

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT TEAM

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1 Lydia Ayi Adam (Chair Person)/adamlydiaayi@gmail.com



Lydia Ayi Adam is a passionate leader in education, gender advocacy, and community development. As Chairperson of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), she has driven initiatives for social justice and development, representing the organization at global forums. With 15 years of experience as a Head Teacher, she enhanced school administration, teacher training, and resource mobilization. She also serves as President of the Women and Children Welfare Foundation, advancing inclusivity and capacity building. A graduate of the University of Ghana, Legon, Adam's multilingual abilities and expertise in productivity tools enable her to foster impactful change in education, governance, and resource management. Her dedication to empowering women and underserved communities remains central to her mission.

2 Joan Suhuyini Sugri (Assistant Chairperson)/joansuhuyin4@gmail.com



Joan Suhuyini Sugri is the Assistant Chairperson of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), bringing extensive experience in development studies and community empowerment to the organization. With an academic foundation in Development Education, Joan holds a Bachelor's and Diploma in the field, alongside an M.A. in Development Studies. She has worked extensively with communities, focusing on skills training, women's empowerment, and sustainable practices such as preserving Shea Parklands. Her professional experience spans roles as a Field Officer, Enumerator, and National Service Personnel, where she gained expertise in community engagement, capacity building, and program implementation. Joan is a critical thinker with strong research skills, proficient in tools like Word, Excel, and Stata. She is committed to fostering innovation and sustainable development through her leadership at CARD.

Bashiru Eliasu Ngisah (Public Relation Officer)/eliasubadhiru@gmail.com



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Bashiru Eliasu Ngisah serves as the Public Relations Officer (PRO) of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With a passion for supporting the underprivileged and marginalized in his community, Bashiru brings a wealth of experience in education and leadership to his role at CARD.

A seasoned educator with Ghana Education Service since 2010, Bashiru has held various leadership positions, including Assistant Headteacher and Housemaster at St. Anthony of Padua Senior High Technical School in the Savannah Region. He is skilled in academic planning, staff management, and student mentorship. His accomplishments include earning the Best Teacher of English Award (Junior High School Category) in 2016

Academically, Bashiru holds an M.Ed. in Teaching English as a Second Language from the University of Education, Winneba, and a B.Ed. in English Language from the University of Cape Coast. He is dedicated to advancing education and literacy through innovation and collaboration.

Iddrisu Abdul-Karim (Organizer)/iddrisuabdulkarim150@gmail.com



Iddrisu Abdul-Karim serves as the Organizer of the Executive Council of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With a steadfast commitment to grassroots development and community empowerment, he plays a pivotal role in coordinating CARD's programs and activities, ensuring effective implementation and community engagement.

A skilled carpenter and farmer, Iddrisu holds a Certificate of Completion in Carpentry from Dagadu Carpentry Center in Tetecrachi, graduating in 2001. His technical expertise and hands-on experience contribute significantly to CARD's vocational training initiatives, particularly in promoting sustainable livelihoods.

Based in Accra, Iddrisu is known for his dedication, organizational acumen, and ability to mobilize resources and community members toward achieving CARD's mission of fostering sustainable development. He remains an integral part of the team, driving practical solutions for economic empowerment and environmental sustainability.

Weli Ajara Somaye - Treasurer of CARD/ajarasomaye@gmail.com



Weli Ajara Somaye is a seasoned financial professional serving as the **Treasurer of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD)**, based in **Accra**. Born on **December 31**, **1986**, Ajara is a multilingual Ghanaian, fluent in **English, French, Ewe, Twi**, and **Fulbi**, enabling her to engage effectively with diverse communities and stakeholders.

Ajara's educational background includes a **Secretary Course** from the Ghana Institute of Bilingual Studies (2007–2009), proficiency in **English**, **French**, and **German** from the Ghana Institute of Languages (2006–2007), and a **Diploma in Secretarial and Management Studies** from College Technique d'Adidogome, Togo (2002–2004). She also holds a **Computer Literacy Certificate** from Winpress Computer School (2004–2005). Professionally, she honed her administrative and customer service skills as an **Assistant Guide at Sampa Limited**, excelling in cash handling, record management, and client relations. Proficient in Microsoft Office Suite, Ajara seamlessly handles financial operations, budget preparation, and compliance.

Ajara's strengths include excellent communication, attention to detail, and the ability to work under pressure. Her innovative approach to problem-solving and commitment to transparency have made her an indispensable member of CARD, where she ensures sound financial practices that drive sustainable development.

Through her leadership, Ajara exemplifies dedication and professionalism, reinforcing CARD's mission to empower communities and create lasting change.

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Ayisha Ibrahim Adams – Deputy Executive Secretary of CARD/ prettyash59@yaho.com



Ayisha Ibrahim Adams serves as the **Deputy Executive Secretary** of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), where she plays a pivotal role in ensuring financial accountability, administrative efficiency, and the overall success of the organization's sustainable development initiatives.

In addition to her executive responsibilities, Ayisha is the Office Secretary for the Greater Accra Region, managing smooth operations and acting as a central figure in coordinating regional activities. Her dedication to meticulous record-keeping and financial oversight underscores her critical contribution to CARD's mission of empowering communities and fostering sustainable growth.

Ayisha's professional background reflects a unique blend of creativity and practicality. She holds a **Certificate of Completion in Makeup Artistry** from La Monda Beauty College, where she gained expertise in beauty, cosmetics, and personal care. This experience enhances her commitment to CARD's efforts to promote women's entrepreneurship and self-reliance through innovative programs.

Based in Accra, Ghana, Ayisha is widely recognized for her organizational acumen, collaborative spirit, and passion for social impact. She leverages her administrative expertise and creative talents to empower women and marginalized communities, exemplifying CARD's vision for an equitable and sustainable future.

With her integrity, professionalism, and unwavering dedication to community service, Ayisha Ibrahim Adams stands as a cornerstone of CARD's leadership, driving its mission to create lasting change in underserved populations.

7 Nuriatu Adam (Financial Secretary)/adamnuria1989@gmail.com



Nuriatu Adam serves as the Financial Secretary of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). A dedicated professional with a solid background in education and entrepreneurship, she plays a vital role in managing CARD's financial records, ensuring accountability, and overseeing the organization's financial operations.

Nuriatu holds a Bachelor's degree in Basic Education from the University of Education, Winneba, graduating in 2021. Her expertise in teaching and entrepreneurial ventures complements her financial responsibilities, contributing to CARD's goal of fostering community empowerment and sustainable development. Residing in Chereponi, Nuriatu is recognized for her meticulous attention to detail and her ability to manage resources efficiently. Her unwavering commitment to transparency and financial integrity underscores her invaluable role in advancing CARD's mission of transformative development at the grassroots level.

Zeinabu Sulley (Financial Advisor and Internal Auditor)/hazeibsulley@gmail.com



Zeinabu Sulley is the Financial Advisor and Internal Auditor for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), driving financial transparency and accountability. She has vast expertise in financial management, auditing, and administration. Her professional journey includes roles as Co-Founder of Click Solutions & Consultancy Services, Accounts Officer at BUVA Foundation, and Field Supervisor for Ghana Statistical Service.

Zeinabu holds Master's Degree in Chartered Accountancy from the Institute of Chartered Accountants Ghana, a Bachelor of Commerce in Accounting from the University of Cape Coast, and an HND in Accounting from Kumasi Technical University. Her proficiency in budgeting, financial reporting, and donor engagement strengthens CARD's commitment to sustainable development.

Mr. Alhassan Iddrisu (Board Member & Peace and Security Program Advisor) alhassan3512@uds.edu.gh/iddrishasan@gmail.com

Mr. Alhassan Iddrisu – Board Member & Peace and Security Program Advisor, CARD

Mr. Alhassan Iddrisu is a seasoned academic and practitioner with expertise in peacebuilding, security, and sociology. He holds an MPhil in Sociology from the University of Ghana and serves as a Lecturer in the Department of Sociology and Social Work at the University for Development Studies (UDS). With a robust background in research and fieldwork, Mr. Iddrisu has contributed significantly to peace and security programs as a Technical Assistant and Field Officer. As a Board Member and Peace and Security Program Advisor at CARD, he leverages his academic acumen and practical experience to drive initiatives that promote sustainable development and social harmony. Mr. Iddrisu's dedication to fostering peace and security aligns with CARD's mission to empower communities and advance equitable growth. Residing in Accra Newtown, Mr. Iddrisu continues to inspire transformative change through education, mentorship, and advocacy for peacebuilding.

Mr. Yakubu Adam (Board Member/Health and Nutrition Program Advisor)/ hajyakub@yahoo.com



Mr. Yakubu Adam – Board Member, Health and Nutrition Program Advisor of CARD.

Mr. Yakubu Adam is a dedicated health and nutrition expert with extensive experience in community nutrition, public health, and academia. He holds an MPhil in Nutrition from the University of Ghana and a B.Sc. in Community Nutrition from the University for Development Studies. Currently, he serves as an Assistant Lecturer at UDS, Tamale, where he mentors and trains students in nutrition and health sciences.

Mr. Adam has held various roles, including Field Research Coordinator for the CoMIT Project and Polyvalent Health Facilitator for Opportunities Industrialization Centers International, where he implemented maternal and child health programs, conducted community-based training, and led health promotion initiatives.

With strong skills in research, data analysis, and program coordination, Mr. Adam provides invaluable expertise as the Health and Nutrition Program Advisor at CARD. He is committed to advancing community well-being through sustainable health and nutrition strategies.

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Oscar Baba Timothy - Board Member/Education and Academic Development (EAD) Program Advisor



Oscar Baba Timothy serves as a Board Member, Education and Academic Development (EAD) Program Advisor at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With a wealth of experience in education and leadership, Oscar brings a unique blend of technical expertise and field knowledge to his role.

As Deputy Director and School Improvement Support Officer (SISO) at the Sagnarigu Education Directorate, he has demonstrated a strong commitment to enhancing academic outcomes and driving impactful educational programs. His role at CARD focuses on providing strategic guidance and implementing initiatives to improve access to quality education and support academic development.

Oscar holds an MSc in Leadership and Organizational Development from the University for Development Studies (UDS), Tamale. His professional skills include computer literacy and a deep understanding of organizational leadership, making him an asset to CARD's mission of empowering communities through education.

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Alhassan Iddrisu (The Executive Director & Secretary)/roccadghana@gmail.com



Alhassan Iddrisu is the Founder and Executive Director of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), headquartered in Chereponi District, Ghana. A visionary leader, Alhassan oversees the implementation of CARD's transformative programs, driving community development, environmental sustainability, and social advocacy. He brings over a decade of experience in grassroots empowerment, policy implementation, and public health education. Educated at the Islamic University in Kano, Alhassan holds a Bachelor's in Education with specialties in Islamic Religious Studies and Social Sciences, with Certificate in Health Promotion from Ministry of Health and Ghana Health Service. His extensive career includes roles as a Community Development Officer, North East Regional Secretary for the Islamic Education Unit of the Ghana Education Service (GES), and Health Extension Worker.

Fluent in Anufor (Chokosi), Hausa, and English, Alhassan is passionate about community mobilization, capacity building, and youth empowerment. He thrives on research, social advocacy, and mentoring the next generation of leaders.

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Ms. Bridget Nabie Adams (Deputy Executive Director and a Board Member)/bnabieadams@gmail.com



Bridget Bnabie Adams – Deputy Executive Directorand a Board Member of CARD

Bridget Bnabie Adams is a results-driven professional with a strong background in development education and administration. She holds a BA and Diploma in Development Education from the University for Development Studies and has extensive experience working in diverse roles, including with the Northern Electricity Distribution Company (NEDCo) and as a field practitioner with NGOs like Advance Ghana. Bridget possesses exceptional communication, organizational, and teamwork skills, complemented by her expertise in administrative systems, resource management, and capacity building. Her professional journey reflects adaptability, creativity, and a passion for making meaningful contributions to sustainable development.

Bridget is dedicated to empowering communities through strategic programs and initiatives, bringing innovative solutions to CARD's mission. Outside of work, she enjoys traveling, reading, cooking, and fostering connections with people. Her vision is to inspire positive change and support CARD's corporate goals and objectives effectively.

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Dr. M. Hardi Abdul-Razak (RSDI Director)/mohammedhardiabdulrazak@gmail.com



Dr. Abdul-Razak Mohammed Hardi is the Research and Sustainable Development Innovation (RSDI) Director at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). A highly accomplished professional in medical laboratory science, research, and sustainable development, Dr. Abdul-Razak combines technical expertise with a passion for addressing critical health and environmental challenges.

He holds a Doctor of Medical Laboratory Science degree from the University for Development Studies, where his seminal research on *iron deficiency anemia among children* and *biochemical profiles in Type 2 diabetes patients* cemented his reputation as a public health innovator. His extensive research portfolio also includes work on *HIV/AIDS-related health challenges*, where he has explored the biochemical and clinical complexities of the disease to enhance diagnostic accuracy and patient care. He has also conducted community profiling through the Third Trimester Field Practical Programme, highlighting his multidisciplinary approach to health and development.

Dr. Abdul-Razak's professional journey spans leadership roles at the Tamale Teaching Hospital and Eastern Regional Hospital, where he led laboratory teams, supervised staff, and maintained high standards of healthcare delivery. Transitioning from supervision to leadership, he has played a pivotal role in capacity-building and institutional strengthening across healthcare systems.

Certified by the Allied Health Professions Council, Dr. Abdul-Razak actively engages in health education and outreach programs, including those focusing on HIV/AIDS awareness, prevention, and treatment in underserved communities. As the National President of Hope Alive Generation, he has championed numerous health and social impact initiatives across Northern Ghana.

At CARD, Dr. Abdul-Razak drives innovative research and sustainable development programs that address health and environmental challenges. His leadership fosters community empowerment, environmental stewardship, and holistic progress, advancing CARD's mission to create inclusive and sustainable solutions for marginalized populations.

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Rev. James Kofi Azuma - Director for Community Peace and Conflict Resolution (PCR) at CARD/ revkofiazuma@gmail.com



Rev. James Kofi Azuma is a retired pastor of the Assemblies of God Church in the Chereponi District and a respected leader in community peace-building and conflict resolution. With decades of experience in fostering harmony and understanding among diverse groups, Rev. Azuma brings a unique blend of pastoral care, wisdom, and conflict mediation expertise to his role as the Director of Community Peace and Conflict Resolution (PCR) at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD).

Rev. Azuma currently serves as the Secretary to the Chereponi District Peace Committee for Conflict Resolution, a pivotal role that underscores his commitment to promoting peaceful coexistence in the region. Through his work with the committee, he has been instrumental in addressing communal disputes, fostering dialogue, and implementing strategies to resolve conflicts amicably.

Throughout his career, Rev. Azuma has been deeply involved in community development, leveraging his leadership and communication skills to inspire trust and collaboration. His pastoral background equips him with a profound understanding of the social and cultural dynamics that influence conflict, enabling him to guide communities toward sustainable peace.

As the PCR Director at CARD, Rev. Azuma oversees initiatives that strengthen community resilience, encourage mutual understanding, and promote peaceful development in the Chereponi District and beyond. His dedication to fostering harmony aligns with CARD's mission of creating a conducive environment for sustainable growth and development.

Rev. Azuma's unwavering commitment to peace and his extensive experience in conflict resolution make him an invaluable asset to CARD and the communities he serves.

16 Murtala Garba Labaram (Human Resource Officer @ CARD)/garibalabaranmurtala@yahoo.com



Gariba Murtala - Human Resource Officer, CARD

Gariba Murtala is a seasoned community development practitioner with over 12 years of experience in development work, specializing in women's empowerment, child protection, livelihoods, and capacity building. He currently serves as the Human Resource Officer at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), where he plays a vital role in managing and developing the organization's human resources.

Gariba holds an MSc in Development Management from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology and is pursuing a Ph.D. in Innovation Communication at the University for Development Studies. His career includes significant roles such as Lead Consultant at CECAAP, District Resource Person for the Power to the Youth Project, and Senior Social Development Officer at the Chereponi District Assembly. He has contributed to key projects, including USAID's Resiliency in Northern Ghana Projects and Ghana Productive Safety Net Project (GPSNP).

In his HR role at CARD, Gariba focuses on talent management, recruitment, staff training, and fostering a positive work culture. He combines his extensive field experience with his academic expertise to support CARD's mission of sustainable development and community-driven solutions.

Sumaila Ewura (Accountant)/ewurasumaila@gmail.com

Ewura Sumaila: Accountant at Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD)

Ewura Sumaila is a skilled and results-driven professional serving as the Accountant at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With an MBA in Accounting from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology and a degree in Integrated Business Studies from the University for Development Studies, Ewura brings extensive experience in financial management, budgeting, and reporting.

His career includes roles such as Finance Assistant at Abt Associates Inc. /USAID, where he oversaw payroll, financial transactions, and reporting across multiple districts. Ewura is adept at ensuring financial policies are adhered to and maintaining accuracy in all transactions. His leadership and problem-solving skills have been critical in managing financial operations and supporting organizational goals.

Ewura has also contributed to research activities, serving as an enumerator for various studies on agriculture, small enterprises, and community health, collecting data to inform key development initiatives.

Dedicated to learning and growth, Ewura continuously seeks opportunities to expand his knowledge and skills. His commitment to accountability, excellence, and community development plays a pivotal role in supporting CARD's mission of fostering sustainable change

Abdul-Rashid Adam (IT Officer)/ adamrashid51@yahoo.com



Adam Abdul-Rashid is a dedicated and skilled IT Officer at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). He was born on 4th September 1994 and is a Ghanaian national fluent in English, Hausa, Gonja, Dagbani, Wala, and Twi. Adam is married and has a strong commitment to professional excellence. With a background in accounting, Adam holds an HND in Accounting from Tamale Technical University. His career journey includes a variety of roles that have honed his skills in data management, IT systems, and research. He began his career as a Mobile Registration Workstation Officer at the National Identification Authority, where he handled data entry. Adam further contributed to the Nation Builders Corps (NABCO) as a District Research and Training Corps/Monitor, offering guidance and conducting evaluations for trainees while managing district databases. His role at the National Service Secretariat involved preparing payment vouchers and

Adam's technical expertise extends to software such as Microsoft Office Suite, QuickBooks, Tally, SPSS, and research tools like ODK Collect. His involvement in various workshops and training, including entrepreneurship seminars, has equipped him with additional skills that complement his role at CARD. Adam's passion for teamwork, integrity, and customer service aligns with CARD's mission, where he strives to apply his IT expertise to enhance organizational efficiency and contribute to sustainable development goals.

Hausatu Muntaka - Programs Manager of CARD for the Greater Accra Region/hausatubint20@gmail.com



Hausatu Muntaka – Programs Manager, Greater Accra Region, CARD

Hausatu Muntaka is an accomplished and passionate professional serving as the Programs Manager for the Greater Accra Region at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). She holds a Master's in Development Communication from the African University College of Communications and a Bachelor's in Sociology and Social Work from the University of Ghana.

With extensive leadership experience, Hausatu has served as President of the Universal Light Media Foundation and Vice President of the Association of Students of Social Work. She is also a key figure in the Greater Accra cervical cancer initiative with Zurak Cancer Foundation.

Her professional journey includes impactful roles at the Ghana Revenue Authority, Osu Girls Correctional Centre, and Ark Foundation Ghana, where she honed her expertise in community-based interventions, vocational training, and case management. Dedicated to youth empowerment and women's rights, Hausatu actively volunteers in cancer awareness campaigns and youth mentorship programs.

Hausatu's strengths in team coordination, strategic communication, and independent project management make her a vital contributor to CARD's mission to foster sustainable community.

Hamida Shirazu - Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Resilience Officer of CARD/hamidashirazu2017@gmail.com



Hamida Shirazu - Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Resilience Officer, CARD

Hamida Shirazu is a committed advocate for sustainable agriculture and climate resilience, serving as the Sustainable Agriculture and Climate Resilience Officer at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Born on 26th March 1998, Hamida holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Natural Resources Management from Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), where her research focused on farmers' strategies for adapting to climate change.

Hamida's professional experience includes roles as a Personal and Sustainability Assistant at Adom Cocoa Buying Company, where she supported farmer training programs, promoted sustainable agricultural practices, and enhanced community education on climate-smart farming. At the Forest Services Division in Goaso, she contributed to the Green Ghana tree planting initiative and participated in tree inventories and environmental education.

Her expertise is bolstered by certifications in Climate Action Solutions (EDX), Macro-Economics of Climate Change (IMF), and Climate Smart Agriculture Training. Hamida's leadership roles, including General Secretary for the National Service Personnel Association in Asunafo North Municipal, underscore her ability to drive collaboration and community engagement.

In her role at CARD, Hamida empowers farmers to adopt sustainable practices, improve food security, and adapt to climate change. Her dedication to fostering environmental sustainability and resilient livelihoods makes her an invaluable asset to CARD's mission of driving meaningful community development across Ghana.

Akurugu Clement Atayore - National Programs Director of CARD/ elatayore@gmail.com



Akurugu Clement Atayore serves as the **National Programs Director** of the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), bringing a wealth of experience in public health, education, and technology to the organization. A dedicated professional with a strong commitment to community empowerment, Clement leverages his extensive skills to design and implement impactful programs aligned with CARD's mission of sustainable development.

Clement earned a **BSc in Public Health (Disease Control)** from AAMUSTED-Mampong and an **Executive Diploma in Disaster Management**, showcasing his academic rigor and passion for addressing pressing health challenges. His research on *Intermittent Preventive Therapy for Malaria in Pregnancy* reflects his dedication to advancing healthcare solutions for underserved populations.

With over five years of practical experience in educational technology and community engagement, Clement has held various impactful roles, including ICT teacher,
Data Entry Clerk, and Verification Officer with the Electoral Commission of Ghana. These roles honed his leadership, problem-solving, and organizational skills, enabling
him to excel in diverse and challenging environments.

Fluent in English, Frafra, Dagaree, Twi, and Anufor, Clement's multilingual abilities enhance his capacity to connect with diverse communities. His proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite and ICT tools complements his ability to manage programs efficiently and foster collaboration.

Known for his adaptability, innovation, and unwavering commitment to service, Clement is a vital asset to CARD's leadership team. His dedication to creating sustainable growth opportunities makes him a driving force in transforming lives and empowering communities across Ghana.

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Jamiru Adam Kofi (Global YouthLink Coordinator)/adamjamiru@gmail.com



Jamiru Adam Kofi is a dedicated Global Youth Link Program Coordinator at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Jamiru is deeply passionate about community development and empowerment. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Public Health and an International Diploma in Disaster Management.

Jamiru has gained extensive experience through roles such as Enumerator for national surveys, Medicine Counter Assistant at Chereponi Government Hospital, and Assistant Head in charge of Academics at Victory Special Kids Educational Complex. His leadership journey includes serving as President of the Students Representative Council (SRC) at AAMUSTED-Mampong Campus and holding key positions on various committees, including Judicial Board Chairperson for TESCON and Electoral Commissioner for TESCON Elections.

Jamiru has actively participated in workshops and conferences on financial administration, public health, and community organizing. His commitment to volunteerism is evident in his involvement in health awareness campaigns and community development projects. With his strong communication, organizational, and leadership skills, Jamiru is dedicated to improving the well-being of youth both within his community and beyond. His passion and expertise make him a valuable contributor to CARD's mission of sustainable development.

Swaad Abdallah (Global GirlsLink Coordinator)/abdallahswaad@gmail.com



Swaad Abdallah is a highly motivated and passionate leader serving as the Global GirlsLink Program Coordinator at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). In this role, she oversees the Global GirlsLink program, which empowers displaced girls in Ghana by providing opportunities for education and personal growth. Swaad is committed to fighting inequalities and promoting human rights, particularly for vulnerable communities.

Currently Holds a Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology and Molecular Biology at the University for Development Studies (UDS), Swaad's academic background also includes a General Science certificate from Obuasi Senior High Technical School.

Her leadership experience spans roles such as President of the Students Representative Council (SRC) at UDS and Women's Commissioner for the Biotechnology Students Association of Ghana (Biosag). Swaad has also facilitated various seminars, workshops, and outreach programs focusing on women's empowerment, gender equality, and community development.

Her skills in mentoring, organizing, and engaging diverse communities make her an effective leader in driving social change. Swaad's dedication to empowering girls and creating lasting impact demonstrates her commitment to building a brighter, more inclusive future.

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Mariama Joe Imoro (Global Women's Link Coordinator)/joeimoromariama5@gmail.com



has applied her education in real-world settings, starting with her role as a first aider at Wencheki Clinic from 2012 to 2016. In this role, she was certified in first aid and CPR by the Red Cross, gaining expertise in workplace safety protocols and emergency response, essential skills for her current responsibilities.

In 2022, Mariama expanded her skillset through training at Shadrach Training Enterprise in Tamale, specializing in soap making. She mastered various soap-making techniques such as cold process, hot process, and melt-and-pour soap making, giving her a creative edge in product development. Mariama's proficiency as a provision seller further enhances her experience, demonstrating her ability to manage inventory, handle cash transactions, and ensure customer satisfaction—skills that are valuable in any business setting.

Fluent in both Anufor and English, Mariama excels in communication, helping her navigate various roles effectively, especially in her work with the Global Women's Link Program.

Her career objective is to leverage her experience in sales, customer service, and product knowledge to help any organization grow, particularly in enhancing customer loyalty and empowering women.

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Rafiyatu Osman Kukula - the Skill4Life Program Coordinator /osmanrafiatu39@gmail.com



Rafiyatu Osman Kukula is the Skill4Life Program Coordinator at CARD in Chereponi District. With strong interpersonal and communication skills, she is known for her hard work, innovation, and ability to perform under pressure.

Rafiyatu holds a Diploma in Basic Education from the University for Development Studies (2022–2023) and has a strong academic foundation, including a SSSCE from Chereponi Senior High Technical School (2015–2018) and BECE from St. Brigid's Junior High School (2012–2015).

Her career includes serving as the Vice Chairperson for CAMFED Association of Ghana for two years, as a Field Officer for the 2021 Population and Housing Census, and as a Learner Guide at St. Brigid's R/C JHS. Rafiyatu is passionate about reading and working with children, and she is motivated by team success. With her expertise in self-motivation, communication, and leadership, she is committed to empowering youth through the Skill4Life Program in the Chereponi District of the North East Region of Ghana.

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Haruna Ibrahim - Entrepreneurship and Skill Development (ESD) Coordinator/gurowmaria123@gmail.com



Haruna Ibrahim – Entrepreneurship and Skill Development (ESD) Coordinator at CARD

Haruna Ibrahim serves as the Entrepreneurship and Skill Development (ESD) Program Coordinator at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With a strong foundation in youth empowerment and skill development, Haruna earned a Certificate in Skill Development on Youth Empowerment Training under the Rural Enterprise initiative in 2016 at Kumasi, specializing in bead making, soap making and among others.

He completed his secondary education at Kofi Adjie Senior High School in Kumasi in 2015 and graduated from Gisonayili Junior High School in Tamalo in 2005

As a business owner, Haruna runs **Gro Kotochi Enterprise**, a thriving entrepreneurial venture based in Tamale. His practical experience in business, combined with his dedication to empowering individuals through vocational training, makes him a valuable member of CARD. Haruna is committed to fostering economic growth and equipping communities with skills for sustainable livelihoods.

Nasiru Mahamadu (District Programs Manager, Nalerigu)/nasirumahamadu@gamil.com Nasiru Mahamadu is a highly qualified and experienced educator serving as the District Programs Manager for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) in the East Mamprusi District of Ghana. With over 13 years of teaching experience, Nasiru has specialized in French and English, teaching at both basic and high school levels. He holds a Master's degree in Applied French Linguistics from the University of Cape Coast, Ghana, a Bachelor of Education in Basic Education (French), and a Diploma in Basic Education. Nasiru's professional qualifications include Qualified Teacher Status (QTS) from the UK and a Teaching License from the National Teaching Council of Ghana. Throughout his career, he has demonstrated leadership and innovation in the classroom, helping students excel in their exams, including the Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE) and the West African Senior Secondary Certificate Examination (WASSCE). Currently, Nasiru is a subject teacher at Nalerigu Senior High School, where he also serves as the form master for a Year 1 class. His responsibilities include lesson planning, student progress monitoring, classroom management, and mentoring teaching assistants. In addition, he has worked as a Headmaster at Namangu Junior High School, where he was responsible for overseeing school operations and staff performance. Fluent in English and French, Nasiru is dedicated to using modern teaching methods to help students succeed and is deeply committed to his community's development through education. 28 Ibrahim Musah (District Programs Manager, Mamprugu Moagduri)/musahibrahimwudana@gmail.com Musah Ibrahim is the District Programs Manager for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) in Mamprugu Moagduri, located in the North East Region of Ghana. Musah has dedicated his career to education, leadership, and community development. He is a graduate of the University of Education, Winneba (UEW), where he earned a Bachelor of Education in Basic Education. He also holds a Diploma in Basic Education from Bimbilla E.P College of Education. Musah's professional journey has been diverse, beginning with his role as a teacher at Kubugu D/A Basic School and later as Head Teacher at Yagaba R/C Junior High School. In addition to his teaching experience, he has served as a Master Trainer for the GEOP/CBE project, where he trains community-based facilitators. Known for his strong leadership skills, Musah has held various positions throughout his career, including Compound Prefect during his time at Mankarigu Junior High School and Assistant Male Hall Representative at Bimbilla E.P College of Education. His ability to adapt to various roles, combined with his commitment to education, capacity building, and community development, makes him a crucial asset to the CARD team. Fluent in English, Mampruli, and Dagbani, Musah is passionate about empowering his community and remains dedicated to making a positive impact through his work with CARD. Hon. Inusah Mansur Cheno (District Programs Manager, Nanton)/inusahmansurcheno@gmail.com Inusah Mansur Cheno is the District Programs Manager for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) in Nanton District, Northern Region. Inusah is passionate about community development and has dedicated his career to empowering local communities. He holds a Senior High School diploma from Dabokpa Senior High School, graduating in 2006. With a focus on farming, social work, and leadership, Inusah brings invaluable experience and commitment to his role at CARD. In addition to his professional duties, he serves as an Assembly Member in the Nanton District, further demonstrating his deep connection to the community he serves. Inusah's skills in leadership and community development have been honed through his active participation in various programs and initiatives. His work in farming and social work aligns with CARD's mission to support sustainable development and community-driven solutions. With a strong commitment to improving the livelihoods of people in Nanton District, Inusah plays a pivotal role in implementing CARD's programs and contributing to its overall goals of empowerment and growth. Impact Monitoring and Evaluation (I-M&E) Officer/abubakariabdallah53@gmail.com 30 Abubakari Abdallah is a dedicated development professional currently serving as the Impact Monitoring and Evaluation (IM&E) Officer at CARD. With a strong academic foundation, including an MPhil in Development Education from the University for Development Studies, Tamale, Abubakari brings a wealth of expertise in research, project management, and community development. His career is marked by a deep commitment to fostering sustainable growth in communities through strategic planning and evaluation. Abubakari has honed his skills in serving as a development agent, effectively engaging with diverse populations to promote meaningful change. His proficiency in research enables him to drive evidence-based decision-making, while his managerial and organizational skills ensure the seamless implementation of impactful projects. Known for his collaborative spirit, Abubakari thrives in team settings, bringing adaptability and a problem-solving mindset to every challenge. His ability to navigate and integrate into different environments enhances his capacity to work effectively across varying cultural and organizational As the M&E Officer, he plays a pivotal role in assessing the effectiveness of CARD's programs and ensuring they align with the organization's mission to empower communities and promote sustainable development. Amina Osuman - Gender Equality and Policy Advocacy (GEPA) Officer at CARD /osumankukulaamina@gmail.com 31 Amina Osuman Kukula – Gender Equality and Policy Advocacy (GEPA) Officer, CARD Amina Osuman Kukula serves as the Gender Equality and Policy Advocacy (GEPA) Officer at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Based in the Chereponi District of the North East Region, Amina brings a blend of practical skills, education, and grassroots experience to her role, driving gender equality and advocacy efforts across the communities she serves. Amina holds a Diploma in Basic Education from the University for Development Studies, equipping her with the foundational knowledge to engage effectively in social development initiatives. Her expertise spans various areas, including soap making, farming, and social work, which she integrates into programs that empower women and promote sustainable livelihoods. As GEPA Officer, Amina focuses on advocating for gender equity, promoting women's participation in decision-making, and addressing gender-

based challenges in local communities. She designs and implements initiatives that create opportunities for women and girls, ensuring that their

Amina's commitment to fostering inclusive development aligns with CARD's mission to empower communities and enhance social equity. Her hands-on experience in farming and social work adds a practical dimension to her advocacy, making her a trusted and influential figure in her region.

Through her leadership, Amina continues to inspire positive change, helping to break down barriers to gender equality and promote a more

voices are heard in policy discussions and community development efforts.

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Portia Edem Dzakpata - Child Welfare and Mentorship (CWM) Coordinator/edemportia264@gmail.com



Portia Edem Dzakpata is a dedicated and passionate advocate for child welfare and mentorship, serving as the **Child Welfare and Mentorship (CWM) Coordinator** at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With a strong commitment to empowering children and youth, Portia's journey in education and mentorship exemplifies her dedication to making a difference in her community.

Portia began her educational journey at EP JHS, Chereponi, where she completed her studies in 2016. She went on to attend Chereponi Senior High School (SHS), completing her education in 2019. During her time at SHS, she demonstrated exceptional leadership potential as a Learner Guider under the Campaign for Female Education (Camfed) initiative. In this role, she actively supported her peers, fostering a culture of learning, collaboration, and mentorship among young women in her school

Her role as the **CWM Coordinator** at CARD allows Portia to channel her passion for child welfare into actionable programs that address the needs of children and youth in her community. She is instrumental in developing mentorship programs that inspire and nurture young minds, equipping them with the tools and confidence to pursue their dreams. Through her leadership, Portia advocates for the rights of children and works tirelessly to create safe, supportive, and empowering environments for them to thrive.

Portia's dedication to her role reflects her deep understanding of the challenges faced by children in underserved communities. Her work at CARD ensures that children not only receive mentorship but also the care and opportunities they need to build a brighter future.

Portia Edem Dzakpata stands as a beacon of hope and a role model for young people in her community, embodying the principles of leadership, compassion, and

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Abdallah Adam - Northern Regional Programs Manager of CARD /wumbei65@gmail.com



Abdallah Adam is a seasoned agricultural professional serving as the Northern Regional Programs Manager at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Born on July 27, 1994, and based in Jisonayili, Tamale, Abdallah's passion for sustainable agriculture and food security has been the cornerstone of his impactful career.

Abdallah's academic journey is rooted in his commitment to agricultural development. He earned a Certificate in General Agriculture from Ohawu Agricultural College, where he gained practical training in greenhouse management, beekeeping, mushroom cultivation, and vegetable production. His education and hands-on training provided a solid foundation for addressing complex agricultural challenges.

Professionally, Abdallah has amassed a wealth of experience in various capacities. At the District Veterinary Office in Nanumba South, he played a vital role in delivering health services to farm animals and educating farmers on improving productivity. As an agriculture instructor at Vitting Senior High School under the National Service Scheme, he nurtured the next generation of agricultural professionals.

His practical expertise was further honed at Adidomi Farm Institute, where he mastered the operation of tractors and farm machinery, and through specialized greenhouse management training at Ohawu Agricultural College. These experiences have equipped him with the technical skills needed to drive agricultural innovation and productivity.

At CARD, Abdallah leads programs focused on enhancing agricultural productivity and ensuring food security in underserved communities across the Northern Region. His strategic vision and dedication to empowering farmers have been instrumental in implementing initiatives that promote sustainable development. Fluent in English and Dagbani, Abdallah effectively bridges communication gaps, fostering strong relationships with diverse stakeholders.

Driven by a deep commitment to community empowerment, Abdallah leverages his knowledge and leadership skills to transform agricultural practices and improve livelihoods. His role at CARD underscores his unwavering dedication to creating a resilient and sustainable agricultural sector in the Northern Region of Ghana.

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Rahinatu Yahaya – North East Regional Girlslink Coordinator at CARD/ yahayarahinatu144@gmail.com



Rahinatu Yahaya is a dynamic young professional currently serving as the North East Regional Girls Link Coordinator for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Born on 16th May 2002 in Chereponi District, Rahinatu is a proud Ghanaian and a practicing Muslim. She is committed to the empowerment of girls in the North East Region, working to address their needs and advocate for their well-being.

Rahinatu is fluent in both Chokosi and English, which enables her to connect with a broad range of individuals across her community. She is dedicated to improving the lives of young girls by creating opportunities for them to thrive in education, health, and leadership.

Rahinatu's educational journey began at Hamdania E/A Junior High School, where she completed her Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE) between 2017 and 2020. She then attended Gushegu Senior High School (GUSEC) from 2020 to 2023, where she completed her West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE). Her education has provided her with a strong foundation to support her work in the community, particularly in her current role as the Regional Girls Link

Although she is in the early stages of her professional career, Rahinatu has already gained work experience as a sale person at Wasunyanu Fuel Station starting in June 2024. This role has given her a practical understanding of business operations and customer service, skills that she can leverage in her work with CARD.

Outside of her professional commitments, Rahinatu enjoys reading and watching movies. These hobbies allow her to relax and stay informed, contributing to her personal development and well-being.

As the North East Regional Girls Link Coordinator, Rahinatu Yahaya is a rising leader who is committed to supporting and empowering girls in her community. Her enthusiasm, dedication, and passion for social change make her a valuable asset to CARD and to the communities she serves.

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Sulemana Hudu - Community Development Affairs (CDAs) Coordinator CARD for Chereponi District/sulemanahudu@gmail.com



Sulemana Hudu serves as the Community Development Affairs (CDAs) Coordinator at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), ensuring the successful implementation and scalability of the Acceleration of Collective Community Empowerment for Self-Support (ACCESS) Program across the Chereponi District. A native of Chereponi, Sulemana brings a deep understanding of the district's traditions, culture, and social dynamics. making him an invaluable asset in fostering grassroots development.

With over five years of hands-on experience in community development, Sulemana has a proven track record of working with the Department of Community Development and Social Welfare at the Chereponi District Assembly. In this role, he led various community engagement initiatives, facilitated capacity-building programs, and collaborated with local stakeholders to address pressing developmental challenges.

As the CDAs Coordinator, Sulemana is at the forefront of implementing the ACCESS Program's vision of empowering communities to achieve self-reliance. His responsibilities include organizing skills training sessions, mobilizing communities for sustainable development initiatives, and ensuring that CARD's programs are customized to address the unique needs of Chereponi's residents. Sulemana's strong ties to the district and his expertise in community mobilization position him as a vital bridge between CARD and the local population.

Sulemana's passion for community-driven change and his unwavering commitment to building local capacities align seamlessly with CARD's mission of promoting sustainable development. Through his leadership, he continues to inspire resilience, innovation, and progress across the Chereponi District.

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Seidu Ayisha - Health and Wellness Program Officer at CARD



Seidu Ayisha, born on 10th May 1990 in Chereponi, is a dedicated health professional with a passion for improving community health and wellness. A proud Ghanaian fluent in Anufo, Twi, and English, Ayisha has dedicated her career to empowering underserved communities, particularly women and children, through innovative health initiatives.

Ayisha's academic journey began at Donkro-Nkwanta Primary School and continued through Donkro-Nkwanta Junior High and Chereponi Senior High School, where she earned her WAEC qualification. Her pursuit of excellence in healthcare led her to the Royal Ann College of Health, where she obtained a Certificate in Health in 2014.

Her professional experience spans nearly a decade, starting as a Health Extension Worker with the Ghana Health Service, where she promoted hygiene and preventive health practices in rural communities. Over the years, Ayisha has worked in various roles, including Ward Assistant, Revenue Collector, and Indoor Residual Spray Operator, gaining a wealth of practical experience in healthcare delivery and public health advocacy.

In her current role as the Health and Wellness Program Officer at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), Ayisha is at the forefront of designing and implementing impactful health initiatives. She leads programs focusing on maternal health, child nutrition, and mental wellness, workingclosely with healthcare professionals and community leaders to foster lasting change. Guided by her belief in empowering communities through education and resources, Ayisha remains committed to driving sustainable health solutions that improve lives and promote wellness.

Sabina Adams Nabie - Programs Manager of CARD - Upper West Region



Sabina Adams Nabie serves as the Programs Manager for the Upper West Region at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). In this role, she oversees the design, implementation, and monitoring of community development programs tailored to address the specific needs of the region.

Born on December 12, 1994, in Tumu, Upper West Region, Sabina is a dedicated and innovative professional with a strong commitment to fostering sustainable development. She holds a Diploma in Integrated Community Development, which laid the foundation for her deep understanding of grassroots engagement, social diversity issues, and strategic planning. Her leadership capabilities were evident during her academic years when she served as the Course Representative for two consecutive years, highlighting her ability to organize and inspire her peers

Sabina's professional journey is marked by valuable experiences in administrative and program management roles. She worked with the Center for Advancing Rural Opportunity (CARO), where she excelled in managing records, preparing reports, and ensuring effective documentation. At the Northern Development Authority (NDA), she played a key role in creating project reports and managing critical data to support organizational operations.

Her commitment to community service was further demonstrated during her National Service with the Volta River Authority/Northern Electricity Distribution Company (NEDCO). There, she served as a secretary within the Loss Control Unit, managing databases, resolving customer inquiries, and maintaining accurate records to support operational efficiency Fluent in Sissali, Waali, and English, Sabina bridges communication gaps and fosters collaboration with diverse stakeholders in the region. Her exceptional skills in planning, prioritization, and problem-solving, combined with her adaptability and teamwork, make her an asset to CARD's mission of community empowerment and sustainable growth. As the Programs Manager for the Upper West Region, Sabina leads initiatives that empower local communities through inclusive and innovative programs, focusing on improving livelihoods and promoting resilience. Guided by her values of punctuality, dedication, and a results-driven mindset, she continues to make meaningful contributions to CARD's vision of

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Abubakari Abdulai – as the Administrative Secretary of CARD

creating a sustainable and equitable future.



Abubakari Abdulai is a dedicated and passionate professional currently serving as the Administrative Secretary for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD), Born on 25th March 1995 in Ghana, Abubakari is a hardworking and self-driven individual with a strong commitment to education and community development. He is a single man with no children and speaks multiple languages, including English, Anufor, Twi, and Dangoba (partial). A devout Muslim, he upholds his religious beliefs with pride

Abubakari's academic journey began at Banda R/C Junior High School, where he completed his Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE) in 2014. Following this, he advanced his education at Chereponi Senior High School, graduating in 2019 with a West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE). Recognizing the importance of technical skills, he pursued further education at the Government Secretarial School, earning qualifications in Typist Grade One, a Diploma in Information Technology (I.T.), and a Diploma in Business Studies, all between 2020 and 2022.

Abubakari's professional career began in 2019 as a Class Teacher at Bright Morning Star International School, where he has been a committed educator. In 2020, he also worked as a File Officer at the National Household Registry, contributing to national development. His leadership abilities were recognized when he was elected as the Student Representative Council (S.R.C) President at Government Secretarial School from 2021 to 2022. He also served on the Vetting Committee of the same institution in 2022, showcasing his organizational and leadership skills. In addition to his teaching and administrative roles, Abubakari is highly skilled in information technology, having completed several computer programs, including Introduction to Computer, Microsoft

Word, Excel, Publisher, and PowerPoint. These skills have been instrumental in his work at CARD, where he plays a key role in the organization's administrative operation Outside of work, Abubakari enjoys reading stories, watching movies—especially Nigerian films and funny movies—and listening to music. His hobbies reflect his desire for continuous learning and personal growth.

Abubakari is highly respected for his dedication to education and community service, and his commitment to fostering development at the grassroots level. His strong work ethic, leadership capabilities, and technical skills make him an asset to CARD, where he continues to contribute to the organization's mission of promoting sustainable development in northern Ghana

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Nurudeen Gariba Issah – North East Regional Program Officer for Agriculture and Food Security (AFS) at CARD/ nurudeenissah357@gmail.com



Nurudeen Gariba Issah is a passionate and dedicated agricultural professional serving as the North East Regional Program Officer for Agriculture and Food Security (AFS) at the Cooperative Agency fo Research and Development (CARD). Born on November 12, 1997, in Chereponi, Ghana, Nurudeen is committed to enhancing agricultural practices, empowering farmers, and addressing food security challenges in the region.

With a solid educational foundation, Nurudeen holds a Certificate in General Agriculture from Ohawu Agricultural College and an additional Certificate in General Agriculture and Agricultural Mechanization from Adidome Training and Vocational Farm Institute. He also earned his West African Senior School Certificate (WASSCE) at Chereponi Senior High Technical School and his Basic Edu Certificate (BECE) from Central D/A Junior High School. These qualifications have equipped him with both theoretical knowledge and practical skills, making him well-prepared for his current role. Nurudeen's professional journey has been defined by his hands-on experience in the agricultural sector. During his national service with the Ministry of Food and Agriculture (MoFA), he played an integral role in conducting farm visits, organizing agricultural demonstrations, and mobilizing Farmers-Based Organizations (FBOs) for local training programs. His work also involved meticulous planning, repo writing, and supporting the growth of sustainable farming practices.

In addition to his service at MoFA, Nurudeen gained practical expertise during his attachment at Keta Farms. There, he contributed to identifying pests and diseases, preparing nursery beds, raising seedlings, and managing irrigation systems. These experiences provided him with a deep understanding of agricultural production processes and problem-solving in the field.

Nurudeen is a multilingual professional, fluent in English, Twi, and Chokosi, which enables him to engage effectively with diverse communities. His interpersonal skills, coupled with a strong work ethic and the ability to multitask, make him a trusted leader and collaborator. He is confident in public speaking and proficient in using IT tools to enhance efficiency in his work.

Throughout his career, Nurudeen has been recognized for his exceptional contributions. Notable achievements include being named the District Overall Best Farmer in 2020 and receiving multiple awards for his outstanding performance in agriculture, including the District Best Crops Farmer in both 2020 and 2021. He also participated in advanced training programs on agricultural mechanization and vegetable production, further solidifying his expertise

Outside his professional life. Nurudeen is an avid reader and enjoys researching innovative agricultural techniques to modernize farming practices. He also has a keen interest in football, balancing his professional and personal pursuits.

Nurudeen's dedication, technical expertise, and leadership qualities make him a vital asset to CARD and the broader agricultural community in Ghana. He continues to work tirelessly to promote sustainable agriculture and food security in the North East Region, driven by his unwavering commitment to empowering farmers and fostering regional development

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Abdul-Rahaman Yabdoo – District Program Officer for AFS, Chereponi/abdulrahamanibngwf@gmail.com



Abdul-Rahaman Yabdoo as the District Program Officer for Agriculture and Food Security (AFS) at CARD (instead); is an enthusiastic and dedicated Field Officer for the Agriculture and Food Security (GFS) Program at the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) in Chereponi District, Born on 1st January 1997 in Chereponi, Abdul-Rahaman is deeply committed to the improvement of agricultural practices and food security in the district. He is a single individual who speaks multiple languages, including English, Chokosi, and Dagbani, which allows him to communicate effectively with diverse community members

Abdul-Rahaman's educational background reflects his commitment to professional growth and his passion for agriculture. He completed his basic education at Gbungbaliga R/C Junior High School in 2014, where he earned his Basic Education Certificate (BECE). He went on to attend Chereponi Senior High School, obtaining his WAEC certificate in 2017. His further academic journey took him to the School of Agriculture at the College of Basic and Applied Sciences, University of Ghana (Legon), where he received a certificate in 2019. He also pursued a Diploma in Education at Imtiyaaz College of Education, graduating in 2021.

Abdul-Rahaman has developed a diverse set of skills through his experiences and training, making him highly capable in his field. He is known for his good communication skills, his physical strength, and his ability to work effectively at all levels of staff. He is open-minded and active, always willing to take initiative and work with minimal supervision while meeting deadlines.

In terms of work experience, Abdul-Rahaman has gained valuable insights through various roles. He has worked with the Ghana Education Service, served as an enumerator for the Population and Housing Census, contributed to the Electoral Commission of Ghana, and worked with GABS Research Consult. These experiences have honed his organizational and fieldwork skills, particularly in data collection, community outreach, and research.

Abdul-Rahaman holds several certificates that underscore his qualifications and readiness for the agriculture sector. These include his Diploma Certificate, Farmer's Training Programme Certificate, WAEC Certificate, and BECE Certificate. His education and professional development provide him with a strong foundation for his role at CARD.

Outside of work, Abdul-Rahaman enjoys reading and writing, which helps him stay informed and engaged with new knowledge, particularly in the areas of agriculture and community development. He is highly regarded for his dedication, adaptability, and leadership qualities, and continues to be a valuable asset to CARD and the agriculture and food security initiatives in Chereponi.

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Ayattula Bawa Mohammed - Youthlink Coordinator at CARD/ayattulabawa@gmail.com



Avattula Bawa Mohammed is a dedicated and driven professional currently serving as the Youthlink Coordinator for the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) in the Chereponi District. Born on 22nd September 1995 in Chereponi District Assembly, Ayattula is a Ghanaian national and a practicing Muslim. His life and career are shaped by a strong sense of community, and his work is deeply rooted in empowering the youth and fostering their development.

Ayattula is proficient in three languages: Dagbani, Chokosi, and English, which enables him to communicate effectively with people from diverse backgrounds in his community. He holds a deep commitment to facilitating youth participation in programs that drive social change and development, making him a key figure in CARD's mission.

Ayattula's educational journey began with his basic education at Chereponi Junior High School (D/A), where he completed his Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE) between 2012 and 2014. He went on to Gushegu Senior High School (GUSEC), earning his West African Senior School Certificate Examination (WASSCE) from 2014 to 2017. His passion for technology led him to pursue a Higher National Diploma (HND) in ICT from Tamale Technical University (TaTU), graduating in 2022. His academic background has equipped him with the technical expertise and leadership skills necessary for managing youth-related programs effectively.

In his professional career, Ayattula has gained valuable experience working in various educational and administrative roles. From 2017 to 2019, he worked as a class teacher at Assemblies of God Academy School, where he played a pivotal role in the academic development of students. During his time in university, he also undertook two industrial attachments, from July to August 2020 and September to October 2021, to gain hands-on experience in his field.

In addition to his teaching roles, Ayattula has worked in administrative positions, including at the National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) office, where he served as a Data Entry Clerk and Receipt Issuer from November 2022 to November 2023. He also contributed to the Indoor Residual Spray Exercise (IRS) in May 2024. His ongoing role as a class teacher and Senior House Master at Daarul Hikma Watarbiya English and Arabic School, where he has worked since March 2019, reflects his commitment to education and youth mentorship.

With a combination of teaching experience, ICT proficiency, and leadership roles, Ayattula brings a wealth of skills to his role as Youthlink Coordinator. He is known for his excellent communication skills, ability to work under pressure, and his commitment to fostering a supportive and empowering environment for youth in the Chereponi District. Ayattula is passionate about developing and implementing programs that address the needs of young people and help them realize their potential.

Outside of his professional life, Ayattula enjoys reading, watching movies, and following online tutorials. These hobbies allow him to continually learn and stay informed about new trends in technology, education, and community development

Hibatullah Amoe Musah - North East Regional President of My Dreams Club (MDC)/ mydreamsclub84@gmail.com

Hibatullah Amoe Musah is the North East Regional President of My Dreams Club (MDC), an initiative under the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Born on May 11, 2008, Hibatullah is a dynamic young leader with a passion for empowering children and youth to achieve their aspirations.

Hibatullah began her academic journey at Assemblies of God Academy JHS in Chereponi, where she studied from February 5, 2021, to August 11, 2023. She is currently attending Kumasi Islamic Senior High School, having started on January 4, 2024. Hibatullah is in her second year and is expected to graduate in May/June 2026.

As the Regional President of MDC, Hibatullah leads efforts to inspire creativity, foster mentorship, and provide educational opportunities for children aged 6–18. Her leadership involves organizing programs, encouraging teamwork, and representing the interests of MDC members across the North East Region.

Hibatullah's dedication to academic excellence and her commitment to community service highlight her potential as a future leader. She is a role model for her peers, and her vision and determination are instrumental in advancing the mission of My Dreams Club.

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Olivia Konadu Nuamah serves as the North East Regional Secretary for My Dreams Club (MDC), an initiative under the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) that nurtures and inspires young minds through mentorship, creativity, and personal growth.

Born on October 4, 2008, Olivia is a dedicated and ambitious student leader with a passion for making a positive impact in her community. She completed her Junior High School education at Assemblies of God Academy JHS, Chereponi, from 2021 to 2023. Currently, Olivia is pursuing her senior high school education at Northern School of Business (NOBISCO), Tamale, where she started in 2024 and is expected to graduate in 2026.

As the Regional Secretary of MDC, Olivia plays a vital role in coordinating programs and fostering communication among members. Her responsibilities include maintaining accurate records, organizing events, and supporting the implementation of mentorship activities that align with the mission of MDC—empowering children aged 6–18 to achieve their dreams. A bright and motivated individual, Olivia is passionate about education and leadership. Her dedication to excellence and her ability to inspire others make her a key contributor to the success of My Dreams Club in the North East Region.



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Gloria Nachim Amoeka - District President, My Dreams Club (MDC), Chereponi

Gloria Nachim Amoeka, born on 27th September 2009, is a dedicated young leader and advocate for change, serving as the District President of My Dreams Club (MDC) in Chereponi. A student at E/P Junior High School, Gloria has demonstrated exceptional leadership qualities, previously holding the position of House Prefect, where she showcased her ability to inspire and organize her peers.

As MDC District President, Gloria actively mobilizes her colleagues to advocate against child marriage, harmful traditional practices, and child abuse. She is passionate about championing girl-child education in the district, recognizing its critical role in breaking the cycle of poverty and empowering young girls to achieve their dreams.

Through her role, Gloria amplifies the voices of her peers, raising awareness of the importance of education and fostering a supportive community for young learners. Her efforts reflect the core mission of My Dreams Club to nurture talents, inspire creativity, and guide children toward brighter futures. Gloria's dedication and advocacy make her a beacon of hope and a role model for other young people in Chereponi and beyond.



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Sumaiya Adamu – Vice President, My Dreams Club (MDC), Chereponi

Sumaiya Adamu, born on 25th June 2008, is the Vice President of My Dreams Club (MDC) in Chereponi and a student leader at NURUDEEN T/I Junior High School, where she currently serves as Class Prefect. A natural leader with a deep commitment to community development, Sumaiya works closely with her peers to promote positive change.

In her role as Vice President, she supports the MDC President in mobilizing her colleagues to advocate against child marriage, harmful traditional practices, and child abuse. Sumaiya is passionate about ensuring that girls in the district have access to quality education and equal opportunities, believing education is the key to unlocking potential and fostering a brighter future. Her leadership exemplifies the values of My Dreams Club by empowering young minds and fostering a sense of responsibility among her peers. Through her advocacy efforts, Sumaiya inspires others to join the fight against societal challenges and champion the cause of girl-child education in Chereponi. She represents the resilience and determination of young leaders working to create a better world for their generation.



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Abdulai Hadima – Secretary, My Dreams Club (MDC), Chereponi/ mydreamsclub84@gmail.com

Abdulai Hadima, born on 22nd June 2008, is the Secretary of My Dreams Club (MDC) for Chereponi District and the School Prefect of Chereponi D/A Junior High School. A diligent and proactive student leader, Hadima plays a vital role in supporting the goals of MDC by assisting the President and Vice President in driving the club's mission forward.

As Secretary, Hadima is instrumental in mobilizing her peers to advocate against child marriage, harmful traditional practices, and child abuse. She is deeply committed to ensuring that girls in her district have the opportunity to access quality education and realize their full potential.

Through her role, Hadima not only ensures the smooth functioning of MDC's activities but also serves as a voice for her fellow students, fostering unity and shared purpose. Her dedication to advocacy and education underscores her belief in empowering young girls and creating a brighter future for her community.





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Munkaila Mahama Yaw serves as the Community Development Affairs (CDAs) Coordinator for Tosala Kumboni under the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD) in the Chereponi District. Born on October 21, 1989, Munkaila is a dedicated professional with a background in social work, teaching, and farming, contributing to his effective engagement with community members and stakeholders.

He is an alumnus of Asukawkaw Senior High School, where he earned his Senior Secondary School Certificate in 2013. With years of practical experience in social work and education, Munkaila has honed his skills in community mobilization, advocacy, and capacity-building initiatives. His expertise in farming further grounds his understanding of local livelihoods, enabling him to design and implement impactful development programs. As the CDAs Coordinator, Munkaila focuses on facilitating grassroots development, promoting advocacy for sustainable practices, and building the capacity of Tosala Kumboni residents to address social and economic challenges. His commitment to community empowerment aligns with CARD's mission to drive sustainable development and foster resilience in underserved regions.

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Sumaila Nwula Kwesi serves as the Community Development Affairs (CDAs) Coordinator for the Kunpeni Community in the Chereponi District under the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). Born on May 3, 1992, he brings a wealth of experience in farming, social work, community mobilization, and social

Sumaila earned a **Diploma in Arabic** from the Gbewa Arabic College of Education in Walewale, graduating in 2021. His academic training, coupled with his practical expertise, equips him to lead initiatives that enhance community development, empower marginalized groups, and promote sustainable solutions to local challenges. In his role as CDAs Coordinator, Sumaila focuses on engaging community members, facilitating development programs, and ensuring the successful implementation of CARD's objectives in Kunpeni. His ability to build strong relationships and mobilize resources is pivotal in driving positive social and economic transformations.



Alajor Nawusu Fabiemah - CDAs Coordinator for Tiekasu Community/ alajornawusu@gmail.com

Alajor Nawusu Fabiemah is the Community Development Affairs (CDAs) Coordinator for the Tiekasu Community in the Chereponi District, representing the Cooperative Agency for Research and Development (CARD). With a Diploma in Early Childhood Education from the University of Cape Coast (2017–2020), Alajor combines educational expertise with practical experience in farming, social

work, community mobilization, and fostering social relations. In his role, Alajor is dedicated to driving community-centered development initiatives, promoting education, and empowering local communities. His strong organizational skills and ability to mobilize resources ensure the effective implementation of CARD's programs and projects in Tiekasu. Alajor's passion for education and his commitment to community well-being make him a vital contributor to CARD's mission of fostering sustainable development and social empowerment across the Chereponi District.



