



Story from the Field

CREMA EXECUTIVES VOW TO PROMOTE AGROFORESTRY PRACTICES



The Executives of the Community Resource Management Area (CREMA) in the Ahanta West, Ellembelle and Jomoro Districts of Ghana's Western Region have promised to encourage their communities to adopt best practices for agroforestry. This was the result of a one-day training organized for a total of 89 of the executives by the USAID funded Coastal Sustainable Landscapes Project (CSLP) from August 20-22, 2014. The trainings, noted by the participants as very beneficial, focused on the linkages between the environment, ecosystem services and livelihoods. It was facilitated jointly by the CSLP and the Ankasa Protection Area of the Wildlife Division. In Ahanta West, the executives unanimously agreed to embark on a community sensitization exercise on the potential benefits of the Coastal Sustainable Landscapes Project and the need for continuous protection of the Cape Three Points Forest.



The trainings were a good platform for officials of the Ankasa Wildlife Division of the Forestry Commission who utilized it to address genuine concerns of the CREMA Executives and communicated activities of the Wildlife Division to the stakeholders.

In all three districts, participants noted that it had been over a year since they had met together at the district level. They noted the training was very useful and timely. In each of the districts, a quarterly training session was agreed to and will be organized jointly by CSLP and the Wildlife Division of the Forestry Commission.

Pictures: From top, participants at Ahanta West and Jomoro district trainings, respectively