

### **Project Update: February 2017**

The project began upon receipt of the funds on December 15th 2016, with a core team of six. Several field trips have been made to different beaches and coastal areas to carry out field interviews and take additional videos for the documentaries. The most recent field trip was to the site of the ongoing Elmina Coastal Protection Works on 17th February 2017 where we scheduled an interview with the project manager and took videos of the ongoing project. We carried out our first beach clean-up exercise on 11th February with 48 volunteers. We managed to clean about 2.5 km of the beach stretch and gathered nearly 200 kg of mostly plastic wastes. We have also started discussions with local assembly leaders and the chief fishermen on how they may contribute to the project.



Left: Volunteers cleaning the Ola beach stretch in Cape Coast on 11th February 2017, ©Ernest O. Chuku. Right: Field visit to the Elmina Coastal Protection Works on 17th February 2017, ©Dominic D. Mensah.