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CILG Ghana Chapter Expresses Solidarity with Northern Regional Coordinating Council Following Fire Outbreak

The Chartered Institute of Leadership and Governance (CILG), Ghana Chapter, has received with deep concern news of the fire that gutted sections of the Northern Regional Coordinating Council (NRCC) in Tamale at about 5:30 a.m. on Monday, 23 November 2026.

Reports indicate that the fire caused extensive damage to the administration block, including the offices of the Northern Regional Minister and the Chief Director. Computers, office furniture, equipment, official records and other institutional resources were destroyed, with the Chief Director's office reported to be the worst affected.

On behalf of the National Executive Council and the entire membership of CILG Ghana Chapter, we extend our heartfelt sympathy and solidarity to the Northern Regional Minister, Hon. Ali Adolf John Mburidiba; the Chief Director, Mr Sumaila Ewuntomah Abudu; and the management, staff and all affected officers of the Northern Regional Coordinating Council.

As a professional institution committed to advancing leadership excellence, good governance and institutional effectiveness, we recognise the significant implications of this incident for public administration and service delivery in the Northern Region. The loss of official records, in particular, is a serious setback for any public institution.

We are, however, grateful that no casualties have been reported. We also commend the Ghana National Fire Service (GNFS) for its prompt intervention, which brought the fire under control and prevented it from spreading to other parts of the facility.

At this difficult moment, we encourage the leadership and staff of the Council to remain resolute as efforts are made to restore normal administrative operations. We are confident that the institution will demonstrate the resilience, collective responsibility and leadership required to overcome this setback.

This incident is also a reminder to all public institutions of the importance of strengthening institutional risk management, workplace safety, records protection (including secure digital back-ups) and business continuity systems, so that public resources are safeguarded and service delivery is sustained.

CILG Ghana Chapter stands in solidarity with the Northern Regional Coordinating Council and wishes its leadership and staff strength, courage and a speedy recovery.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire NRCC family.

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