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**The Prosecutor Launches 'Accountability Now Club' at Fourah Bay College**

Special Court Prosecutor David M. Crane formally launched a student group Wednesday that was set up to promote the concept of accountability in Sierra Leone.

"The Special Court is here to bring to justice those who bear the greatest responsibility for Sierra Leone's national tragedy," the Prosecutor told about 150 gathered students. "The Court is only one part of the solution to this country's problems. By standing up for the rule of law and accountability, you are taking an important step for your country's future."

Accountability Now Clubs are student-based programs supported by the Special Court's Outreach section. Their main objective is to promote understanding among students and their communities of the Special Court and to examine broader justice-related issues, including the rule of law, human rights, good governance, and accountability. The clubs will exist after the Special Court is gone, and they represent an important part of the Court's legacy programme.

Leaders of the ANC at Fourah Bay College reported that the new organisation already has over 100 members. The Outreach section of the Special Court is working to establish ANCs at all major tertiary institutions in Sierra Leone.

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