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GhISEP PRESS RELEASE - STAMPEDE AT ELWAK STADIUM

The Ghana Institute of Safety and Environmental Professionals (GhISEP) is deeply saddened by the tragic incident at the military recruitment exercise in Accra, resulting in the loss of lives and injuries to several applicants. We extend our heartfelt condolences to the families of the deceased and wish a speedy recovery to those injured.

The incident took place on November 12, 2025, at the El-Wak Sports Stadium in Accra. A stampede occurred as thousands converged to participate in the recruitment exercise, leading to 6 deaths and 5 in critical condition, with other injuries reported.

This unfortunate incident underscores the critical need for robust safety protocols and emergency preparedness plans in mass gatherings and recruitment processes. GhISEP emphasizes that safety should always be a top priority, and we commend the Ministry of Defence for suspending the recruitment exercise pending further review. We commend the Defense Ministry for suspending the activities to prevent further incidents.

GhISEP calls for a thorough investigation into the incident to identify the root causes and implement measures to prevent similar tragedies in the future. We believe that with proper planning, risk assessment, and safety arrangements, such incidents can be mitigated.

In light of this incident, GhISEP is willing to collaborate with the Ministry of Defence and other stakeholders to develop and implement effective safety protocols and emergency response plans for future recruitment exercises. Our team of experts is ready to work with the committee tasked with investigating this incident to provide technical guidance and support.

We would like to be part of the team to help put in place proper safety arrangements for future events, ensuring that the safety and well-being of applicants are prioritized. Our expertise in safety and environmental management can contribute to creating a safer environment for all participants.

Furthermore, GhISEP expects that all 15 recruitment centers across the country where recruitment is currently ongoing will immediately review and adhere to safety protocols to safeguard the lives of applicants. We urge the authorities to ensure that adequate safety measures are in place to prevent a recurrence of this tragedy.

GhISEP remains committed to promoting safety and environmental best practices in Ghana and will continue to advocate for a culture of safety in all aspects of life.

Safety Regards

For and on behalf of
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Signed

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