
| 291        | IDA          | Additional Financing for the Ghana Oil and Gas Capacity Building Project                      | 186.1                                     |
| 292        | IDA          | Additional Financing for Social Opportunities Project   | 250.52                                    |
| 293        | IDA          | Public Financial Management Reform Project  | 265.61                                    |
| 294        | IDA          | Macroeconomic Stability for Comprehensive & Growth Development Policy Finance                 | 881.24                                    |
| 295        | IDA          | Additional Financing for Transport Sector Project   | 129.38                                    |
| 296        | IDA          | Ghana Economic Management Strengthening Project   | 53.45                                     |
| 297        | IDA          | Additional Financing-Energy Development and Access Project                                    | 183.41                                    |
| 298        | IDA          | Second Macroeconomic Stability for Competitiveness and Growth Policy Finance                  | 1,176.08                                  |
| 299        | IDA          | Additional Financing for Sustainable Rural Water and Sanitation Project                       | 272.51                                    |
| 300        | IDA          | Additional Financing for the Secondary Education Improvement Project                          | 116.66                                    |
| 301        | IDA          | Public Sector Reform for Results Project  | 25.85                                     |
| 302        | IDA          | Ghana Transport Sector Improvement Project  | 135.25                                    |
| 303        | IDA          | Productive Safety Net Project   | 186.1                                     |
| 304        | IDA          | Ghana Energy Sector Transformation Initiative Project   | 12.08                                     |
| 305        | IDA          | Ghana Secondary Cities Support Program  | 284                                       |
| 306        | IDA          | Financial Sector Development Project  | 55.56                                     |
| 307        | IDA          | Tourism Development Project   | 24.11                                     |
| 309        | IDA          | Ghana Commercial Agriculture Project  | 141.75                                    |
| 310        | IDA          | First ACE Impact  | 74.18                                     |
| 311        | IDA          | Ghana Economic Transformation Project (GETP)  | 9.62                                      |
| 312        | IDA          | Greater Accra Resilient and Integrated-Additional Financing Development<br>Project            | 436.38                                    |
| 313        | IDA          | Ghana Accountability for Learning Outcomes Project (GALOP)                                    | 172.2                                     |
| 314        | IDA          | Ghana COVID-19 Response Project   | 199.53                                    |
| 315        | IDA          | Harmonizing and Improving Statistics in West Africa (HISWA)                                   | 99.71                                     |
| 316        | IFAD         | Volta Region Agric. Development Project   | 19.95                                     |
| 317        | IFAD         | Small Holder Rehabilitation & Development Programme   | 13.68                                     |
| 318        | IFAD         | Small Holder Rehabilitation & Development Programme   | 19.24                                     |
| 319        | IFAD         | Smallholder Credit, Input Supply & Marketing Project  | 35.23                                     |
| 320        | IFAD         | Smallholder Credit, Input Supply & Marketing Project  | 15.35                                     |
| 321        | IFAD         | Upper East Region Land Conservation & Smallholder Project                                     | 38.01                                     |
| 322        | IFAD         | Rural Enterprises Project   | 24.53                                     |
| 323        | IFAD         | Upper West Agricultural Development Project   | 28.12                                     |
| 324        | IFAD         | Village Infrastructure Project  | 25.88                                     |
| 325        | IFAD         | Root and Tuber Improvement Project  | 31.5                                      |
| 326<br>327 | IFAD<br>IFAD | Upper East Region Land Conservation & Smallholder Project II Rural Financial Services Project | 39.78<br>45.04                            |
| 328        | IFAD         | Northern Region Poverty Reduction Project   | 50.61                                     |
| 329        | IFAD         | Rural Enterprise Project II   | 51.02                                     |
| 330        | IFAD         | Root and Tuber Improvement and Marketing Programme (RTIMP)                                    | 84.81                                     |
| 331        | IFAD         | Northern Rural Growth Programme   | 106.58                                    |
| 332        | IFAD         | Rural and Agric. Finance Programme (RAFIP)  | 25.61                                     |
| 333        | IFAD         | Rural and Agric. Finance Programme (RAFIP)  | 33.45                                     |
| 334        | IFAD         | Rural Enterprises Programme (REP)   | 142.76                                    |
|            |              |   | 1 12.7 0                                  |



| S/N        | Creditor     | Project Title   | Disbursed<br>Outstanding Debt<br>(GH¢'mn) |
|------------|--------------|---|---|
| 335        | IFAD         | Ghana Agricultural Sector Investment Program (GASIP)                                  | 158.02                                    |
| 336        | IMF          | Arrangements  | 12,053.41                                 |
| 337        | INDG         | Komenda Sugar Factory   | 174.89                                    |
| 338        | ING          | Accra-Tema Metropolitan Area Water Supply System (South of Kpong)                     | 15.06                                     |
| 339        | ING          | Improving Access to Quality Health Care in Western Region of Ghana                    | 58.3                                      |
| 340        | ING          | Upper East Region Water Supply Project  | 119.79                                    |
| 341        | ING          | Overall Upgradation and Modernisation of the Vocational Education<br>System in Ghana  | 457.91                                    |
| 342        | ITG          | Private Sector Development Fund   | 70.27                                     |
| 343        | ITG          | Ghana Private Sector Development Facility - Phase II                                  | 70.57                                     |
| 344        | KBCB         | Koforidua Water Supply Project  | 11.66                                     |
| 345        | KBCB         | New Tafo Water Supply Project   | 2.08                                      |
| 346        | KBCB         | Supply of Fire Tenders  | 11.26                                     |
| 347        | KBCB         | Job 600 of Parliament House (ICT)   | 9.4                                       |
| 348        | KBCB         | Essakyir Water Supply Project   | 23.89                                     |
| 349        | KBCB         | Rehab of Kpong Pumping Water Station  | 26.48                                     |
| 350        | KBCB         | Kpando-Kadjebi Sub-station Project  | 35.46                                     |
| 351        | KBCB         | ICT Teaching Support Project  | 28.56                                     |
| 353        | KBCB         | Essakyir Water Supply - Phase II  | 5.37                                      |
| 354        | KFED         | Korle Lagoon Ecological Restoration Project II  | 1.77                                      |
| 355        | KFED         | Kuwait Fund Debt Relief Loan-GOG Portion  | 66.28                                     |
| 356        | KFWB         | Tamale International Airport - Phase II   | 205.03                                    |
| 357        | NDF2         | Urban 11 Project  | 22.71                                     |
| 358        | NDF2         | National Electrification Project  | 28.27                                     |
| 359        | NDF2         | Accra-Tema Water Supply Rehab Project   | 24.72                                     |
| 360        | NDF2         | Urban Environment Sanitation Project  | 13.91                                     |
| 361        | NDF2         | Mining Sector Development & Environmental Project                                     | 17.21                                     |
| 362        | NDF2         | Health Sector Support Programme   | 25.54                                     |
| 363        | NDF2         | Urban V Project   | 12.24                                     |
| 364        | NDF2<br>NDF2 | Health Services Rehabilitation III Project NDF Urban Water Project                    | 53.32<br>26.82                            |
| 365<br>366 | NDF2         | Land Administration Project   | 42.7                                      |
| 367        | NDF2         | Urban Environment Sanitation Project II   | 44.92                                     |
| 368        | NORB         | Rural Fibre Optic Backbone Link Data Centre Project                                   | 64.98                                     |
| 369        | NORB         | Environmental Monitoring Laboratory at University of Mines & Technology (UMaT)        | 38.19                                     |
| 370        | NTF          | Nsawam Apedwa Road Project "NTF"  | 5.22                                      |
| 371        | OFID         | Korle Lagoon Ecological Restoration Project   | 9.5                                       |
| 372        | OFID         | Rural Health Services Project   | 10.32                                     |
| 373        | OFID         | Achimota-Anyinam Road Rehabilitation Project "USD"                                    | 9.47                                      |
| 374        | OFID         | Poverty Reduction Project   | 4.89                                      |
| 375        | OFID         | Korle Lagoon Ecological Restoration Project II  | 9.2                                       |
| 376        | OFID         | Enhanced HIPC Initiative Relief   | 14.08                                     |
| 377        | OFID         | Aniyinam-Kumasi Road Rehabilitation   | 15.65                                     |
| 378        | OFID         | Second Poverty Reduction Project  | 17.21                                     |
| 379        | OFID         | Accra Tema Rail Rehabilitation Project  | 12.98                                     |
| 380        | OFID         | Second Rural Health Services Project (OPEC)   | 17.76                                     |
| 381        | OFID         | Primary Schools Project   | 14.5                                      |
| 382        | OFID         | Cancer Diseases Hospitals Project   | 5.31                                      |
| 383        | OFID         | Integrated Rural Development Project  | 19.07                                     |
| 384        | PCOE         | Execution and Completion of the Military Housing Project for the Ministry of Defence  | 450.77                                    |
| 385        | RABO         | Elmina Fishing Port Rehabilitation and Expansion Project                              | 207.56                                    |
| 386        | RZB          | Upgrading of Technical and Vocational Education Project                               | 24.89                                     |
| 387        | RZB          | Four Constituencies of Water Supply Scheme  | 52.58                                     |
| 388        | RZB          | Four Constituencies Water Project Phase II  | 53.49                                     |
| 389        | RZB          | Design, Construction, Equipping & Furnishing of 5 District Hospitals and 1 Polyclinic | 381.24                                    |
| 390        | RZB          | Upgrading and Enhancement of Technical and Vocational Training Centres- Phase II      | 56.07                                     |



| S/N | Creditor | Project Title  | Disbursed Outstanding Debt (GH¢'mn) |
|-----|----------|--|-------------------------------------|
| 391 | RZB      | Water Supply Scheme for the Central Tongu, Adaklu and Agotime Municipality- Phase III                            | 16.23                               |
| 392 | SARG     | College of Science in Accra Project  | 0.24                                |
| 393 | SARG     | The Support of Economical Development Project  | 10.02                               |
| 394 | SARG     | Health Centres Project   | 2.51                                |
| 395 | SARG     | Non-Paris Club II - Saudi Resch of Principal Arrears   | 18.83                               |
| 396 | SARG     | Non-Paris Club II - Saudi Resch of Interest Arrears  | 3.09                                |
| 397 | SARG     | Non-Paris Club II - Saudi Resch of Principal (Current)   | 13.59                               |
| 398 | SARG     | Non-Paris Club II - Saudi Resch of Interest (Current)  | 1.18                                |
| 399 | SARG     | Tetteh Quarshie Mamfe Road Project   | 17.94                               |
| 400 | SARG     | Rehabilitation & Expansion of Bolgatanga Regional Hospital Project   | 32.18                               |
| 401 | SCB      | Self- Help Electrification Programme in Five Regions HUNAN   | 39.78                               |
| 402 | SCB      | Design, Construction and Equipping of Eastern Regional Hospital at Koforidua- Phase I                            | 129.92                              |
| 403 | SOGE     | Construction of 132-Megawatt Thermal Plant   | 232.54                              |
| 404 | SOGE     | Takoradi Thermal Power Project - Additional Loan   | 183.21                              |
| 405 | SOGE     | Accra Asphaltic Overlay Project (Resurfacing of Streets of Accra)  | 104.38                              |
| 406 | SOGE     | Rehabilitation of Ghana Foreign Missions   | 251.66                              |
| 407 | SPAG     | Supply of Medical Equipment for National Hospital  | 23.52                               |
| 408 | SPAG     | Supply of Refrigeration for Fishing Sector   | 16.46                               |
| 409 | SPAG     | Supply of Border Surveillance Digital System Project   | 6.25                                |
| 410 | SPAG     | Supply of 26 Steel Bridges Project   | 15.68                               |
| 411 | SPAG     | Supply of 26 Steel Bridges Project   | 17.64                               |
| 412 | SPAG     | Irrigation and Underground Water Systems   | 30.71                               |
| 413 | UNCR     | Supply of 2 Ferries for Renovation of Adomi Bridge   | 25.56                               |
| 414 | UNCR     | Construction of 5 Polyclinics IV   | 95.27                               |
| 415 | UNCR     | Enhancement of Road Safety- Turnkey Implementation of Photovoltaic<br>Based Street Lighting Programme - Phase II | 37.69                               |
| 416 | UNCR     | Services for the Enhancement of Nationwide Water Network Management  | 36.99                               |

\*Excludes Government-guaranteed debt



Appendix 4: List of Loans Signed in 2020

| S/N | Project/Financing Title   | Sector                      | Creditor                           | Date<br>Signed | Curr. | Loan Amount   | US\$<br>Equivalent               |
|-----|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|-------|---------------|----------------------------------|
|     |   | Concession<br>African Devel |                                    |                |       |               | 1,738,759,795.0<br>113,410,874.8 |
| 1   | Savannah Investment Programme (SIP)   | Economic                    | African Development Bank           | 14-Jan-20      | UA    | 20,000,000.0  | 27,818,991.5                     |
| 2   | Eastern Corridor Road Development (Phase I)   | Roads                       | African<br>Development<br>Bank     | 29-Jan-20      | UA    | 58,300,000.0  | 81,092,360.3                     |
| 3   | Strengthening Institutional Capacity for<br>Domestic Resource Mobilization and<br>Economic Management Project           | Economic                    | African<br>Development<br>Bank     | 17-Jul-20      | UA    | 3,200,000.0   | 4,499,523.0                      |
|     | <u> </u>  | World Ba                    | ank Loan                           |                |       |               | 1,557,745,713.2                  |
| 4   | Ghana Economic Transformation<br>Project (GETP)   | Trade and<br>Industry       | World Bank                         | 17-Jan-20      | XDR   | 144,400,000.0 | 198,448,986.7                    |
| 5   | Greater Accra Resilient and Integrated<br>Development Project (GARID)   | Works and<br>Housing        | World Bank                         | 17-Jan-20      | XDR   | 144,100,000.0 | 198,036,696.5                    |
| 6   | Ghana Accountability for Learning<br>Outcomes Project   | Education                   | World Bank                         | 17-Jan-20      | XDR   | 107,900,000.0 | 148,287,019.8                    |
| 7   | Strategic Climate Fund-Forest<br>Investment Program   | Lands                       | World Bank                         | 17-Jan-20      | XDR   | 7,000,000.0   | 9,620,103.2                      |
| 8   | Ghana Development Finance Project   | Economic                    | World Bank                         | 12-Mar-20      | USD   | 250,000,000.0 | 250,000,000.0                    |
| 9   | Ghana COVID-19 Emergency<br>Response Project  | Health                      | World Bank                         | 3-Apr-20       | XDR   | 25,500,000.0  | 34,762,075.3                     |
| 10  | Harmonizing and Improving Statistics in West Africa   | Economic                    | World Bank                         | 24-Apr-20      | XDR   | 109,000,000.0 | 148,590,831.6                    |
| 11  | Ghana Job and Skills Project  | Economic                    | World Bank                         | 26-Aug-20      | USD   | 200,000,000.0 | 200,000,000.0                    |
| 12  | eTransform Ghana Project-AF   | Communicati on              | World Bank                         | 24-Sep-20      | USD   | 115,000,000.0 | 115,000,000.0                    |
| 13  | Greater Accra Metropolitan Area<br>Sanitation and Water Project-AF  | Works and<br>Housing        | World Bank                         | 12-Nov-20      | USD   | 125,000,000.0 | 125,000,000.0                    |
| 14  | Ghana COVID-19 Emergency<br>Response Project-AF   | Health                      | World Bank                         | 12-Nov-20      | USD   | 130,000,000.0 | 130,000,000.0                    |
|     |   |                             | nic Development                    |                |       |               | 20,000,000.0                     |
| 15  | Eastern Corridor Road Development (Phase I)   | Roads                       | OFID                               | 28-Feb-20      | USD   | 20,000,000.0  | 20,000,000.0                     |
|     | KFW, Frankfurt am Ma  |                             |                                    |                |       |               | 47,603,207.0                     |
| 16  | Reform Financing within the Framework of the Reform Partnership for Investment Promotion and Good Financial Governance  | Economic                    | Govt of the<br>Republic<br>Germany | 16-Dec-20      | EUR   | 40,000,000.0  | 47,603,207.0                     |
|     |   | Non-Conces:                 | sional Loans                       |                |       |               | 2,254,442,247.2                  |
| 17  | The Tema-Mpakadan Single Standard<br>Gauge Railway Line Construction<br>Project (Formerly Tema-Akosombo)                | Railway                     | Exim-India                         | 24-Mar-20      | USD   | 48,843,490.0  | 48,843,490.0                     |
| 18  | Establishment of the State-of-the-Art<br>Technical and Vocational Education and<br>Training (TVET) Centres - Facility A | Education                   | ING Bank,<br>Hong Kong             | 26-Mar-20      | EUR   | 142,481,741.3 | 156,986,383.6                    |
| 19  | Establishment of the State-of-the-Art<br>Technical and Vocational Education and<br>Training (TVET) Centres - Facility B | Education                   | ING Bank,<br>Hong Kong             | 26-Mar-20      | EUR   | 25,143,836.7  | 27,703,479.5                     |
| 20  | Ghana Rural Telephony and Digital Inclusion Project   | Communicati on              | Exim-China                         | 13-May-20      | EUR   | 140,814,285.1 | 155,669,402.0                    |
| 21  | Ghana Rural Telephony and Digital Inclusion Project   | Communicati on              | ABSA Bank                          | 16-May-20      | EUR   | 24,117,661.4  | 26,661,939.4                     |
| 22  | Construction of Takoradi Market in<br>Ghana   | Economic                    | Deutsche<br>Bank S.p.A.            | 20-May-20      | EUR   | 37,283,001.3  | 41,216,148.7                     |
| 23  | Construction of Takoradi Market in Ghana  | Economic                    | Deutsche<br>Bank S.p.A.            | 20-May-20      | EUR   | 16,000,000.0  | 17,687,910.2                     |
| 24  | Expansion and Rehabilitation of Keta<br>Water Supply System   | Water and<br>Sanitation     | SACE S.p.A                         | 21-May-20      | EUR   | 84,417,649.8  | 93,323,238.1                     |
| 25  | Expansion and Rehabilitation of Keta<br>Water Supply System   | Water and<br>Sanitation     | Deutsche<br>Bank S.p.A.            | 21-May-20      | EUR   | 12,766,928.1  | 14,113,767.4                     |
| 26  | Elmina Fishing Port Rehabilitation and<br>Expansion Project   | Transport                   | Rabobank<br>U.A/<br>Commerzbank    | 28-May-20      | EUR   | 96,696,000.0  | 106,896,885.4                    |



| S/N | Project/Financing Title  | Sector                  | Creditor  | Date<br>Signed | Curr. | Loan Amount   | US\$<br>Equivalent |
|-----|--|-------------------------|---|----------------|-------|---------------|--------------------|
| 27  | Design, Construction and Equipping of<br>Eastern Regional Hospital at Koforidua<br>with Teaching facilities - Phase I (UKEF<br>Facility) | Health                  | Standard<br>Chartered<br>Bank, London                 | 11-Jun-20      | EUR   | 60,240,000.0  | 68,370,998.5       |
| 28  | Design, Construction and Equipping of<br>Eastern Regional Hospital at Koforidua<br>with Teaching facilities - Phase I                    | Water and<br>Sanitation | Standard<br>Chartered<br>Bank, London                 | 11-Jun-20      | EUR   | 17,669,512.0  | 20,054,485.0       |
| 29  | Four Constituencies Water Supply Scheme  | Water and<br>Sanitation | Raiffesenbank<br>International<br>A.G                 | 25-Jun-20      | EUR   | 11,500,000.0  | 12,919,500.2       |
| 30  | Construction of Phase I of the Tema-<br>Aflao Road Project   | Road                    | Mauritius<br>Commercial<br>Bank/ABSA<br>Ghana         | 30-Jun-20      | USD   | 25,000,000.0  | 25,000,000.0       |
| 31  | Construction of Phase II of the Tema-<br>Aflao Road Project  | Road                    | UKEF  | 30-Jun-20      | USD   | 92,091,631.2  | 92,091,631.2       |
| 32  | Streets of Accra   | Road                    | Intesa<br>Sanpaolo<br>S.P.A- EKN                      | 2-Jul-20       | EUR   | 41,613,847.0  | 46,863,650.3       |
| 33  | Streets of Accra   | Road                    | Intesa<br>Sanpaolo<br>S.P.A-<br>Commercial            | 2-Jul-20       | EUR   | 16,250,000.0  | 18,300,022.0       |
| 34  | Expansion and Rehabilitation of Wenchi Water Supply System   | Water and<br>Sanitation | Belfius Bank  | 3-Jul-20       | EUR   | 32,700,000.0  | 36,713,260.4       |
| 35  | Rural Communities and Small Water<br>Town Water Supply Project - Aqua<br>Africa (UKEF Facility)  | Water and<br>Sanitation | HSBC-UKEF   | 10-Jul-20      | EUR   | 30,901,599.6  | 36,367,621.6       |
| 36  | Rural Communities and Small Water<br>Town Water Supply Project - Aqua<br>Africa  | Water and<br>Sanitation | HSBC  | 10-Jul-20      | EUR   | 4,500,000.0   | 5,295,981.4        |
| 37  | Supply of Night Vision Binoculars,<br>Monoculars, Accessories and Training<br>for Ghana Armed Forces                                     | Defence                 | Financiere<br>DUC,<br>Luxembourg                      | 17-Jul-20      | USD   | 10,930,021.0  | 10,930,021.0       |
| 38  | Self-Help Electrification Programme in Five Regions in Ghana - Phase II  | Energy                  | ICBC/Bank of<br>China                                 | 12-Aug-20      | USD   | 95,375,020.4  | 95,375,020.4       |
| 39  | Outgrower and Value Chain Fund -<br>Phase III  | Agriculture             | Govt of the<br>Republic<br>Germany                    | 24-Aug-20      | EUR   | 19,690,000.0  | 23,432,678.6       |
| 40  | Obetsebi Lamptey Interchange and<br>Ancillary Works (Phase II)   | Roads                   | HSBC-UKEF   | 14-Sep-20      | EUR   | 67,181,214.3  | 79,951,031.2       |
| 41  | Obetsebi Lamptey Interchange and<br>Ancillary Works (Phase II)   | Roads                   | HSBC<br>Commercial                                    | 15-Sep-20      | EUR   | 28,465,008.0  | 33,875,641.7       |
| 42  | Streets of Tamale - Phase II   | Roads                   | Standard<br>Chartered<br>Bank, London                 | 16-Sep-20      | EUR   | 39,596,561.7  | 46,723,942.8       |
| 43  | Streets of Tamale - Phase II   | Roads                   | Standard<br>Chartered<br>Bank, London                 | 16-Sep-20      | EUR   | 15,301,533.0  | 18,055,808.9       |
| 44  | Construction of Twelve Polyclinics in<br>Ashanti, Eastern, Greater Accra and<br>Ahafo Regions of Ghana                                   | Health                  | Erste Group<br>Bank (Ceska<br>Spotelina)              | 14-Nov-20      | EUR   | 79,265,656.0  | 94,678,383.9       |
| 45  | Construction and Equipping of a<br>Urology and Nephrology Centre at Korle<br>Bu Hospital   | Health                  | SACE S.p.A  | 23-Nov-20      | EUR   | 36,966,950.0  | 44,154,950.1       |
| 46  | Construction and Equipping of a<br>Urology and Nephrology Centre at Korle<br>Bu Hospital   | Health                  | Raiffesenbank<br>ZentralBank<br>Osterreich AG         | 23-Nov-20      | EUR   | 5,700,000.0   | 6,808,330.6        |
| 47  | Bechem-Techiman-Akomadan and<br>Tarkwa-Agona Nkwanta Road Project  | Roads                   | Deutsche<br>Bank,<br>Frankfurt                        | 11-Dec-20      | EUR   | 147,505,734.0 | 179,057,210.5      |
| 48  | Development of Tema and Nkoranza<br>Hospitals and construction of Medical<br>Stores in Ghana Project                                     | Health                  | Israel<br>Discount<br>Bank, ASHRA<br>Facility         | 11-Dec-20      | EUR   | 139,339,000.0 | 169,143,612.1      |
| 49  | Development of Tema and Nkoranza<br>Hospitals and construction of Medical<br>Stores in Ghana Project                                     | Health                  | Israel<br>Discount<br>Bank,<br>Commercial<br>Facility | 11-Dec-20      | EUR   | 21,000,000.0  | 25,491,900.0       |



| S/N | Project/Financing Title   | Sector                  | Creditor                                 | Date<br>Signed | Curr. | Loan Amount         | US\$<br>Equivalent |
|-----|---|-------------------------|--|----------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 50  | Ghana Integrated Financial<br>Management Information System ICT<br>Upgrade Project                      | Economic                | Exim-Korea                               | 17-Dec-20      | USD   | 7,000,000.0         | 7,000,000.0        |
| 51  | Supply and Installation of Medical<br>Equipment Project   | Health                  | Exim-Korea                               | 17-Dec-20      | USD   | 7,000,000.0         | 7,000,000.0        |
| 52  | Covid-19 Emergency Response<br>Program - Exim Korea   | Health                  | Exim-Korea                               | 17-Dec-20      | USD   | 30,000,000.0        | 30,000,000.0       |
| 53  | Techiman Water Supply Project   | Water and<br>Sanitation | Exim-Korea                               | 17-Dec-20      | USD   | 100,000,000.0       | 100,000,000.0      |
| 54  | Supply and Installation of Integrated E-<br>learning laboratories in Senior High<br>Schools in Ghana    | Education               | KBC Bank                                 | 18-Dec-20      | EUR   | 3,866,425.2         | 4,736,529.7        |
| 55  | Supply and Installation of Integrated E-<br>learning laboratories in Senior High<br>Schools in Ghana    | Education               | Belgium<br>Gov't- State to<br>State loan | 18-Dec-20      | EUR   | 8,000,000.0         | 9,800,328.7        |
| 56  | Establishment of Development Bank<br>Ghana  | Economic                | European<br>Investment<br>Bank (EIB)     | 28-Dec-20      | EUR   | 170,000,000.0       | 207,257,066.1      |
| 57  | Upgrading and Enhancement of Two<br>Technical Institutes and Four Technical<br>High Schools - Phase III | Education               | Unicredit Bank<br>AG                     | 30-Dec-20      | EUR   | 8,280,000.0         | 9,889,996.0        |
|     |   | Domestic Si             | tandard Loans                            |                |       |                     | 65,450,000.0       |
| 58  | Self-Help Electrification Programme in Five Regions in Ghana - Phase II                                 | Energy                  | Societe<br>Generale                      | 1-Jun-20       | USD   | 15,450,000.0        | 15,450,000.0       |
| 59  | Rural Electrification Project   | Energy                  | Ecobank<br>Ghana Ltd.                    | 12-Aug-20      | USD   | 50,000,000.0        | 50,000,000.0       |
|     | Inte  | ernational Cap          | ital Market Issuand                      | e              |       |                     | 3,000,000,000.0    |
| 60  | Eurobond Issuance   | Budget<br>Support       | Citi Group<br>Bank                       | 11-Feb-20      | USD   | 1,250,000,000<br>.0 | 1,250,000,000.0    |
| 60  | Eurobond Issuance   | Budget<br>Support       | Citi Group<br>Bank                       | 11-Feb-20      | USD   | 1,000,000,000<br>.0 | 1,000,000,000.0    |
| 61  | Eurobond Issuance   | Budget<br>Support       | Citi Group<br>Bank                       | 11-Feb-20      | USD   | 750,000,000.0       | 750,000,000.0      |
|     |   |                         |  |                |       |                     |                    |

