

22,000 beneficiaries receive Digital Skills Training



Mrs Ursula Owusu Ekuful with GIFEC officials, partners and some beneficiaries in a group picture

From Ernest Best Anane, Kumasi

About 22,000 people are undergoing Digital Skills Training through the Digital Transformation Project in collaboration with GIFEC, International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and other partners across the country.

Mrs Ursula Owusu Ekuful, the Minister for Communication and Digitalisation announced this in Kumasi, last week.

According to her, the three years project slated to end in September 2024, targeted the training of about 17,000 with 35% female to complement the ministry's girl child in ICT project, which includes persons with Disabilities.

She explained that the project is geared towards boosting Digital Skills through Digital Transformation Centres (DTC) to enhance the livelihoods and increase the adoption of digitalisation by providing capacity building for hundreds of ICT teachers and other trainers each year.

The Minister said the project was set to provide Technical and other resource support

to the training of thousands of Girls in ICT each year and training over thousand kids.

The Minister stated that, the project is also training thousands in ICT skills for Entrepreneurship and women Empowerment while implementing the Digital Transformation Centres project with GIZ to benefit about 20,000 Ghanaians.

The Minister was optimistic that the project would significantly enhance digital inclusion by broadening access to data skills and technology, which are crucial in the digital era.

Ms Susan Teltscher, from International Telecommunication Union (ITU), commended the management of the project and said the success of the project would ensure continued collaboration in future.

Mrs. Eva Poku, the Administrator of GIFEC, said Digital technology had transformed the way we learn, work and communicate making it essential for everyone to acquire the fundamental digital skills.

She indicated that digital skills are no longer just a convenience, but a necessity in a society where Technology affects every aspect of our daily lives.