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• Nana Aku-Brakatu Brempong II interacting with the members of the group during a meeting in Accra. Picture by EBOW HANSON.

Papaya group adopts Akwamufie

MS Valerie Papaya Mann, a Senior Associate of the Associates for Global Change, a US based company has been installed the Gyaase Nko-suohemaa of the Akwamu Traditional Area with Nana Ama Gyanewa as her stool name following her immense contribution towards development of the area.

Nana Ama Gyanewa led a 12-member tourist group called the Papaya group to the country to assess the tourism potentials and explore investment opportunities under the AGOA initiative to enable them to contribute to the development of the nation.

The group which were on a 10-day fact finding mission to the country paid visits to the Cape Coast Castle, the Kakum National Park, Aburi Botanical Gardens, Bonwere, Kumasi and Akwamufie in the Akwamu Traditional Area where a durbar was held to welcome them and usher them into the Ghanaian society.

At the durbar, the group, all black Americans adopted traditional names to bring them closer to the people of the area.

They also held several meetings and discussions with some government officials from the various sector ministries after which they expressed interest in investing in the country with specific interest in Akwamufie.

Nana Aku-Brakatu Brempong II, Gyaasehene of Akwamu Traditional Area through whose initiative the group arrived said so far, the group has donated several educational materials to some schools in the area and have also started construction work on a sanitation facility to the Akwamufie Presbyterian Primary and JSS Schools.

Nana Brakatu said early this year, the group paid a similar visit to the area where they conducted clinical workshop and offered free medical services to the people of the area.