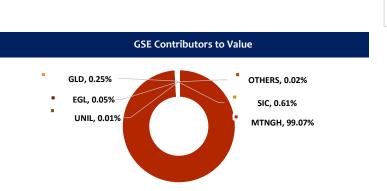
## **NEWS HEADLINES**

- \* Fitch Solutions Predicts Renewed Focus on Fiscal Consolidation in Sub-Saharan Africa for 2025: Fitch Solutions has stated that fiscal consolidation efforts in Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), including Ghana, will receive renewed focus in 2025, according to its latest report titled "Sub-Saharan Africa Macro Key Themes for 2025: Stronger Headline Growth but Structural Vulnerabilities Exist." Despite the push for fiscal consolidation, the report highlights that the region will continue to face persistent structural challenges. In 2024, fiscal slippage was observed in key economies such as South Africa, Nigeria, and Ghana, partly driven by election-related expenditures and public resistance to government revenue-enhancing measures. The report predicts that the overall SSA budget deficit will decrease from 4.3% of GDP in 2024 to 3.9% in 2025, though this remains significantly higher than the 3.2% average recorded between 2010 and 2019. (Norvanreports)
- \* Food import hits US\$817m in H1: Ghana's import of consumer-oriented food products between January and July this year have leapt to US\$817million, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has said. This is almost 13 percent US\$104million more compared to the same period last year. Ghana, according to the USDA, is an importer of consumer-oriented food and agricultural products. These imports support local processors and nourish consumers. Last year, the country's consumer-oriented imports reached US\$1.36billion, with import of U.S consumer-oriented products reaching US\$86million, up 3 percent compared to 2022. (Business & Financial Times)

EQUITIES				
Daily Statistics	Previous Level	Current Level	Daily∆ (%)	YTD (%)
GSE-CI	4,706.49	4,706.80	0.01	50.37
GSE-FSI	2,368.17	2,368.61	0.02	24.56
Market Cap (GHSmn)	108,788.60	108,792.52	0.004	47.22
Tot. Value Traded (GHS)	404,433	3,774,871	198.78	
Tot. Volume Traded	2,864,595.19	8,558,888.14	833.37	

GSE Gainers			GSE Declin	ers	
Stock	Cl. Px	Daily∆ (%)	Stock	Cl. Px	Daily∆ (%)
SIC	0.27	8.00			



Macroeconomic Indicators:				
>	MPR – 27.0%	>	GDP Growth Q224 – 6.90%	
>	Inflation – 23.0%	>	Interbank Int. Rate – 27.01%	





Currency Movement				
Currency Pairs	Midpoint (BoG)	Daily∆ (%)	YTD <b>∆</b> (%)	
USDGHS	14.7500	-0.34	-19.46	
GBPGHS	18.8144	-0.57	-19.56	
EURGHS	15.5055	-0.96	-15.34	
CNYGHS	2.0342	-0.28	-17.75	
ZARGHS	0.8258	0.80	-21.36	

Upcoming Events:

- > GGBL Final Dividend: GH¢0.022 Payment Date:30th Dec.'24
- > TOTAL Final Dividend GH¢o.6580 Payment Date: 27th Dec'24
- > SIC Final Dividend GH¢0.0511 Payment Date: 25th Jan'25