

GH¢177m For Nurse Trainees' Allowance

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IN A move to address the long-standing issue of unpaid nursing trainee allowances, Vice President Dr. Mahamudu Bawumia has announced the release of GH¢177 million to the Ministry of Health.

Speaking at a meeting with nurses and midwives in Accra, Dr. Bawumia stated that the funds will be transferred to the Ministry of Health today, adding that the ministry has been instructed to swiftly disburse the money to the accounts of nursing trainees across the country.

The nursing trainee allowance, which was previously abolished by the Mahama administration, was reintroduced by the Akufo-Addo administration.

However, the allowances have been in arrears for several months, causing concerns among the affected trainees.

"This Thursday, the



Dr. Bernard Okoe Boye

Controller is transferring GH¢177 million to the Ministry of Health to pay the nursing training allowances. So I have also alerted Dr. Okoe-Boye to be on standby when the money hits the Ministry of Health account, they should move it quickly to the accounts of the nursing trainees so that they will have their alawa. It will drop," Dr. Bawumia stated.

This announcement comes as a relief to nursing trainees who have been waiting for the release of these overdue allowances.

The prompt payment of these allowances is expected to ease the financial burden on the trainees and ensure the smooth continuation of their studies.