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NEWS RELEASE

POLICE ARREST FIVE SUSPECTS INVOLVED IN ILLEGAL MINING IN THE CENTRAL NORTH REGION

- 1. On 7th April, 2025, the Central North Police Regional Command's Special Anti-Galamsey Taskforce arrested five (05) suspects made up of two Ghanaians and three Chinese nationals, who were engaged in illegal mining activities on river Fum at Assin Ayitey, a farming community near Assin Akonfudi in the Assin North Constituency in the Central North Police Region.
- 2. The suspects are; Duut Kwabena Sakakba, aged 38, Douglas Nyamekye, aged 36, Ma Jian, aged 37, Ma Young, aged 31 and Ma Haibi, aged 54. They are currently in Police custody being processed to be put before the law court to face justice.
- 3. During the operation, two (02) Excavators with chassis numbers SY 6HK1-XABEA-01-C3 and SWE365EOO762 were identified being used at the site by the miners. Notwithstanding the fact that the operators of the Excavators bolted with the ignition keys, efforts are underway to get the Excavators to a holding place. Meanwhile, the owners of the Excavator machines would be traced to face justice as well.
- 4. A Toyota Hilux pick up with registration number GE 2743-13, which was also found at the site has been impounded by Police.

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