

PRISON LADIES ASSOCIATION (PRILAS)



HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Realizing the need to promote the interests of female staff and to address their needs in an ever growing world, the Prison Ladies Association (PRILAS) was established in 2006. Over the years, the Association has seen a lot of progress in the attainment of its objectives.

OBJECTIVES

- To organize and unite female officers under one umbrella in order to promote a healthy relationship among them.
- To help develop the hidden potentials, and capabilities of members through relevant training programmes.
- To act as a mouth piece for women for the attention of management.
- To offer counselling and other services to inmates and act as their mentors to enable them successfully reform and re-integrate into society.
- To collaborate with other women's organization that have similar objectives as the association to promote learning, sharing of knowledge, resources and experiences.
- To generate funds to support inmates and their children in order to make life meaningful for them while in prison and on discharge.

EMBLEM AND SLOGAN

Our slogan is "We love, we care, we Support".

MEMBERSHIP

Membership comprises all female staff including female recruits and officer cadets.

Retired female prisons officers may be made honorary members subject to approval by the executive council.



NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

The national headquarters of the association is located at the Prisons Headquarters in Accra.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Executive Council which is headed by the most senior female officer in the Prison service and she is deputized by the second most senior female officer.

All other members of the executive are elected by the Electoral College.

Regional branches which are also headed by the most senior female officer in each of the ten regions in Ghana.

PARTNERS

To enable PRILAS effectively work towards achievement of her objectives, we partner the MDAs, women's groups with similar objectives, NGOs and Faith Based Organizations (FBOs).

ACTIVITIES

Activities include educational programmes, health promoting activities, charitable events, Religious Programmes, Welfare activities.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Establishment of a "Mother and baby" unit at Nsawam Female Prison.
- Donations to the needy in society.
- Establishment of NGO (Corrections Reforms Platform/COREP) to assist in achievement of established goals.

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