

Inflow of funds

Most NGOs receive funding from foreign sources which are not transparently disclosed. Other NGOs receive financial support from State Organizations and these are often described as "Donations".

Our Tax Laws are clear and explicit on which kind of donations are tax exempt, as provided for under section 100 of Act 896.

Kick- Backs

Some NGO's receive inflows which are "kicks-backs" or rewards to such NGOs for using their political connections to lobby the Government and Government Organizations to win contracts and other favours for mostly foreign Nationals and foreign investors. These are incomes subject to tax as provided for under section 5(2)(vi) and (vii) of Act 896.

Need for Tax Audit

The Nation is therefore losing huge revenue as a result of the nefarious activities of such NGOs operating in the country.

The Ghana Revenue Authority must therefore initiate a process to conduct TAX AUDIT on ALL NGOs registered by the Registrar General's Department.

Since the Ghana Revenue authority may not have the required number of staff to undertake this exercise within a short period of time, I recommend that the Commissioner –General of the Ghana Revenue Authority may seek the assistance of Tax Experts under Section 4 of the Revenue Administration Act, 2016 (Act 915); to compliment the efforts of the Ghana Revenue Authority to undertake this all important national exercise.

I am very certain that such an exercise (if not given political colour) will help this nation to crack down on these nation wreckers and rake in the much-needed revenue for development.

Thank you.

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