

# **GHANA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TEACHERS**

## **MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION IN GNAT**

### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

Membership Education concerns itself with Trade Union Education for members. It involves informing members about their trade-union rights and responsibilities with the view to getting the members to be involved actively in the programmes and activities of the association.

### **2.0 FUNCTIONS**

The Membership education department has the following as its tasks:

- Responsibility for Trade Union Education of the Association
- Initiation, development and co-ordination of Trade Union Education of the regional branches
- Responsibility for development co-operation
- Any other duties that the Divisional Head or General Secretary may assign

### **3.0 HOW WE DO MEMBERSHIP EDUCATION**

Over the years, we have done membership education through some approaches which include:

- Seminars and workshops for selected groups of members of the Association. For instance Orientation Seminars are organized for elected officers of the Association
- Training of School Representatives which empowers them with knowledge and skills to execute their functions
- Organization of Study Circles in which small groups of members meet on a regular basis to deliberate on issues of concern to them and the association
- Mass meeting and school-based meetings
- Publication of literature on Trade Union Education for the elected officers of the Association.

The membership education Department also co-ordinates most of our development co-operate activities, particularly our collaboration with the Canadian Teachers Federation and the Danish Teachers Union

All the programmes carried out by the National Headquarters go down to the Regional branches. From the regions, its is expected that the district and local branches will be assisted by the regional branches to replicate the national programmes.

### **4.0 OTHER ACTIVITEIS**

The Membership Education Department is also involved other activities including:

- ILO/IPEC programme for the Elimination of Child labour
- The Ghana Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in Education programme.

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