

# Mallam Dumpsites Transformed

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The mandate of the Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources to rid our towns and cities of filth is taking positive direction.

The once unsavory garbage and refuse dumpsite at Mallam, a suburb in Accra which was a great threat to human life and public health is now a thing of the past. Today the story is different. The mountain of refuse at the site has been completely cleared and the ground leveled and filled to the extent that not even a bucket full of refuse could be collected. Upon a visit to the site by the Sector Minister Hon. Joseph Kofi Adda, he indicated that the successful evacuation of the refuse had paved the way for the construction of an educational and recreational facility at the site for the benefit of residents in the area. It would be recalled that soon after taking office, the Sector Minister Joseph Kofi Adda (Ministry of Sanitation and Water Resources) indicated his resolve to ensure the city of Accra in particular and the nation as a whole attain a high standard in Sanitation against the declaration of the President to make Accra the neatest and cleanest city in Africa by the year 2020.

The Sector Minister, Hon. Joseph Kofi Adda also announced other measures which include the closure of all unauthorized dumpsites and the construction of new transfer stations in Accra and other regional capitals.

The policy programmes of the Ministry are aimed at propelling the nation towards the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals on sanitation states that by the year 2030, all people in the world would have access to adequate and equitable sanitation and hygiene for all and end open

defecation throughout the country.