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Adu-Boahene Trial: ‘It’s been six weeks of cross-examination’ – Judge questions Atta Akyea for wasting court’s time



The trial of former Director-General of the National Signals Bureau (NSB), Kwabena Adu-Boahene, continued on Monday with the fourth prosecution witness testifying that the GH¢49.1 million at the centre of the case was transferred from a public account operated by the Bureau.

The witness, Frank Marshall Cromwell, a Staff Officer at the Economic and Organised Crime Office (EOCO) and one of the investigators in the case, made the disclosure while being cross-examined before the High Court in Accra.

During cross-examination, defence counsel Samuel Atta Akyea challenged the prosecution’s assertion that the “Director BNC” account was a public account.

However, Mr Cromwell maintained that EOCO’s investigations established otherwise, explaining that the Head of Finance of the National Signals Bureau, Edith Ruby Adumuah, had identified the account as one of the Bureau’s official accounts.

When counsel suggested that EOCO had wrongly classified

the account as a state account, the witness rejected the assertion.

“I disagree because the Head of Finance of the Bureau of National Communications listed accounts operated by the Bureau of National Communications, which included the Director BNC account at Fidelity Bank,” Mr Cromwell told the court.

He further testified that investigators established that the account was opened on the instructions of the National Security Coordinator to facilitate the operational activities of the Bureau.

“I am aware that the account known as the Director BNC account was created on the instructions of the National Security Coordinator for operational purposes of the Bureau of National Communications,” he stated.

Mr Atta Akyea also questioned the witness on whether EOCO had considered the unique operational nature of national security institutions, suggesting that such agencies often rely on front companies, special-purpose accounts, black budgets and other covert financial mechanisms.

The witness responded that he was not aware of those operational practices and could not comment on whether opening such accounts was lawful or otherwise.

He nevertheless reiterated that investigations confirmed the National Security Coordinator authorised the opening of the Director BNC account at Fidelity Bank and that it subsequently became one of the accounts operated by the Bureau, now known as the National Signals Bureau.

As the cross-examination stretched into its sixth week, trial judge Justice Francis Achibonga questioned how much longer the defence intended to continue examining the witness.

“Counsel, I always allow defence lawyers all the time to cross-examine witnesses in these cases, but the court also has a duty to manage the case. The witness has been in the box for six weeks. How far do you want to go?” the judge asked.

Mr Atta Akyea responded that he still had several issues to address with the witness, including matters relating to

disclosures previously ordered by the court and the possibility of seeking directions from the Court of Appeal.

Mr Adu-Boahene is standing trial alongside his wife, Angela Adjei-Boateng, Mildred Donkor, and Advantage Solutions Limited over allegations of stealing GH¢49.1 million earmarked for the procurement of a national cybersecurity system.

According to the prosecution, Mr Adu-Boahene, while serving as Director-General of the then Bureau of National Communications (BNC) in 2018, and his wife established a private company known as BNC Communication Bureau Limited, whose name closely resembled that of the state institution. Prosecutors allege the company was used to create a bank account styled as the “Director BNC” account, giving it the appearance of a legitimate government account through which public funds were channelled.

The four accused persons are facing 11 charges, including conspiracy to commit crime, stealing, using public office for personal gain, money laundering, and causing financial loss to the state.

‘No amount of chest-beating like gorilla will bring you back in 2028’ – Franklin Cudjoe tells NPP

President of IMANI Africa, Franklin Cudjoe, has criticised the New Patriotic Party’s confidence in reclaiming power in the 2028 general elections, describing it as misplaced and unsupported optimism.

According to the policy analyst, many Ghanaians have not forgotten what he described as the economic challenges and governance failures that characterised the NPP’s eight-year administration.

Mr Cudjoe argued that the party’s attempts to reconnect with voters would be difficult because of the impact of decisions taken while it was in government.

He stated that “what is even more egregious is that, having dealt us terrible blows with many of us still spread eagle-like on the floor, most of your colleagues have the temerity to taunt us with hollow suggestions, weaker alternative ideas, and almost sound angelic over a fraction of inglorious acts at play for which your colleagues in leadership curated and indulged gleefully.”

The IMANI Africa president said the NPP’s path to winning public trust again would require humility, active engagement

with citizens and a clear demonstration of how it intends to address their concerns differently.

He advised the party to “hasten slowly, listen carefully to the critical needs of Ghanaians in every constituency, tell us how you would solve them DIFFERENTLY, efficiently and prudently with fewer resources, and explain why your temperament as a party makes you the obvious choice for 2028”.

Mr Cudjoe added that the NPP must convince voters with practical solutions and a credible vision rather than relying on past achievements or political messaging ahead of the next election.

Read His Full Post Below:

My dear brother Hon. Dr. Mohammed Amin Adam, the little I saw of your stewardship convinced me that YOU should have been NPP’s Finance Minister for at least the second term, 2020–2024! Unfortunately, you were brought in when it was too late—after the “We have the Men” touted as shepherds of our economic destiny had become guardians of waste, ghosts of our pillaged resources and fantastically corrupt.

Please, my brother, among the many attributes a good leader such as yourself is allowed to cultivate, baseless optimism is not one of them. In fact, hoping against hope is also unwise.

Many Ghanaians have neither forgotten nor forgiven the many treacherous economic and governance infractions deliberately committed by your government. What is even more egregious is that, having dealt us terrible blows with many of us still spread eagle-like on the floor, most of your colleagues have the temerity to taunt us with hollow suggestions, weaker alternative ideas, and almost sound angelic over a fraction of inglorious acts at play for which your colleagues in leadership curated and indulged gleefully.

However, there is a better way to warm yourselves into the arms of the average Ghanaian again: hasten slowly, listen carefully to the critical needs of Ghanaians in every constituency, tell us how you would solve them DIFFERENTLY, efficiently and prudently with fewer resources, and explain why your temperament as a party makes you the obvious choice for 2028.

Until this important exercise is undertaken, no amount of chest-beating like the gorilla, feet-thumping like the elephant, or singing of political dirges can help you. Above all else, prepare a statement of apology to the people of SALL for the cardinal sin you committed against them. Have a good week.



President of IMANI Africa, Franklin Cudjoe

Parliamentary Committee on Economy and Development lauds NPA for advancing Ghana’s downstream petroleum sector

The Parliamentary Select Committee on Economy and Development has commended the National Petroleum Authority (NPA) for its impressive work in regulating Ghana’s downstream petroleum sector.

The Chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on Economy and Development, Hon Eric Afful, who gave the commendation said the NPA was crucial to Ghana’s economy in terms of keeping the economy running and contributing significantly to the gross domestic product (GDP).

This commendation came during a working visit to the Authority, where members of the Committee met with the Chief Executive, Mr. Godwin Kudzo

Tameklo, Esq., and the executive management team of NPA to gain first-hand insight into the NPA’s operations and regulatory mandate.

Hon. Afful said the purpose of the visit was to follow up on previous engagements and to verify relevant information. He also explained that the Committee was “not here as policemen” but rather to “collaborate” with the Authority and commended the institution for its work and contribution to the country’s development.

In his address, Mr. Tameklo expressed his appreciation to the Committee for the visit, noting that it reflected Parliament’s continued interest in strengthening the downstream petroleum sector.

“Today the Authority is honoured

to receive the members of this august committee of Parliament. I have always maintained the work of MPs is not a joke and so today, we open our doors for verification, so it does not become the CEO’s words only,” he stated.

He reaffirmed the Authority’s commitment to ensuring a safe, efficient and resilient petroleum industry, adding that the engagement provided

an opportunity to showcase the NPA’s achievements, ongoing reforms and the critical role it continues to play in safeguarding the sector.

The Committee also toured key operational facilities within the NPA where they were taken through the functions of the Authority’s technical departments and the systems that underpin the NPA’s regulatory oversight.



Group photograph

Appeal judges will decide Wontumi case based on record, not public commentary – Edudzi



NPA Boss, Godwin Edudzi Tameklo Esq.

Chief Executive Officer of the National Petroleum Authority (NPA), Godwin Edudzi Tameklo, has called on the public to allow due process to prevail in the case involving Ashanti Regional New Patriotic Party (NPP) Chairman Bernard Antwi-Boasiako, popularly known as

Chairman Wontumi.

Tameklo said any appeal filed in the case would be determined by the evidence presented before the trial court and the legal grounds raised, rather than public commentary or sentiments surrounding the matter.

Speaking on TV3, he explained that an appeal amounts to a rehearing of a case, where appellate judges review the record of proceedings to establish whether the lower court arrived at the correct decision.

“The success or otherwise on appeal would largely be based on the grounds formulated and the nature of the evidence that was put before the trial court,” he said.

He noted that although appellate judges assume the position of the trial judge in reviewing the case, they rely solely on the records from the trial because they do not have the opportunity to personally observe witnesses who testified.

“Appeal is by way of rehearing. The appellate courts are put in the place of the trial judge. They will be looking purely at

the record,” Tamakloe stated.

The NPA boss stressed that discussions about the matter should be informed by legal principles rather than speculation or public opinion. Addressing claims that the prosecution did not present direct evidence, Tameklo said criminal proceedings are guided by established legal standards, including the burden of proof and burden of persuasion.

He explained that while the prosecution is required to prove an accused person’s guilt beyond reasonable doubt, anyone making a specific factual claim must also provide evidence to support that claim.

According to him, understanding these principles is important in appreciating how the trial court evaluated the evidence and how an appellate court would approach any review of the judgment.

ICS runs to Supreme Court to ban dog and cat consumption in Ghana

The Institute of Community Sustainability (ICS) has announced plans to petition the Supreme Court to enforce laws prohibiting the slaughter and consumption of dogs and cats in Ghana.

In a statement issued on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, the organisation said it intends to seek legal intervention to ensure the implementation of Section 303 of the Criminal Offences Act (Act 29), as amended by the Criminal Code Amendment Act, 1998 (Act 554), which it says outlaws the illegal slaughter and consumption of the two animals.

The Institute expressed concern over what it described as the persistent killing of dogs and cats for human consumption in parts of the country, arguing that the practice violates existing laws and undermines the welfare of companion animals.

According to ICS, dogs and cats are companion animals that

develop close emotional bonds with humans and should not be treated as food.

The organisation also warned that the unregulated slaughter and handling of the animals poses significant public health risks, including the possible spread of zoonotic diseases such as rabies.

It further pointed out that, unlike livestock such as cattle, goats, pigs, poultry and fish, Ghana has no regulated farms for breeding dogs or cats for consumption. The Institute argued that this raises concerns that many of the animals being slaughtered may have been stolen or obtained through illegal means.

Executive Director of ICS, Eric Jerry Aidoo, popularly known as Chairman Jerry, said stronger legal enforcement was needed to protect companion animals and safeguard public health.

“Dogs and cats have proven to be loyal companions and vital

members of our households,” he said.

“The widespread theft and cruel slaughter of these animals must end. We are calling on the highest court of the land to uphold the law and protect both our animals and our public health,” he added.

The Institute said the planned legal action forms part of its broader campaign to promote compliance with Ghana’s laws, improve animal welfare and strengthen the protection of companion animals across the country.



Roasted dog meat

“I warned you several times” – Otumfuo destools 110-year-old chief of Kenyase No. 2



The Asantehene, Otumfuo Osei Tutu II, has destooled the Chief of Kenyase No. 2 in the Ahafo Region, Nana Kwabena Nsiah Ababio, after finding him guilty of repeatedly violating Asante customs and traditions.

The decision was announced during a sitting of the Asanteman Traditional Council at the Manhyia Palace in Kumasi on Monday, July 27,

2026. Nana Nsiah Ababio, popularly known as Aban, was removed from office after the Asantehene concluded that he had persistently disregarded established traditional authority and practices despite several warnings.

Addressing the chief before the destoolment, Otumfuo Osei Tutu II accused him of creating a Hyiawohene stool in his traditional area without the necessary authority, describing

the action as a serious breach of Asante custom.

“I warned you several times. Now look at the outcome. You have created Hyiawohene in your area.”

“By what authority did you do that?” the Asantehene asked, adding: “You were once a courtier at Hyiawohemaa’s residence; how then could you establish that position in Kenyase?”

“Through your own service, Kenyase No. 2 was founded, and you were elevated to the chieftaincy.”

The Asantehene further reminded the chief that the land he occupied belonged to the Kenyasehene and said repeated counsel had failed to correct his conduct.

“Even the land you occupy belongs to the Kenyasehene.

“All this while, I counseled you regarding the wrongs you were committing; transgressions of Asante traditions cannot go unpunished.”

“Your reign ends now,” Otumfuo declared.

Following the pronouncement, customary rites were immediately performed, including the removal of the chief’s traditional sandals (chachaw), while designated persons were instructed to slaughter a ram to complete the destoolment process.

The Asantehene also destooled nearly all the kingmakers of Kenyase No. 2 after determining that they had breached their traditional oaths.

However, the Kontihene was spared, while the Akyeame and other linguists who had previously been removed from office were reinstated to the traditional council.

In addition, Otumfuo Osei Tutu II restored Nana Akua Tinkwamaa as queen of the community after she had earlier been destooled by Nana Nsiah Ababio.

“There is no other kingmaker in the town now.

“Your remaining kingmakers must assist the queen to steer the affairs of the area,” the Asantehene directed.

‘We will invoke our unforgiving gods to deal with you’ – Atronie chiefs warn galamseyers after failed interventions

Chiefs and people of Atronie in the Sunyani Municipality of the Bono Region have threatened to resort to spiritual means to fight illegal mining, popularly known as galamsey, if government fails to intervene.

“We are going to invoke the assistance and anger of our local deity to stop the galamseyers, and that will be disastrous,” Nana Yaw Ampofo, Secretary to the Atronie Traditional Authority, told the Ghana News Agency (GNA) in an interview at Atronie.

Describing the local shrine as “unforgiving”, Nana Ampofo said the traditional authority was only informing the

government about its decision because “nothing can be done to pacify the gods if we invoke their anger”.

He said a group of people was currently undertaking illegal mining activities in the area, adding that the chiefs had reported the matter to the police, the municipal assembly, and other relevant institutions.

Nana Ampofo expressed regret that no action had been taken on their complaints, saying the illegal miners were destroying crops, farmlands, water bodies, vegetation, and forest cover in the area.

He lamented the pollution and destruction of the Amoma River, which he described as the community’s main source of potable water.

Nana Ampofo called for urgent

government intervention to prevent the situation from escalating, saying failure to act would leave the chiefs with no option but to invoke the wrath of the Atronie local deity.

He said the people of Atronie owed allegiance to the Asantehene, Otumfuo Osei Tutu II.

During a visit to the area, the GNA observed excavation and

chanfang machines, mining implements, and makeshift tents at the Jinijini illegal mining site.

The illegal miners had also constructed roads through farms leading to the mining site, resulting in the destruction of crops and farmlands in the area.



Mining equipment at illegal mining site

‘Kpokpogbligbli’ Wontumi went overboard, forgive and grant him clemency’ – Spokesperson begs Mahama, wife



One of the Montie Fm panelists, accused of threatening justices of the Supreme Court, Alistair Nelson in 2016 blamed his comments in which he and two others, threatened to kill the judges to a disease called “kpokpogbligbli.”

According to him, “kpokpogbligbli is an unknown disease that takes over a person’s body and controls what he says and does.

Nelson made the rather weird confession when he appeared before the Supreme Court to explain why he and others should not be “committed to prison for contempt of court, for scandalizing the court, defying and lowering the authority of the court, and bringing the authority of the court into disrepute.”

John Dramani Mahama, then President freed them - a radio presenter Salifu Maase and

two panelists Alistair Nelson and Godwin Ako-Gunn- jailed for scandalising the court.

In the same vein, Bernard Antwi-Boasiako, popularly known as Chairman Wontumi, has apologised to President John Dramani Mahama and First Lady Lordina Mahama for any disparaging remarks he made over the years in government about them particularly during the campaign leading up to the 2024 general election.

The apology comes as the incarcerated Ashanti Regional Chairman of the New Patriotic Party (NPP) serves a 20-year prison sentence after being convicted over illegal mining activities at Samreboi in the Western Region.

Speaking to Citi News, Wontumi’s spokesperson, Palgrave Boakye-Danquah, said the apology was intended as a gesture of goodwill while appealing to President

Mahama to consider granting the former NPP regional chairman clemency.

“The first call is to render an apology, and I think that is important. Former Chairman renders an apology to him if, at some stage, the conversations went overboard, which was never intended.”

Boakye-Danquah was, however, quick to emphasise that the apology should not be construed as an admission that political disagreements between Wontumi and President Mahama influenced the criminal case that led to his conviction.

“Not at all. We are aware that in this country there are influences. If you are able to identify those influences and begin making amends, I think we build a better society for all of us to live in.”

He maintained that the appeal for forgiveness was intended

to foster reconciliation and should not be interpreted as suggesting that political considerations played any role in Wontumi’s prosecution or sentencing.

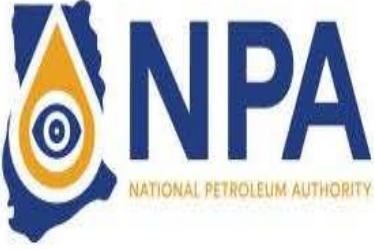
Chairman Wontumi was sentenced to 20 years’ imprisonment after Criminal Court 4 Division of the High Court found him guilty on all six charges brought against him.

He, together with Akonta Mining Limited and a third accused person, Kwame Antwi, was prosecuted over alleged illegal mining activities on the company’s concession at Samreboi.

According to the prosecution, the accused unlawfully assigned mineral rights on the concession without the approval of the sector minister and facilitated mining operations without the necessary authorisation, contrary to the provisions of the Minerals and Mining Act.

PETROLEUM PRICE INDICATORS

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FX Rate (Commercial Banks Average) (USD/GHS)	11.4970	11.6593	-1.39%
Crude Oil (USD/BBL)	71.90	88.62	23.25%
Petrol (USD/MT)	970.63	1,092.78	12.58%
Gasoil (USD/MT)	974.40	1,216.45	24.84%
LPG (USD/MT)	545.65	612.45	12.24%
Jet/Kerosene (USD/MT)	1,004.73	1,271.23	26.52%
Fuel Oil (USD/MT)	461.30	534.78	15.93%
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Zenith University College Law Faculty among Ghana’s top five at Supreme Court competition



Zenith University College Law Faculty members and the team displaying the award

The Faculty of Law at Zenith University College has cemented its place among Ghana’s leading legal training institutions after securing a top-five finish at the Supreme Court @150 National Constitutional Moot Court Competition.

It also placed the second best private law school in the country after beating Central University College, University of Professional Studies Accra (UPSA) and other law faculties in the competition.

The competition, held from July 20 to 21, 2026, brought together 11 law faculties from public and private universities across the country to test students’ legal research, constitutional interpretation and courtroom advocacy skills.

Team Zenith delivered an impressive performance, emerging as the winner of the Best Plaintiff Memorial award with a score of 82.50 points. The prestigious award was

presented by the Chief Justice of the Republic of Ghana, Justice Paul Baffoe-Bonnie, in recognition of the team’s outstanding written legal submissions.

The university also finished fifth overall in the national competition with a cumulative score of 71.11 points, while earning the distinction of being the second-best performing private law faculty in Ghana.

Zenith’s success was further highlighted by the individual performances of two student advocates who were ranked among the country’s best oral advocates. Joseph Kobina Koomson placed fifth overall with 81.67 points, while Nana Serwah Agyemang secured seventh place with 78.00 points, earning both students places among the competition’s Top 10 Oralists.

The achievement underscores the Faculty of Law’s growing reputation for academic excellence and practical legal training, with the university continuing to produce

students capable of competing with the country’s most established law schools.

The Faculty congratulated the University of Ghana School of Law for emerging overall champions of the competition and GIMPA Law School for placing second.

The university also paid glowing tribute to its Registrar, Alhaji Nasaru Abdul-Rahman, for his unwavering support and commitment to the team’s preparation and participation.

Faculty members described his leadership and encouragement as instrumental to the team’s success, noting that his continuous investment in academic excellence has contributed significantly to the development of legal education at Zenith University College.

Special recognition was also extended to Coach and Coordinator, Mr. David D. Olaga, Esq., and Chief Advisor, Mr. Philip K. Buabeng, Esq., for their mentorship and guidance throughout the competition.

The university further commended the entire team of student advocates comprising Joseph Kobina Koomson, Nana Serwah Agyemang, Grace Okaniokor Agordzo, Frederick Bawa, Divine Agyei, and Asemfoforoba Boateng Nketiah for their dedication, discipline and exemplary representation of the institution.

The Supreme Court @150 National Constitutional Moot Court Competition formed part of activities marking the 150th anniversary of Ghana’s Supreme Court and provided a platform for law students to demonstrate their advocacy skills while deepening their understanding of constitutional law and judicial practice.

Zenith University College said the achievement reflects its commitment to producing highly skilled legal professionals capable of making meaningful contributions to Ghana’s justice system and the legal profession.



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2026 WAFCON: ‘We want to qualify for the World Cup’ – Ghana coach Kim Lars Björkegren

Black Queens head coach Kim Lars Björkegren has declared that Ghana’s primary objective at the 2026 Women’s Africa Cup of Nations (WAFCON) is to secure qualification for the 2027 FIFA Women’s World Cup.

Ghana’s senior women’s national team are currently in Morocco preparing for their opening Group A fixture against tournament debutants Cape Verde on Wednesday evening at the Moulay Rachid Stadium in Casablanca.

Ahead of the crucial encounter, Björkegren reflected on the team’s progress since claiming a bronze medal at the previous edition of the continental championship, highlighting the improvement made through playing against top-level opposition.

The Swedish tactician praised the team’s development over the past year, citing their victory over Russia and their competitive display against England in a friendly encounter despite suffering defeat.

“We were happy with the bronze medal in the previous WAFCON, and we have improved over the year, having played elite opponents. We beat Russia, and we played well against England in December even though we lost,” the Swedish trainer said.

The Black Queens coach outlined a three-step plan for the tournament, with World Cup qualification serving as a major target.

According to Björkegren, Ghana must first navigate their way out of the group stage before pushing for a semifinal berth, which would guarantee a place at next year’s global tournament in Brazil.

“We have three targets; one is to qualify out of the group, the

second, which is important, is to reach the semis to qualify for the World Cup, and if we make that, then we have to go all the way to win WAFCON.

“So I have seen everything in three steps, but we will do everything with confidence and respect for our opponents,” he added.

Ghana will continue their

Group A campaign against Cameroon on Saturday, August 2, before wrapping up their group matches against Mali on August 6.

The four semifinalists of the 2026 WAFCON will earn automatic qualification to represent Africa at the 2027 FIFA Women’s World Cup.



Black Queens head coach Kim Lars Björkegren

Abeiku Jackson reaches Commonwealth Games 50m semi-finals after strong heats display

Ghanaian swimmer Abeiku Jackson has advanced to the semi-finals of the men’s 50m event at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games following an impressive showing in the heats.

Jackson produced a personal improvement on his entry time, clocking 24.11 seconds after starting with a seed time of 24.22 seconds to earn an automatic qualification place.

The Ghanaian finished fourth in his heat and ranked 14th overall among 70 competitors, boosting Team Ghana’s hopes of making an impact in the

swimming competition.

Canada’s Joshua Liendo emerged as the fastest qualifier after topping the heats with a time of 23.66 seconds. Australia’s Cam McEvoy and England’s Jacob Peters followed closely, both recording 23.74 seconds.

However, Ghana’s Unilez Takyi was unable to progress in the women’s event after missing out on qualification. Takyi finished seventh in her heat with a time of 27.13 seconds, ending her campaign in the discipline.

Ghana’s 4x100m medley relay team also failed to make it through to the semi-finals

after finishing their heat in 4:16.85. The result placed the

team 15th overall among the 19 participating nations.



Ghanaian swimmer Abeiku Jackson

Benjamin Azamati finishes seventh in Commonwealth Games 100m final

Ghanaian sprinter Benjamin Azamati placed seventh in the men's 100m final at the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow on Tuesday, missing out on a medal after a spirited performance.

Azamati clocked 10.11 seconds in the final, having secured his place in the medal race as one of the fastest losers from the semifinals.

Cameroon's reigning African champion Emmanuel Eseme stormed to victory, setting a new Commonwealth Games record of 9.83 seconds to win the gold

medal. Australia's Lachlan Kennedy finished second to claim silver, while Nigeria's Kayinsola Ajayi completed the podium with bronze.

Despite missing out on a top-three finish, Azamati's appearance in the final marked another strong showing for Team Ghana at the Games.

Ghana's focus now turns to the men's 200m on Wednesday, with Joseph Paul Amoah, James Dadzie and Mustapha Bokpin set to compete as they look to boost the country's medal prospects on the track.



Ghanaian sprinter Benjamin Azamati

ENTERTAINMENT

‘I have two wives; they all stay in my house’ – Shatta Wale

Ghanaian dancehall artiste Charles Nii Armah Mensah, known popularly as Shatta Wale has disclosed that he is currently in a polygamous relationship.

The controversial singer has disclosed that he has two wives who live with him in the same house.

The musician made the revelation during an interview on the Nigeria-based Honest Bunch Podcast, which was uploaded on Monday, July 27.

According to Shatta Wale, his decision to embrace polygamy was influenced by his experiences in previous monogamous relationships, which he said ended in disappointment despite his commitment to his partners.

“I think I have two wives now. I don’t want to lie about it,” said the singer who added that both women live under the same roof

Reflecting on his first relationship, the dancehall star said his first baby mama stayed with him when he had very little, but their relationship later broke down after his music career failed to take off as expected.

He also recounted challenges in another relationship after he became successful, saying financial stability did not prevent

misunderstandings between them.

“I’ve been in single relationships that have not really helped me... So the next girl I got, and that’s

why I decided to be on this level,” said the singer.

Shatta Wale further noted that his past experiences shaped his decision to pursue a polygamous

lifestyle, which he believes better suits him.



‘You hugged me like an obsessed woman’ – Stonebwoy replies Shatta Wale’s comment



Ghanaian reggae and dancehall artiste Stonebwoy has fired back at Shatta Wale following claims that he once looked up to him and referred to him as “Daddy.”

The response comes after Shatta Wale, during a yet-to-be-aired episode of the

Nigerian-based Honest Bunch Podcast, alleged that Stonebwoy used to visit him in his early days in music and called him “Daddy” before their relationship deteriorated.

In a social media post on Monday, July 27, Stonebwoy dismissed the claims and instead recalled what he described as the pair’s last encounter.

“The last time you saw me, you hugged me like an obsessed woman,” the post, accompanied by a picture of which shows the two hugging, read in part.

The award-winning musician followed the remark with a direct challenge to Shatta Wale, questioning why he continued to make what he described as

false claims about their relationship.

“Aren’t you tired of lying?” he quizzed.

The latest exchange adds to the long-running rivalry between the two dancehall stars, who have repeatedly traded jabs in interviews and on social media over the years.

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Shakira and Burna Boy

Colombian singer Shakira has explained why she featured Nigerian music icon Burna Boy on the official 2026 FIFA World Cup song, **Dai Dai**.

Speaking on the Capital Evening Show with

Jimmy Hill, Shakira said she wanted a strong male voice for the song and believed Burna Boy was the right person for the collaboration.

She said she had always wanted to work with the Grammy-winning singer.

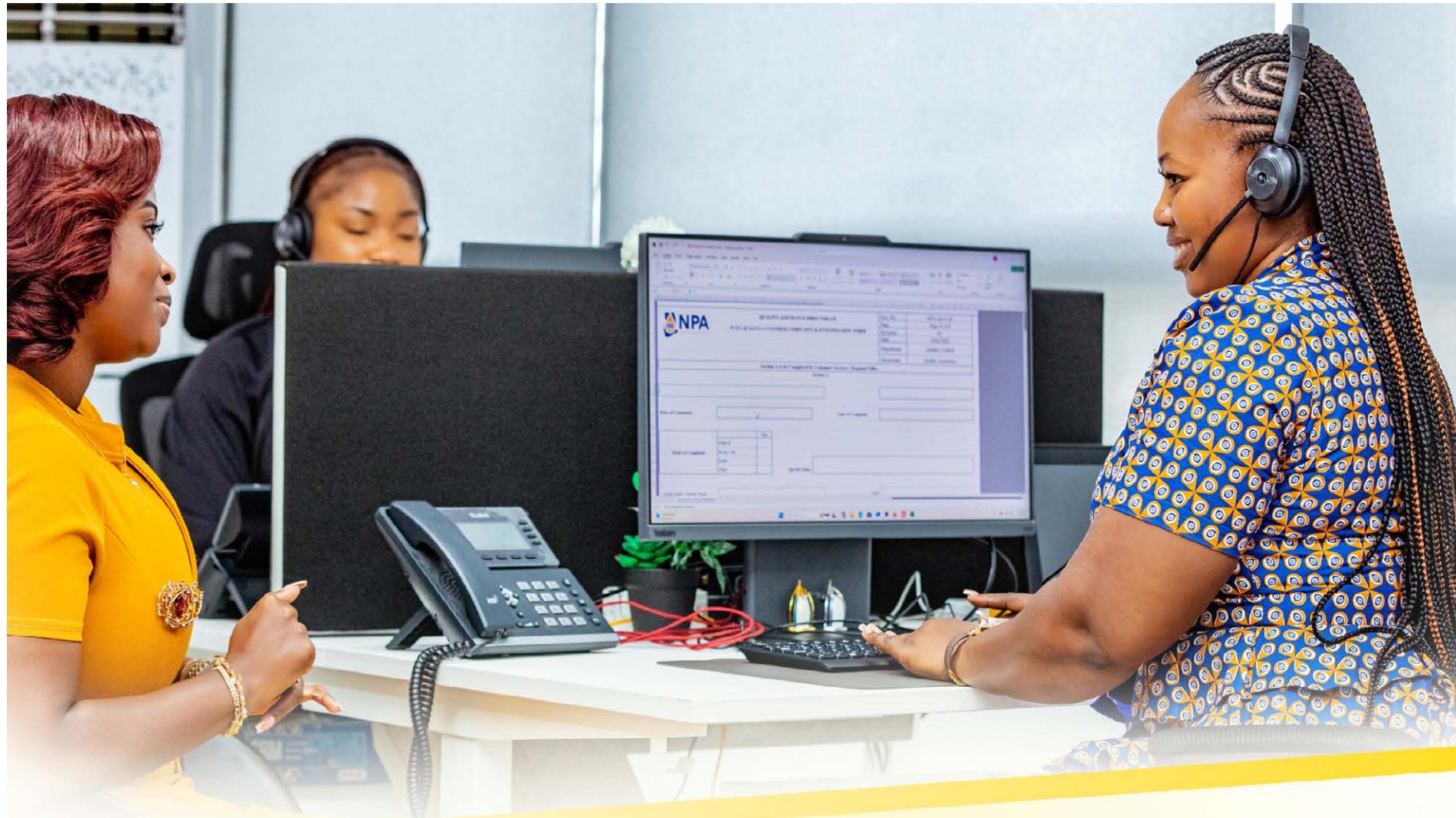
“I have always loved Burna. I was obsessed with getting him on the

track, so I called him,” she said.

Shakira added that she could not imagine anyone else performing Burna Boy’s part on the song.

Since its release, Dai Dai has topped Spotify’s Global Music Video Chart. The song also made Burna Boy the first

African artiste to reach number one on Apple Music’s Global Top Songs chart and the first African artiste to perform at the FIFA World Cup Final Halftime Show.



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