

The Report on the Sixth Parliament of the Fourth Republic of Ghana

The Report offers citizens, civil society, media, industry and academia an authoritative baseline to assess the performance of Parliament and MPs. The aim of this report is to fill the information and assessment gap with the necessary data to hold Parliament and MPs accountable. The Parliamentarians in the *Seventh Parliament of Ghana's Fourth Republic* will be able to draw lessons from the findings presented therein, and see how they can improve their citizen conferred mandate.

Introduction

A well-functioning democracy rests on an implicit social contract between the governed and the government, in which citizens collectively (the governed) endow government with legitimacy, power and resources while government, in turn, assumes responsibility for the collective security and welfare of its citizens.

Members of Parliament (MPs) are generally thought to owe duties simultaneously to three constituencies: the country as a whole; the electoral constituencies/communities they officially represent; and, where applicable, the political party of whose ticket they were elected.

Ghana's Parliament has 275 Members. The Constitution does not prescribe a maximum number. However, the Electoral Commission is required under the Constitution to review the demarcation of constituency boundaries at periodic intervals (at least once every 7 years, or 12 months after every census, whichever is earlier) and, if necessary, alter the boundaries. While there is no express command or implication that such alteration of boundaries must result in an addition to the existing number of constituencies, in practice the periodic review of constituency boundaries has invariably led to the creation of additional constituencies

and a corresponding increase in the number of MPs. The number of MPs was thus increased in 2004 and again in 2010.

Findings

Demographics

1. Of the 275 members of the 6th Parliament, 147 were NDC; NPP 123; CPP 1; PNC 1; and Independent 3. In terms of gender, 251 were men and 30 women. In terms of rural-urban dynamics, 137 were rural MPs (NDC-81, NPP-52, CPP-1, PNC-1 and Independent-2) and 138 were urban MPs (NDC-66, NPP-71, CPP-0, PNC-0 and Independent-1). In terms of age brackets, 4 MPs were between 26-35 years; 53 were between 36-45 years; 94 MPs were between 46-55 years; 97 MPs were between 56-65 years; and 24 MPs were 66 years and above.

Legislation

2. Only 52 MPs or 18.9% of the 275 MPs contributed amendments to the over 81 bills which were approved by Parliament. Of the 79 Bills passed, 31 Bills or 43.3% were “tax bills”, introduced to impose or revise (mostly increase) taxes, customs duties and levies. With 7 Appropriation Bills introduced to approve the budget, revenue mobilization comprised 50.7% of the 6th Parliament’s legislative agenda. The large majority of Parliamentarians in the 6th Parliament shirked their responsibilities as Legislators. Each bill received an average of 31 amendments before passage, indicating modest degree of scrutiny by MPs.
3. 27 of the 52 MPs (51.9%) who contributed amendments to Bills were Committee Chairmen, Vice Chairmen, Ranking Members or Deputy Ranking Members. Thus, roughly half of the MPs who contributed amendments did not hold leadership positions.
4. The lowest number of amendments by an MP was 1 and the highest 1335 (James Klutse Avedzi, Chairman of the Finance Committee). James Klutse Avedzi’s dominance of the Bill-amendment process is not surprising since the finance committee, which he chairs, reported out over 53.4% of the Bills approved by Parliament over the 4-year period.

Engagement with CSOs, Citizens and Other Stakeholders

5. Out of 1,500 committee meetings held by 21 Committees, only 55 meetings representing 3.7% of the total involved consultations with CSOs or other stakeholders.

6. Between 2013 and 2016, the Committees of Parliament whose activities were examined (Appointment, Trade, Industry & Tourism; Works & Housing; Privileges; Employment, Social Welfare & State; Health; Roads & Transport; Government Assurance; Lands & Forestry; Youth, Sports & Culture; Education; Constitutional, Legal & Parliamentary Affairs) undertook various oversight and monitoring functions. The committees engaged various officials from Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), public and private companies and public institutions to discuss pertinent issues. Some of their activities included vetting of nominees for public office, discussion of enquiry reports and bills. In undertaking the latter, the committees utilized engagement mechanisms in the form of public hearings, direct engagement with stakeholders and public forums for more citizen involvement.

Scorecards: Overall Performance of MPs

7. 255 out of 275 (92.7%) of MPs made at least 1 contribution to debates during their 4-year tenure in office. 73 MPs were absent without permission, a clear violation of article 97(1)(c) of the constitution. 28 MPs never absented themselves without permission.
8. 19 MPs did not make a single statement in 4 years in Parliament.
9. NPP MPs made an average of 199 statements over the 4 year period; 33 statements more than NDC MPs (166 statements).
10. MPs who are members of the leadership of Parliament do indeed get to speak more often than regular MPs. Nearly all the top 10 performing MPs whose total score was above 80% were in leadership positions.
11. The 30 women MPs in the House (6th Parliament) made an average of 48 statements each; 147 statements less than male MPs (who averaged 195 statements). Seven of the 30 women MPs are in leadership positions in Parliament, comprising 10% of the Parliamentary leadership and nearly proportionate to the percentage of women MPs in Parliament (11%). Women may not contribute to Parliamentary debates as often as men, however significantly 28 of the 29 (96.5%) women MPs in Parliament made contributions to Parliamentary debates.

Statement and Attendance Scores of MPs & Ranking

MP	CONSTITUENCY	CONTRIBUTION SCORE (60/100)	ATTENDANCE (40/100)	TOTAL	RANK
Osei, Anthony Akoto (Dr)	Old Tafo	58.74	35.37688442	94.11688442	1
Avedzi, James Klutse	Ketu North	59.22	34.18	93.4	2
Chireh, Joseph Yieleh	Wa West	57.24	34.98	92.22	3
Owusu-Ankomah, Papa	Sekondi	58.5	33.66834171	92.16834171	4
Afenyo-Markin, Alexander Kwamina	Effutu	57.96	33.06532663	91.02532663	5
Appiah, Justice Joe	Ablekuma North	51.78	39.1959799	90.9759799	6
Muntaka, Mohammed-Mubarak (Alhaji)	Asawase	58.2	32.17	90.37	7
Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu, Osei	Suame	59.7	30.46	90.16	8
Gyan-Baffour, George Yaw (Prof)	Wenchi	56.76	33.36683417	90.12683417	9
Ibrahim, Ahmed	Banda	54.48	35.37688442	89.85688442	10
Nitiwul, Dominic Bingab Aduna	Bimbilla	57.48	32.17	89.65	11
Sorogho, Amadu Bukari (Alhaji)	Madina	56.94	32.37	89.31	12
Awuah, Ignatius Baffour	Sunyani West	55.74	33.5678392	89.3078392	13
Puozaa, Mathias Asoma	Daffiama/Bussie/Issa	54.24	34.88	89.12	14
Amoatey, Magnus Kofi	Yilo Krobo	57	31.75879397	88.75879397	15
Prempeh, Matthew Opoku (Dr)	Manhyia South	58.98	29.34673367	88.32673367	16
Baffour, Fritz Frederic	Ablekuma South	52.5	35.67839196	88.17839196	17
Agbesi, Alfred Kwame	Ashaiman	55.98	31.55778894	87.53778894	18
Kusi, Gifty Eugenia (Mrs)	Tarkwa-Nsuaem	53.22	34.28	87.5	19
Asiamah, Isaac Kwame	Atwima-Mponua	52.26	34.68	86.94	20
Assibey-Yeboah, Mark (Dr)	New Juaben South	52.02	33.76884422	85.78884422	21
Amoah, Osei Bonsu	Akwapim South	50.28	34.38	84.66	22
Annoh-Dompreh, Frank	Nsawam-Adoagyiri	54.78	29.44723618	84.22723618	23
Osei-Owusu, Joseph	Bekwai	55.5	28.65	84.15	24
Chaie, Theophilus Tetteh	Ablekuma Central	51.24	32.87	84.11	25
Bagbin, Alban SK	Nadowli/Kaleo	59.46	24.33	83.79	26
Barton-Odro, Ebo	Cape Coast North	46.5	37.18592965	83.68592965	27
Osei, Isaac	Subin	54.48	28.95	83.43	28
Kpodo, Benjamin Komla	Ho Central	47.28	36.09	83.37	29
Asimah, Simon Edem	South Dayi	51	32.27	83.27	30

Iddrisu, Haruna	Tamale South	56.46	26.64	83.1	31
Boamah, Patrick Yaw	Okaikwei Central	43.8	38.9	82.7	32
Asafu-Adjei, Kwame	Nsuta-Kwamang Beposo	46.5	36.09	82.59	33
Titus-Glover, Daniel Nii Kwartei	Tema East	47.76	34.58	82.34	34
Hammond, Kobina Tahir	Adansi Asokwa	52.02	29.74874372	81.76874372	35
Agyeman-Manu, Kwaku	Dormaa Central	56.22	25.52763819	81.74763819	36
Quashigah, Richard Mawuli	Keta	50.04	31.65829146	81.69829146	37
Ghartey, Joe	Esikadu/Ketan	47.28	34.08	81.36	38
Forson, Cassiel Ato Baah	Ajumako/Enyan/Essiam	52.74	28.55	81.29	39
Amoako-Attah, Kwasi	Atiwa West	45.3	35.67839196	80.97839196	40
Anane, Richard Winfred (Dr)	Nhyiaeso	49.5	31.25628141	80.75628141	41
Appiah-Kubi, Kojo (Dr)	Atwima Kwanwoma	53.76	26.74	80.5	42
Darko-Mensah, Kwabena Okyere	Takoradi	54	26.44	80.44	43
Ahiafor, Bernard	Akatsi South	42.6	36.29	78.89	44
Abubakari, Ibrahim Dey (Alhaji)	Salaga South	49.02	29.54773869	78.56773869	45
Ayariga, Mahama	Bawku Central	53.52	25.02512563	78.54512563	46
Boafo, William Ofori	Akwapim North	46.02	31.65829146	77.67829146	47
Akyea, Samuel Atta	Abuakwa South	50.52	27.13567839	77.65567839	48
Assumeng, David Tetteh	Shai-Osudoku	43.26	34.18	77.44	49
Agbodza, Kwame Governs	Adaklu	43.02	34.28	77.3	50
Quaittoo, William Agyapong	Akim Oda	42.54	34.58	77.12	51
Alhassan, Ahmed Yakubu (Dr)	Mion	51.48	25.6281407	77.1081407	52
Loh, George	North Dayi	44.04	32.97	77.01	53
Arthur, Stephen Nana Ato (Dr)	Komenda/Edina/Eguafo/Abrem	44.52	32.47	76.99	54
Akoto, Owusu Afriyie (Dr)	Kwadaso	43.26	33.36683417	76.62683417	55
Opare-Ansah, Frederick	Suhum	55.26	21.20603015	76.46603015	56
Owusu-Bio, Benito	Atwima-Nwabiagya North	49.02	27.2361809	76.2561809	57
Safo, Sarah Adwoa (Ms)	Dome/Kwabanya	52.02	24.13	76.15	58
Botwe, Daniel	Okere	45.06	31.05527638	76.11527638	59
Owusu-Boateng, Yaw	Asene/Akroso/Manso	45.54	30.46	76	60
Donkor, Kwabena (Dr)	Pru East	48.24	27.53	75.77	61
Frimpong, Kofi	Kwabre East	44.28	30.96	75.24	62

Woyome, Kobena Mensah	South Tongu	40.56	34.48	75.04	63
Sulemani, Amin Amidu	Sissala West	50.64	24.33	74.97	64
Baidoe-Ansah, Joe	Kwesimintsim	36.3	38.5	74.8	65
Nortsu-Kotoe, Peter	Akatsi North	38.04	36.39	74.43	66
Buah, Emmanuel Armah-Kofi	Ellebele	48.54	25.02512563	73.56512563	67
Arthur, George Kofi	Amenfi Central	42.54	30.76	73.3	68
Owusu-Aduomi, Kwabena	Ejisu	47.76	25.52763819	73.28763819	69
Agalga, James	Builsa North	50.76	22.12	72.88	70
Dauda, Collins (Alhaji)	Asutifi South	51.78	20.31	72.09	71
Mensah, Isaac Adjei	Wassa East	45.54	26.24	71.78	72
Essilfie, Gabriel Kodwo	Shama	41.52	29.74874372	71.26874372	73
Bandua, Emmanuel Kwasi	Biakoye	36.84	34.18	71.02	74
Anim, Moses	Trobu	34.32	36.59	70.91	75
Prempeh, Freda Akosua O (Ms)	Tano North	42.3	27.93969849	70.23969849	76
Gyan-Tutu, Kwasi Agyemang	Tain	40.08	30.15075377	70.23075377	77
Demordzi, Bright Edward Kodzo	Bortianor-Ngleshie Amanfro	35.82	34.38	70.2	78
Terlabi, Ebenezer Okletey	Lower Manya Krobo	38.7	31.45728643	70.15728643	79
Owusu, Ursula G (Ms)	Ablekuma West	44.52	25.52763819	70.04763819	80
Avoka, Cletus Apul	Zebilla	40.8	28.05	68.85	81
Gidisu, Joe Kwashie	Central Tongu	40.08	28.65	68.73	82
Kwarteng, Kwaku Agyeman	Obuasi West	38.82	29.74874372	68.56874372	83
Twum-Nuamah, Kwabena (Dr)	Berekum East	38.34	30.06	68.4	84
Fuseini, Inusah Abdulai B (Alhaji)	Tamale Central	48.54	19.79899497	68.33899497	85
Amenowode, Joseph Zaphenat	Afadzato South	38.34	29.84924623	68.18924623	86
Adam, Mutawakilu	Damongo	33.36	34.78	68.14	87
Ahi, Sampson	Bodi	41.28	26.44	67.72	88
Osei-Ameyaw, Kofi	Asuogyaman	35.34	32.07	67.41	89
Bedzrah, Emmanuel Kwasi	Ho West	36.84	30.46	67.3	90
Anyimadu-Antwi, Kwame	Asante Akim Central	42.06	25.12562814	67.18562814	91
Ablakwa, Samuel Okudzeto	North Tongu	46.02	21.10552764	67.12552764	92
Oppon-Kusi, David	Ofoase/Ayirebi	39.78	27.13567839	66.91567839	93
Aboagye, George Kwame	Ahanta West	36.3	30.56	66.86	94
Addo, Irene Naa Torshie (Mrs)	Tema West	34.32	32.47	66.79	95

Azumah, Dominic Azimbe	Garu	39.06	27.33668342	66.39668342	96
Ayamba, Laadi Ayii (Ms)	Pusiga	37.56	28.45	66.01	97
Mensah, Adjei	Techiman South	34.68	31.25628141	65.93628141	98
Kunbuor, Benjamin Bewa-Nyog (Dr)	Nandom	40.8	25.02512563	65.82512563	99
Boar, Solomon Namliit	Bunkpurugu	31.32	34.38	65.7	100
Osei-Mensah, Simon	Bosomtwe	42	23.01507538	65.01507538	101
Acheampong, Kwame Seth	Mpraeso	25.86	38.8	64.66	102
Agyarko, Emmanuel Kyeremanteng	Ayawaso West Wuogon	30.12	34.38	64.5	103
Cudjoe, Joseph	Effia	32.82	31.65829146	64.47829146	104
Akandoh, Kwabena Mintah	Juaboso	33.06	31.05527638	64.11527638	105
Boampong, Michael Coffie	Bia West	33.6	30.46	64.06	106
Pelpuo, Abdul-Rashid Hassan	Wa Central	44.52	18.8	63.32	107
Ussif, Mustapha	Yagaba/Kubori	30.12	33.16582915	63.28582915	108
Banda, Ben Abdallah	Offinso South	39.06	24.13	63.19	109
Mohammad, Habibu Tijani (Alhaji)	Yendi	28.86	34.08	62.94	110
Ntim, Augustine Collins	Offinso North	34.08	28.65	62.73	111
Owusu-Amankwah, Collins	Manhyia North	35.34	27.2361809	62.5761809	112
Botchwey, Shirley A (Ms)	Anyaa/Sowutuom	35.1	27.33668342	62.43668342	113
Osei, Kennedy Nyarko	Akim Swedru	25.86	36.29	62.15	114
Ibrahim, Murtala Muhammed	Nanton	39.06	22.72	61.78	115
Adagbila, Boniface Gambila	Nabdam	30.84	30.66	61.5	116
Agyen, Frank Boakye	Effiduase/Asokore	21.12	39.29648241	60.41648241	117
Quartey, Henry	Ayawaso Central	29.82	29.94974874	59.76974874	118
Salifu, Ameen	Wa East	26.82	32.36180905	59.18180905	119
Bambang, Sagre (Dr)	Walewale	25.86	33.26633166	59.12633166	120
Okyere-Agyekum, Kofi	Fanteakwa South	31.86	27.13567839	58.99567839	121
Ameyaw-Cheremeh, Kwasi	Sunyani East	28.86	30.06	58.92	122
Ayine, Dominic Akuritinga (Dr)	Bolgatanga East	46.5	12.37	58.87	123
Ayeh-Paye, Samuel	Ayensuano	32.34	26.44	58.78	124
Azumah-Mensah, Juliana (Mrs)	Agotime-Ziope	30.12	27.93969849	58.05969849	125
Obeng Dappah, Esther (Ms)	Abirem	24.36	33.36683417	57.72683417	126
Suhuyini, Wahab Wumbei	Tolon	23.52	34.17085427	57.69085427	127
Obeng-Inkoom, Charles	Agona West	24.36	33.06532663	57.42532663	128

Andoh, Foster Joseph	Hemang Lower Denkyira	23.88	33.16582915	57.04582915	129
Addo, Yaw Frimpong	Manso-Adubia	24.36	32.67	57.03	130
Nyindam, Matthew	Kpandai	25.86	31.15577889	57.01577889	131
Ntow, Mathias Kwame	Aowin	28.86	28.15	57.01	132
Ahmed, Baba Jamal Mohammed	Akwatia	30.84	26.03015075	56.87015075	133
Danquah, Joseph Boakye Adu	Abuakwa North	36.06	20.20100503	56.26100503	134
Vanderpuye, Edwin Nii Lantey	Odododiodio	31.32	24.93	56.25	135
Sowah, Della (Mrs)	Kpando	25.8	29.94974874	55.74974874	136
Amoakoh, Nana	Upper Denkyira East	21.12	34.08	55.2	137
Tetteh, Hannah Serwaah (Ms)	Awutu-Senya West	41.52	13.66834171	55.18834171	138
Ricketts-Hagan, George Kweku	Cape Coast South	31.86	23.2160804	55.0760804	139
Kokofu, Henry Kwabena	Bantama	24.36	30.66	55.02	140
Bisiw, Hanna Louisa (Dr)	Tano South	34.32	20.61	54.93	141
Gyetuah, John	Amenfi West	25.86	29.04522613	54.90522613	142
Afful, Yaw	Jaman South	25.86	28.85	54.71	143
Opong-Fosu, Akwasi	Amenfi East	37.56	17.08542714	54.64542714	144
Alhassan, Mumuni	Salaga North	18.12	36.49	54.61	145
Yanwube, James Cecil	Tatale/Sanguli	19.86	34.68	54.54	146
Agyekum, Alex K	Mpohor	25.86	28.65	54.51	147
Aidoo, William Owuraku	Afigya Kwabre South	22.62	31.85929648	54.47929648	148
Adomako-Mensah, Alex	Sekyere Afram Plains	21.12	33.06532663	54.18532663	149
Cobbina, Herod	Sefwi Akontombra	25.86	27.83919598	53.69919598	150
Marfo, Nana Amaniampong	Afigya Kwabre North	28.38	24.67	53.05	151
Amoah, Robert Kwasi	Achiase	19.86	33.16582915	53.02582915	152
Kyeremeh, Alex	Techiman North	28.86	24.03	52.89	153
Agyekum, Emmanuel Kwadwo	Nkoranza South	24.96	27.83919598	52.79919598	154
Brako, Kofi	Tema Central	16.92	35.77889447	52.69889447	155
Ofosu, Asamoah	Kade	21.12	31.35	52.47	156
Dery, Edward Kaale-ewola	Lambussie/Karni	22.62	29.74874372	52.36874372	157
Manu-Adabor, Francis	Ahafo Ano South East	20.88	31.05527638	51.93527638	158
Mensah, Enoch Teye	Ningo-Prampram	19.86	32.07	51.93	159
Osei-Asare, Abena (Mrs)	Atiwa East	21.12	30.76	51.88	160
Abrah, Rosemund Comfort (Ms)	Weija/Gbawe	21.12	30.56	51.68	161

Didieye, Aboagye Emmanuel	Afram Plains North	22.62	29.04522613	51.66522613	162
Addai-Nimoh, Francis	Mampong	28.08	23.51758794	51.59758794	163
Humado, Clement Kofi	Anlo	33.6	17.98994975	51.58994975	164
Alhassan, Bashir A Fuseini (Alhaji)	Sagnarigu	32.34	18.8	51.14	165
Bukari, Joseph Nikpe	Saboba	18.12	32.37	50.49	166
Cudjoe Ghansah,C Doyoe (Mrs)	Ada	14.88	35.07537688	49.95537688	167
Heloo, Bernice Adiku (Dr [Mrs])	Hohoe	25.86	24.03	49.89	168
Sackey, Elizabeth K T (Mrs)	Okaikwei North	22.56	27.03517588	49.59517588	169
Gbediame, Gershon KB	Nkwanta South	18.12	31.45728643	49.57728643	170
Abongo, Albert	Bongo	22.62	26.84	49.46	171
Koomson, Mavis Hawa (Mrs)	Awutu-Senya East	19.86	29.54773869	49.40773869	172
Atta-Boafo, Daniel Kingsley	Adansi Fomena	16.92	32.37	49.29	173
Kyei-Frimpong, Kwadwo	Bosome-Freho	18.12	31.05527638	49.17527638	174
Gyamfi, Emmanuel Akwasi	Odotobri	23.88	25.02512563	48.90512563	175
Gidisu, Wisdom	Krachi East	16.92	31.15577889	48.07577889	176
Agyemang, Kwadwo Baah	Asante Akim North	18.12	29.94974874	48.06974874	177
Asante-Boateng, Kwaku	Asante Akim South	25.38	22.62	48	178
Addo, Grace (Ms)	Manso-Nkwanta	28.38	19.49748744	47.87748744	179
Azumah, Namoro Sanda	Chereponi	14.88	32.67	47.55	180
Azure, Noah Ben	Binduri	13.14	34.18	47.32	181
Yeboah, David Hennric	Afigya-Sekyere East	13.14	33.36683417	46.50683417	182
Boakye, Anthony Osei	Atwima-Nwabiagya South	11.94	34.38	46.32	183
Amoah, Samuel Ato	Twifo Atti Morkwa	10.2	35.9798995	46.1798995	184
Naabu, Joseph Bipoba	Yunyoo	11.94	32.97	44.91	185
Agyeman, Elizabeth (Ms)	Oforikrom	13.14	31.25628141	44.39628141	186
Acheampong, Richard	Bia East	13.14	31.15577889	44.29577889	187
Boateng Appiah, Joseph	Afram Plains South	10.2	33.96984925	44.16984925	188
Amadu, Seidu (Alhaji)	Yapei/Kusawgu	10.2	33.76884422	43.96884422	189
Sulemana, Alijata (Ms)	Sissala East	15.3	28.45	43.75	190
Adusei, Kwasi	Ahafo Ano North	14.88	28.55	43.43	191
Appiagyei, Patricia (Ms)	Asokwa	11.94	31.45728643	43.39728643	192
Appiah-Pinkrah, Kwabena	Akrofuom	5.46	37.18592965	42.64592965	193
Majisi, John	Krachi Nchumuru	5.46	36.69	42.15	194

Napare, Dominic	Sene East	7.68	34.28	41.96	195
Alhassan, Dahamani	Tamale North	7.68	34.08	41.76	196
Aboagye-Gyedu, Kingsley	Bibiani-Anhwiaso-Bekwai	13.14	28.45	41.59	197
Darfour, Eric Kwakye	Nkawkaw	7.68	33.66834171	41.34834171	198
Nanja, Sanja	Atebubu/Amantin	7.68	33.46733668	41.14733668	199
Baani, Nelson Abudu	Daboya/Mankarigu	2.22	38.6	40.82	200
Siaka, Stevens	Jaman North	12.48	28.24120603	40.72120603	201
Oduro, Derek (Maj [Rtd])	Nkoranza North	4.74	35.9798995	40.7198995	202
Fobih, Dominic K (Prof)	Assin South	10.2	30.46	40.66	203
Kwete, Fifi Fiavi Franklin	Ketu South	22.62	17.38693467	40.00693467	204
Ampofo, Kwame Twumasi	Sene West	2.22	37.5879397	39.8079397	205
Crentsil, Abeiku	Ekumfi	7.02	32.56281407	39.58281407	206
Sabi, William Kwasi	Dormaa East	14.88	24.53	39.41	207
Bamba, Mohammed Salisu	Ejura-Sekyedumase	16.44	22.91457286	39.35457286	208
Arthur, Francis Kojo	Gomoa West	5.46	33.86934673	39.32934673	209
Appoh, Rachel Florence (Ms)	Gomoa Central	18.12	21.20603015	39.32603015	210
Asiamah, Kwabena Amankwa	Fanteakwa North	0	38.99497487	38.99497487	211
Adu, Johnson Kwaku	Ahafo Ano South West	7.74	31.15577889	38.89577889	212
Oppong-Asamoah, Vincent	Dormaa West	13.14	25.42713568	38.56713568	213
Amankwanor, Joseph Sam	Upper West Akim	0	38.49246231	38.49246231	214
Ayeh, Benjamin Kofi	Upper Denkyira West	10.2	28.15	38.35	215
Nasah, Thomas Kwesi	Gushiegu	1.86	35.87939698	37.73939698	216
Ackah, Stephen M E K	Suaman	4.92	32.57	37.49	217
Mahama, Naser Toure	Ayawaso East	0	37.28643216	37.28643216	218
Azong, Alhassan	Builsa South	7.68	29.24623116	36.92623116	219
Ofori, Joseph Kwadwo	Akan	4.74	32.17	36.91	220
Basoah, Philip	Kumawu	7.68	29.14572864	36.82572864	221
Otuteye, Christian Corletey	Sege	0	36.79	36.79	222
Dadzie, Anthony Christian	Abura-Asebu-Kwamankese	0	35.87939698	35.87939698	223
Ambre, Samuel	Assin North	0.24	35.47738693	35.71738693	224
Saaka, Joseph Akati (Alhaji)	Bole/Bamboi	0	35.67839196	35.67839196	225
Opoku, Eric	Asunafo South	25.38	10.25125628	35.63125628	226
Mosore, Robert Nachinab Doameng	Talensi	5.46	29.54773869	35.00773869	227

Boforo, Mary Salifu (Hajia)	Savelugu	0	34.98	34.98	228
Namoale, Nii Amasah	Dade Kotopon	0	34.98	34.98	228
Kavianu, Jeff Tetteh	Upper Manya Krobo	0	34.88	34.88	230
Oti, John Kwabena Bless	Nkwanta North	5.46	29.24623116	34.70623116	231
Adakudugu, David	Tempane	0.24	34.38	34.62	232
Arthur, Ahmed	Okaikwei South	14.88	19	33.88	233
Koffie, Francis Adu-Blay	Prestea/Huni-Valley	0.24	33.36	33.6	234
Tia, Alfred Sugri (Dr)	Nalerigu/Gambaga	7.68	25.82914573	33.50914573	235
Alhassan, Sualihu Dandaawa	Karaga	0.24	33.06532663	33.30532663	236
Laliri, George Maban	Wulensi	2.22	30.86	33.08	237
Aboah, Georgina Nkrumah (Mrs)	Asikuma/Odoben/Brakwa	5.46	27.33668342	32.79668342	238
Yakah, Ernest Kofi	New Edubiase	2.22	30.45226131	32.67226131	239
Adjei, Kwasi Boateng	New Juaben North	0	32.67	32.67	240
Kessie, Kweku Tanikyi	Evalue Ajomoro Gwira	0	32.57	32.57	241
Amadu, Moses Yahaya	Kumbungu	1.86	30.46	32.32	242
Ennin, Edward M	Obuasi East	7.68	24.63	32.31	243
Mohammed, Masawud (Alhaji)	Pru West	0	32.27	32.27	244
Quansah, Aquinas Tawiah	Mfantseman West	11.94	20.21	32.15	245
Woyongo, Mark Owen	Navrongo Central	18.12	13.96984925	32.08984925	246
Abu, Samson	Lawra	2.22	29.64824121	31.86824121	247
Ashiaman, Daniel Kwesi	Buem	0	31.85929648	31.85929648	248
Sarfo-Mensah, Robert	Asunafo North	8.94	22.52	31.46	249
Klenam, Gifty	Lower West Akim	7.68	23.71859296	31.39859296	250
Andoh, Ama Poma (Mrs)	Juaben	1.62	29.64824121	31.26824121	251
Kunsu, Stephen	Kintampo North	5.46	25.22613065	30.68613065	252
Anaman, Francis K (Wg Cdr [rtd])	Jomoro	0	30.36	30.36	253
Abuga, Pele	Chiana/Paga	11.94	18.4	30.34	254
Pepera, Peter Wiafe	Abetifi	5.46	24.32160804	29.78160804	255
Okity-Duah, Benita Sena (Mrs)	Ledzokuku	10.2	19	29.2	256
Ashietey, Nii Armah	Klottey Korle	7.68	20.81	28.49	257
Agyapong, Ken Ohene	Assin Central	10.14	18.3	28.44	258
Derigubaa, Paul	Jirapa	0.24	28.15	28.39	259
Eduamoah, Ekow Panyin Okyere	Gomoa East	2.22	26.04	28.26	260

Akolbire, Opam-Brown Emmanuel	Bolgatanga Central	0	27.83919598	27.83919598	261
Ashie-Moore, Emmanuel Nii	Adentan	5.46	22.02	27.48	262
Dahah, Joseph Benhazin	Asutifi North	2.22	24.13	26.35	263
Agyenim-Boateng, Kwaku	Berekum West	0	25.82914573	25.82914573	264
Ntoso, Helen Adjoa (Ms)	Krachi West	2.22	23.01507538	25.23507538	265
Soditey, Donald Dari	Sawla/Tuna/Kalba	0.24	24.13	24.37	266
Effah-Baafi, Yaw	Kintampo South	2.22	21.90954774	24.12954774	267
Laryea, Emmanuel Nii Okai	Amasaman	0	22.12	22.12	268
Afotey-Agbo, Joseph Nii Laryea	Kpone-Katamanso	2.22	19.39698492	21.61698492	269
Yemoh, Daoud Anum	Domeabra/Obom	1.62	18.8	20.42	270
Bennam, John Jabaah	Zabzugu	0	20.41	20.41	271
Ahmed, Mustapha (Maj [Rtd])(Dr) (Alh)	Ayawaso North	2.22	16.39	18.61	272
Sawyerr, Queenstar Pokua (Mrs)	Agona East	1.62	16.99	18.61	272
Quaye-Kumah, Nii Oakley (Dr)	Krowor	0	17.08542714	17.08542714	274
Aidoo, Evans Paul	Sefwi-Wiawso	0.24	11.25628141	11.49628141	275

19 SILENT MPs

These MPs did not make a single statement in 4 years in Parliament

Those who LOST & those who RETAINED their seats



 Kwasi Boateng Adjei Constituency: New Juaben North Region: Eastern Party: NPP	 Emmanuel Opam-Brown Akolbire Constituency: Bolgatanga Central Region: Upper East Party: NDC	 Joseph Sam Amankwanor Constituency: Upper West Akim Region: Eastern Party: NDC
 Kweku Tanikyi Kessie Constituency: Evalue-Ajomoro-Gwira Region: Western Party: NDC	 Anthony Christian Dadzie Constituency: Abura-Asebu-Kwamankese Region: Central Party: NDC	 Jeff Tetteh Kavianu Constituency: Upper Manya Korbo Region: Eastern Party: NDC
 Christian Corleytey Constituency: Sege Region: Greater Accra Party: NDC	 Quaye-Kumah Nii Oakley (Dr) Constituency: Krowor Region: Greater Accra Party: NDC	 Mohammed Masawud (Alh) Constituency: Pru West Region: Brong Ahafo Party: NDC
 Mary Salifu Boforo Constituency: Savelugu Region: Northern Party: NDC	 Touree Mahama Naser Constituency: Ayawaso East Region: Greater Accra Party: NDC	 Kwabena Amankwa Asiamah Constituency: Fanteakwa North Region: Eastern Party: NPP
 Francis K. Anaman Constituency: Jomoro Region: Western Party: NDC	 Joseph Saaka Akati (Alh) Constituency: Bole/Bamboi Region: Northern Party: NDC	 Daniel Kwasi Ashiamah Constituency: Buem Region: Volta Party: NDC
	 Bennam John Jabaah Constituency: Zabzugu Region: Northern Party: NPP	 Emmanuel Nii Okai Laryea Constituency: Amasaman Region: Greater Accra Party: NDC

Methodology

Data Collection

Accessed documents were obtained primarily in soft copy either from Parliament's website or from a member of the Parliamentary Service. After our data set was checked for completeness, some gaps were identified. Our records were then completed by obtaining the missing data in hardcopy from staff of the Parliamentary Service.

Verification

We verified the completeness of our dataset by comparing our cache of data to a list of Parliament's sitting days obtained from staff of the Parliamentary service. On each sitting day, three documents are produced namely, the Hansard, Order Paper and Votes and Proceedings. Consequently, for each date on Parliament's calendar we have access to three primary documents.

We verified the accuracy of this data set by confirming that each document bore the official seal of Parliament, followed the pattern of Parliament's formatting and was marked as having been produced by

the Table Office or the Hansard Office respectively. Odekro's Content Manager and Research Assistant both verified each documentary source of our data.

Analysis

What we measure:

Our report only assesses the performance of Parliament and MPs in executing their constitutionally mandated duties. Though as mentioned in our introduction, most Ghanaians use an MP's ability to pay school fees, attend funerals, and provide infrastructure development from their own pocket as indicators of his or her effectiveness, our report does not track these variables because we cannot access independently verifiable and reliable data that measures them.

We also limit our assessment to variables which can be tracked using data gathered by the Parliamentary service itself and recorded in Hansards, Votes and Proceedings, Order Papers and Committee Reports. Our attendance data for MPs is generated by summing attendance data recorded in Parliament's Votes and Proceedings document. Our data on MPs statements and Bills is obtained from the Hansard (statements) and Votes and Proceedings document (bills) respectively. Our data on CSO and citizen's engagements with Parliament was mined by analyses of committee meetings and agendas as listed in the Votes and Proceedings and detailed scrutiny of the content of committee reports.

Formulas and Data Sets:

MP's Scorecards

Our Individual Scorecards rank MPs by performance from 1st to 275th. We opted for a ranking instead of a grade or percentage score for several reasons. Scorecards based on percentages or grades imply that there is an objective standard of perfection which all members assessed by that score can be held to. Since this is our first scorecard and one of the first of its kind for Ghanaian MPs, we have yet to develop an objective standard based on historical comparisons of the performance of multiple parliaments. Furthermore, letter grades are produced qualitative analysis which can often lend itself to arbitrariness. Percentages also place MPs in a range of high performers or other low performers and detract from scrutiny of an individual MP's performance.

Weighting:

We assign a weight of 40% of our total score to the attendance score and 60% to the contribution score. Our rationale is simple. An MP's presence in Parliament is practically of no effect if he or she does not contribute to deliberations in the house. MPs who are both present and contribute should therefore normally

be ranked better than MPs who make regular appearances in Parliament but do not contribute to the work of the house.

How to Access Your MP's Scorecard

You can obtain the performance scorecard of your MP through the following means: Send an email to info@odekro.org with the subject line "MPs name: Scorecard" **OR** You can also send directly message us on our social media platforms; Twitter - @odekro and Facebook - Odekro.

Note that the scorecards are ONLY available for MPs in the Sixth Parliament (2013-Jan.2017)

About ODEKRO

A well-functioning democracy is built on a foundation of transparency and accountability. In our traditional tripartite system of government, the legislative arm bears primary responsibility for shining the light of scrutiny on the business of government and holding public officials to account. Yet, information with which to assess the work of the Ghanaian Parliament itself or hold MPs accountable is often lacking. While occasional assessments of individual parliamentarians can provide useful information, a more comprehensive approach to parliamentary monitoring can often yield deeper insights into Parliament's effectiveness.

Odekro seeks to promote transparency, accountability and democratic governance through citizen action and engagement with the Parliament of Ghana and other government agencies. The Odekro platform promotes transparency and popular participation by providing free public online access to Bills, Motions, and Parliamentary debates (Hansards). The Hansards and parliamentary data are extracted from purchased and scanned documents, pdfs published openly on the Parliament of Ghana website and from parliamentary clerks. Odekro uses a set of indicators to assess and measure the performance of Parliament. These indicators are derived from a series of variables and are combined into an index to measure variations in the quality and quantity of legislative activity and output and to facilitate engagements with the public and other stakeholders.

Through our work, we aim to generate, analyze, and present relevant data in citizen-friendly forms and, thereby, enhance public understanding of the workings and work of Parliament and enable citizens to make informed assessments of the performance of individual MPs and of Parliament as a whole.