



Youth Parliament 2.0

Ghana SOCO Project
Sub-component 1.3



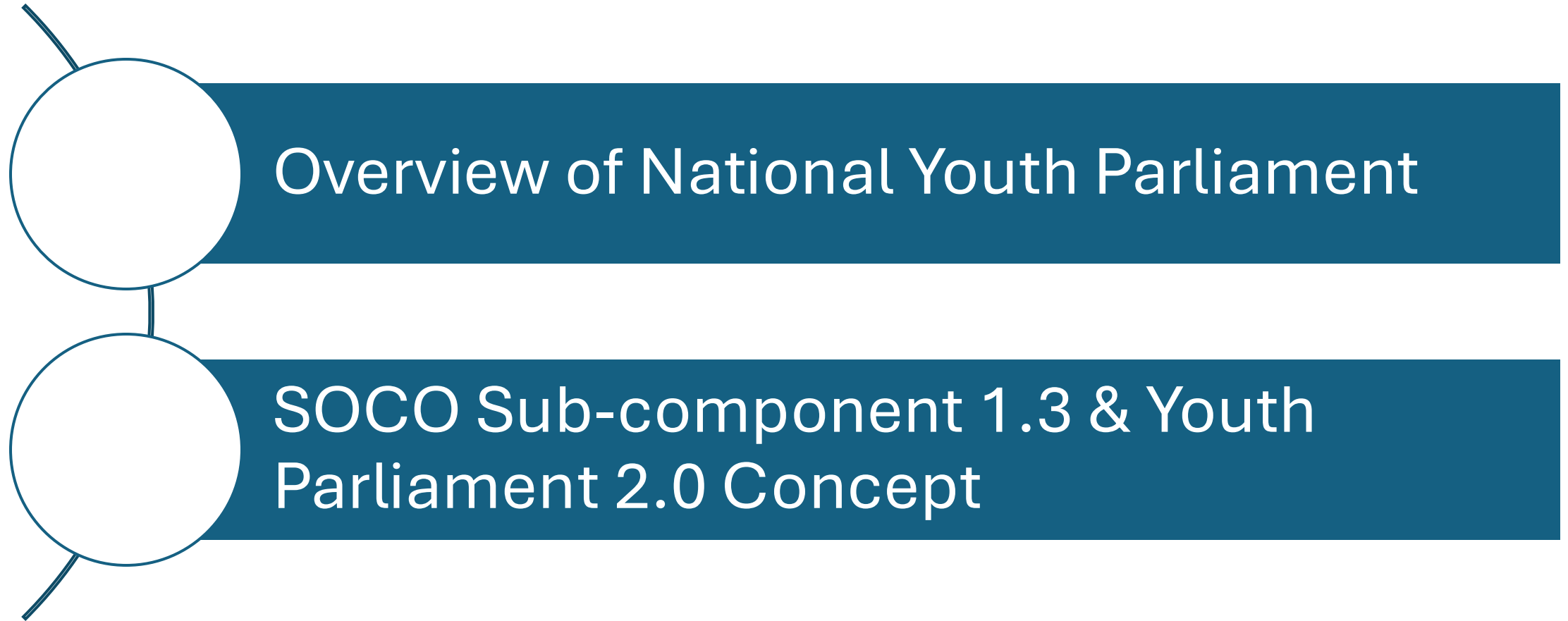
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NATIONAL YOUTH AUTHORITY
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Structure of the Presentation



National Youth Parliament

- Launched in 2016 by the National Youth Authority (NYA)
- Institutionalize and formalize youth voices and active participation at all levels of government decision making.



Youth Parliaments specifically seek “to serve as a platform through which the youth will contribute effectively and positively to National legislation and the decision-making processes.”

- Goal to establish Youth Parliaments in each of Ghana’s 261 metropolitan, municipal, and district assemblies (MMDAs)
- The concept is to empower the youth by creating a congenial environment for equipping them with knowledge, skills, attitudes, values and ethics within their communities

SOCO Sub-component 1.3: Youth Engagement and Social Cohesion Activities

- Promotes and mainstreams active youth participation and representation in community-level developmental efforts and investments through

- (1) youth mobilization, dialogue, and engagement;
- (2) youth employability referral services; and
- (3) youth infrastructure investments.

Support operationalization of Youth Parliaments in SOCO's 48 target districts

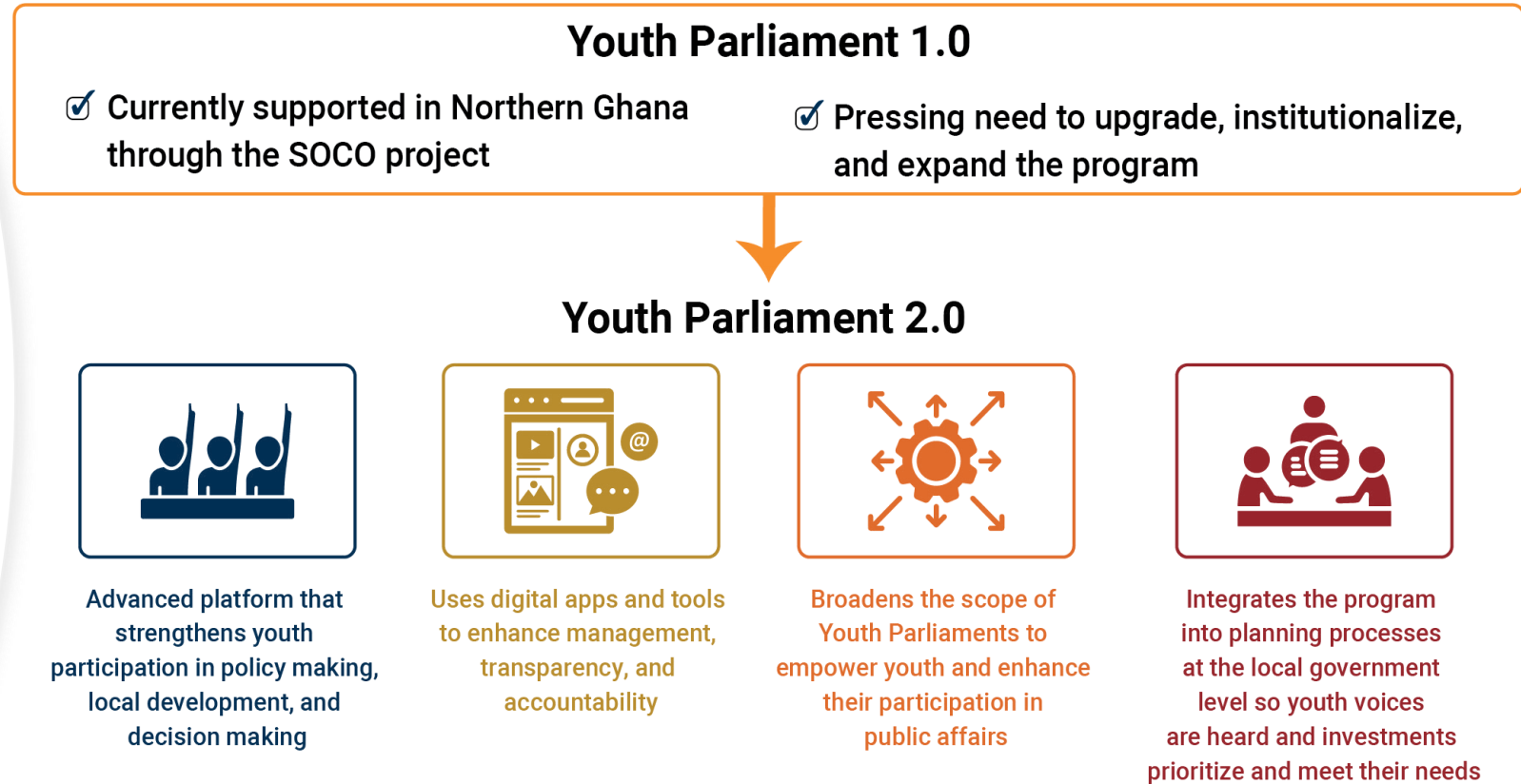


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Youth Parliament 2.0 Concept

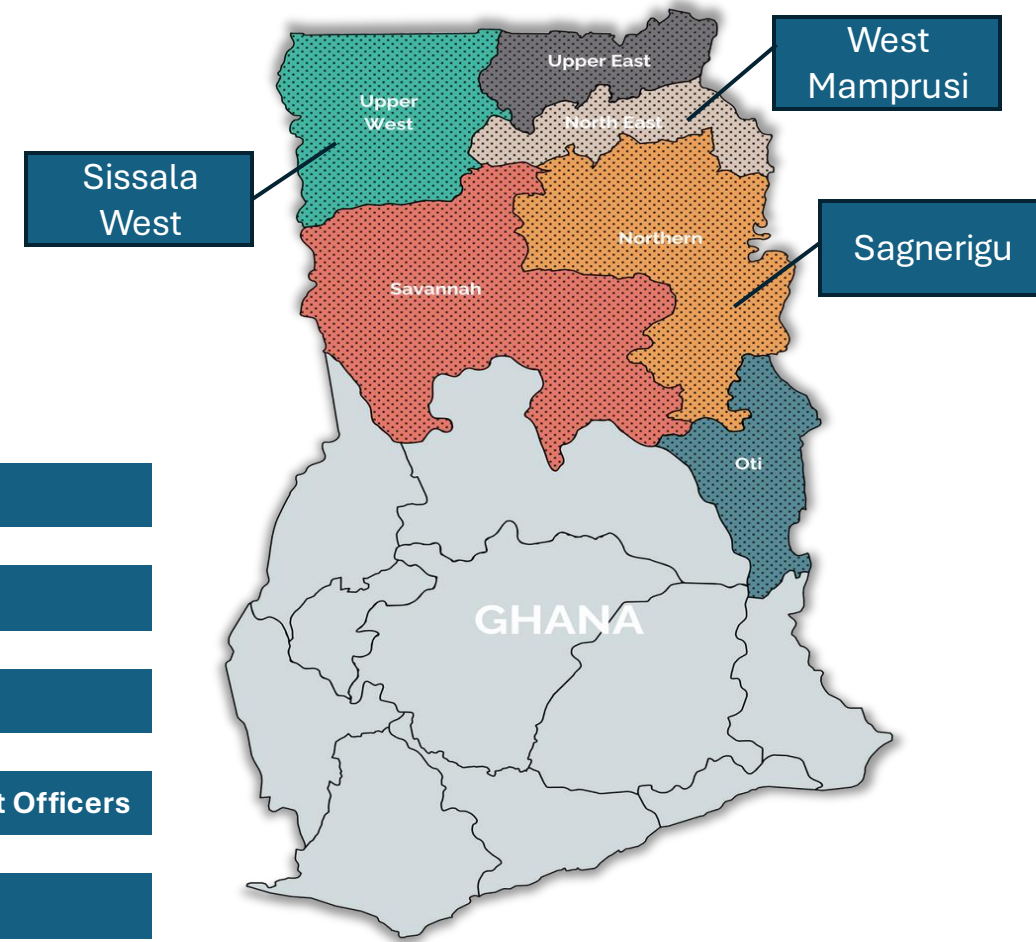
- Year 1: supported 32 existing Youth Parliaments (25 are still active)
- Identified implementation challenges:
 - Inconsistent participation by youth;
 - Unclear roles and responsibilities of stakeholders;
 - Irregular Parliamentary Sittings; and
 - Absence of clear-cut mechanism for incorporating youth priorities into local governance.



Youth Parliament 2.0: Roll-Out & Stakeholders

- Concept to be rolled-out in 2 phases:
 - Phase I (2024-2025): 3 districts pilot
 - Phase II (2025-onwards): scale-up/ institutionalize in remaining 45 districts

- Stakeholders:





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A Simple Guide for Inaugurating Youth Parliaments and Organizing Youth Parliamentary Sittings

A Guide for National Youth Authority District Directors



Operationalization of Youth Parliament 2.0

- Provides a step-by-step guide to the inauguration of Youth Parliaments and preparatory activities for Parliamentary Sittings in alignment with the Youth Parliament 2.0 concept.
- The primary objectives are to:
 - Provide clear direction and enhance efficiency to reduce the time and effort required for planning and executing and to minimize mistakes;
 - Provide a framework for decision making at the metropolitan, municipal, and district assembly (MMDA) level regarding Youth Parliament activities; and
 - Establish clear responsibilities among key actors at the MMDA level.
- **Audience:** NYA District Directors, other stakeholders

The End

