

## **National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE)**

As the name suggests, the National Commission for Civic Education (NCCE) is responsible for the education of the Ghanaian citizens. According to the Ghanaian Constitution, it consists of seven members, appointed by the President acting on the advice of the Council of State.

The aims of this institution may be considered as Article 233 puts it:

- To create and sustain within the society the awareness of the principles and objectives of this Constitution as the fundamental law of the people of Ghana;
- to educate and encourage the public to defend this Constitution at all times, against all forms of abuse and violation;
- to formulate for the consideration of Government, from time to time, programmes at the national, regional and district levels aimed at realising the objectives of this Constitution;
- to formulate, implement and oversee programmes intended to inculcate in the citizens of Ghana awareness of their civic responsibilities and an appreciation of their rights and obligations as free people; and
- such other functions as the Parliament may prescribe.

Like the National Media Commission, the NCCE shall be absolutely independent from any control or direction. To guarantee this independence, the three most important members of the NCCE enjoy far-reaching privileges. For instance, they enjoy the same terms and conditions of service as a Justice of the Court of Appeal or of the High Court.

### **Collaboration with FES**

Currently, the NCCE collaborates with all political parties represented in Ghana's Parliament and FES to reduce tensions among leaders of the parties' youth organizations. The programmes are intended to contribute to peaceful elections without violent conflicts and are run in partly identified priority – constituencies throughout the country.

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