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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

| DA | District Assembly |
|----------------|---|
| EITI | Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative |
| GHEITI | Ghana Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative |
| GRA | Ghana Revenue Authority |
| MDF | Mineral Development Fund |
| MIN. COMM. | Minerals Commission |
| MMDA | Metropolitan, Municipal District Assembly |
| MoF | Ministry of Finance |
| MUN/DIST ASMBL | Municipal/District Assembly |
| NTRU | Non Tax Revenue Unit |
| OASL | Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) is a global standard that promotes revenue transparency and accountability in the oil and gas and mining sectors.

The Ghana Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (GHEITI) has published reconciled reports for the years 2004 to 2013. Messrs Boas & Associates was engaged to produce the 2014 EITI Report reconciling payments made by Mining Companies and receipts by the government of Ghana.

APPROACH & METHODOLOGY

The exercise had two main phases comprising of preliminary information gathering (inception phase) and Reconciliation phase culminating in the production of this report. The methodology employed for the Assignment included desk top data analysis after field data submissions through the SAP ICT System.

OVERVIEW

Ghana is endowed with extensive mineral resources. Exploration prospects are high and some gold projects are lined up for production commencing 2016.

Total minerals exports were estimated at US\$ 4.516bn in 2014. Mining and Quarrying¹ accounted for about 0. 8% of total GDP in 2014. However Bauxite and Manganese exports recorded decline of 12% and 11% respectively. The minerals Sector accounted for over 16% of fiscal receipts by the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) in 2014.

| Year | Total Mining Income(GHc) | Total GRA collection (GHc) | Total Mining/Total GRA collection | % Mining to GDP |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| 2013 | 1,104,047,314 | 5,880,322,065 | 18.78% | 1.20% |
| 2014 | 1,192,692,542 | 7,426,082,366.05 | 16.06% | 0.80% |

Receipts from the mining industry / Total GRA collection

Source: Minerals Commission

The main governing legislation for Ghana's mining sector is the Mining and Minerals Act, 2006(Act 703) and its amendments.

¹ Excludes Aluminium Products and oil/Gas

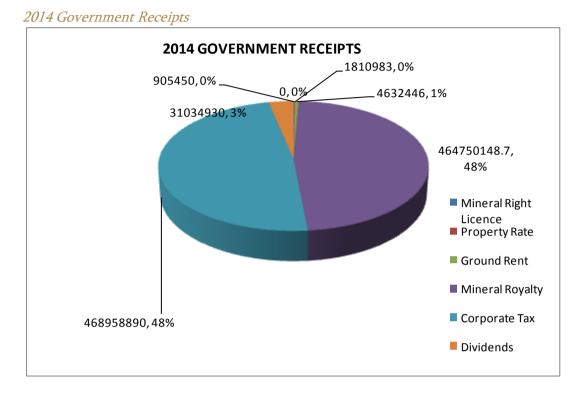
Artisanal and Small Scale Mining (ASM) exported gold and diamond worth about US \$ 2bn in 2014. It contributed 14.7% of the total Merchandise Export in 2014. ASM Gold exports in 2014 were about 34% of the total sales.

Fifteen large scale mining companies were part of the 2014 Reconciliation. Together they paid about 99% of mineral royalties for 2014(See Table A).

| | 2014 Initial Amount GHS | | | | | Resolved Final Amounts | | | |
|-----|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| No. | Reporting Entity | Company | Government | Discrepancy | Company | Government | Company | Government | Unresolved |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Anglogold Ash(Obuasi) | 25,930,648 | 18,583,601 | 7,347,047 | 2936652 | 9730299 | 28,867,300 | 28,313,900 | 553,400 |
| 2 | Anglogold Ash (Iduapriem) | 22,649,242 | 22,591,452 | 57,790 | 664260 | 722050 | 23,313,502 | 23,313,502 | - |
| 3 | Adamus Resources | 21,773,968 | 21,773,968 | - | 57790 | 57790 | 21,831,758 | 21,831,758 | - |
| 4 | GSR(Wassa) | 48,522,619 | 45,344,620 | 3,177,999 | -2961540 | 216460 | 45,561,079 | 45,561,080 | (1) |
| 5 | GSR(Prestea/Bogosu) | 22,699,547 | 22,699,547 | - | 0 | 0 | 22,699,547 | 22,699,547 | - |
| 6 | Goldfields(Gh) Ltd | 237,486,049 | 207,995,201 | 29,490,848 | (13,906,558) | 15354368 | 223,579,491 | 223,349,569 | 229,922 |
| 7 | Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 31,266,256 | 31,536,520 | (270,264) | 38,507 | 0 | 31,304,763 | 31,536,520 | (231,757) |
| 8 | Chirano Ltd | 197,213,327 | 197,147,746 | 65,581 | 92,210 | 157790 | 197,305,537 | 197,305,536 | 1 |
| 9 | Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 62,814,030 | 59,994,923 | 2,819,107 | (2,762,857) | 56250 | 60,051,173 | 60,051,173 | - |
| 10 | Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 237,095,446 | 237,095,445 | 1 | 57,790 | 57790 | 237,153,236 | 237,153,235 | 1 |
| 11 | Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | 5,576,000 | 5,562,704 | 13,296 | 57,515 | 70515 | 5,633,515 | 5,633,219 | 296 |
| 12 | Ghana Manganese Co Ltd | 35,603,465 | 44,396,847 | (8,793,382) | 10,054,258 | 1350876 | 45,657,723 | 45,747,723 | (90,000) |
| 13 | Perseus Mining Co Ltd | 35,835,609 | 25,593,683 | 10,241,926 | (10,621,439) | 65104 | 25,214,170 | 25,658,787 | (444,617) |
| 14 | Noble Mining Co Ltd | 2,581,382 | 1,770,033 | 811,349 | (50,000) | 0 | 2,531,382 | 1,770,033 | 761,349 |
| 15 | West African Quarries | 2,083,353 | 2,167,266 | (83,913) | 0 | 0 | 2,083,353 | 2,167,266 | (83,913) |
| 16 | Total | 989,130,941 | 944,253,556 | 44,877,385 | (16,343,412) | 27,839,292 | 972,787,529 | 972,092,848 | 694,681 |

Table A: Reconciliation by companies

Corporate tax was the largest of the mining revenue streams received by the government in 2014. Other revenue streams considered were Mineral royalty, property rate, Ground rent, Dividends and environmental permitting fees.



Transfers totaling GHS35, 403,184.16 were paid into the Ministry of Lands & Natural Resources (MLNR) sub Consolidated Fund Account as MDF disbursement in 2014.

Reconciliation

Initial reconciliation yielded a net discrepancy of GHS44, 877,385. After resolution of some of the discrepancies the final net discrepancy came up to GHS 694,681. This represents 0.07% of reported government receipts.

Findings and Recommendations

1. Setting off tax credits against Royalty.

In October 2014, Perseus Mining Ltd set off its Tax credit on VAT against royalty liability resulting in the payment of GHS 410,000 instead of GHS10, 686,543.

This practice should be discouraged as it has the potential of reducing royalty disbursements from Central Government to impacted mining communities.

2. Dedicated bank accounts for royalty disbursements.

MMDAs continue to lodge mineral royalty disbursements into non dedicated accounts (normally IGF Account). In cases where there is dedicated account, other irrelevant transactions are also carried through it.

The District Assemblies should have dedicated bank accounts for mineral royalty receipts and be used exclusively for mineral development purposes.

3. Licensing regime.

The mode of awarding licences and concessions remains unchanged, as first come first served basis. The determination of who came first is left to Minerals Commission. The Minerals Commission should accelerate its plans to introduce the tendering process.

4. Mineral Development Fund Bill

The delay in passing the MDF Bill into law is hampering effective management of the fund.

5. 2014 Royalty Disbursement

Only one tranche of royalty disbursement was made in 2014 in respect of 2012 mining operations. Regular disbursement of royalties affords MMDAs with more development funds to impacted communities.

6. Non Payment of Forestry Royalties

Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd made two forest royalties payments of GHS 1,802,012 for September and October 2014 and GHS 1,012,094 for November 2014 operations. Forestry Commission is requested to follow through on payments for mining operations in the Agyenwa Bepow Forest Reserves for the remaining months of the year 2014.

7. Split Payments from Office of Administrator of Stool Lands

Disbursements of mineral royalties are designated to cover specific periods. However, payments made from the Controller and Accountant General's Department (CAGD), sometimes do not cover the entire period indicated. This creates arrears. Full payments will afford stakeholders opportunity to independently compute expected royalty transfers to beneficiaries including MMDAs, thereby enhancing transparency.

8. Possibility of Capital Gain Liability

African Queens Mines Ltd entered into an agreement to purchase 100 per cent of the shares of the capital stock of another exploration company for cash and a net smelter royalty. GRA to check this transaction for the possibility of capital gains tax obligations.

9. Outstanding Ground Rent payments

Only Ghana Manganese Company and Goldfields Ghana Ltd fully settled their ground rent liabilities in 2014. The Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands is requested to follow through and retrieve over GHS 12 million due in 2013 and 2014.

1.0 BACKGROUND

The Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) is a global standard that promotes revenue transparency and accountability in the oil and gas and mining sectors. It is an international initiative between governments, companies and civil society groups to promote transparency in the flow of revenues from extractive companies to host country governments based on a set of criteria for transparent reporting on the revenue streams and other benefits. It has a robust yet flexible methodology for disclosing and reconciling company payments and government revenues in EITI implementing countries.

The purpose of the initiative is to encourage greater transparency in the extractive sector. This would enable citizens to make informed demands for the fair and sustainable use of revenues generated through the exploitation of natural resources. It is expected that accountable governments and informed public will contribute to greater political stability, increased security in mining communities and improved investment climate.

EITI implementation has two core components:

- Transparency: oil, gas and mining companies disclose the payments they have made to government, and the government discloses its receipts from the companies. The figures are reconciled by an Independent Administrator, and published in annual EITI Reports alongside contextual information about the extractive sector.
- Accountability: a multi-stakeholder group with representatives from government, companies and civil society is established to oversee the process and communicate the findings of the EITI Report, creating the platform for citizens' engagement with government and companies on the report.

The initiative requires the publication of extractive industry payments and Government receipts.

Ghana commenced the publication of extractive industries' payments and government receipts with that of the mining sector.

1.1 BRIEF ON EITI IN GHANA

The EITI Multi Stakeholder Group (MSG) is the governing body of the EITI in Ghana. Various stakeholders in the Extractive industry are represented on the committee. The members of the MSG comprise of representatives from the under listed agencies or bodies:

Ministry of Finance; Ministry of Land and Natural Resources; Minerals Commission; Ghana National Petroleum Corporation; Ghana Chamber of Mines (representing the mining companies); Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands; Ghana Revenue Authority; Civil Society Organizations (led by ISODEC) Ministry of Petroleum.

The EITI also has an implementation Secretariat at the Ministry of Finance.

The Ghana Extractive Industries' Transparency Initiative (GHEITI) has extended the initiative to the Oil and Gas sector (Ghana commenced commercial production of oil in 2010). GHEITI has published reconciled reports for the years 2004 to 2013.

1.2 CONTENTS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE REPORT

The Ghana Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (GHEITI) has engaged Messrs Boas & Associates to reconcile the payments made by Mining Companies and receipts by the government of Ghana for 2014.

The contents of the report include:

- i) Assignment's background;
- ii) Approach and Methodology;
- iii) Overview of the mining industry in Ghana;
- iv) Reconciliation Results;
- v) Observations and significant Findings;

The report was prepared based on the terms of reference provided by the GHEITI MSG. It serves the overall objective of reconciling mining sector payments as well as identifying the contribution of the extractive sector to the country's economic and social development.

Other objectives of the assignment include;

- To collect and analyze payments made by selected Mining companies to the Government of Ghana.
- To collect and analyze receipts by the government.
- Reconcile Mining Companies submissions of payments to those received by Government.
- Analyze and ascertain the appropriateness of disbursements to the District Assemblies and MDF
- Check the utilization of the funds to the District Assemblies and MDF

A multi- stake holder steering committee (MSG) made up of representatives from the government, extractive industry companies and civil society reviews the reconciled information before publication.

2.0 APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

The assignment's methodology has two main phases comprising of;

- Preliminary information gathering (inception phase);
- Reconciliation phase.

The preliminary information gathering stage involved interactions with all the stakeholders in order to put the assignment into the correct perspective and assessing the logistics required to complete the assignment.

The reconciliation phase was made up i) Data Collection and Analysis; ii) Initial Reconciliation; iii) Draft Reporting phase and iv) Final Reporting.

There were interactions with the MSG in order to:

- i) Elaborate on the details of the terms of reference
- Determine fully the responsibility of the Independent Administrator regarding provision of contextual information.
- iii) Agree on the reconciliation parameters including materiality, reporting entities and revenue streams.

Preliminary meetings were also held with the representatives of the participants of the reconciliation exercise.

Document Review

Available documentation was reviewed to gain a deeper understanding of the assignment. Document review also provided the necessary resources for the provision of contextual information.

Documents identified that were studied included the following:

- a. Reporting Templates
- b. Mineral and Mining Act, 2006
- c. Ghana Chamber of Mines Annual Reports.
- d. Feasibility Studies of participating Mining Companies
- e. Annual reports of participating mining companies

- f. Financial statements of mining companies for 2014.
- Reconciliation phase: The activities undertaken at this phase of the assignment are detailed in section 5.0

3.0 OVERVIEW OF THE MINING INDUSTRY IN GHANA

Ghana is endowed with extensive mineral resources. This is evident in the gold reserves which according to US Geological Survey is estimated to be 50 million ounces (1,600 tons). Exploration prospects are high and some gold projects are lined up for production from 2016.

There are three major iron deposits including the Opon-Mansi lateritic iron deposit, the Shieni sedimentary iron deposit and the Pudo titaniferous-magnetite deposit³. Other minor iron mineral deposits in Ghana include the Adum Banso deposit, in the Western region, and the Akpafu deposits, in the Volta region.

Total minerals exports were estimated at US\$ 4.516bn in 2014. Mining and Quarrying⁴ accounted for about 0.8% of total GDP in 2014. However Bauxite and Manganese exports recorded decline of 12% and 11% respectively.

Under the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006, Act 703, every mineral in its natural state in, under or upon any land in Ghana, rivers, streams, water courses throughout the country, the exclusive economic zone and any area covered by territorial sea or continental shelf is the property of the Republic of Ghana and is vested in the President in trust for the people of Ghana.

The minerals Sector accounted for over 16% of fiscal receipts by the Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) in 2014. (See Table 3.1)

Gold mining remains the highest contributor in the sector, with large scale gold mining accounting for over 80% by value of the total income from the sector. The other important minerals are, diamond, bauxite and manganese.

³ Mining Weekly Nov, 2014

⁴ Excludes Aluminium Products and oil/gas

| Year | Total Mining Income(GHc) | Total GRA collection (GHc) | Total Mining/Total GRA collection | % Mining to GDP |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| 2010 | 555,095,469 | 2,338,542,674 | 23.74% | 2.30% |
| 2011 | 1,050,436,681 | 3,705,747,795 | 28.35% | 1.70% |
| 2012 | 1,461,202,977 | 5,403,032,412 | 27.04% | 1.80% |
| 2013 | 1,104,047,314 | 5,880,322,065 | 18.78% | 1.20% |
| 2014 | 1,192,692,542 | 7,426,082,366.05 | 16.06% | 0.80% |

Table 3.1: Receipts from the mining industry / Total GRA collection

Source: Minerals Commission

3.1: OVERVIEW OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS

3.1.1 Regulatory Framework

Legal Regime

• The governing legislation for Ghana's mining sector is the Mining and Minerals Act, 2006(Act 703), and its related regulations such as the Environmental Assessment Regulations law LI1652 and Mining Regulations including those for Health and Safety; Explosives and crops compensations.

Other legislations that also impact on the industry include the following.

- The 1992 Constitution of Ghana.
- Minerals Commission Act ,1993(Act 450)

The Minerals Commission is responsible for the regulation and management of mineral resources of Ghana and the coordination of policies relating to the mining industry.

All transactions relating to the exploitation of mineral resources are regulated by the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006 Act 703. Any transaction, contract or undertaking involving exploitation of minerals or mining lease must be ratified by parliament. Mineral rights once granted cannot be transferred, assigned, mortgaged or otherwise encumbered or dealt in, either in whole or in part, without the prior approval in writing of the Minister.

The Minerals Commission Act, 1994 (Act 450) establishes the Minerals Commission as a corporate body to regulate and manage the utilisation of minerals and coordination of policies related to them.

The main laws and regulations governing mining sector are:

- (a) The Constitution of Republic of Ghana, 1992;
- (b) Minerals and Mining Act, 2006 (Act 703) as amended by the Minerals and Mining

(Amendment) Act, 2010 (Act 794);

- (c) Minerals and Mining (General) Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2173);
- (d) Minerals and Mining (Support Services) Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2174);
- (e) Minerals and Mining (Compensation and Settlement) Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2175);
- (f) Minerals and Mining (Licensing) Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2176);
- (g) Minerals and Mining (Explosives) Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2177);
- (h) Minerals and Mining (Health, Safety and Technical) Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2182);
- (i) The Internal Revenue Act, 2000 (Act 592) as amended from time to time;
- (j) The Minerals Commission Act, 1993 (Act 450);
- (k) The Environmental Protection Agency Act, 1994 (Act 490);
- (l) The Environmental Assessment Regulations, 1999 (L.I. 1652).
- Proposed Amendment to the Minerals and Mining Act,2006(Act 703)

Parliament is expected to consider a proposal made by the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources to amend the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006 (Act 703) in 2015. The amendments are twofold, first to make regulations to prescribe a rate for royalty payments and the second is to provide for the confiscation of equipment used in illegal small scale mining.

- Section 25 of Act 703 is to be amended by removing the fixed rate of five per cent in respect of royalty payment and providing that the payment has to be made to the state at the rate, and in a manner as prescribed.
- ✤ Just like Act 703, the law criminalises illegal small scale mining, popularly known as galamsey, but unlike the old law, it criminalises mining by foreigners and Ghanaians without a permit.

3.1.2 Fiscal Regime

The legislations and fiscal instruments that define the benefits obtained in the mining sector have mirrored policy changes in the mining sector over the years.

In 2006 there was a new minerals code which replaced the 1986 Act and its accompanying amendments.

The main fiscal provision was the reduction of the range of royalty rate from 3% to 12% to 3% to 6%. It was further fixed at 5% by Minerals and Mining (Amendment) 2010, Act 794. The main fiscal items are indicated below.

Table 3.2 Mining Fiscal Regime

| Items | 2006 | 2012 | 2014 | Remarks |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Incentives and Taxes | | | | |
| Mineral Right(Mining lease) | One-time payment | Annual payment | | Minerals & Mining Licences Regulations 2012; LI 2176; Effective September 2013. |
| Initial Capital Allowance | 80% | 20% ; Straight line | 20% ; Straight line | Act 839; Third schedule to IRA, Act 592 amended. |
| Upliftment Allowance | 5% | 0% | | |
| Carried forward Losses for purposes of taxation | 5yrs | 5yrs | 5yrs | |
| Corporate Income Tax Rate | 25% | 35% | 35% | |
| Mineral Royalty | 3%-6% | 5% | 5% | On Gross Revenue |
| Gov't Equity Participation | 10% free carried interest. | 10% free carried interest. | | |

3.2 EXPLORATION UPDATE

- 1. The Homase/Akrokerri project located near AngloGold Ashanti's Obuasi mine is owned by GoldStone an AIM listed exploration company. The JORC compliant gold resource for the Homase/Akrokerri project presently is 602,000 ounces at an average grade of 1.77 grams per tonne and includes 100,000 ounces in oxide material.
- 2. Castle Peak Mining Ltd. (TSX-V: CAP), a Canadian-based explorer has published an inferred mineral resource estimate of <u>275,000 tons at 8.6 g/t Au for a total of 76,000 contained ounces</u>.
- 3. Phase 1 of the Asanko Gold Mine is under construction and will mine the Obotan Project, which comprises the Nkran pit, and four satellite deposits, Abore, Asuadai, Dynamite Hill and Adubiaso. First gold due in first quarter of 2016 and steady production of 190,000oz/yr of gold expected in the second quarter 2016. Key statistics include: Reserves: 2.5Moz at a gold grade of 2.15g/t and Gold production: 2.3Mozs over 12.4 year life of mine at a capital cost of US\$295 million

Source: <u>http://www.asanko.com/projects/phase-1</u>

- 4. Phase 2 expansion will integrate the Esaase deposit with the Phase 1 Obotan project to create one large, multi-pit mine producing an average of 411,000 ounces of gold over a 10.5 year Life of Mine.
- 5. Enchi Project has a Inferred Resource Estimate of 37,357,000 tonnes grading 0.90g/t gold containing 1,078,697 ounces of gold using a 0.5g/t gold cut-off grade.

The Inferred Resource Estimated at a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t Au is as follows:

| Cut-off Au (g/t) | Zone | Tonnes | Grade Au (g/t) | Contained Gold (ounces) |
|---------------------|-------|------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 0.5 | Total | 37,357,000 | 0.9 | 1,078,697 |

Enchi Gold Project, Ghana 2014 Inferred Mineral Resource Summary

http://www.pinecrestresources.com/s/enchi-gold.asp

6. Azumah Resources Limited is a Perth-based, ASX-listed (ASX:AZM) exploration company focused on a new and highly prospective gold province in the Upper West Region of Ghana, West Africa.

JORC Mineral Resource of 2.0Moz of gold grading 1.5g/t Au (1.3Moz Measured and Indicated).

Feasibility Study completed in February 2015. Open pit mining inventory of over 650,000oz including a JORC Ore Reserve of 624,000oz Au (9.1Mt at 2.14g/t Au). Study based on +1.2Mtpa plant producing about 90,000oz Au per year over 7-year mine life.

| No | Company | Tonnage | Grade | Contained | Mine Life | | | |
|----|-----------------------------|--|-------|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| | Name | Measured & Indicated (MT), cu.m* | (g/t) | gold (oz.) | (yrs.) | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 |
| 1 | Azumah Resources | 6,800,000 | 2 | 429,000.00 | 10 | 19,305.00 | 21,450.00 | 42,900.00 |
| 2 | Adansi Gold (Nkran) | 30,300,000 | 2.3 | 2,250,000.00 | 10 | 67,500.00 | 90,000.00 | 225,000.00 |
| 3 | GCDGL* | 6,290,996 | | 98,012.51 | 5 | 9,801.25 | 9,801.25 | 19,602.50 |
| 4 | Narawa* | 855,720 | | 40,830.00 | 5 | - | 4,083.00 | 8,166.00 |
| 5 | Akooko Goldfields* | 1,299,847 | 0.6 | 25,075.00 | 10 | 1,253.75 | 1,253.75 | 2,507.50 |
| 6 | Bugudon* | 804,438 | 0.4 | 10,345.00 | 5 | 1,034.50 | 1,034.50 | 2,069.00 |
| 7 | Dharani* | 5,200,000 | 0.65 | 108,669.00 | 6 | - | 9,055.75 | 18,111.50 |
| | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Lali* | 855,720 | 1.53 | 42,749.00 | 6 | - | 3,562.42 | 7,124.83 |
| 9 | Pallazzo* | 3,900,000 | 0.4 | 50,567.00 | 8 | - | 3,160.44 | 6,320.88 |
| 10 | Romex* | 5,200,000 | 0.4 | 65,834.00 | 7 | - | 4,702.43 | 9,404.86 |
| 11 | Soon Mining [*] | 6,500,000 | 0.37 | 85,264.00 | 7 | - | 6,090.29 | 12,180.57 |
| 12 | Ultimate Mining* | 3,719,000 | 0.627 | 74,969.50 | 8 | - | 4,685.59 | 9,371.19 |
| | Total | Commission | | 3,281,315.01 | | 98,894.50 | 158,879.41 | 362,758.83 |

Table 3.3 New Producing Companies to Come on Stream from 2014 to 2017

Source: Minerals Commission

3.3 PRODUCTION HISTORY

Ghana's most important minerals resources are gold, diamonds, manganese and bauxite. In 2014 gold production was approximately stable with 2013 figures. There was an impressive 50% increase in diamonds production in 2014 over the previous year. Bauxite and Manganese however registered a slowed production of about 12% and 11% respectively over 2013 figures. Table 3.4 shows the production figures for 2013-2014.

| Mineral | 2014 | 2013 | % Variance |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Gold (oz) | 4,397,304 | 4,396,897 | |
| | | | 0.01 |
| Diamond(ct) | 241,235 | 160,821 | |
| | | | 50.00 |
| Bauxite(mt) | 798,114 | 908,586 | (12.16) |
| | 1,531,394 | 1,724,417 | (11.19) |
| Manganese(mt) | | | |

Table 3.4 Production figures for 2013-2014

Source: Minerals Commission

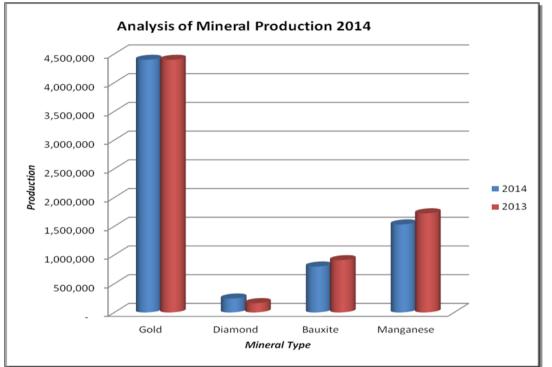


Fig. 3.1 Analysis of Mineral Production 2014

Source: Minerals Commission

Gold

Ghana is a significant producer of gold, second to South Africa in Africa. Production in 2014 accounted for 4.49% of world gold production with an outturn of 4,397,304 oz slightly up from 2013 outturn of 4,396,897 oz. Ghana placed 10th on the list of top gold producing countries in the world.

Figure 3.1 shows the production levels of gold as a percentage of the world production.

| Gold Production | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--------|--------|
| Ghana (Tons) | 67 | 70 | 84 | 75 | 86 | 82 | 80 | 89 | 140.7 | 140.7 |
| World Totals (Tons) | 2470 | 2460 | 2380 | 2260 | 2450 | 2560 | 2660 | 2700 | 3061.5 | 3133.1 |
| Ghana % | 2.71 | 2.84 | 5.52 | 3.31 | 3.49 | 3.20 | 3.00 | 3.29 | 4.59 | 4.49 |

Table 3.5 Gold Productions

Source: US Geological Survey, Mineral Commodity Summaries

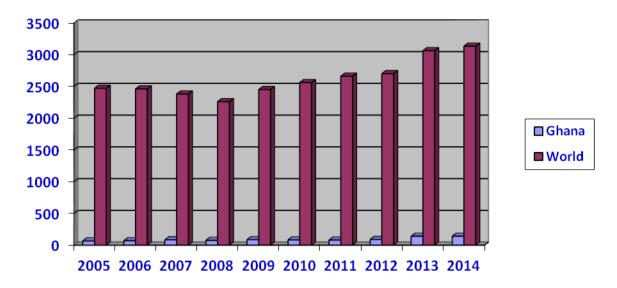


Fig 3.2 Ghana's mineral Reserves

The United States Geological Survey estimates Ghana's gold reserves at 1,600 tons in 2013 worth US \$ 64.4 billion at gold price of US \$ 1,252 per ounce. This represents 3.1% of the global gold reserves of 52,000 tons

Fig 3.2 shows Ghana's position reserve and its percentage of the global levels.

| Reserve (2013) | Tonnage |
|----------------|---------|
| Ghana | 1,600 |
| World Totals | 52,000 |
| Ghana % | 3.1 |

Source: US Geological Survey

✤ Diamonds

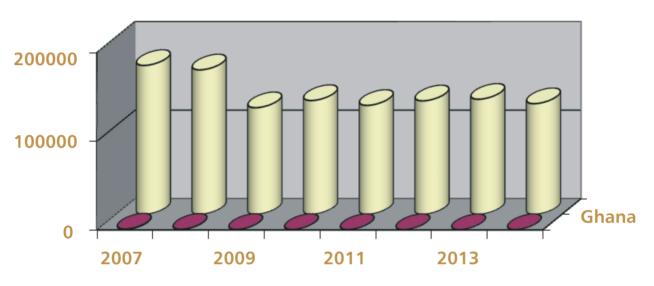
Diamond production has been on a decline. Production in 2007 of 894,783 carats has slowed to 242,259 carats in 2014. Ghana's diamond contribution to the world's totals was 0.19% in 2014

| Production | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Ghana('000) | 894 | 643 | 376 | 333 | 301 | 232 | 169 | 242 |
| World | 167,918 | 162,907 | 120,223 | 128,317 | 122,828 | 127,962 | 129,762 | 124,778 |
| Totals('000ct) | | | | | | | | |
| Ghana % | 0.53 | 0.39 | 0.31 | 0.25 | 0.24 | 0.18 | 0.13 | 0.19 |

| <i>Table 3.6:</i> | Ghana's | Diamond | Contribution | to world |
|-------------------|---------|---------|--------------|----------|
|-------------------|---------|---------|--------------|----------|

Source: Kimberley Process Statistics

Fig. 3.3 Production of Diamond from 2007-2014



Source: US Geological Survey/Minerals Commission

Bauxite

Bauxite production since 2001 has been volatile. The only bauxite mine in Ghana produced 798,114 metric tons in 2014. Fig 3.4 shows the production levels of bauxite from 2007-2014

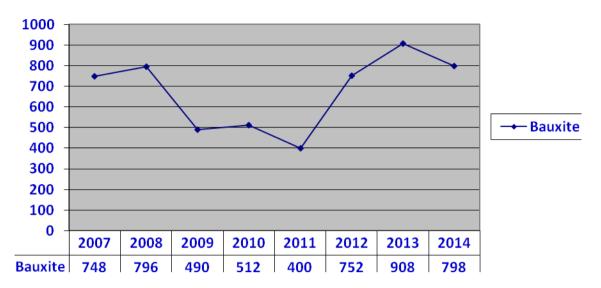


Fig 3.4 Production of Bauxite from 2007 to 2014

Manganese

 Table 3.7: Ghana's Production and World Totals (2008-2012)

| Production (Thousand Metric tons) | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Ghana(Gross Wt) | 914 | 882 | 1529 | 1729 | 1490 |
| Ghana (Mn Content) | 256 | 248 | 426 | 484 | 348 |
| World Totals(Gross Wt) | 37,900 | 33,800 | 44,100 | 46,900 | 47,100 |
| World Totals (Mn Content) | 13,400 | 11,300 | 14,800 | 15,700 | 15,800 |
| Ghana % by Mn Content | 1.9 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 3.0 | 2.2 |

Source: indexmundi.com

Manganese reserves at the only manganese mine located at Nsuta in the Western Region is estimated at 24.4 million tons as at June 2011. It is estimated that only 3% of the deposit has been mined. Fig 3.5 provides details of 2007-2014 manganese production.

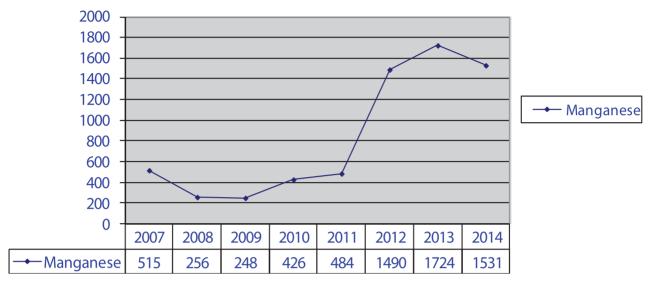


Fig. 3.5 Production of Manganese

Source: Minerals Commission

3.4 LEVELS OF INVESTMENT

According to UNCTAD World Investment Report 2013, Ghana was the fifth largest recipient of inflows into Africa in 2012. FDI inflows into Ghana was US \$ 1.3 billion in 2005 up to US \$ 3.2billion in 2012. Table 3.8 shows the FDI inflows since 2005-2012

Table 3.8 FDI Inflows since 2005-2012

| FDI | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|--------|------|------|--|
| Ghana (\$m) | 139.3 | 145.0 | 636.0 | 855.4 | 2897 | 2527.4 | 3248 | 3295 | |
| Source: World Investment Report, 2013, 2007, UNCTAD | | | | | | | | | |

3.5 MINING EMPLOYMENT IN THE GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

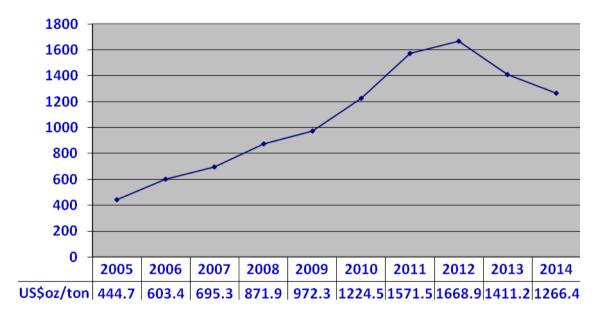
The labor force in Ghana is vibrant. As part of the international Initiative called the African Minerals Skills Initiative (AMSI) which is managed under the aegis of the United Nations, some mining houses in Ghana invested in the education and training of its operational workforce.

According to the World Bank (info.worldbank.org) there are some 250 million children (120million full time) between ages of 5 and 14 years who are in economic activities in developing countries. About 80 million of them in Africa and 0.9% of this estimate engaged in mining and quarrying activities.

3.6 GOLD PRICE DEVELOPMENT

Gold accounts for more than 80% of activities and value generated by mining in Ghana. Developments in the price of gold is therefore used as proxy for trends in benefits generated by the mining sector. The average annual London PM fix gold price declined in 2014 to US\$ 1,266 from US \$ 1,411 in 2013. Fig 3.6 shows the price development of gold from 2005-2014.

Fig. 3.6 Average Gold Price (2005-2014)



Source: www.kitco.com

3.6.1 Cost Development

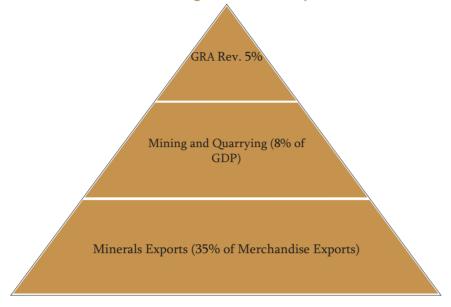
Production cost on the global scene slipped in 2014. GFMS Gold Survey reports that the average year on year total cash cost declined by 3% to US\$ 749 per ounce. Total Production cost also declined by 1% to US\$ 983 per ounce and All-in –Cost was US\$ 1,314 in 2014

Table 3.9 Global cost indicators in 2014

| | Total Cash Cost (US\$/oz) | All-in-Cost(US\$/oz) |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| World Average | 749 | 1,314 |
| AGA Ghana Ltd ⁵ | 1086 | 1,374 |
| AGA (Iduapriem)Ltd | 865 | 1,020 |
| | | |

⁵ AGA was randomly chosen.

3.6.2: Contribution of Mining to the Economy in 2014



<u>Gross Domestic Product (GDP)</u>

Ghana's GDP Total at basic prices was GHS 33,522 million. Out of this mining and quarrying contributed GHS 2,834 million. Table 3.10 provides details of GDP by economic activity from 2010-2014.

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Sector | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| Agriculture | 6,453 | 6,507 | 6,657 | 7,035 | 7,362 |
| Services | 11,715 | 12,813 | 14,361 | 15,798 | 16,679 |
| Industry | 5,053 | 7,157 | 7,947 | 8,475 | 8,542 |
| o/w Mining and Quarrying | 690 | 2,112 | 2,462 | 2,747 | 2,834 |
| o/w Oil and Gas | 65 | 1,372 | 1,669 | 1,969 | 2,058 |
| Others (Indirect Taxes) | 1,677 | 1,913 | 2,090 | 2,243 | 2,334 |
| GDP Total at 2006 Prices | 24,101 | 27,486 | 30,040 | 32,237 | 33,522 |

Table 3.10 GDP at 2006 Prices by Economic Activity

Source: Ghana Statistical Service

In Percentage terms, Mining and Quarrying contributed 8.0%⁶(this includes oil and gas) of Total GDP in 2014 having slowed down from 9.4% in 2013. Table 3.11 shows the percentage contribution of the sectors from 2010-2014.

| (at Dable Fifteeb) | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|--|
| Sector | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | | | |
| Agriculture | 29.8 | 25.3 | 22.9 | 22.4 | 21.5 | | | |
| Industry | 19.1 | 25.6 | 28.0 | 27.8 | 26.6 | | | |
| o/w Mining and Quarry | 2.3 | 8.4 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 8.0 | | | |
| o/w Oil and Gas | 0.4 | 6.7 | 7.7 | 8.2 | 7.2 | | | |
| Services | 51.1 | 49.1 | 19.1 | 49.8 | 51.9 | | | |
| Total | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | | | |

Table 3.11: Distribution of GDP (at Basic Prices)

<u>GDP Growth</u>

Mining registered the highest growth rate of 3.2% in the Industry sector ahead of Manufacturing, Construction, Water and Electricity in 2014. Table 3.12 shows the growth rates of the various sectors in Ghana from 2010-2014.

| <i>Table 3.12 GDP</i> | ' Growth | by Sector | (2010-2014 | 4) |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------|------------|----|
| | | | | |

| Sector | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--------------------------|------|-------|------|------|------|
| Agriculture | 5.3 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 5.7 | 4.6 |
| Industry | 6.9 | 41.6 | 11.0 | 6.6 | 0.8 |
| o/w Mining and Quarrying | 18.8 | 206.5 | 16.4 | 11.6 | 3.2 |
| o/w Oil and Gas | n/a | n/a | 21.6 | 18.0 | 4.5 |
| Services | 9.8 | 9.4 | 12.1 | 10.0 | 5.6 |
| GDP (Basic Prices) | 7.9 | 14.0 | 9.3 | 7.3 | 4.0 |

3.6.2.1 Contribution to Total Merchandise Exports

Comparison of Mining Sector with other sector in the Economy indicated that Minerals recorded about 34.7% of the total Merchandise Export in 2014 having slowed down from 39.4% in 2013. Table 3.13 shows the contributions over years (2010-2014). Exports of the various minerals are shown in Table 3.13-1

Table 3.13 Mining Contribution to National Exports (US \$ '000) Contribution

⁶ In 2014 Mining and quarrying (excluding Oil/Gas) contributed 0.8% to GDP, whilst Oil/Gas contributed 7.2%.

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|-----------------------------|----------|--|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| Item | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
| A. Total Merchandise Export | 7,960.09 | 12,785.4 | 13,541.4 | 13,017.8 | 12,983 |
| B. Minerals Export | 4,900 | 5062.8 | 5768.8 | 5138.89 | 4,516 |
| Mining % | 62 | 39.5 | 42.6 | 39.4 | 34.7 |

 Table 3.13 Mining Contribution to National Exports (US \$ '000)
 Contribution

Source: Minerals Commission

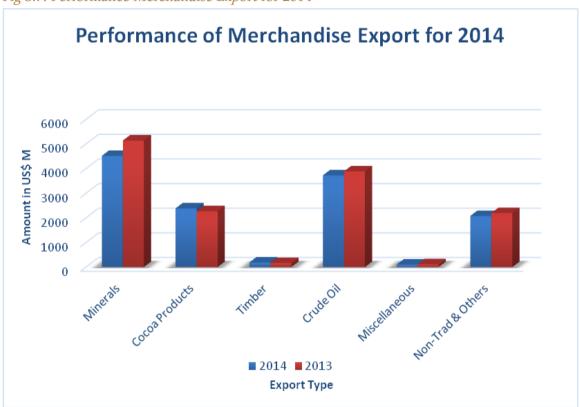
Table 3.13-1: Mineral exports from Ghana in 2013 and 2014

| Mineral Exported | 2013 | 2014 |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| | US\$m | US\$m |
| Gold | 4,965.71 | 4,388.07 |
| Diamonds | 6.93 | 9.1 |
| Bauxite | 32.56 | 36.26 |
| Manganese | 133.69 | 82.86 |
| Total | 5,138.89 | 4,516.29 |

Source: Minerals Commission

Comparison of Minerals with other major commodities in Ghana.

Fig. 3.7 shows the distribution of Merchandise Exports in 2014.





In percentage terms, Crude Oil contributed 29% of total merchandise exports in 2014 behind Mining. Fig 3.8 shows the contributions of the other commodities.

Fig 3.8 Merchandise Exports for 2014



3.6.2.2 Contribution to Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

Mining is a principal recipient of FDI as it contributes substantially to Ghana's Foreign Direct Investment. However FDI for producing mines has slowed due to gold price slump in recent years. Table 3.14 shows the distribution of mining FDI from 2010-2014

| Table 3.14. Willing Investments and Ivational PDI totals 2010-2014 | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|--------|---------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| Mining Entities | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | | | | |
| Producing Mining Companies | 508.2 | 513.5 | 1,170.9 | 896.7 | | | | |
| Exploration | 231.0 | 242.0 | 246.2 | 235.1 | | | | |
| Support Service Providers | 30.8 | 24.5 | 26.9 | 22.3 | | | | |
| Total Mining Investment | 770.0 | 780.0 | 1444.0 | 1154.1 | | | | |
| Total National FDI | 2570.4 | 3248.0 | 3295 | 30007 | | | | |
| % Contribution to National FDI | 29.9 | 24.0 | 43.8 | 38.5 | | | | |

 Table 3.14: Mining Investments and National FDI totals 2010-2014
 Page 2010-2014

Source: World Investment Report, UNCTAD, Minerals Commission

3.7 Contribution to Government Revenues

Total Revenue and Grants for 2014 was GHS 24.745bn. Mining revenue which includes royalties, corporate taxes, dividends and rights fees was estimated as GHS 1.25bn⁸ representing 5.0% of the total government revenue in 2014. Table 3.15 shows the percentage distribution of mining revenues to the national government totals in 2014.

⁷ Approximately quoted and ascribed to GIPC

⁸ Boas Computations

| Fiscal Indicator | Amount (GHSm) | % Total |
|--|---------------|---------|
| Total Revenue and Grant | 24,745 | 100 |
| Domestic | 23,931 | 96.7 |
| o/w Tax Revenue | 19,229 | 77.7 |
| o/w Non Tax Revenue | 4,483 | 18.1 |
| Grants | 814 | 3.2 |
| Mining Government Revenue ⁹ | 1,250 | 5.0 |
| o/w Royalties | 474.5 | 1.91 |
| o/w Mineral Right Fees | 0.23 | - |
| o/w Ground Rent | 4.63 | - |
| o/w Corporate Taxes | 476.5 | 1.92 |
| o/w Property Rate | 2.06 | - |
| o/w Dividends | 31.04 | 0.13 |
| o/w Environmental fees | 2.90 | - |
| o/w PAYE ¹⁰ | 259.4 | 1.0 |
| | | |

Table 3.15 Mining Revenues and the National Fiscal Performance in 2014

Source: MOF Budget Performance, 2014/Boas 2014

3.8 EMPLOYMENT CONTRIBUTION

According to the Chamber of Mines Report 2014, there were 21,670 Ghanaians and 252 Expatriates in employment in large scale operations in 2014. Ghana Statistical Service estimates 12 million in employment in Ghana with 686,262 of them in the formal private sector of the economy. Of this 192,635 are in mining and quarrying constituting 28% of formal private employment and **1.6%** of the national employment totals. Table 3.16 shows the distribution of the various employment groupings.

⁹ Figures obtained from EITI reconciliation.

¹⁰ Ghana Chamber of Mines 2014 report

| Description | Number | % | |
|-------------------------------|------------|------|------|
| Population | 26,400,000 | 100 | |
| 15 years and older (Employed) | 12,039,700 | 45.6 | 100 |
| o/w Civil Service | 288,952 | | 2.4 |
| o/w Other Public Service | 397,310 | | 3.3 |
| o/w Parastatals | 24,079 | | 0.2 |
| o/w Total Private (Formal) | 686,262 | | 5.7 |
| o/w Mining and Quarrying | 192,635 | | 1.6 |
| o/w NGO Private | 24,079 | | 0.2 |
| o/w Cooperatives | 12,039 | | 0.1 |
| o/w Diplomatic Missions | 12,039 | | 0.1 |
| Total in Establishments | 1,444,764 | | 12.0 |
| o/w Others | 10,594,936 | | 88.0 |

*Table 3.16: Currently employed*¹¹ *population aged 15 years and older*

Source: Ghana Statistical Service (GLSS 6) Labour Force Report, Aug, 2014

Table 3.17 shows the employment situation in some large scale mining companies in 2013 and 2014.

| Company | | 2014 | | 2013 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| | Total Staff | Expatriate | Total Staff | Expatriate |
| Anglogold Ashanti Ghana Ltd | 3430 | 41 | 4250 | 45 |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem) Ltd | 652 | 4 | 670 | 4 |
| Gold Fields Ghana Ltd | 2909 | 38 | 2250 | 48 |
| Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 933 | 11 | 2000 | 16 |
| GSR(Bogoso/Prestea)Ltd | 881 | 11 | 920 | 19 |
| GSR (Wassa)Ltd | 688 | 6 | n/a | n/a |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 1679 | 63 | 660 | 66 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 769 | 41 | n/a | n/a |
| Adamus Resources(Ghana) Ltd | 226 | 3 | 250 | 4 |
| Perseus Mining (Ghana) Ltd | 358 | 16 | 450 | 23 |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 1142 | 25 | 1116 | 8 |
| | | | | |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | 639 | 7 | 673 | 8 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co, Ltd | 227 | 4 | 230 | 4 |

Table 3.17 Employment levels in Major companies

Source: Minerals Commission

¹¹ All persons who did some work either for pay,profit or for family gain

3.9 LOCAL CONTENT

The Minerals and Mining General Regulation 2012, LI 2173, which came into force on June 15, 2012, enjoins mining firms to submit localization plans to the Minerals

Commission detailing how they intend increasing employment of Ghanaian personnel. Pertinent stipulations are detailed in Table 3.18.1

| Designation | Legal Requirement |
|------------------|--|
| Mining Lease | Threshold of 10% at commencement of mining operations and 6% |
| Holders | after 3 years in operation. |
| | |
| Prospecting | Threshold of 10% skilled staff and 5% Technical and Supervisory |
| Licence Holders | staff at commencement of operations and 5% Technical and |
| | Supervisory staff after 2 years in operation |
| Mine Support | Threshold dependent on nature of service provided |
| Services | |
| Discretional | Justification required for additional expatriates |
| Penalty | 1 year expatriate gross salary for every month of illegitimate stay. |
| | Delisted from companies enjoining duty exemptions. |
| Procurement Plan | Mining lease operators to submit detailed support plans regarding |
| | Minerals Commission's local procurement list. |
| Tender | Preference to companies with highest Ghanaian content in bids |
| Adjudication | within 2% of each other by price. |

Table 3.18.1: Local Content Requirement of Mine operators in Ghana

Newmont Ghana, GSR Prestea/Bogoso and Wassa, Adamus Resources, Perseus Mining, Goldfields Tarkwa and Goldfields Damang, Chirano Gold, Ghana Manganese Ltd and Anglogold Ashanti Obuasi are implementing approved 5-year Procurement plans.

In 2014, of the total procurement of US\$ 183million, US\$ 148million was from local companies and individuals. However, true local sources of goods and services amounted to US\$ 143 million and represents about 78% of total mining procurement made in 2014. Table 3.19 lists the amounts of various goods and their percentages.

| Product | Total Procurement (US\$) | Local Procurement(US\$) | % Local | True Local Procurement(US\$) | % True Local |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Grinding Media | 67,947,404 | 33,,606,086 | 49.5 | 30,022,809 | 44.2 |
| Heavy Duty Electrical Cables | 2,292,580 | 1,388,044 | 60.5 | 172,698 | 7.5 |
| HDPE/PVC Pipes | 5,010,304 | 5,010,304 | 100 | 4,935,196 | 98.5 |
| General Lubricants | 1,264,1802 | 12,300,029 | 97.3 | 12,300,029 | 97.3 |
| Quick/Hydrated Lime | 30,236,784 | 30,236,784 | 100 | 30,236,784 | 100 |
| Tyre Retreading | 1,441,519 | 1,441,519 | 100 | 1,441,519 | 100 |
| Explosives | 60,668,569 | 60,668,569 | 100 | 60,668,569 | 100 |
| Cement | 3,585,735 | 3,585,734 | 100 | 3,585,734 | 100 |
| Total | 183,824,700 | 148,237,073 | 80.6 | 143,363,341 | 78 |

Table 3.19: Comparing 2014 Overall Procurement with local and True local procurement.

Source: Minerals Commission

The above not-withstanding, implementation of LI 2173 is met with some challenges which include the following:

- 1. Skilled Ghanaians are accepting expatriate positions outside Ghana.
- 2. Limited local production capacity of available products.
- 3. Narrow range of products currently in Ghana's manufacturing scope
- 4. Unreliable power supply for production and frequent tariff increases.
- 5. High cost of capital.

4.0: OVERVIEW OF ARTISANAL AND SMALL SCALE MINING (ASM) IN GHANA

From a development perspective, ASM is one of the most complex economic sectors in Ghana. It is largely informal and unstructured. ASM gold and diamond Exports in 2014 was about US \$ 2bn. It contributed an impressive 14.7% of the total Merchandise Export in 2014.

| Table 4.1: ASIVIS Contribution to National Exports (US \$ 000) | | | | | | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|---------------------|--|
| Item | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | |
| A. Total Merchandise Export | 7,960.09 | 12,785.4 | 13,541.4 | 13,017.8 | 12,983 | |
| B. Minerals Export | 4,900 | 5062.8 | 5768.8 | 5138.89 | 4,516 | |
| C. ASM Export | 951.2 | 1,553.64 | 2,283.3 | 1,919.9 | 1,913 ¹² | |
| Mining % (B/A) | 62 | 39.5 | 42.6 | 39.4 | 42.3 | |
| ASM % (Mining Sector) (C/B) | 19.4 | 30.6 | 39.5 | 37.4 | 42.3 | |
| ASM % (Total Exports) (C/A) | 11.9 | 12.2 | 16.9 | 14.7 | 14.7 | |

 Table 4.1: ASMs Contribution to National Exports (US \$ '000)
 Image: Contribution to National Exports (US \$ '000)

Source: Minerals Commission/Bank of Ghana

Total ASM Exports have been stable at 34% in 2013 and 2014. Fig. 4.1 shows its contribution to the total National Merchandise Exports in 2010-2014)

¹² ASM Total Goods and Services is guestimated at GHS 1.2bn at 2006 Prices in 2014.(ASM Imports, Mining Consumables and Investments are realistically low).

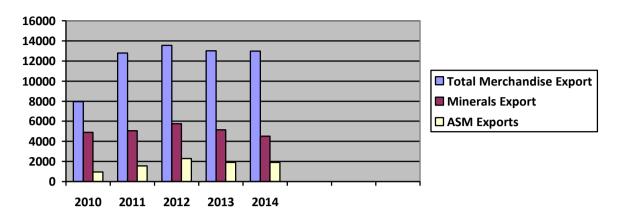


Fig. 4.1 ASM Exports and Total National Merchandise Exports

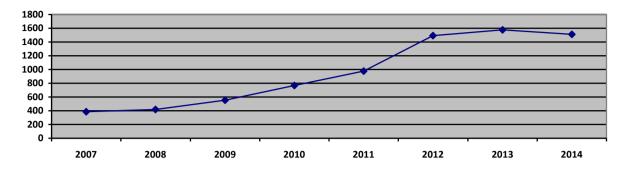
Table 4.2: ASM Gold and Diamond Production & Revenue

| Year | Gold Output (oz) | Gold Revenue | Diamond | Revenue |
|------|-------------------|--------------|---------|------------|
| | | (US \$ m) | (ct) | (US \$) |
| 2007 | 388,594 | 270.22 | 865,610 | 27,860,000 |
| 2008 | 418,943 | 365.30 | 624,870 | 20,000,000 |
| 2009 | 555,737 | 540.37 | 367,060 | 7,320,000 |
| 2010 | 767,196 | 939.45 | 324,220 | 11,780,000 |
| 2011 | 978,611 | 1,537.91 | 281,240 | 15,740,000 |
| 2012 | 1,495,329 | 2,272.14 | 194,947 | 11,163,106 |
| 2013 | 1,578,441 | 1,912.43 | 160,622 | 7,563,562 |
| 2014 | 1,512,515 | 1,913.33 | 203,606 | 9,100,000 |
| | | | | |

Source: Minerals Commission/PMMC

Production and revenue figures for Gold and diamonds (2007-2014) are indicated on these charts.

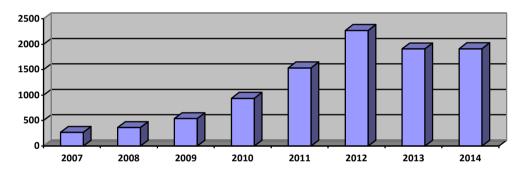
Fig. 4.2 ASM Gold production ('000 oz)



Source: Minerals Commission

Gold Revenue in 2013 was lower than that of 2012

Fig. 4.3: Gold Revenue US\$ million in (2007-13)



ASM Gold exports in 2014 were about 34% of the total sales. It thus underpins the emerging importance of Small Scale Gold mining in the country.

Industrial Minerals

Salt Winning

Ghana is a major salt producer. Almost all production is of sea salt, which is produced in four regions: Greater Accra, Central, Volta and Western regions. Rock salt is produced in Daboya in the Northern region on an artisanal scale

4.1.1 ASM Laws and Regulations

Initially, only diamonds could be legally mined on a small scale in Ghana. In 1989, smallscale gold mining was legalized, which, held better prospects from an economic perspective. The laws passed to regularize ASM back then included:

- 1. The Small-scale Gold Mining Law (PNDCL 218) for the registration of activity; the granting of gold-mining licenses to individuals or groups; the licensing of buyers to purchase product.
- 2. The Precious Minerals Marketing Corporation Law (PNDC Law 219) providing authorization to buy and sell gold from ASMs.

These created the congenial environment for flourished ASM activities in 1990s and early 2000s.

Minerals and Mining Act,2006 (Act 703) and its accompanying regulations provide today's legal basis for mining with Sections 81 to 99 applying to small scale mining operations only.

4.1.2 ASM Classification and Registration Criteria

- 1. Mineral Right Licenses for small scale operations are granted to Ghanaian nationals only and shall not exceed three years but can be renewed for a period of no more than three years for two consecutive terms.
- 2. Licenses issued to a cooperative shall last for a period of five years but is renewable for a period no longer than five years for two consecutive terms.
- 3. Company or a cooperative society shall be granted an area not exceeding 25 acres.
- 4. All small-scale miners are liable for payment of taxes, royalties and other local imposts levied by MMDAs and other government agencies.

4.1.3 Small-scale Mining Regulatory Framework

General Mining Laws

Minerals and Mining Act, 2006 (Act 703) and its amendments Internal Revenue Act 2000 (Act 592) **Regulations**

Mining General Regulations 2012 Legislative Instrument (L.I 2173),

Mines Support Services Regulations 2012(L.I 2174),

Mines Compensation and Resettlement Regulations 2012 (L.I 2175).

Minerals and Mining Licensing Regulations 2012 (L.I 2176),

Mining Explosives Regulations, 2012 (L.I 2177)

Mining Health and Safety Regulations 2012 (L.I 2182). Small-scale Mining Enactments

Small-Scale Gold Mining Law, 1989 (PNDCL 218) Precious Minerals Marketing Corporation Law, 1989 (PNDCL 219) Minerals Commission Act, 1993 (Act 450) Environmental Protection Agency Act, 1994 (Act 490) Water Resources Commission Act, 1996 (Act 552) The Constitution, 1992

<u>Relevant Codes of Practice</u> Code of Practice for Small-scale Gold-mining Operations Ghana's Mining and Environmental Guidelines

4.1.4: Licensed Gold Buying Agreements

The Government of Ghana acting through the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources enters into agreements with LBCs in accordance with Sections 6 and 104 of the Minerals and Mining Act 2006 (Act 703) to purchase and export gold.

Duration of the license is for initial period of 3 years and subject to renewal for further 3 years.

4.1.5 Governance Institutional Infrastructure (Small Scale Mining)

The institutional infrastructure for ASM governance comprises of a number of government agencies and departments, such as:

Minerals Commission

The Commission is responsible for the regulation and management of the development of the mineral resources of Ghana and the co-ordination and implementation of policies related to mining. Its Inspectorate Division is responsible for enforcing the Mining Regulations which ensures health and safety in mining operations.

Forestry Commission (FC)

The FC is responsible for the regulation of the utilization of forest and wildlife resources, the conservation and management of those resources and the coordination of policies related to them.

Environmental Protection Authority

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is responsible for among other things, the enforcement of environmental regulations.

Lands Commission

The Lands Commission is the body charged with the responsibility to ensure the judicious management of the country's land. The Land Valuation Board, a division of the Commission which is involved in the valuation of land and other properties assist the mining sector in issues relating to compensation.

4.1.6 Guidelines for Artisanal and Small Scale Miners (ASM)

Sections 81 to 99 of the Minerals and Mining Act 2006, Act 703 apply to small scale mining operations only. Some of the key aspects of ASM operations dealt with by this part of the Act include:

Designation of areas for; qualification for; and licensing for small scale mining Operations of small scale miners and conditions attached to them; In terms of the regulatory structure, the Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources through the Minerals Commission has established seven (7) District Offices located at Tarkwa, Dunkwa-on-Offin, Bibiani, Asankrangwa, Assin Fosu, Akim Oda and Bolgatanga, which are responsible for Licensing and Technical Support.

4.1.7 Licensing Procedures (Small Scale)

Before applying for mineral rights the applicant must identify the area and the mineral to apply for. A search is done at the Mineral Commission to find out whether the area is free or encumbered and a subsequent official search report is issued in respect. This application procedure starts at the district level, where the District Chief Executive is expected to endorse/recommend the application.

The District Chief Executive causes a publication of the application to be made at the offices of the District Assembly, the Local Information Centre, Post Office, Magistrate Court and such other places as may deem necessary for a period of 21 days. This is to afford the chiefs, land owners and the general public in the host area the opportunity to examine the application and to respond.

The District Chief Executive or representative is also required by Act 703 to serve as the chairperson of the District Small Scale Mining Committee established in all small scale mining areas in Ghana.

4.1.8 Licence Registry

Over 1300 registered small scale mining groups are engaged in the mining of gold, diamonds and industrial minerals. Atiwa and Amansie West districts have the highest concentration of licensed companies numbering 160 ASMs and 161 ASMs respectively. There are eighty three (83) licensed industrial minerals operators of quarries and salt. Over 90 unlicensed ASMs spread across 24 administrative districts of Ghana have been identified.

According to data available at the Minerals Commission, there are 1255 registered small scale gold mining groups, 70 quarrying companies (Excluding renewal applications) and 13 salt operators. A total of 285 licenses were issued to recognized groups in 2013 alone. Under the umbrella of the newly formed Great Consolidated Diamonds Ltd, hundreds of concession tributers engage in diamond winning in the Akwatia area.

| Туре | Small Scale L/c (Gold) | Quarrying Co | Salt Co. | Gold Buyers |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| No of Licence Holders | 1255 | 70 | 13 | 13 |

4.1. 8: ASM Fiscal Regime

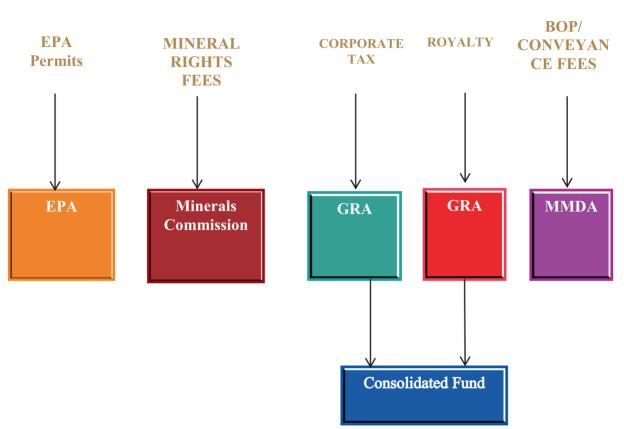
Table 4.3: Summary ASM Fiscal Regime

| Benefit/Impost | Provision |
|--------------------------|---|
| 1. Application Fees | As prescribed in the regulation |
| 2. Royalty Rate | Currently 5% on gross market value |
| 3. Ground Rent | Payable to the Landowner |
| 4. Annual Mineral Rights | Payable to Mineral Commission as prescribed. |
| Fees | |
| 5. Income tax | 35% |
| 6. Capital Allowance | Same as in LSM |
| 7. Import Duty | Plant, Machinery, equipment exclusively used for mining |
| | operations are exempt |

4.1.9 Collection Agencies & Revenue flow

Government agencies include OASL, Mines Dept, Minerals Commission, EPA, MMDAs, and GRA. PMMC, State Owned Enterprise (SOE) pays dividends to NTRU of MOF.

Fig. 4.3: ASM Revenue Flow

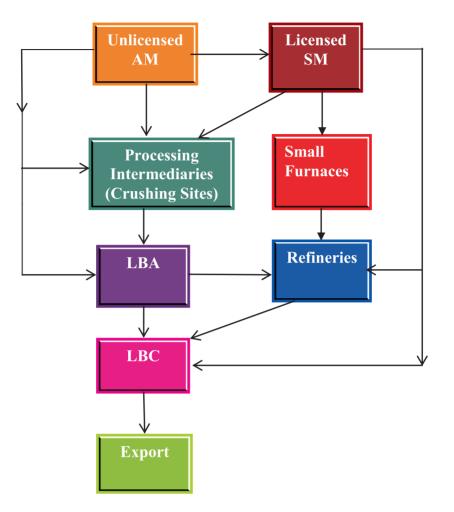


ASM REVENUE FLOW

4.5 ASM VALUE CHAIN

Both licensed and unlicensed gold miners utilize the services of commercial gold processing centers. These undertake crushing, milling and extraction of gold concentrate. Alluvial winners extract gold on their mining sites.

Fig 4.4 ASM Value Chain



ASM VALUE CHAIN

4.6 EMPLOYMENT (ARTISANAL AND SMALL SCALE MINING)

Approximately two-thirds of Ghana's small-scale miners are engaged in the extraction of gold, and most of the balance extract diamonds¹³; only a small group of miners are involved in industrial minerals production.

Small-scale mining has a major impact on the employment situation in Ghana, especially in mineral rich rural areas where there are few employment alternatives.

No precise small-scale mining employment figures can be found for Ghana, although it is estimated some 200,000 are involved directly in the extraction of gold and diamonds¹⁴, the great majority of which are *galamsey*.

¹³ World Bank, (1995) Staff Appraisal Report, Mining Sector Development Agyapong, E (1998) Streamlining Artisanal Gold Mining Activities and the Promotion of Cleaner Production in the Mining Sector in Sub Saharan Africa: Ghana as a Case Study

In a technical paper published by the World Bank entitled *Strategy for African Mining* it is estimated that some 30,000 people are employed within the legalized segment of the Ghanaian small-scale mining sector.

Overall, women constitute some 15 per cent of the legalized segment of Ghanaian small scale mining labor force. Women account for 6 per cent of licensed buyers, 10 per cent of concession holders and 15–20 per cent of the sponsors of work groups, members of cooperatives or mining groups ¹⁵. Participation is more widespread, however, in small scale clay mining and stone quarrying, where there is a need to perform more basic washing, transport and sieving activities.

Although there is some degree of child participation in Ghanaian small-scale mining activities, accurate tabulations of the total number of children employed in the country's small-scale mining operations do not exist.

4.7 LICENCING (Large scale Mining Operations)

The licensing regime currently been practiced is the first- come- first- served system. However, the Minerals Commission has plans to introduce tender submissions alongside the existing practice of first –come –first -served for mining areas considered to be richer in mineral deposits. The Minerals Commission intends to enhance the existing practice with the tender process in the immediate future.

At present, the Mineral Commission has not introduced on-line register for mining licence holders in the country since the Commission is yet to introduce the cadastral system in its operations. The Commission is currently working on this and plans to introduce the cadastre system for easy and comprehensive reference within a year.

4.7.1: Acquisition of Mineral Right

The prospective investor must identify the area and the mineral to apply for. The Applicant must also identify which right he intends to apply for–reconnaissance (12 months), prospecting(up to 3 years), mining lease(up to 30 years), restricted reconnaissance or prospecting licence for industrial minerals(12 months and 3 years respectively)or restricted mining lease(up to 15 years)ⁱ.

 ¹⁴ Appiah, H (1998) Organization of Small-scale Mining Activities in Ghana. *The Journal of the South African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy* 98(7): 307–10.

¹⁵ ILO (1999) *Social and Labor Issues in Small-scale Mines.* Report for discussion at the Tripartite Meeting on Social and Labor Issues in Small-scale Mines, International Labor Organization, Sect oral Activities Program, International Labor Office,

A Cartographical Search/ Cadastral search is required to be conducted at the Minerals Commission to find out whether the area is unencumbered. Legal Search ascertains the owner of the mineral right, type of minerals held, validity of the mineral right held and the existence of any encumberances. (Both Initial Applications and the Searches could be made online at the Government of Ghana Web Portal (www. eservices.gov.gh/MINCOM) An official search report is issued.

Also available online is detailed guide for investors providing overview of the Mining Industry with Statistics and catalogue of Mining Achievements including improved Mineral Concession Cadastre.

4.7.1.1 Reconnaissance and Prospecting Licences

If the search reports indicate that the land is unencumbered then documents including the i)completed application forms ii) copies of sketch map of the area being applied for with reference; iii) official search report from the Minerals Commission; iv) A work programme for the proposed mineral operations indicating proposed expenditure, and particulars of technical and financial resources available to the applicant; v) Annual report, certificate of incorporation and certificate to commence business and copy of the particulars of the company under section 27(1) of the Companies code which spells out the directors of the company, shall be submitted for reconnaissance and prospecting licence.

The Commission on receipt of the application sends copies of the map and application forms to the District Assembly hosting the area under consideration. The District Chief Executive causes the publication of the application at specific places including the offices of the Assembly, Local information centre, Post Office and the Magistrate Court for 21 days.

4.7.1.2 Technical Committee on Mineral Titles

A technical committee comprising representatives from the Minerals Commission, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the Geological Survey Department considers the application, using the information supplied by the applicant, together with the certificate of service of Notice from the District Assembly.

The technical committee's report is submitted to the board of the Minerals Commission for review after which it submits its recommendations to the Minister of Mines. If the Minister approves, then an agreement is signed between the government and the company.

The applicant undertakes the necessary registration with the Lands Valuation Board and the Lands Registry. An environmental permit and a covering letter together with a signed agreement between the company and government is then submitted to the Chief Inspector of Mines for the issuance of operating permit before the commencement of operations on the concession.

4.7.1.3 Grant of Mining Lease

Mining leases are granted after adequate exploration had been carried out to identify the minerals of interest in quantities viable to exploit commercially.

Companies applying for mining leases are required to submit

- a) Feasibility report detailing all aspects of the prior exploration program and their results to the Minerals Commission.
- b) An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the project to EPA for approval. When the EIS is accepted the company is issued with an Environmental permit.
- c) Once the feasibility Study report and the Environmental impact statement have been accepted by MC and EPA respectively, the Commission forwards its recommendations to the Minister of Mines for the grant of a Mining Lease. A company has two years from the date of the lease to develop the mine and commence commercial production.

4.8 LICENCE ALLOCATIONS

Licence Register: Ghana currently does not have a fully fledged on line register. See Table 4.4).

Tax Minera Mineral Concession No. of Date of first License Identification **Right Type** Size (Km2) Blocks license Shareholdings No. Companies Mine Region % Date of License Date of Expiry 90 1 Goldfields Ghana Ltd 565G000001 Mining Lease Gold 45.74 18-Apr-97 17-Apr-27 18-Apr-97 Gold Fields S.A 218 Western п п п п 205 18-Apr-97 17-Apr-27 18-Apr-97 Government of Ghana 42.99 Western 10 П п п 22.61 108 18-Apr-97 17-Apr-27 Western 18-Apr-97 п Ш Ш н 43.38 207 18-Apr-97 17-Apr-27 Western 18-Apr-97 п п п 49.5 236 18-Apr-97 17-Apr-27 Western 18-Apr-97 П 17-Sep-92 Gold Fields S.A 90 2 Abosso Goldfields Ltd 614G000005 Gold/Silver 53.4 254 19-Apr-95 18-Apr-25 Western 10 Government of Ghana Ш 175.94 20-Aug-01 Ghana International Manganese Co 90 3 Ghana Manganese Company 365G000002 Manganese 838 20-Aug-01 19-Aug-31 Western Government of Ghana 10 П 02-Feb-88 4 Anglogold Ashanti(Iduapriem) 421G000014 Gold/Diamond 31.00 148 02-Feb-88 01-Feb-18 Western п 05-Mar-94 Paulson & Co. Inc -10% Anglogold Ashanti (Ghana) Ltd 721G000012 Gold 334.27 1592 05-Mar-94 04-Mar-24 Ashanti п п П П 8.3 50.00 238 08-Apr-98 Ashanti 08-Apr-98 Allan Gray Unit Trust 07-Apr-28 п п ш н 08-Apr-98 Fidelity Management & Research 7.5 50.00 238 08-Apr-98 07-Apr-28 Ashanti Ш п Ш н 08-Apr-98 Public Investment Corp of SA 4.1 40.00 190 08-Apr-98 07-Apr-28 Ashanti п Government of Ghana 1.7 77 16.18 18-May-95 17-May-25 Ashanti п п п 48.34 Gold/Diamond 230 06-Jan-09 05-Jan-19 Ashanti 05-Sep-97 Others 68 П п Gold/Diamond 29.45 140 05-Sep-97 Ashanti 05-Sep-97 п 100 Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd 516G000001 Gold 386.33 1840 03-Jun-01 12-Jun-31 Brong Ahaf 13-Jun-01 Newmont Ghana Gold 5 п Gold 78.60 374 03-Jun-01 12-Jun-31 Brong Ahaf 13-Jun-01 Ш Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd Gold 16.35 78 19-Jan-10 18-Jan-25 19-Jan-10 Eastern П п Gold 46.40 221 19-Jan-10 18-Jan-25 Eastern 19-Jan-10 п 08-Apr-04 Kinross Mining Ltd 90 6 Chirano Gold Mines Ltd 109G000038 Gold 36.34 173 08-Apr-04 07-Apr-19 Western 10 Government of Ghana п 14-Oct-92 Kojina Resources Limited 7 Perseus Mining (Ghana)Co. 624V003018 Gold 49.20 30-Dec-24 Central 234 31-Dec-09 Government of Ghana п 621G000008 Gold/Diamond 21-Aug-87 Golden Star Resources 90 8 Golden Star Prestea/Bogoso 45.00 214 21-Aug-87 20-Aug-17 Western п н 16-Aug-88 Government of Ghana 10 Gold/Diamond 50.00 238 16-Aug-88 15-Aug-18 Western п п п 13-0ct-94 90 Gold/Diamond 129.05 615 29-Jun-01 28-Jun-31 Western п п п 10 47.80 Gold 228 31-Dec-12 30-Dec-17 Western 02-Jul-02 Ш 17-Sep-92 Golden Star Resources 90 9 Golden Star (Wassa) Ltd 324G000112 Gold 50.00 238 17-Sep-22 16-Sep-22 Western Ш II. 30-Sep-94 Government of Ghana Gold/Diamond 20.38 97 31-Dec-12 30-Dec-19 Western 10 п п П Gold 39.84 190 31-Dec-12 30-Dec-18 Western 30-May-88 п 80 11 Ghana Bauxite Compny Ltd 665G000003 Bauxite 29.39 140 09-Jan-97 09-Jan-22 Western 10-Jan-97 Bosai Minerals of China Government of Ghana 20 п 12 Adamus Resources Ltd 524G000234 Gold **Endeavour Mining Corp** 90 25.70 122 11-Apr-08 10-Apr-18 Western п II П 13 Gold/other Bas 50.00 238 11-Apr-08 10-Apr-18 Western 27-Feb-95 Government of Ghana 10 п 14 Noble Gold Mining Co. 524V018617 49.00 Gold 233 19-May-97 18-May-27 Western 08-Nov-91 п 15 Prestea Sankofa Gold Ltd 3.43 16 Gold 22-Jul-10 21-Jul-15 Western 12-May-94

Table 4.4: List of Mining Lease holders and their concession particulars

In 2004, six Mining leases were granted. There were also awards of reconnaissance licences and other mineral rights. *(See Appendix 5)*

TRANSFER OF MINERAL RIGHTS

There was no transfer of mineral rights involving any of the participating mining companies in 2014.

4.8.1 Application Trend

Most exploration projects have not attained feasibility stages hence limited number of applications for Mining leases are received. Applications for Industrial Minerals have seen an upsurge in recent years as Ghanaian nationals are showing active interest in mining of industrial minerals which are less capital intensive.

4.8.2 Pending Applications

Applications for renewal of licences for industrial minerals are on the increase.

4.8.3 Cadastre Registry & Development

Improvement in the Cadastre Registry is underway. Current registry of mineral rights at the Minerals Commission is fragmented, with a reliance on hardcopy documents that pose a high risk to reliability in the administration of minerals right applications and active licences.

There is difficulty in monitoring and reporting on the status of mineral right applications and licences systematically throughout their life-cycle.

Minerals Commission is facing challenges meeting their application processing deadlines as prescribed in the Minerals and Mining Licencing Regulations, 2012, (LI2176). ¹⁶

Cadastre Decentralisation

On decentralization of mineral rights acquisition, the challenge of interconnectivity of ICT infrastructure across the country is real. At the District level and more profoundly at the community level, ICT connectivity is virtually non-existent but this is where Small Scale mining normally takes place. Such interconnectivity is essential for further improvements in the integrated land /mineral resources management system being pursued.

The Commission has initiated the Mincom WAN Project. The main objective of the project had been to deploy a Wide Area Network to facilitate the provision of electronic services aimed at enhancing the performance and the timely delivery of services to the Commission's clients from the various district and regional offices.

Specifically, the project when completed will introduce an efficient Mineral Cadastral Systems that would enable Spatial Information & Integrated Mapping Application Tools to expedite delivery of Cartographic Search Services to clients at the district or regional offices and aid decentralization of Mineral Cadastral Administration¹⁷

¹⁶ http://thebftonline.com/business/mining/14434

¹⁷ www.ghanaweb.com on email Mincom@mc.ghanamining.org

4.8.4 Status of Mining Cadastral Administration System (MCAS)

Mineral Cadastral Office (MCO) has been established at Minerals House (i.e. Minerals Commission). The office has been equipped with basic requisite facilities and equipment and staff trained on the various technology applications. On line repository has been set up and updated with current MCAS data. The online repository portal reference is designated as <u>http://ghana.revenuesystems.org</u>. However, this may not be functional at the moment since it could not be accessed. Digitization of data has begun and is systematically on track. A snapshot of activities currently being undertaking by the Commission is presented in the table 4.5 below:

| Key Planned | Planned | Actual |
|---|------------|-------------------------------|
| Milestone/Deliverables | | |
| Inception Workshop | 14/05/2015 | 13/05/2015 |
| Technical Assessment | 15/05/2015 | 28/05/2015 |
| MCAS Configuration | 21/05/2015 | 26/05/2015 |
| MC Equipment Procured | 05/06/2015 | 10/07/2015 |
| MCAS Preliminary Training | 05/06/2015 | 01/07/2015 |
| Online Repository set up for stakeholder review | 25/09/2015 | 09/10/2015 |
| Formal Training before going live | 16/10/2015 | 11/11/2015 |
| Digitization of valid large-scale licenses | 18/09/2015 | Ongoing |
| Digitization of ongoing applications | 20/11/2015 | Ongoing |
| MCAS live for applications | 23/10/2015 | Planned for November 24, 2015 |
| Digitization of valid small- scale licenses | 16/12/2015 | |

| Table 4.5: MCAS In | plementation Timetable for 2015 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
|--------------------|---------------------------------|

Source: Minerals Commission

Small Scale Issues

Small Scale Miners have raised concerns at various workshops on the small scale licencing process and involvement in formulation of small scale mining policies. These are:

- 1. Delay in the processing of small scale licences
- 2. Delay in obtaining EPA licence
- 3. Suggested that Regional Ministers be involved in the approval of licences to reduce backlog of applications at the offices of the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources.
- 4. Drastic increases in EPA fees for Small Scale licences(US\$ 300 to US\$ 2,100)
- 5. Streamlining Artisanal and Small Scale (ASM) operations into the National mining policy framework for them to be part of the decision making and thus contribute effectively to policy formulation.

4.9. CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

Company Disclosure Policies and Practices

Twelve (12) large scale mining companies which are covered in the 2014 Reconciliation are publicly listed in home countries and the Ghanaian stock exchanges and have terms of contract/licence publicly accessible.

Mining Model Development Agreement (MMDA)

In an attempt to streamline mining contracts and agreements, Mining Model Development Agreement has developed a tool intended to help increase transparency and achieve equitable mining agreements in the world and lead to more development benefits. Ghana is a participant to this global initiative. Source: www. mmdaproject.org

✤ GOVERNMENT DISCLOSURE POLICIES AND PRACTICES

The Ministry of Lands and Natural resources does not have any policy on the disclosure of details of contracts and agreements between the government and mining companies.

Model Contract disclosures

Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources has posted model Mining Contract on their website.

Stability Agreements and Updates

Section 48 of Act 703, allows the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources, as part of a mining lease to enter into stability agreement with the holder of the mining lease, to ensure that the holder of the mining lease will not for a period not exceeding fifteen years from date of the agreement be adversely affected by a new enactment or subsequent changes in the fiscal regime.

Ghana has Stability Agreements with two international companies with two mines each. Anglogold Ashanti Iduapriem and Obuasi owned by Anglogold Ashanti; Newmont Ahafo and Akyem mines owned by Newmont Ghana.

Since 2003 when these Stability Agreements were signed, new fiscal terms have been introduced increasing corporate tax in the mining sector from 25% to 35%, windfall tax of 10%, introduced capital allowance by which cost can be recovered within a five year period, and government has introduced ring fencing for the mining sector.

The government has thus set up a seven-member team to review, re-negotiate and redesign the entire mining regime agreements so that the state derives maximum benefit

from the sector. Also, the negotiation team is to revise the manner of granting stability agreements, and redesign any existing or draft agreement.

The committee has completed its work as far as Newmont Akyem and Ahafo mines are concerned. The report after the negotiation has however not been released.

✤ GHEITI Bill

GHEITI Bill is part of the multi stakeholder effort aimed at improving contract disclosures in the country. The Bill when promulgated would compel mining companies to disclose their contract terms and conditions to the public to ensure transparency in the management of Ghana's mineral resources. Some stipulations in the Bill are disclosures on revenues, parameters of the companies' costs environment, shared incomes and contract terminations.

4.10 RECORDS OF MINERAL REVENUE

Government budgets have defined lines for Tax and Non Tax revenues. Tax revenues form the largest share of Government Revenue with other inflows coming from Non-Tax Revenues, Development Partners funds.

Non-Tax revenue included lodged internally generated funds, and dividends. . The nontax revenues are managed by the Non-Tax Revenue Unit (NTRU) in the Ministry of Finance and Economic Planning.

The major tax revenues constituting of Customs and Excise Duty, Value Added Tax (VAT) and Income Tax are administered by the GRA.

The mining companies, regulated by the Minerals Commission under the Ministry of Lands, Forestry and Mines pay mining Royalties, corporate taxes to the GRA and dividends to the NTRU.

| Fiscal Indicator | Revised Budget(GH Cm) | Actual (GH Cm) | Variance (GH Cm) |
|------------------|-----------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Total Revenue | 26,230.28 | 24,745.46 | (1,484.82) |
| Domestic | 24,839.44 | 23.931.32 | (908.12) |
| Tax Revenue | 19,788.59 | 19,229.76 | (558.83) |
| Non Tax Revenue | 4,884.92 | 4,483.36 | (401.56) |
| Grants | 1,390.84 | 814.14 | (576.70) |

Table 4.6 Fiscal Performance 2014

Culled from Performance Report on the Budget Statement and Economic Policy for 2014

Others records linked to the National Budget are Appendix 15: Non Tax Revenue by Major Category of the 2014 Budget Statement by MOF – Dividends 1b by Mining

Companies Stating Total Collections in 2014 as GHS 14.45miilion with projections for 2015-6.

And Appendix 2: Economic Classifications of Central Government Revenue.- Taxes Under Income and Property budgeted for Minerals Royalties.

Spending Patterns of Mineral Revenue

There are clear laws and regulations governing expenditure management by District Assemblies. The Chieftaincy Act, 2008 requires Traditional Councils to prepare annual financial statements and submit them to the Auditor General within 3 months of the close of the fiscal year.

The pattern of expenditure of mineral revenue follows administrative fiat based on article 267 (6) of the 1992 Constitution. (See Fig1: Revenue Flow under Section 5) for the spending pattern (flow) expressed diagrammatically.

4.11: REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE MANAGEMENT

The legal framework for PFM in Ghana encompasses a range of laws and regulations that emanate out of the Constitution (1992). The main PFM laws are the Financial Administration Act (2003), the Loans Act (1970), the Public Procurement Act (2003), the Audit Service Act (2000), the Internal Audit Agency Act (2003).

The main fiscal decentralization laws are the Local Government Act (1993), the Local Government Service Act (2003), the District Assemblies Common Fund Act (1993), and the Chieftaincy Act (2008).

The Traditional Councils and Stools are regulated by the Constitution, the Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands Act, 1994 and the Chieftaincy Act, 2008.

There are a number of funds transfer mechanisms that currently operate from the Central Government to Sub National Government. In the case of MMDAs these include (1) Personnel Emolument payments, (2) some Administration Charges, (3) District Assemblies Common Fund (DACF) transfers, (4) HIPC transfers, (5) counterpart fund contributions to donor funded MMDA projects, and (6) Minerals Development Fund transfers.

For traditional councils these are Personnel Emolument Payments and Mineral Development Fund transfers.

Mineral Development Fund Transfers

The Mineral Development Fund transfers are based upon a fixed percentage of the mineral royalties (based upon the tax revenues of the mining entities operating within the district) collected by the central government from within their respective districts.

This makes for a transparent and rule based horizontal allocation in principle of mineral development fund transfers. The transfers are facilitated through the Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands (OASL). OASL then disburses the funds to MMDAs and Traditional Authorities by defined allocation. (See Revenue Flow diagram Fig1 under Section5)

In the case of Traditional Authorities the complex historical and cultural relationships between stools and traditional councils results in a non transparent allocation of resources. Representatives of the traditional authorities meet with officials of the OASL to negotiate and agree allocations.

MMDAs prepare central government monthly final accounts that include mineral development fund receipts for submission to the CAGD. The MMDAs prepare annual financial accounts that are audited but these are not consolidated.

Public Sector Reforms Initiatives

Initiatives include Ghana Integrated Financial Management Information Systems (GIFMIS), and Budget reforms such as the introduction of Program based Budgeting (PBB), new Budget Preparation and Management Systems, Fiscal Decentralisation and Modernisation of Revenue Management and Administration are being designed to enhance improved revenue management at the MMDA level.

A national debate on the use of Internally Generated Revenues of MDAs including Property Rate is ongoing. A study on the MMDA Budgeting, reporting and auditing systems and strategy papers on the improvement of PFM systems at the MDA level has been completed. All are intended to improve the revenue and expenditure management at MMDA level to enhance transparency.

Natural Resources and Environmental Governance Programme (NREG)

NREG is designed to provide annual Sector Budget Support and to sustain the implementation of broad programme of Natural Resources Governance and Environmental reforms and innovation for the government.

The programme has been developed and fully owned by relevant government agencies:- MLNR, MEST, FC, MC and EPA and focuses on a set of policies and

reforms in the inter-related sectors of forestry and wildlife, mining and environmental protection.

The NREG draws on the framework of collaboration with five participating Development Partners (DPs) including: Agence Francois de Development (AFD), Department for International Development (DfID) of the United Kingdom, the European Commission (EC), the Royal Netherland Government (RNG) and the International Development Association (IDA - WB).

In the mining sector, "Social Responsibility Guidelines for Mining Companies in Mining Communities" were prepared in consultation with stakeholders, and the fiscal model has been applied to three mines.

Other achievements include:

- 1. Collaborative effort which led to the passage of six legislative Instruments to give full effect to the Act 703
- 2. Supported GHEITI in Extractive Revenue Reporting
- 3. Establishment of Multi-Agency Task force on Mining
- Mineral Production & Sustainability

Reserves and Production

Gold Reserves estimated by US Geological Survey at 1,600 tons can support current rate of exploitation of 140 tons per year for over a decade. (Gold reserve declarations by large scale producing companies in the range of 50 million oz confirms this figure). New gold finds and production are planned in the next two years. Manganese reserves are high as only 3% of the total reserves have been exploited. Thus reserve position of the country's minerals can sustain production and support viability of the industry for over decade.

GDP Growth

Putting the gains in mineral production into context with the overall increase in GDP levels, Ghana's GDP growth on a constant price basis generally compares with the growth of gold mining production (Ghana's most important mineral in worth). See Table 4.7

| Sector | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| GDP Growth Rates at 2006 | 7.9 | 14.0 | 9.3 | 7.3 | 4.0 |
| Prices | | | | | |
| Gold Production (tons) | 82 | 80 | 89 | 140 | 140 |
| Gold Prices | 1224 | 1571 | 1668 | 1411 | 1266 |
| Gold Reserves estimated at 1,600 | | | | | |
| tons | | | | | |

Table 4.7 Ghana's Macroeconomic indicators (2010-2014)

Source: Ghana Statistical Service/Minerals Commission

The growth rate of gold production from 2010 -2012 has been steady contributing to the GDP climb in 2010 and 2012. (However Ghana's new oil exports largely contributed to the considerable increase in GDP of 14% in 2011. Gold Production increased in 2012 to 2014 partly due to the ever increasing significance of small scale gold production.

The Effects of Mineral Price Changes

There have been one sustained period of price increase for gold in the period 2010-2012 when the London price increased from US\$1,224 to US\$1,668 and another sustained period of price fall from 2012 to 2014 from around \$1450 to less than \$1,300. That non-withstanding, the growth of production was strong and so largely compensated in revenue terms for the price decline registered during the period.

Taking the periods as a whole (2010-2014), there is a strong presumption that the generally high rates of mineral production and mineral revenues have been a significant driver of the sustained GDP growth above 7% that Ghana has achieved between 2010 to 2013.

There has been favorable symbiotic relationship between mining activity and general socioeconomic development in Ghana.

There is a high probability that mining revenues are sustainable in the nearest future, however changes in mineral prices will have a significant influence.

State Participation in Mining

Free Carried Interest

Pursuant to section 43(1) of the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006, Act 703, "Where a mineral right is for mining or exploitation the Government shall acquire a ten percent free carried interest in the rights and obligations of the mineral operations in respect of which financial contribution shall not be paid Government" However

for companies with development agreements the 10% free carried interest may not apply¹⁸.

Special Share

With respect to a holder of a mining lease, pursuant to section 60 of Act 703 the Minister may by notice in writing require the mining company to issue rights agreed between the Minister and the company. This share does not allow the right to participate in the dividends, profits or assets of the company or a return of assets in a winding up or liquidation of the company.

The free carried interest is separate from the right to a special share. The Government is entitled to the free carried interest and the special share is required to be issued, when called for. In 2014 Government has the following non contributing shareholding in mining companies.

| Company | % Government Shareholding |
|---|---------------------------|
| Anglogold Ashanti Ghana Ltd ¹⁹ | 0 |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem) Ltd | 0 |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 0 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 0 |
| GoldFields Ghana Ltd | 10 |
| Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 10 |
| GSR (Prestea/Bogoso)Ltd | 10 |
| GSR (Wassa)Ltd | 10 |
| Adamus Resources (Ghana) Ltd | 10 |
| Perseus Mining (Ghana)Ltd | 10 |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 10 |
| Noble Gold(Bibiani) Ltd | 10 |
| Ghana Manganese Ltd | 10 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | 20 |

Table: 4.8 Government shareholding in Large Scale Mines in Ghana

Mining SOE in Ghana

There are two state owned mining related companies in Ghana. Sankofa Prestea Ltd and Precious Mineral Marketing Company. The latter serves as marketing wings for Small Scale Mining in Ghana.

1. Prestea Sankofa Limited was incorporated in 1994 with a United Kingdom based Company named Samax Limited owning 50.4 percent, Ghana National Petroleum Corporation (GNPC) owning 39.6 percent and

¹⁸ See Anglogold Ashanti Ghana Ltd, Anglogold Ashanti(Iduapriem)Ltd and Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd and Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd.

¹⁹ Government has stake in Anglogold Ashanti global shareholding structure.

the Government of Ghana with the remaining 10.0percent. Samax Limited, which traded on the Canadian stock exchange, was taken over by Ashanti Goldfields Company (AGC) in September 1998. AGC released the 50.4 percent share it owned to GNPC, with the Government of Ghana approval in November 2000.

The Company is now essentially a Ghanaian gold mining company extracting gold mainly from old tailings and waste ore dumped as a result of 100 years mining activity in the Prestea Gold belt.

Prestea Gold made voluntary payments of .GHS 744,000 in 2014 to the host communities.

2. The PMMC was established in 1963 as Ghana Diamond Marketing Board charged with the responsibility for the purchase and marketing of the country's diamonds. In 1965, by Legislative Instrument (LI) 401, the Company was incorporated as a State Owned Enterprise (SOE). With the promulgation of the diamonds decree (NRCD 32) in 1972, LI 916 was enacted to change the company's name to Diamond Marketing Corporation.

In 1989, PNDC Law 219 was enacted to yet again change the Company's name to the Precious Minerals Marketing Corporation. Finally in year 2000, it was converted by Act 461 to a Limited Liability Company as Precious Minerals Marketing Company Limited.

| Table. 4.9 FIVIIVIC Revenue and costs | (2010 | 2011/ | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| DESCRIPTION | | 2013 | 2014 |
| Revenue: | | 109,283,701 | 136,464,488 |
| Cost of Sales | | 107,825,952 | 130,583,540 |
| Social payments | | N/A | N/A |
| Corporate Tax: | | 65,519 | Nil |
| Corporate Social Responsibility: | | N/A | N/A |
| Dividends Payment: | | NO PAYMENT | NO PAYMENT |
| Government Subvention: | | N/A | N/A |
| Gold exports | | 99,461,630 | 124,390,436 |
| Jewellery sales | | 6,384,365 | 7,350,838 |
| Polished Diamond | | 1,040,860 | 1,065,964 |

PMMC Revenue and Costs

 Table: 4.9 PMMC Revenue and costs (2013-2014)
 PMMC Revenue

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| Diamond Cutting & Polishing | - | 6,619 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Scrap Gold (Buying Back Jew.) | 574,339 | 671,705 |
| Commission on Gold Export | 1,818,779 | 1,332,792 |
| Comm. On Diamonds Exports | - | 577,106 |
| Silver sales | 3,728 | - |
| Licensed Buying Co. Fees. | - | 1,069,028 |
| TOTAL | 109,283,701 | 136,464,488 |

Source: PMMC

There were no social payments made by PMMC in 2014. It did not receive any subventions or other transfers from Government.

4.12: INVESTOR TRANSPARENCY

Ownership

All the twelve (12) large scale gold mining companies are publicly listed on Stock Exchanges around the world. Ownership of such companies can be ascertained. Their listing symbols are provided. Three private companies namely Ghana Manganese, Ghana Bauxite and West African Quarries have background and ownership information provided as indicated in Table 4.9 below.

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| Anglogold Ashanti Ghana Ltd and AGA(Iduapriem)Lt |
|---|
| Directors: S Venkatakrishnan, KC Ramon, SM Pityana, LW Nkuhlu, R. Gasant, A. Garner, DL Hodgson, NP January- Bardill, MJ Kirkwood, M Richter, RJ Ruston, ME Sanz Perez |

| GoldFields Ghana Ltd/Abosso Goldfields Ltd | Goldfields Ghana Ltd and Goldfields Abosso Ltd own 90% in Tarkwa and Damang mines respectively. Both Ghanaian registered companies are owned by Goldfields Ghana (BVI) indirect subsidiary of Goldfields Ltd of South Africa. Listed on Johannesburg Stock Exchange: JSE:GFI, and NYSE:GFI, Principal Shareholders are: Government Employees Pension Fund, 9.7%, Public Investment Management LLC, 8.18%, Investec Asset Mgt(Pty) Ltd, 6.85%, Van Eck Associates Corp, 6.32%, Allan Gray Proprietary Ltd, 6.21%, Black Rock Investment Mgt (UK) Ltd, 4.76%, Nortrust Nominees Ltd, 3.81%, Bank of New York Mellon DR, 43%, State Street Bank & Trust Company, 7.31%, J.P Morgan Chase, 4.17%, Brown Brothers Harriman & Co., 3.21%. |
|---|---|
| Golden Star Resources, Wassa and Prestea/Bogoso Ltd | Golden Star Resources own 90% stakes in Golden Star(Wassa) Ltd and Golden Star (Prestea/Bogoso) Ltd. GSR Ltd is Canadian owned with headquarters and registered office at 150 King Street West, Sun Life Financial Tower, Suite 1200, Toronto, Ontario, M5H 1 J9, Canada. Listed on the TSX:GSC, NYSE:GSS and GSE:GSR Major Shareholders are: Liao Family, 16%, Sentry Select Capital Corp,11.6%, Renaissance Technologies, 2.0%, Earth Resources, 1.9% 1832 Asset Management, 1.3%, Millennium Management, 1.1% |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd/Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | Newmont Mining Corporation owns 100% of Newmont Ghana which controls and operate the Ahafo Mine and Golden Ridge Ltd. Listed on NYSE:NEM. Directors: Gregory H. Boyce, Bruce Brook, J. Kofi Bucknor, Vincent Calarco, Joseph Carrabba, Noreen Doyle, Gary Goldberg, Veronica Hagen, Jane Nelson, Julio Quintana. |

| Perseus Mining (Ghana) Ltd | Traded on the TSX:PRU and ASX:PRU. Directors: Jeff Quartermine, Reginald Gillard, Collin Carson, Sean Harvey, Michael Bohm, Martijn Bosboom. |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Adamus Resources (Ghana) Ltd | Adamus Resources is merged with Endeavor Mining trading on Toronto Exchange as TSX:EDV and Australian Exchange as ASX:EVR Directors: Michael Beckett, Ian Cockerill, Frank Guistra, Ian Henderson, Wayne McManus, Sabastien de Montessus, Michael Rodriquez, Naguib Sawiris, Neil Woodyer. |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | 90% owned by Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd, a subsidiary of Consolidated Minerals Ltd(CML) headquartered in Jersey. Registered office Commercial House, 3 Commercial Street, St Helier, Jersey, Channel Island, JE2 3RU. Andreas Marangos (a director of the company) owns 9,999,000 shares of CML ordinary shares and 1,000 ordinary shares held by Grizal Enterprises Ltd, a related party in which Gennady Bogolyubov has 100% interest. Both Andreas Marangos and Grizal hold the shares in trust for Gennady Bogolyubov, the sole and ultimate beneficial owner of the issued shares. |
| Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | 80% owned by Bosai Minerals Group in China and Ghana Government 20%. Bosai Group headquarters is at World Trade Center, 47 th Floor, 131 Zourong Road, Yuzhong District, Chongquig, China. Directors include Yuan Zhilun, Steven Ma and Bill Holroyd. |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 90% owned by Kinross of Canada. Listed on the Toronto and New York Stock Exchanges |

| Noble Gold Bibiani Ltd | 90% owned by Noble Minerals Resources Ltd as at end of 2014. Listed on the Australian Exchange ASX:NMG. Director include Erik Palmbachs, Mark Laing, Roger Bannister and Peter Williams |
|------------------------------|--|
| West African Quarries Ltd | Subsidiary of Ghana Cement (GHACEM), a cement manufacturing concern. 93.1% owned by Scancem (formerly Norcem of Norway) and now Heidelberg Cement, 5% Ghanaian workers, 1.9% by Dr. Addison a Ghanaian investor. |

<u>Ownership Transfers</u>

AFRICAN QUEEN MINES LTD has entered into a conditional agreement with a Ghanabased resource company to purchase from the company 100 per cent of the shares of the capital stock of its Ghanaian operating subsidiary, AQ Ghana Gold Ltd., for cash and a net smelter royalty.

The terms and provisions of said agreement are subject to the review and approval of the Minerals Commission of Ghana, and formal approval of the Minister of Lands and Natural Resources. Akan Exploration Ltd., the company's joint venture partner, and Newmont Mining Corp., prior owner of the underlying exploration licence, will share in the proceeds of the transaction. Further details of the transaction will be provided after government review and approval.

GRA to check this transaction for the possibility of capital gains tax obligations

Dividends Declarations

Goldfields Ghana is reported to have paid dividend of US\$ 10 million in 2014 as contained in their annual report. NTRU of MOFEP to reconcile payments during 2012-2015.

Social Expenditures

Some extractive companies have established foundations which assist them in the discharge of corporate social responsibilities. See corporate social responsibility below.

Corporate Social Responsibility(CSR)

CSR of mining companies are voluntary in nature. Guidelines have been developed for Community Development Agreements (CDA) and some agreements are in the public domain. Some of the Agreements are:

- 1. Agreement between Newmont Ahafo Development Fountain and Newmont Ghana Ltd. (File: Newmont Ahafo Development Agreement)
- 2. Ahafo Social Responsibility Agreement between the Ahafo Mine Local Community and Newmont Ghana Ltd. (File: Ahafo Social Responsibility Agreement)
- 3. Agreement between Newmont Ghana Ltd and Ahafo Mine Local Community on Local Employment. (File: Ahafo Local Employment Agreement)
- Development of Corporate Social Responsibility Guidelines for Mining Companies in Mining Communities (File: Guidelines for CSR Final Report. SRC.MinnComm) Available at Source: www.sdsg.org/archives/cda-library

Gold Fields Ghana Foundation

Gold Fields Ghana Ltd established Gold Fields Ghana Foundation in 2004 as a primary vehicle for socio-economic investment in host communities to ensure lasting legacy of economically viable projects.

The Foundation is funded by Gold Fields Ghana's two operations, together with some contributions from major contractors and companies with working relations with Gold Fields. Gold Field Ghana contributes US\$1 out of every ounce of gold produced from Tarkwa and Damang mines to the Foundation. It also beefs up the Foundation's funds with 0.5 percent of its profit before tax income.

The Foundation is legally registered and focuses primarily (but not exclusively) on the communities around Gold Fields Group operating mining areas in Ghana, particularly

those directly affected by the company's mining activities and where employees and their dependants live. Five key project areas of focus for the Foundation are Health, Water and sanitation, Education, Income enhancement/livelihoods and Infrastructure development.

The Foundation is managed by a Board of Trustee who approves of projects to be executed by the Foundation. The Foundation has provided funding for national projects with significance which falls within the defined operational parameters of the Foundation.

Source: http://graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/37441-goldfields-ghana

AngloGold Ashanti Ghana Foundation

In 2004, AngloGold Ashanti (AGA) and the Government of Ghana entered into an agreement requiring AGA to establish Community Trust Fund at its two operating sites under the 2004 Stability Agreement.

AGA was expected to contribute 1 per cent of its after-tax profit to the Trust Fund. Prior to the establishment of the Trust in 2012, AGA had made contributions to community development projects of more than 1 per cent of post-tax profits. AGA in 2012 established separately the Obuasi and Iduapriem Community Trust Funds to support long-term sustainable development in the operating communities.

Each Trust Fund has 3 permanent management bodies comprising a Board of directors, a steering committee and an administrative team. Each Board is made up of 7 members. The Board is responsible for both investment and policy decisions. They are accountable for the performance of the Trust Fund. The steering committee has 32 members for Obuasi and 23 for Iduapriem.

They serve as the bridge between the local government, communities and the Trust fund. The Administrative team comprises 3-5 staff members which support the boards and steering committees to facilitate interactions with the communities.

In 2012 when both Trusts were registered as legal entities in Ghana they had together accrued an amount of US\$ 4.3 million (\$2.7 million in the Obuasi fund and \$1.6 million in the Iduapriem fund).

Source: http://graphic.com.gh/news/education/50983-anglogold-ashanti-trust-fund

Golden Star Development Foundation

Golden Star Resources Ltd established Golden Star Development Foundation (GSDF) in 2008. The Foundation is funded with US\$1 for every ounce of gold produced plus 0.1% of pre-tax profit. The GSDF is used to support variety of projects in the catchment area of its operations. Community projects completed with funding from the Foundation include health and education facilities as well as community development infrastructure projects.

The initiatives are selected by local Community Mine Consultative Committees (CMCC) that represent local stakeholders. The CMCCs are made up of local community leaders who serve as the focal point for the community partnerships allowing communities to select the types of projects they see as important for the development of their communities. GSDF funds are used to develop a variety of community projects, including health, education, and community infrastructure initiatives that are selected by the CMCC

Source: Golden Star Resource Ltd 2013 Annual Report

Newmont Ahafo Development Foundation

Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd (NGGL) set up Newmont Ahafo Development Foundation (NADeF) in 2008 in fulfillment with agreement between the company and the 10 mining communities. At the time of signing the Agreement, NGGL had accrued a total amount of **US\$857,000** set aside for the foundation since July 2006. NGGL contributes \$1 per ounce of gold produced and 1% of net pre-tax annual profit from its operation to support the Foundation. The Foundation also receives support from contributions of major contractors and companies with working relations with Newmount. NADeF is supervised by a 9-member Board Trustees and a Secretariat which is responsible for the day to day management of the Foundation. Newmont's contribution to the Foundation as at December 2014 stood at approximately GHS41m out of which GHS23.5m has been committed to developmental and human resource development projects. Key project areas of focus for the Foundation are Health, Water and sanitation, Education, Income enhancement/livelihoods and Infrastructure development.

Source: NADeF 2009 and 2014 Annual Reports

Chirano Gold Mines Limited

Chirano Gold Mines Limited set up the Community Trust Fund in 2006 in fulfillment of an understanding between the company and the 20 communities within the mine catchment area. As at 31st December, 2014, an amount of US\$ 1,892,838 was accrued from contribution by the company. The company contributes \$1 per ounce of gold sold. The balance on the fund as at December 2014 stood at US\$ 951,801.

The Chirano Trust Fund is supervised by a 10 member Board of Trustees while the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) assisted by CGML manages the Fund. Areas of focus for the Fund are Health, Water, Sanitation, Education and Infrastructure development.

Source: Chirano Gold Mines Ltd

Others

The other Mining companies operating in various areas of the country also engage in community social development projects. These projects are undertaken as part of the companies' social responsibility initiatives; however, these companies have not formalized their social responsibility initiatives with independent bodies, structures and systems in the manner the preceding discussions indicate.

Environmental Responsibility

The Akoben programme is an environmental performance rating and disclosure initiative of the EPA, which uses a five-colour rating scheme to assess the environmental performance of mining and manufacturing operations. The five colours are Gold, Green, Blue, Orange and Red, indicating environmental performance ranging from excellent to poor.

Overall 16 mining companies have featured in the Akoben process since 2009 in Ghana. Only Newmont Golden Ridge Resources at New Abirem and Noble Gold Bibiani Limited in Bibiani have been involved in the process on a single occasion (2012).

On the other hand, Adamus Resources Limited in Teleku Bokazo, Owere Mines Limited of Konongo and Perseus Mining Limited in Ayanfuri have been involved twice (2011 and 2012).

In order to get a clear picture of who is doing well in the EPA's process, colour codes have been substituted with numerical values where Red (poor) performance is represented by 1 and Gold (excellent) performance is represented by 5. Orange (unsatisfactory), Blue (good) and Green (very good) are represented with 2, 3 and 4 respectively. (http://epaghanaakoben.org/)

ANALYSIS OF REPORTED DATA & INFORMATION Analysis of Company Data

1. <u>Reserves and 2014 Production</u>

Reserves estimates were for proven and probable figures obtained from company's annual reports. As indicated the reserve positions of major mining operations would afford sustainability into the distant future. Table 4.11 shows the reserve position and the rate of exploitation as indicated in 2014 mine production levels.

Gold

| Company | Reserves ²⁰ | Tons Treated | Grade | Production |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|------------|
| | (oz) | (Million ton) | (g/t) | (oz) |
| Anglogold Ashanti Ghana Ltd | 6,200,000 | 2.2 | 4.67 | 287,762 |
| Anglogold Ashanti | 1,700,000 | 4.9 | 1.13 | 187,558 |
| (Iduapriem) Ltd | | | | |
| Gold Fields Ghana Ltd | 9,568,000 | 13.5 | 1.3 | 558,223 |
| Abosso Gold Fields Ltd | 5,260,000 | 4.0 | 1.4 | 177,742 |
| GSR (Prestea/Bogoso)Ltd | 350,000 | 3.9 | 2.3 | 147,955 |
| GSR (Wassa) Ltd | 1,578,000 | 2.6 | 1.41 | 112,815 |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 9,900,000 | 3.9 | 3.63 ²¹ | 442,020 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 6,700,000 | 8.5 | 1.78 | 471,654 |
| Adamus Resources Ghana Ltd | 1,700,000 | 1.5 | 2.27 | 106,387 |
| Perseus Mining(Ghana)Ltd | 2,685,000 | n/a | n/a | 181,981 |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 1,026,874 | 3.144 | 3.08 | 286,542 |

Table 4.11: Mine Gold Reserve position and 2014 production levels

Source: Company Annual Reports

Gold Production Growth

Gold production increased by 20% and 16% at Anglogold Ashanti Obuasi and Goldfields Damang respectively in 2014. Newmont Golden Ridge had a full production year having commenced operations in mid 2013 thus registering over 250% increase in mine output. As indicated in Table 4.11 some mines had slowed production in 2014.

²⁰ Proven and Probable Estimate according to JORC Code

²¹ Computed

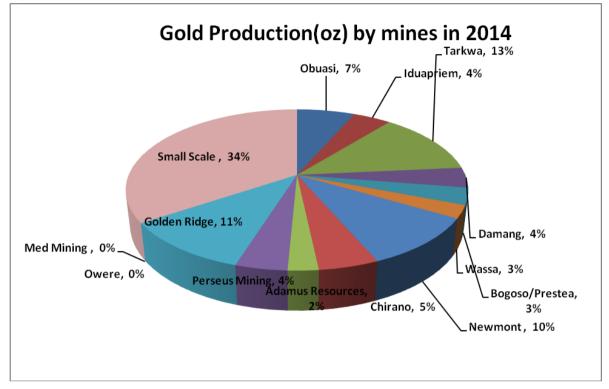
Table 4.12: Production Growth in 2013-2014

| Company | 2014 | 2013 | % Variance |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Anglogold Ashanti (Ghana)Ltd | 287,762 | 239,032 | 20.39 |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem) Ltd | 207,702 | 207,002 | 20.07 |
| | 187,558 | 212,465 | (11.72) |
| | EE0 000 | (22.2.40 | (11 71) |
| Gold Fields(Ghana)Ltd | 558,223 | 632,240 | (11.71) |
| Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 177,742 | 153,117 | 16.08 |
| GSR (Bogoso/Prestea) Ltd | 147,955 | 144,994 | 2.04 |
| | | , | |
| GSR (Wassa) Ltd | 112,815 | 185,033 | (39.03) |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 442,020 | 570,202 | (22.48) |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 210,259 | 277,679 | (24.28) |
| Adamus Resources (Ghana)Ltd | 106,387 | 103,231 | 3.06 |
| Perseus Mining(Ghana)Ltd | 181,981 | 202,398 | (10.09) |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 471,654 | 129,211 | 265.03 |
| Small Scale (Gold) | 1,512,516 | 1,576,478 | (4.06) |
| | | 1,977,911 | (22.5) |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | 1,531,394 | | |
| Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | 798,114 | 826,994 | (3.49) |

Fig. 4.5 shows both production and the percentage contribution of large scale and small scale operations in 2014. It indicates that 34% of the total country gold output is from small scale and artisanal operators. It therefore underscores the emerging significance of small scale sector in the country.

Production of out-of- scope company, Med Mining (431 oz) has been included for comparison purposes.

Fig 4.5: Gold production by mines in 2014



<u>Revenues</u>

Table 4.13 shows the revenue distribution of the mining companies in 2014 in comparison with output from 2013.

| Company | 2014 Revenue (US\$m) | 2013 Revenue |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| Anglogold Ashanti (Ghana)Ltd | 313 | 341 |
| Anglogold Ashanti(Iduapriem) Ltd | 234 | 301 |
| Gold Fields Ghana Ltd | 707.7 | 893.1 |
| Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 224.6 | 216.4 |
| GSR(Prestea/Bogoso) Ltd | 186.1 | 193.4 |
| GSR(Wassa)Ltd | 142.7 | 263.0 |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 569 | 793 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 597 | 164 |
| Adamus Resources (Ghana) Ltd | 144 | 143.2 |
| Perseus Mining (Ghana)Ltd | 263.9 | 293.8 |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 354.9 | 387.8 |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | 91.1 | 135.5 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co, Ltd | 29.8 | 32.9 |

Table: 4.13: Revenues from mining companies in 2013-2014

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Mineral Exports

Total Mineral Exports was US\$ 4,516 million in 2014. Total National Merchandise Exports was recorded as US\$ 12,983million in 2014. Table 4.14 shows exports from the various mining companies and their contributions to both National mineral export and National total Merchandise Export in 2014.

Goldfields Tarkwa contributed about 15% and 5% of the total mineral export and National Merchandise Exports respectively in 2014. Exports from Ghana Bauxite registered 0.6% of the total minerals exports and only 0.22% of the total Merchandise Exports in 2014.

| Company | Exports | % Mineral | % Total |
|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|-------------|
| | (US\$m) | Exports | Merchandise |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Ghana) Ltd | 313 | 6.93 | 2.41 |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem) | 234 | 5.18 | 1.80 |
| Ltd | | | |
| Gold Fields (Ghana) Ltd | 707.7 | 15.67 | 5.45 |
| Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 224.6 | 4.97 | 1.72 |
| GSR (Prestea/Bogoso) Ltd | 186.1 | 4.12 | 1.43 |
| GSR (Wassa)Ltd | 142 | 3.14 | 1.09 |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 569 | 12.59 | 4.38 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 597 | 13.21 | 4.59 |
| Adamus Resources (Ghana)Ltd | 144 | 3.18 | 1.10 |
| Perseus Mining(Ghana)Ltd | 263.9 | 5.84 | 2.03 |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 354.9 | 7.85 | 2.73 |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | 91.1 | 2.01 | 0.70 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co, Ltd | 29.8 | 0.6 | 0.22 |
| Total Minerals Export | 4,516 | 100 | 34.78 |
| Total Merchandise Exports | 12,983 | 100 | 100 |

Table 4.14: 2014 External Sector- Mineral Exports

Source: Minerals Commission

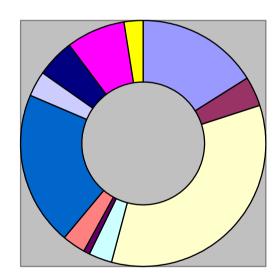
Capital Expenditure

As indicated in Table 4.15 capital expenditure drastically reduced in 2014 partly due gold price slump. Anglogold Ashanti Obuasi invested only US\$ 82million in 2014 compared with US\$ 196million in 2013 as a result of mine restructuring.

| Company | 2014 | 2013 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | Capital Expenditure (US\$m) | Capital Expenditure (US\$m) |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Ghana)Ltd | 82 | 196 |
| Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem) Ltd | 21 | 28 |
| GoldFields Ghana Ltd | 174 | 207 |
| Abosso GoldFields Ltd | 16.0 | 50.1 |
| GSR(Prestea/Bogoso)Ltd | 3.87 | 69.0 |
| GSR (Wassa)Ltd | 16.4 | 33.5 |
| Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 104 | 169 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 16.9 | 236 |
| Adamus Resources (Ghana) Ltd | 25.4 | n/a |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 39.6 | 96.1 |
| Ghana Manganese Co.Ltd | 12.1 | n/a |
| Ghana Bauxite Co, Ltd | 0.55 | n/a |

Table 4.15: Capital Expenditure of mining companies (2013-2014)

Fig. 4.6 shows Capital Expenditure by large Scale Companies in 2014





Mining Capital Expenditure (2014)

Average Price and Cost

Anglogold Ashanti reported high Cash Cost and All-in-Sustaining Cost indicating the high cost nature of their operations and thus justifying their current restructuring exercise. Table 4.16 shows figures culled from company annual reports.

| | 0 1 | | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Company | Average Price (US\$) ²² | Cash Cost US\$ | AISC US\$ |
| Anglogold Ashanti Obuasi | 1087 | 1086 | 1374 |
| Anglogold Ashanti Iduapriem | 1246.2 | 865 | 1020 |
| Goldfields Ghana Tarkwa | 1267.7 | 816 ²³ | 1176 |
| Goldfield Ghana Damang | 1263.6 | 1060 | 1068 |
| GSR Prestea/Bogoso | 1257.8 | 1180 | n/a |
| GSR Wassa | 1264.9 | 971 | 1252 |
| Newmont Ahafo | 1,258 | | 849 |
| Newmont Akyem | 1,28 | | 423 |
| Adamus Resources | 1,268 | 880 | 1,036 |

Table: 4.16: Cost Metrics of some mining companies in 2014

 ²² Average Price computed from Revenue and Export/Sales Figures
 ²³ Average 2013 Figures for Cash Cost and AISC

5.0 RECONCILIATION

5.1 SCOPE OF WORK

5.1.1 MATERIALITY

The participating companies included all producing mining companies with large scale mining leases which were part of the entities that paid up to 99% of mineral royalties for 2014 and with annual minimum mineral royalty payment of GHS 1,500,000.

Mineral Royalty payment was chosen in the determination of the threshold for reporting, instead of total revenue, in order to widen the coverage of the reconciliation.

Mineral royalty accounted for 48% of government receipts, whilst corporate tax also accounted for 48% of government receipts. However the quantum of corporate tax receipts were higher than that of mineral royalty. (see fig 5.2). Dividend payment accounted for 3% of total receipts. Only one company Gold Fields Ghana Ltd, paid dividends in 2014.

- Six participating companies paid almost 100% of corporate taxes in the mining sector in 2014. The six companies included Gold Fields Ghana Ltd which was the sole payee of dividends. Thus over 96% of total revenues are made up of mineral royalty and corporate tax.
- At 99% coverage based on total payment, thirteen (13) companies would be required to report instead of the fifteen companies using the royalty determination.
 (See Appendix 7) i.e. Noble Mining (Bibiani) Ltd and West African Quarries would not report under total payment.

The table below shows the determination of the threshold and the selection of companies for the 2014 GHEITI report using royalty payment.

| Threshold | Number of Companies | Weight/Total Royalty collected | Cumulative wt | Comments |
|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------------|
| Amount> GHS 100m | 1 | 22.72 | 22.72 | |
| GHS 100M>Amount>GHS 50m | 2 | 22.80 | 45.52 | |
| GHS50m >Amount>GHS 10m | 9 | 52.08 | 97.60 | |
| GHS10m>Amount>GHS 1.5m | 3 | 1.98 | 99.58 | Recommended. Cover 15 companies |
| GHS 1m>Amount>GHS 0.2m | 4 | 0.32 | 99.90 | Would cover 19 companies |
| GHS 0.2m >Amount>GHS 0.1m | 3 | 0.09 | 99.99 | Would cover 22 companies |

Table 5.1: Threshold and companies selection for 2014 GHEITI report.

5.2 REPORTING

5.2.1 Basis of Reporting/ Currency

The basis of reporting is cash or actual. Thus only payments/revenues actually made and received in the period under consideration shall be reconciled. The reporting currency is the local currency i.e. Ghana cedi (GHS).

5.2.2 Auditing

All the participating companies had their financial statements audited by Independent Auditors for 2014. The independent auditors of the companies employed auditing standards issued by the International Auditing and Assurance Standards board.

None of the Auditors' statements was qualified. The Auditor General of Ghana and the Audit Service had completed the audit of all participating government Agencies for 2014.

The Audit Service of Ghana is a member of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions(INTOSAI) and AFROSAI and applies the International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAI) issued by (INTOSAI) in its auditing work.

The Audit Service monitors the use and management of all Public funds and report to Parliament annually.

- The Budgeting and Auditing Process in Ghana
- Budget Preparation

The President of the republic is mandated by the constitution to submit a budget to parliament each year for approval. Guided by the Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF), the Ministry of Finance (MOF) prepares the budget on behalf of the President.

The Ministry of Finance (MoF) reviews and determines economic targets for the coming year, places adverts in the newspapers to invite proposals from the general public on what should go into the budget, and holds discussions with associations and groups like the Trades Union Congress, Civil Society Organizations, Traders, Importers, Exporters, University Professors etc.

The Ministry of Finance then assist Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) of Government to review their policies and draft budgets to ensure that their figures fall within budget ceilings and are also in line with the national development policy. The collated draft budget is then sent to Cabinet for approval. MoF then finalizes the Budget Statement after which the Minister for Finance, acting on behalf of the President, presents the budget to Parliament usually in November. Parliament debates the budget after it is presented by the Minister. If there are issues, the Ministry of Finance is called to address them. When Parliament is satisfied that all the issues have been addressed, they approve the budget by passing a Law called the Appropriations Act which is also signed by the President to enable MDAs and other Government Institutions to spend.

Implementation

Implementation begins in January after the approval from the President. MDAs submit their work and procurement plans to MoF. Funds are released upon request by the MDAs using an electronic system called the Ghana Integrated Financial Management Information System (GIFMIS), to implement their programmed activities in accordance with the approved budget.

Audit and Evaluation

The Constitution mandates the Auditor General to audit budget implementation and report to Parliament. This involves examining the financial reports and activities of the MDAs to ensure that they spend within the budget and that all monies are used for the purposes for which they are given.

The Auditor General performs both financial and performance audit by providing an independent check on information and compliance with the legal provisions that guide the use of public funds.

The Auditor General reports to Parliament its findings on all areas including procurement lapses. The audited reports are expected to be published six months after the end of the fiscal year.

The Public Accounts Committee of Parliament (PAC) studies the reports of the Auditor General and where necessary, invites Directors of MDAs or persons found culpable to a public hearing of the Committee's sittings to answer questions relating the audit findings.

The PAC then makes recommendations to the full house to take remedial actions on any irregularities uncovered by the audits

5.3 BENEFIT STREAMS

The revenue streams that were considered for reconciliation included the following:

| Table 5.2: Revenue Strea | ams for 2014 i | reconciliation rep | ort |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|

| No. | Benefit Stream | Particulars |
|-----|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Mineral Rights | Mineral rights are vested in the state and granted by the Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources.The licences considered here are those that allow the holder the right to enter the land and perform specific tasks.There are three sequential categories entitling the holder to conduct reconnaissance of, prospect for or mine certain minerals. The payments for these licences are collected by the Minerals Commission. |
| 2 | <i>Reconnaissance License</i> | A reconnaissance licence which covers the first stage in mining operation entitles the holder to search for specified minerals by geological, geophysical and geochemical means. In general, reconnaissance licences do not permit drilling, excavation, or other physical activities on the land, except where such activity is specifically mentioned by the licence. Reconnaissance licence is granted for an initial period of not more than twelve months with a renewable option for another twelve months for land area ranging between one block and five thousand blocks. (A block is 21 hectares). |
| 3 | Prospecting Licence | Prospecting licence which covers the second stage of mining operations entitles the holder to search for stipulated minerals and to determine their extent and economic value. This licence is granted for an initial period of three years for a land area not exceeding 750 contiguous blocks. The prospecting licence may be extended for a period not exceeding three years in respect of all or for any number of blocks subject for prospecting. |
| 4 | Mining Lease | When a holder of a reconnaissance licence or a prospecting licence has established that the mineral(s) indicated in the licence is/are present in commercial quantities, an application for a mining lease may be applied for before the expiration of the current licence. The mining lease is granted for an initial period of thirty (30) years or less as may be agreed upon with the applicant and may be renewed for an additional period of thirty (30) years. |

| 5 | Ground Rent | This is the annual payment made by mining companies and other companies to the owners of the land.The participating mining companies operate on stool lands and therefore pay their ground rent to the Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands.The amount payable as ground rent depends on the size of the concession. |
|---|-----------------|---|
| 6 | Property Rate | Property rates as the name indicates are levies that are imposed on buildings, and plants that are fixed to the ground. Property rates are determined by the District Assemblies after applying a formula (Rate impost) to valuation figures. The valuation figures for properties are determined by the District Valuation Board with approval from the Regional Valuation Board. The District Assemblies collect property rates directly from the mining companies. Some mining companies divide the amount payable into four parts and pay in four installments. |
| | | District Assemblies apply property rates from mining companies as internally generated funds. It is generally used for recurrent expenditure |
| 7 | Mineral Royalty | It is a production based tax which is levied on the basis of Section 25 of the Minerals and Mining Act, 2006; ACT 703 which states that 'A holder of a mining lease, restricted mining lease or small scale mining licence shall pay royalty that may be prescribed in respect of minerals obtained from its mining operations to the Republic, except that the rate of royalty shall not be more than 6% or less than 3% of the total revenue of minerals obtained by the holder." An amendment to section 25 of ACT 703; passed in March 2010, provided royalty payment at 5% of the gross revenue of minerals mined. Mining Companies are liable to pay royalties immediately they commence mineral production in the country. Payment of mineral royalties is made quarterly by all Mining Companies. The Minerals and Mining (Amendment) Law, 2014 ,now provides for royalty rate as stipulated in regulations. |

| 8 | Corporate Tax | Corporate tax is currently fixed at 35% of Net Profit. All the mining companies under consideration are on self-assessment. Self-assessed companies are allowed to forecast their profits for the year and pay some deposits based on their own assessment. Companies on self-assessment are however required to submit their yearly returns four months after the end of the accounting year. Capital allowance is 20% per annum on a straight line basis. For the purposes of computing capital allowances for mining entities, the following are considered as Assets. i) Mineral Exploration rights ii) Building, structures and works of a permanent nature which are likely to be of little or no value when the rights are exhausted or the prospecting, exploration, or development ends. iii) Plant and machinery used in mining operations. iv) Costs incurred in respect of mineral prospecting, exploration and development (are treated as if they were incurred in securing the acquisition of assets). Carry forward of losses. Mining companies are allowed to carry forward losses arising in any year to the next year for offset against the profit. The loss must however be deducted within five years following that in which the loss occurred. |
|---|----------------------------------|---|
| 8 | Dividend | The Republic of Ghana retains a 10% non-contributing shareholding in every mining lease holder. The government's percentage holding (10%) may be altered in circumstances where special agreements exist. The Government's share of dividends when declared by the companies is collected by the Non Tax Revenue Unit of the Ministry of Finance. |
| 9 | Environmental Permitting Fees | This is fees paid by extractive industry entities for specific activities that impact the environment. |

Revenue Flow within the Mining Sector

The Agencies and revenues collected are indicated in Table 5.4 Fig 5.1 shows the flow of the revenues.

Dividend and **Corporate** taxes paid by mining companies are all lodged into the consolidated fund i.e. Central government's treasury.

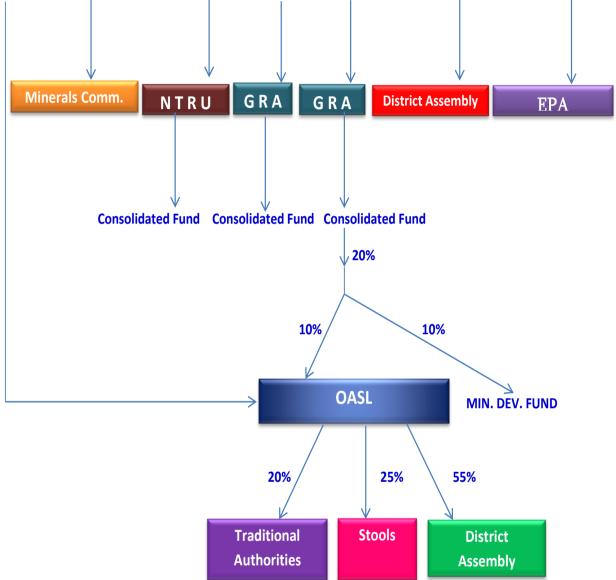
Mineral Rights Payments and **Property rat**es are used by the Recipient Agencies, i.e. Minerals Commission and District Assemblies respectively as internally generated Funds.

Mineral Royalty is first paid into the consolidated Fund. 20% of the mineral royalty receipts is thereafter released to the Minerals Development Fund and the OASL. (See Fig... and section on disbursements). The remaining 80% stays in the consolidated fund.

Ground rent is received by the OASL and distributed in accordance with Article 267(6) of the 1992 constitution. (i.e. 55% to the District Assemblies; 25% to stools and 20% to Traditional Authorities within the jurisdiction of the OASL)

Environmental permitting fees is received by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and used as internally generated fund.

Fig: 5.1 Revenue flow in the mining sector/Environmental permitting fees



Ground Rent Minerals Rights Licen. Dividends Corporate Tax Mineral Royalty Property Rate Env. Permit Fees

5.4 REPORTING ENTITIES

Participating Companies

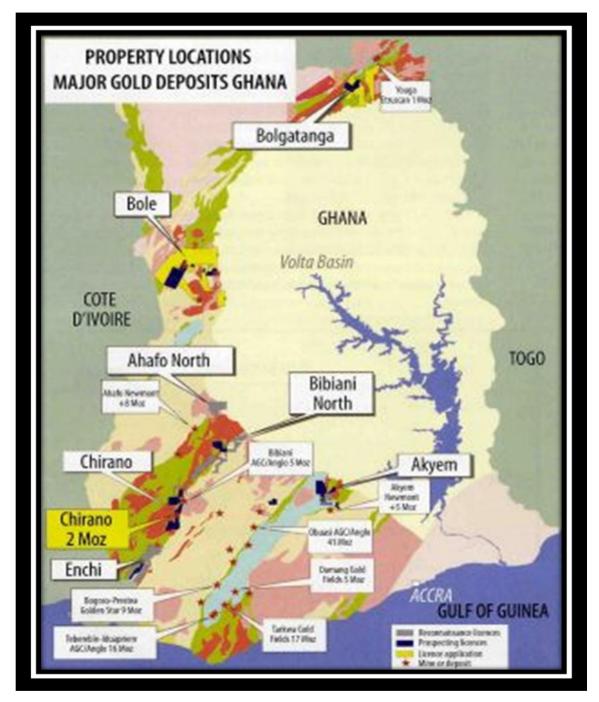
The selected companies for the reconciliation exercise are shown below.

| No. | Mine/Company | Location | Mineral Mined |
|-----|-------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Anglo gold Ashanti(Ghana) Ltd | Obuasi, Ashanti Region | Gold |
| 2 | Anglo gold (Iduapriem) Ltd | Iduaprim, Western Region | Gold |
| 3 | Adamus Resources Ltd | Nkroful, Western Region | Gold |
| 4 | GSR(Wassa)Ltd | Akyempim, Western Region | Gold |
| 5 | GSR(Prestea/Bogosu)Ltd | Prestea/Bogosu, Western | Gold |
| | | Region | |
| 6 | Goldfields Ghana Ltd | Tarkwa, Western Region | Gold |
| 7 | Abosso Goldfields Ltd | Damang,Western Region | Gold |
| 8 | Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | Chirano, Western Region | Gold |
| 9 | Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | Kenyase, Brong Ahafo | Gold |
| 10 | Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | Abirem, Eastern Region. | Gold |
| 11 | Ghana Bauxite Company Ltd | Awaso, Western Region | Bauxite |
| 12 | Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | Nsuta, Western Region | Manganese |
| 13 | Perseus Mining(Ghana)Ltd | Ayanfuri, Central Region | Gold |
| 14. | Noble Mining Ltd | Bibiani, Western Region | Gold |
| 15 | West African Quarries | Oterkpolu/Eastern Region | Limestone |

Table 5.3: List of companies participating in the 2014 Reconciliation

Most mining companies can be found in the Western Region of Ghana.





✤ GOVERNMENT REPORTING ENTITIES:

The Ministries' Agencies' and entities which provided data and information for this assignment included:

- *Ghana Revenue Authority (Domestic Tax Revenue Division)*
- *Ghana Revenue Authority (Customs Division)*
- The Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands.
- The Minerals Commission
- The Municipal and District Assemblies within the areas of operation of the mines covered under the assignment.
- The Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources.
- Ministry of Finance(Non Tax Revenue Unit)
- Environmental Protection Agency

| Name of Organization | Data | REMARKS |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Minerals Commission | Mineral Right | Mineral rights |
| | Licences(Reconnaissan | received are used |
| | ce; Prospecting: | internally by the |
| | Mining Lease) | Commission |
| | Production and other | |
| | costs details of | |
| | companies | |
| District Assemblies | Property tax | Property rates used |
| | Mineral royalty | internally by |
| | received/utilized. | Assemblies |
| Administrator of Stool | Ground Rent | Amount received |
| Lands-Head | Amount of Mineral | distributed according |
| office/Relevant Regional | Royalties disbursed to | to formula.(See Fig 3.1 |
| Offices. | District Assemblies; | On Revenue Flow. |
| | Traditional | |
| | Authorities and Stools. | |
| Ghana Revenue Authority | Mineral Royalty | Amounts received are |
| (GRA). | Corporate Tax | paid into the |
| | | consolidated Fund. |
| | | (Gov't Treasury) |
| Ministry of Finance(Non- | Dividends | Paid into |

Table 5.4: Government Agencies and provision of relevant data

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| Tax Revenue Unit) | | Consolidated Fund |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Ministry of Land and | Mineral Development | The Mineral |
| Natural Resources. | Fund. | Development Fund is |
| | | 10% of royalty paid |
| | | by Mining Entities. |

COLE OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES.

• Ghana Revenue Authority (Domestic Tax Revenue Division)

The Domestic Tax Revenue Division of the Ghana Revenue Authority is responsible for the collection of taxes including: income tax, royalties, capital gains tax, corporate tax and gift tax. GRA implements the Internal Revenue Act 2000, Act 592 and its amendments.

The role of the Ghana Revenue Authority (Domestic Tax Revenue Division) in the mining sector includes the collection of corporate taxes, mineral royalty and capital gains tax.

The GRA (DTRU) is responsible for receiving returns from mining companies/entities and determining the correctness of payments.

• Ghana Revenue Authority (Customs Division)

The Customs Division of the Ghana Revenue Authority has its staff at the various mines to:

- Observe the smelting process(in the case of gold mining)
- Observe and record the weighing process
- Package and seal boxes for shipment
- Accompany packages to the port or airport for shipment.
- Non Tax Revenue Unit

The Non tax Revenue Unit which located at the Ministry of Finance is responsible for the collection of dividends due government from the mining companies.

The government of Ghana retains a non-contributing shareholding of 10% equity in all mining entities. This may however be altered if the mining company invests to the tune of fifty million US dollars and negotiates its fiscal terms.

• Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands (OASL).

The office of the Administrator of Stool Lands (OASL) is mandated by Article 267(2) of the 1992 constitution and the Office of the Administrator of stool lands Act 1994(Act 481) to collect stool land revenue and to disburse same to the beneficiaries.

The OASL is responsible for collecting ground rent.

Ground Rents: These are specified amounts payable annually by holders of leasehold grants and other terminable interests in Land transactions in respect of plots/parcels of land for residential, industrial, commercial, religious and other habitation uses. It is payable whether the land is developed or not.

The OASL also receives mineral royalty ceded to district Assemblies and communities affected by mining and distributes same (see <u>http://ghanalap/gov.gh/index.php/fees</u>).

• Minerals Commission: The Minerals Commission was established under the Minerals Commission Act, 1993(Act 450). The Commission is responsible for the regulation and management of mineral resources of Ghana and the coordination of policies relating to the mining industry.

The Commission receives payments of mineral rights licences (ie reconnaissance, exploration and mining lease) from mining entities. These receipts are applied as internally generated funds.

• Ministry of Finance

The Ministry is responsible for the formulation and implementation of fiscal and financial policies for Ghana; mobilization and allocation of resources as well as improving public financial management (www.mofep.gov.gh/about/functions)

The Ministry of Finance is the supervising ministry for the Ghana Revenue Authority and the Non Tax Revenue Unit.

• The Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources

The ministry is responsible for the management of Ghana's land, forests, wildlife and mineral resources.

The Ministry is the supervising Ministry for the OASL and the Minerals Commission. It also has a supervisory role over the Minerals Development Fund (MDF).

District Assemblies:

The District Assemblies that participated in the reconciliation exercise are shown in Table 2; these are the governing Assemblies in the operational areas of the mines.

| | J.J. District Assemblies | 0 | 1 | |
|-----|---|---|--|--|
| No. | District(s) Assemblies. | Municipal/District Capital | Administrative Region | Mining Company |
| 1 | Obuasi Municipal: Adansi South; Adansi North Amansie Central | Obuasi New Edubiase Fomena Jacobu. | Ashanti Ashanti Ashanti Ashanti | Anglogold Ashanti |
| 2 | Tarkwa Nsuaem | Tarkwa | Western | Anglogold Ashanti Iduaprim |
| 3 | Ellembele | Nkroful | Western | Adamus Resources Ltd |
| 4 | Prestea Huni Valley | Bogosu | Western | Abosso Goldfields Ltd |
| 5. | Tarkwa Nsuaem/Prestea Huni Valley | Tarkwa | Western | GoldFields (Tarkwa) |
| 6 | Mpohor Wassa East | Daboase | Western | GSR Wassa Ltd/Wexford |
| 7 | Prestea Huni Valley | Bogosu | Western | GSR Prestea/Bogosu |
| 8 | Bibiani Ahwiaso | Bibiani | Western | Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd |
| 9 | Tarkwa Nsuaem | Tarkwa | Western | Ghana Manganese Co Ltd |
| 10 | Bibiani/Ahwiaso; Sefwi District Assembly | Bibiani Sefwi Wiawso | Western | Kinross (Chirano) Gold Mines Ltd |
| 11 | Asutifi District Assembly | Kenyasi | Brong Ahafo | Newmont Gold(Ghana)Ltd- Ahafo |
| 12 | Birim North Assembly | Abirem | Eastern Region | Newmont Golden ²⁴ Ridge Ltd |
| 13 | | Ayanfuri | Central Region | Perseus Mining (Gh)Ltd |
| 14 | Bibiani/Ahwiaso/Sefwi Bekwai | Bibiani | Western Region | Noble Mining/ Mensin Mining |
| 15 | Manya Krobo | Odumase,Krobo | Eastern Region | West Africa Quarries |

| Table 5.5: District Assemblies of selected M | Mining Companies for 2014 Reconciliation |
|--|--|
|--|--|

²⁴ Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd paid mineral royalty in 2014, but the disbursement of royalty in 2014 covered only 2012 payments.

5.5 RECONCILIATION ACTIVITIES

Activities undertaken at reconciliation included;

Data Collection & Analysis

In order to ensure the speedy collection of data the SAP (IT) system was deployed alongside the Independent Administrator's data collection system.

Templates provided to the participants were collected, whilst participants were also allowed to input data via the IT system. Participants also responded to questionnaires.

Credibility of data

To assure the credibility of data in accordance with Requirement 5.2(c), it was agreed that the participants should provide the following information as part of the completed template.

- a) A senior Company or government official attest to the completeness and accuracy of the completed template by signing off.
- b) Detailed payment data or supporting document to facilitate reconciliation.

The senior management sign off was made on behalf of the board of directors.

Data Reliability Check

All templates collected were scrutinized to ensure that they fully meet the requirements set out for the completion of templates. Data reliability was checked against the following.

- a) **Completeness:** Templates submitted by participating candidates were checked to ensure that all requisite responses have been thoroughly completed.
- b) **Relevance**:- Attached documentations such as receipts and schedules were checked for their relevance to figures and periods provided on the templates.
- c) **Correctness/accuracy**:- Figures provided in the templates were checked for correctness against receipts or other documentions provided. Also figures on receipts were summed up to ensure they tally with the figures provided in the templates.

Financial statements of all the companies were examined to assure consistency of figures provided on templates.

d) **Certification**:- Templates were checked to ensure that they have been properly endorsed by completing officers with appropriate signatories and official stamps.

i) Initial Reconciliation

A database in Microsoft excel was set up using the data obtained from both the companies' reporting templates and government reporting templates as well as their supporting documents.

Reconciliation of data was undertaken on company, project or item basis.

At the same time the data captured on the GHEITI SAP IT solution software was also accessed. The reconciliation process run on the IT system was compared with the Microsoft excel generated report. All discrepancies were identified.

ii) Investigation of Discrepancies

In situations where discrepancies were identified the following steps were undertaken to investigate the differences;

- i) Clarifications were sought from the reported entities on discrepancies.
- ii) Discrepancies were amended as a result of the submission of relevant supporting document.

5.6 RESULTS OF RECONCILIATION

- All in-scope mining companies submitted completed templates.
- All the government entities duly reported.
- Submitted templates were properly signed and duly endorsed with company stamps.
- All reporting companies provided supporting documents.
- All the templates passed the data reliability tests having subjected them to close scrutiny.

Table 5.6 presents the reconciliation by revenue streams, whilst Table 5.7 shows the reconciliation by extractive companies.

| Table | 5.6: Recor | nciliation | by revenu | ie streams | | |
|-------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|---|---|
| | | | Initial | Amount | R | ρ |

| | | | Initial | Amount | Resolved Final Amount | | Resolved | | nount | Unresolved |
|---|----------------------------|---------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| | Revenue Stream | Paid To | Company | Govt | Discrepancy | Company Government | | Company | Government | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licen | ice | 232,750 | - | 232,750 | - | - | 232,750 | - | 232,750 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 2,067,954 | 1,789,983 | 277,971 | (27,049) | 21,000 | 2,040,905 | 1,810,983 | 229,922 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | 2,365,369 | - | 2,365,369 | 2,267,077 | 4,632,446 | 4,632,446 | 4,632,446 | - |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 474,471,479 | 456,072,133 | 18,399,346 | (9,736,973) | 8,678,016 | 464,734,506 | 464,750,149 | (15,643) |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 476,585,244 | 468,958,890 | 7,626,354 | (7,716,352) | - | 468,868,892 | 468,958,890 | (89,998) |
| 6 | Dividends | | 32,947,125 | 17,432,550 | 15,514,575 | (1,912,195) | 13,602,380 | 31,034,930 | 31,034,930 | - |
| 7 | 7 Environmental Permit Fee | | 461,020 | - | 461,020 | 782,080 | 905,450 | 1,243,100 | 905,450 | 337,650 |
| | TOTAL | | 989,130,941 | 944,253,556 | 44,877,385 | (16,343,412) | 27,839,292 | 972,787,529 | 972,092,848 | 694,681 |

Table 5.7: Reconciliation by companies

| No. | Reporting Entity | Company | Government | Discrepancy | Company | Government | Company | Government | Unresolved |
|-----|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Anglogold Ashanti(Ghana) Ltd | 25,930,648 | 18,583,601 | 7,347,047 | 2,936,652 | 9,730,299 | 28,867,300 | 28,313,900 | 553,400 |
| 2 | Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem)Ltd | 22,649,242 | 22,591,452 | 57,790 | 664,260 | 722,050 | 23,313,502 | 23,313,502 | - |
| 3 | Adamus Resources(Ghana)Ltd | 21,773,968 | 21,773,968 | - | 57,790 | 57,790 | 21,831,758 | 21,831,758 | - |
| 4 | GSR(Wassa)Ltd | 48,522,619 | 45,344,620 | 3,177,999 | (2,961,540) | 216,460 | 45,561,079 | 45,561,080 | (1) |
| 5 | GSR(Prestea/Bogosu) | 22,699,547 | 22,699,547 | - | - | - | 22,699,547 | 22,699,547 | - |
| 6 | Gold Fields(Gh) Ltd | 237,486,049 | 207,995,201 | 29,490,848 | (13,906,558) | 15,354,368 | 223,579,491 | 223,349,569 | 229,922 |
| 7 | Abosso Goldfields Ltd | 31,266,256 | 31,536,520 | (270,264) | 38,507 | 0 | 31,304,763 | 31,536,520 | (231,757) |
| 8 | Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | 197,213,327 | 197,147,746 | 65,581 | 92,210 | 157790 | 197,305,537 | 197,305,536 | 1 |
| 9 | Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd | 62,814,030 | 59,994,923 | 2,819,107 | (2,762,857) | 56250 | 60,051,173 | 60,051,173 | - |
| 10 | Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd | 237,095,446 | 237,095,445 | 1 | 57,790 | 57,790 | 237,153,236 | 237,153,235 | 1 |
| 11 | Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | 5,576,000 | 5,562,704 | 13,296 | 57,515 | 70,515 | 5,633,515 | 5,633,219 | 296 |
| 12 | Ghana Manganese Co Ltd | 35,603,465 | 44,396,847 | (8,793,382) | 10,054,258 | 1,350,876 | 45,657,723 | 45,747,723 | (90,000) |
| 13 | Perseus Mining(Ghana) Ltd | 35,835,609 | 25,593,683 | 10,241,926 | (10,621,439) | 65,104 | 25,214,170 | 25,658,787 | (444,617) |
| 14 | Noble Mining (Bibiani) Ltd | 2,581,382 | 1,770,033 | 811,349 | (50,000) | - | 2,531,382 | 1,770,033 | 761,349 |
| 15 | West African Quarries Ltd | 2,083,353 | 2,167,266 | (83,913) | 0 | - | 2,083,353 | 2,167,266 | (83,913) |
| 16 | Total | 989,130,941 | 944,253,556 | 44,877,385 | (16,343,412) | 27,839,292 | 972,787,529 | 972,092,848 | 694,681 |

5.7 DISCREPANCIES

Initial net discrepancy of GHS44,877,385 was established.

The initial net discrepancies are detailed below (See Table 5.8)

Table 5.8: Components of initial discrepancies

| Revenue streams reported by companies with no confirmation from government Agencies | Amount(GHS) |
|---|--------------------|
| Mineral right licence | 232,75 |
| Ground rent | 2,365,26 |
| Environmental permitting fees | 461,02 |
| | |
| Differences in revenue streams reported by companies and Goverment Agencies | |
| | 277,9 |
| Property rate Mineral royalty | 277,9 18,399,3- |
| Property rate Mineral royalty | 18,399,3 |
| Property rate | |

Resolutions of Discrepancies

Some discrepancies were resolved with submitted supporting documents and in some instances seeking clarifications from Finance Directors of participating entities. The details of the resolutions are indicated below.

Table 5.9: Resolutions of discrepancies on Company payments

| | | | Taxes reported by | | |
|----|---|----------------|-----------------------|---------------|--------------|
| | | | company but not | Taxes paid by | |
| | | | confirmed by | companies but | |
| | Company Adjustments | | government | not reported | Total |
| 1 | Anglogold Ashanti- Property rate out of scope | | (12,024) | | (12,024) |
| 2 | Anglogold Ashanti- Royalty not reported | | | 2,948,676 | 2,948,676 |
| 3 | Anglogold Ashanti-Iduapriem-Ground rent | | | 564,260 | 564,260 |
| 4 | Anglogold Ashanti-Iduapriem-Environmental pe | ermitting fees | | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| 5 | Adamus-Environmental Permitting fees | | | 57,790 | 57,790 |
| 6 | GSR(Wassa)- Mineral royalty | | (3,150,000) | | (3,150,000) |
| 7 | GSR(Wassa)-Environmental permitting fees | | | 188,460.00 | 188,460 |
| 8 | Goldfields-Ground rent | | | 1637988 | 1,637,988 |
| 9 | Goldfields-Mineral royalty | | | 820,001 | 820,001 |
| 10 | Goldfield(Gh) Ltd Corporate tax | | (14,566,352) | | (14,566,352) |
| 11 | Goldfields(Gh) Ltd-Dividends | | (1,912,195) | | (1,912,195) |
| 12 | Goldfields(Gh) Ltd-Environmental Permitting fee | es | | 114,000 | 114,000 |
| 13 | Abosso-property rate | | | 38,507 | 38,507 |
| 14 | Chirano-Environmental Permitting fees | | | 92,210 | 92,210 |
| 15 | Newmont Golden Ridge-environmentalpermittir | ig fees | | 56,250 | 56,250 |
| 16 | Newmont Golden Ridge-Royalty | | (2,819,107) | | (2,819,107) |
| 17 | Newmont(Gold) Ghana Ltd-Environmental fees | | | 57,790 | 57,790 |
| 18 | Ghana Bauxite CoGround rent | | -275 | | (275) |
| 19 | Ghana Bauxite Coenviromental fees | | | 57,790 | 57,790 |
| 20 | Ghana Manganese Ltd-corporate tax | | | 10,000,000 | 10,000,000 |
| 21 | Ghana Manganese Ltd-environmental permittin | g | | 57,790 | 57,790 |
| 22 | Ghana Manganese Ltd | | (3,532) | | (3,532) |
| 23 | Perseus-Ground rent | | | 65,104 | 65,104 |
| 24 | Perseus-mineral roalty | | (10,686,543) | | (10,686,543) |
| 25 | Noble-property rate | | -50000 | | (50,000) |
| 26 | West Africa | | | | - |
| | Total | | (33,200,028) | 16,856,616 | (16,343,412) |

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Table 5.10 shows discrepancies that were resolved after adjusting government Agencies receipts. With the exception of property rate adjustment made for Ghana Bauxite Co, all the adjustments were for revenue streams which were paid by companies that were not initially reported by government Agencies.

| | | | | | Environmental | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------|------------|
| | | Ground rent | Property rate | Mineral royalty | Permitting fees | Dividends | Total |
| Anglogold Ashanti Co Li | td | 1,052,283 | | 8,678,016 | | | 9,730,299 |
| Anglogold Ashanti(Idua | apriem)Co Ltd | 564,260 | | | 157790 | | 722,050 |
| Adamus Resources | | | | | 57790 | | 57,790 |
| GSR(Wassa) | | | 28000 | | 188460 | | 216,460 |
| GSR(Prestea/Bogosu) | | | | | | | |
| Goldfields(Gh) Ltd | | 1,637,988.25 | | | 114000 | 13,602,380 | 15,354,368 |
| Abosso Goldfields Ltd | | | | | | | |
| Chirano Ltd | | | | | 157,790 | | 157,790 |
| Newmont Ghana Gold L | td | | | | 57,790 | | 57,790 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge | e Ltd | | | | 56,250 | | 56,250 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | | 19,725 | (7,000) | | 57,790 | | 70,515 |
| Ghana Manganese Co Li | td | 1,293,085.50 | | | 57790 | | 1,350,876 |
| Perseus Mining Co Ltd | | 65,104.26 | | | | | 65,104 |
| Noble Mining Co Ltd | | | | | | | |
| Total | | 4,632,446 | 21000 | 8,678,016 | 905,450 | 13,602,380 | 27,839,292 |

 Table 5.10: Resolution of discrepancies on government receipts

The net effect of the resolutions is – (16,343,412+27,839,292), that is GHS-44,182,704. After resolving some of the discrepancies the final net discrepancy was GHS 694,681 The final net discrepancy represents 0.07% of reported government receipts.

| | 2014 | | Final Amounts | | |
|-----|-----------------------------|-----|------------------|-------------|------------|
| No. | Reporting Entity | | Company | Government | Unresolved |
| | Angles II Ashart Ch | | | | |
| 1 | Anglogold Ashanti Gh Ltd | апа | 28,867,300 | 28,313,900 | 553,400 |
| 2 | GSR(Wassa)Ltd | | 45,561,079 | 45,561,080 | (1) |
| 3 | Gold Fields(Gh) Ltd | | 223,579,491 | 223,349,569 | 229,922 |
| 4 | Abosso Goldfields Ltd | | 31,304,763 | 31,536,520 | (231,757) |
| 5 | Chirano Mines Ltd | | 197,305,537 | 197,305,536 | 1 |
| 6 | Newmont Ghana Gold | Ltd | 237,153,236 | 237,153,235 | 1 |
| 7 | Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | | 5,633,515 | 5,633,219 | 296 |
| 8 | Ghana Manganese Co | Ltd | 45,657,723 | 45,747,723 | (90,000) |
| 9 | Perseus Mining Co Ltc | l | 25,214,170 | 25,658,787 | (444,617) |
| 10 | Noble Mining Co Ltd | | 2,531,382 | 1,770,033 | 761,349 |
| 11 | West African Quarries | | 2,083,353 | 2,167,266 | (83,913) |
| | Total | | 844,891,549 | 844,196,868 | 694,681 |

Table 5.11: Unreconciled Amounts at the end of reconciliation

Reconciliation: The coverage of the reconciliation exercise as compared to total revenue in the sector is shown in the table below.

| Revenue Stream | Amount reported | Total | Percentage of |
|----------------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------------|
| | by Government | Government | reported amounts to |
| Ground rent | 4,632,446 | 4825392 | 96 |
| Property rate | 1,810,983 | 1,810,983 | 100 |
| Mineral Royalty | 464,750,149 | 470,356,948 | 99 |
| Corporate tax | 468,958,890 | 468,958,890 | 100 |
| Dividends | 31,034,930 | 31,034,930 | 100 |
| Environmental Permit | 905,450 | 2,899,100 | 31 |
| Total | 972,092,848 | 979,886,243 | 99 |

Table 5.12: Coverage of 2014 Reconciliation.

Analysis of Reconciliation Results

Corporate tax

Corporate tax was the biggest revenue stream in 2014 paid by six participating companies namely Ghana Manganese Ltd, Newmont Gold Ghana Ltd, Chirano Mines, West Africa Quarries, Gold fields Ghana Ltd and GSR Wassa,

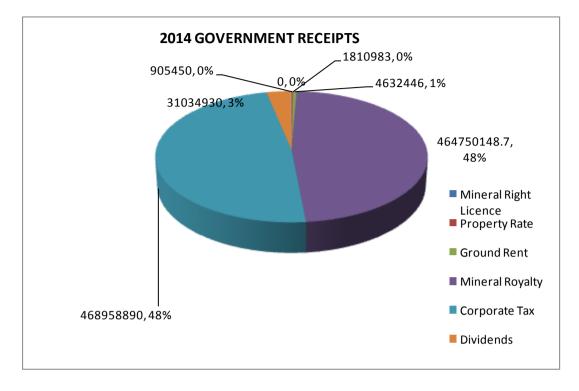
Dividends Declarations

Only Goldfields (Ghana) Ltd paid dividends in 2014.

Mineral Royalty

This was the second highest payment. Total amount reported by the GRA amounted to GHS 456,072,133. See Fig 5.2

Fig 5.2: 2014 Government Receipts



6.0 SUB NATIONAL TRANSFERS:

6.1 Ground Rent

According to section 23 of the Minerals and Mining Act, ACT 703, the holder of a mineral right shall pay an annual ground rent as may be prescribed.

Payments are made to the owners of the land, or successors and assigns of the owner except in the case of annual ground rent in respect of mineral rights over stool lands. Where the land is a stool land, ground rent is paid to the Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands.

Ground rent payments were reported by the companies. Ground rent payments were substantial comparing with previous years.

Ground rent received by the Office of the Administrator of Stool lands is distributed as follows.

Table 6.1.1: Disbursement of Ground rent paid by mining companies and received by the OASL

| Beneficiary | Share % |
|---|---------|
| • The Administrator of stool Lands (takes 10% of the amount received to cover administrative expenses). The remaining amount is shared as per the percentages below. | 10% |
| District Assemblies-55% | 49.5% |
| • Stools- 25% | 22.5% |
| Traditional Councils-20% | 18.0% |
| TOTAL | 100% |

Amount payable as ground rent for stool lands was revised as per the fees and charges amendment legislation LI 2191 in 2012 from GHS0.50 per square kilometre to GHS36.50, and should had been operational in 2012. However a petition from the Chamber of Mines, triggered negotiations which resulted in the ground rent payable being pegged at GHS15/acre.

Only Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd and Goldfields (Ghana) Ltd has fully paid their ground rent liability for 2013 and 2014. The agreed applicable rate is GHS15 per acre; GHS 3,675 per sq. Km. Table 6.1.2 shows outstanding payments by mining companies to the state.

| Company | Size(km2) Annual Rent Amount Due (2013& 2014) | | Paid | Outstanding as at 31/12/2014 | |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|-------------|------------------------------|---------------|
| Goldfields Tarkwa | 204.22 | 750,508 | 1,501,016 | 1,637,988 | - |
| Goldfields Damang | 81.11 | 298,079 | 596,158.5 | 0 | 596,158.50 |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd | 175.93 | 646,542 | 1,293,085.5 | 1,293,086 | - |
| Anglogold Ashanti Iduapriem | 153.54 | 564,259 | 1,128,518 | 564,259 | 564,259.00 |
| Anglogold Ashanti Obuasi | 568.24 | 2,088,283 | 4,176,564 | 1,052,283 | 3,124,281.00 |
| Newmont Gold Ghana Ltd | 464.93 | 1,708,617 | 3,417,234 | 0 | 3,417,234.00 |
| Golden Ridge Co. Ltd | 62.74 | 230,569 | 461,139 | 0 | 461,139.00 |
| Chirano Gold | 36.34 | 133,549 | 267,099 | 0 | 267,099.00 |
| Perseus Mining | 49.20 | 180,810 | 361,620 | 65,104 | 296,516.00 |
| GSR Prestea/Bogoso | 271.85 | 999,048 | 1,998,097.5 | 0 | 1,998,097.50 |
| GSR Wassa | 110.22 | 405,058 | 810,117 | 0 | 810,117.00 |
| Ghana Bauxite | 29.36 | 107,898 | 215,796 | 19,725 | 196,071.00 |
| Adamus Resources Ltd | 75.70 | 278,197 | 556,395 | 0 | 556,395.00 |
| Noble Gold | 49.0 | 180,075 | 360,150 | 0 | 360,150.00 |
| Total | | | | | 12,647,517.00 |

Table 6.1.2: Outstanding Ground Rents by In scope mining companies in 2014.

Source: Minerals Commission/Boas computations.

6.1.1 PAYMENT OF GROUND RENT IN 2014:

Mining Concession ground rent received from the relevant regions are indicated below. There were no reported receipts of concession ground rent in the Brong Ahafo Region.

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Table 6.1.3: Concession ground rent received in 2014

| Mining Company | Amount (GHS) |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Kibi Goldfields Ltd | 100,000.00 |
| Narawa Company Ltd | 20,000.00 |
| TOTAL | 120,000.00 |

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Table 6.1.4: Concession ground rent received in 2014

| Mining Company | Amount (GHS) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Anglogold Ashanti (Iduapriem) Ltd | 564,259.50 |
| Gold Fields (Ghana) Ltd | 1,637,988.25 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co Ltd | 19,725.00 |
| Ghana Manganese Co Ltd | 1,293,085.50 |
| Perseus Mining (Ghana)Ltd | 65,104.26 |
| Total | 3,580,162.51 |

Disbursement

Table 6.1.5 2014 Disbursement of Ground Rent in Western Region

| | | 0 | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------------|------------|--------------|---------------------|----------|----------------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|----------|--------------|--|
| Table 6.1.5 : 2014 Disbursement of Ground rent in Western Region | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Dis | District Assemblies | | Traditional Councils | | Stools | | | | | |
| | | | Prestea Huni | Tarkwa | | | Sefwi | | | | | | |
| Mining company | Amount paid | OASL | Valley | Nsuaem | Bibiani | Wassa Fiase | Ahwiaso | Apinto | Esuoso | Nyametease | Awaso | Total | |
| Goldfields(Gh) Ltd | 1,637,988.23 | 163,798.82 | 324,321.67 | 486,482.51 | | 294,837.88 | | 221,128.41 | | 147,418.94 | | 1,637,988.23 | |
| Ghana Bauxite Ltd | 19,725.00 | 1,972.50 | | | 9,763.88 | | 3,550.50 | | | | 4,438.13 | 19,725.01 | |
| Ghana Manganese Ltd & | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Anglogold | 1,857,345.00 | 185,734.50 | - | 919,385.78 | | 334,322.10 | | 217,944.41 | 199,958.22 | | | 1,857,345.01 | |
| Total | 3,515,058.23 | 351,505.82 | 324,321.67 | 1,405,868.29 | 9,763.88 | 629,159.98 | 3,550.50 | 439,072.82 | 199,958.22 | 147,418.94 | 4,438.13 | 3,515,058.25 | |

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Table 6.1.6: Concession ground rent received in 2014.

| Mining Company | Amount (GHS) |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Anglogold Ashanti –Obuasi | 1,052,283 |

| Mining Company | Amount paid(GHS) | Beneficiaries | Amount Received (GHS) |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Anglogold Ashanti –Obuasi | 1,052,283 | Obuasi Municipal Assembly | 285,377.59 |
| | | Adansi South District | 81,536.48 |
| | | Adansi North | 40,768.00 |
| | | Bekwai Municipal | 39,619.18 |
| | | Amansie Central | 73,578.48 |
| | | Adansi Stools | 185,310.19 |
| | | Adansi T/Council | 148,248.15 |
| | | Bekwai Stool | 34,304.04 |
| | | Bekwai T/C | 27,443.23 |
| | | Adankrandja Stool | 17,149.44 |
| | | AdankrandjaT/C | 13,719.67 |
| | | | 947,054.45 |
| | | 10% OASL Admin fees | 105,228.30 |
| Total | | | 1,052,283.75 |

Table 6.1.7: Disbursement of concession ground rent received in 2014²⁵.

²⁵ The independent Administrator did not reconcile the disbursements made to stools and Traditional Councils.

6.2 TRANSFER DISBURSEMENTS OF MINERAL ROYALTY

Host mining communities receive portions of mineral royalty paid by the mining companies. The formula for the disbursement is shown below: Currently there is no law backing such transfers. The transfers are made in accordance with an administrative fiat established in 1999. *Administrative fiat of 1999 (letter no.AB.85/156/01)*

| Table 6.2.1: | Disbursement | of Mineral | Rovalties |
|--------------|----------------|------------|-------------|
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| Beneficiary | | Share (%) of Total Amount. |
|--|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Government in Consolidated Fund | | 80% |
| Minerals Development fund | | 10% |
| Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands | 10% Of Total Amount | |
| • The Administrator of stool Lands takes 10% of the amount received to cover administrative expenses. The remaining 90% is distributed as follows. | | 1% |
| District Assemblies | 55% | 4.95% |
| Stools | 25% | 2.25% |
| Traditional Councils | 20% | 1.80% |
| TOTAL | | 100% |

Source: Administrative fiat of 1999 (letter no.AB.85/156/01)

6.3 DISBURSEMENT FROM HEAD OFFICE TO REGIONS

In 2014, there was only a single transfer or disbursement of mineral royalty from the OASL head office to host mining communities.

Table 6.3 ASHANTI REGION

| DATE OF PAYMENT | PERIOD COVERED | VOUCHER NO. | CHEQUE NO. | AMOUNT(GHS |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| 05/09/14 | JULY-SEPT 2012 | ASL/DB/02/14 | 851179 | 341,918.73 |
| 05/09/14 | 2007-2012 | ASL/DB/02/14 | 851179 | 66,777.59 |
| TOTAL | | | | 408,696.32 |

Source: OASL Head Office

Table 6.3.1 BRONG AHAFO REGION

| DATE OF PAYMENT | PERIOD COVERED | VOUCHER NO. | CHEQUE NO. | AMOUNT(GHS |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 05/09/14 | JULY-SEPT 2012 | ASL/DB/01/14 | 851178 | 1,350,931.56 |
| Source: OASI Head Office | | | | |

Source: OASL Head Office

Table 6.3.2 WESTERN REGION

| DATE OF | PERIOD COVERED | VOUCHER NO. | CHEQUE NO. | AMOUNT(GHS |
|------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| PAYMENT | | | | |
| 05/09/14 | JULY-SEPT 2014 | ASL/DB/03/14 | 851180 | 9,804,800.19 |
| Source: OASL Hea | ad Office | | | |

Table 6.3.3 CENTRAL REGION

| DATE OF PAYMENT | PERIOD COVERED | VOUCHER NO. | CHEQUE NO. | AMOUNT(GHS |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|
| | | | | |
| 05/09/14 | JULY-SEPT 2014 | ASL/DB/06/14 | 851183 | 708,659.06 |
| Courses OACL Hoad Office | | | | |

Source: OASL Head Office

Table 6.3.4: EASTERN REGION

| DATE OF PAYMENT | PERIOD COVERED | VOUCHER NO. | CHEQUE NO. | AMOUNT(GHS) |
|--------------------|----------------|--------------|------------|-------------|
| | | | | |
| 05/09/14 | JULY-SEPT 2014 | ASL/DB/05/14 | 851182 | 48,959.17 |
| 05/09/14 | 2007-2012 | ASL/DB/10/14 | 851182 | 198,145.74 |
| TOTAL | | | | 247,104.91 |

Source: OASL Head Office

6.4 TRANSFERS FROM REGIONAL OASL TO DISTRICT/MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLIES:26

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Amounts due to the various district Assemblies from Anglogold Ashanti operations are indicated below. Amounts received by the District Assemblies have also been shown.

Table 6.4. Royalty disbursement due /Amount received by District Assemblies in 2014.

| District Assembly | Amount due(GHS) | Amount received by District Assembly (GHS) |
|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| Obuasi Municipal | | 217,692.07 |
| Adansi South | | - |
| Adansi North | | 16,032.02 |
| Bekwai Municipal | | 8,499.99 |
| Amansie Central | | |

Source: District Assemblies/OASL Ashanti/Boas' compilations

The Independent Administrator could not compute amounts due as the payments made by Anglogold Ashanti (Obuasi) during July-September 2012 were not identified. Amounts received included arrears which were not considered in the computations.

²⁶ Amount due computations are based only on july-september 2012 payments by companies. They do not include any arreas paid in 2014.

| | | ~ ~ | | | | | |
|----------|-----------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| DATE | PERIOD | MINNING | AMOUNT | ASSEMBLY | BENEFICIARIES | AMOUNT | AMOUNT |
| | | COMPANY | RELEASED(OASL) | PORTION(55%) | | DISBURSED | PAID |
| 09-09-14 | Jul. 2012 | Anglo Gold Ashanti | 408,696.32 | 224,782.97 | Obuasi Municipal Ass. | 102,315.07 | 102,315.07 |
| | to | | | | Adansi South District Ass. | 29,232.88 | 29,232.88 |
| | Sept.2012 | | | | Adansi North District Ass. | 14,616.44 | 14,616.44 |
| | | | | | Bekwai Municipal Ass. | 14,204.47 | 14,204.47 |
| | | | | | Amansie Central Dist. Ass. | 26,379.74 | 26,379.74 |
| | | | | | Atwima Nwab. Dist. Ass. | 38,033.77 | 38,033.77 |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | STOOL | Adansi Stool | 66,438.36 | 66,438.36 |
| | | | | PORTION (25%) | Bekwai Stool | 12,298.86 | 12,298.86 |
| | | | | 102,174.91 | Adankradja Stool | 6,148.50 | 6,148.50 |
| | | | | | Akropong Stool | 594.79 | 594.79 |
| | | | | | Barekese/Ananta Stool | 16,694.40 | 16,694.40 |
| | | | | | | | |
| | | | | TRADITIONAL | Adansi Traditional Council | 53,150.69 | 53,150.69 |
| | | | | PORTION (20%) | Bekwai Traditional Council | 9,839.09 | 9,839.09 |
| | | | | · · · · · | Adankradja Trad. Council | 4,918.80 | 4,918.80 |
| | | | | | Kumasi Traditional Council | | 13,830.46 |
| | | | | | | , | , |
| | TOTAL | | 408,696.32 | 408,696.32 | | 408,696.32 | 408,696.32 |

| Table 6.4.1: Mineral rovalt | v disbursed to Stools and T | Traditional Authorities in | n Ashanti-2014 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
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The table 6.4.2 indicates amounts due Asutifi North District Assembly from Newmont Ghana Gold Ltd operations. The total amount received by the District Assembly has also been indicated.

Table 6.4.2: Amount due to Asutifi North District Assembly/Amount received by Asutifi North DA in 2014

| District Assembly | Amount due(GHS | Amount received by District Assembly(GHS) |
|---------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Asutifi North District Assembly | 622,251.48 | 743,012.36 |

Source: OASL Brong -Ahafo/Compilation by Boas & Associates

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Table 6.4.3 Amounts due/ Receipts by District and Municipal Assemblies-2014²⁷

| District/Municipal Assembly: | Amount Due GHS | Amount received. GHS |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|
| Prestea Huni Valley | 1,390,465.60 | 2,089,334.76 |
| ²⁸ Wassa East | 158,808.40 | 95,053.25 |
| Tarkwa Nsuaem | 1,311,719.01 | 1,829,269.69 |
| Bibiani/Ahwiaso Bekwai | 231,935.95 | 363,727.00 |
| Sefwi Wiawso | 258,626.15 | 395,135.00 |
| Ellembelle | 202,150.62 | 292,935.00 |

Source: OASL Western Region/Boas & Associates compilations

The Independent Administrator could not obtain details of payments made to district Assemblies in the operational area of Perseus Mining Co Ltd.

²⁷ The district has now been divided into Mpohor and Wassa East Districts. The amount due computation is for the district before the division.

| | STOOLS | GHS |
|----|--|--------------|
| 1 | Wassa Fiase | 1,849,258.55 |
| 2 | Sefwi Wiawso | 179,607.24 |
| 3 | Awaso | 13,018.67 |
| 4 | Mpohor | 30,806.44 |
| 5 | Prestea | 30,806.44 |
| 6 | Saamang | 133,153.46 |
| 7 | Sefwi Anhwiaso | 5,360.44 |
| 8 | Sankore | 5,344.39 |
| 9 | Nkawie | 5,344.39 |
| 10 | Abenabena | 51,504.66 |
| 11 | TOTAL | 2,304,204.68 |
| 12 | Un-disbursed (Chirano and Sefwi Anhwiaso) | 146,951.38 |
| | | |
| | TRADITIONAL COUNCILS | GHS |
| 1 | Wassa Fiase | 1,497,406.84 |
| 2 | Sefwi Wiawso | 143,685.79 |
| 3 | Sefwi Anhwiaso | 14,703.29 |
| 4 | Mpohor | 24,645.15 |
| 5 | Ahanta | 24,645.15 |
| 6 | Eastern Nzema | 106,521.97 |
| 7 | Wassa Amenfi | 41,203.73 |
| 8 | Nkawie | 4,275.51 |
| 9 | Sankore | 4,275.51 |
| 10 | TOTAL | 1,843,362.94 |
| 11 | Chirano and Sefwi Anhwiaso | 117,561.10 |

Table 6.4.4: Mineral royalty revenue disbursed to stools and traditional authorities in the western region 2014

| Table 0.5. Winerar Royarty disbursed in 2014 C | cintial incenti. | |
|--|------------------|------------|
| DISBURSEMENT TO ASSEMBLIES | | TOTAL |
| WASA AMENNFI EAST | 350,786.23 | |
| UPPER DENKYIRA EAST | 38,976.25 | |
| | 389,762.48 | 389,762.48 |
| | | |
| | | |
| TRADITIONAL COUNCIL | | |
| WASA AMANFI TC | 127,558.63 | 127,558.63 |
| | | |
| | | |
| STOOLS | | |
| ABENABENA STOOL | 144,503.29 | |
| JAPA STOOL | 4,986.67 | |
| BOAH KYEI STOOL | 4,986.67 | |
| YIADOM STOOL | 4,986.67 | |
| | 159,463.30 | 159,463.30 |
| | | |
| | | |
| NTI AND FAMILY | | 17,716.48 |
| KWAKYE AND FAMILY | | 14,158.17 |
| | | |
| TOTAL | | 708,659.06 |
| | | |

Table 6.5: Mineral Royalty disbursed in 2014-Central Region.

7.0 UTILIZATION OF MINERAL ROYALTY RECEIPTS IN 2014

The utilization of mineral royalty receipts by some District and Municipal Authorities (with dedicated MDF accounts in 2014) are shown below.

| No | Expenditure Details | Amount | % Of Total expenditure |
|----|--|--------------|---------------------------|
| 1 | General infrastructure(construction of Assembly Building) | 169,094.82 | 14.28 |
| 2 | Health(construction of Chips compound at Broni Nkwanta | 10,000.00 | 0.85 |
| 3 | Waste Management(clearing of refuse dump) | 264,500.00 | 22.34 |
| 4 | Construction and rehabilitation of roads and Bridges | 513,099.78 | 43.34 |
| 5 | Repair and Maintenance of Assembly Equipment | 63,222.99 | 5.34 |
| 6 | Disease and pest control | 25,000.00 | 2.12 |
| 7 | Rehabilitation of Assembly Building | 78,752.24 | 6.65 |
| 8 | Other Assembly projects | 60,462.38 | 5.11 |
| 9 | Total | 1,184,131.31 | 100.00 |

Table 7.1: Prestea Huni Valley District Assembly-2014 Royalty utilization

Table 7.2 Tarkwa Nsuaem District Assembly

| No | Expenditure Details | Amount | % Of Total expenditure |
|----|-----------------------------------|------------|------------------------|
| 1 | Water and Sanitation | 452,415.00 | 68.71 |
| 2 | Waste Management | 176,326.62 | 26.78 |
| 3 | Repairs and Maintenance of | 2.875.00 | 0.44 |
| | Vehicles and Equipments | | |
| 4 | Rehabilitation of Assembly | 17919.71 | 2.73 |
| | building | | |
| 5 | Stakeholders Meetings | 8,960.00 | 1.36 |
| | Total | 658,496.33 | 100.00 |

8.0 MINERAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Transfers totaling GHS35,403,184.16 were paid into the Ministry of Lands & Natural Resources (MLNR) sub Consolidated Fund Account at Bank of Ghana for disbursements to the beneficiary institutions indicated in the Table 8.1 below.

Out of the GHS35,403,184.16, an amount of GHS15,692,470.41 was spent on construction works; GHS4,841,635 was spent on field work; GHS13,956,193.41 transferred to OASL and GHS912,884.41on procurement and consultancy services.

These payments were effected after correspondences between the Ministry of Finance, Accountant Generals Department and the Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources. MNLR approves these transactions from the beneficiary institutions and communicates outcomes to the

Ministry of Finance. Ministry of Finance authorizes these payments and advises the Accountant General Department to transfer monies from the Consolidated Fund to the Ministry of Lands and Natural Resources sub-Consolidated Fund Account at Bank of Ghana. MLNR subsequently effects payments for the transactions undertaken by the beneficiary institutions.

Indicated below are the payments effected by MLNR based on the tripartite arrangement between the three state institutions:

| Table 8.1 MDF Utilization on Mining | Sector Institution Projects in 2014 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|

| DATE | AMOUNT | BENEFICIARY | Z SERVI | СЕ ТҮРЕ | | |
|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| | (GHS) | | Construction | Field | MDF | Others |
| | | | Works | Activities | Transfer | Others |
| 20/03/14 | 715,606.47 | UMAT | 715,606.47 | | | |
| 17/04/14 | 679,200 | Mining | | 679,200 | | |
| | | Review | | | | |
| | | Committee | | | | |
| 15/05/14 | 2,000,000 | Ghana | | 2,000,000 | | |
| | | Boundary | | | | |
| | | Commission | | | | |
| 23/06/14 | 13,956,193.41 | OASL | | | 13,956,193.41 | |
| 10/07/14 | 2,309,000 | Geological | 2,309,000 | | | |
| | | Survey | | | | |
| 10/00/11 | <11.000 cc | Department | | | | (11.000.00 |
| 13/08/14 | 611,093.66 | University of | | | | 611,093.66 |
| - da | (1.092.26 | Ghana | | | | 61.092.26 |
| -do- 22/08/14 | 61,083.26 203,685.61 | -do- Geological | | 203,685.61 | | 61,083.26 |
| 22/00/14 | 205,085.01 | Survey | | 205,085.01 | | |
| | | Department | | | | |
| 25/08/14 | 1,296,754.22 | -do- | 1,296,754.22 | | | |
| 29/08/14 29/08/14 | 758,750 | Survey & | 1,270,754.22 | 758,750 | | |
| 27/00/14 | 750,750 | Mapping | | 130,130 | | |
| | | Division | | | | |
| 28/08/14 | 46,907.88 | UMAT | 46,907.88 | | | |
| 02/09/14 | 416,289.96 | UMAT | 416,289.96 | | | |
| 04/09/14 | 1,200,000 | Ministry of | | 1,200,000 | | |
| | | Lands | | | | |
| 05/09/14 | 700,000 | UMAT | 700,000 | | | |
| 12/09/14 | 2,486,935 | -do- | 2,486,935 | | | |
| 17/09/14 | 240,707.81 | Boundary | | | | 240,707.81 |
| | | Commission | | | | |
| 25/09/14 | 423,266.58 | UMAT | 423,266.58 | | | |
| 21/10/14 | 517,725.30 | Geological | 517,725.30 | | | |
| | | Survey | | | | |
| | 05 700 74 | Department | 05 700 74 | | | |
| 27/11/14 | 85,723.74 | UMAT | 85,723.74 | | | |
| 01/12/14 | 724,840.11 | -do- | 724,840.11 | | | |
| 01/12/14 11/12/14 | 4,398,741.90 579,744.52 | -do- -do- | 4,398,741.90 579,744.52 | | | |
| -do- | 349,549.36 | -do- -do- | 349,549.36 | | | |
| | 285,635.03 | -do- -do- | | | | |
| -do- | 285,635.03 | -do- -do- | 285,635.03 355,750.34 | | | |
| -do- Total | 35,403,184.16 | -u0- | 15,692,470.41 | 4,841,635 | 13,956,193.41 | 912.884.73 |
| Total | 55,405,104.10 | | 13,092,470.41 | 4,041,035 | 15,950,195.41 | 712.004.73 |

9.0 UPDATE ON RECOMMENDATIONS MADE IN 2010-2013 REPORTS

| Issue | Recommendation | Status | Remark |
|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| Receipting and reporting Currency for EITI | Companies to maintain records of receipt currency by GRA for EITI Reconciliation | Complied | |
| Frequency of Royalty Payments Irregularities in | Regularisation of monthly and split quarterly payments OASL to fully implement | Partially Complied Complied | |
| OASL funds transfer to Assemblies Management of | recommendations on funds transfer Appointment of MDF | Outstanding | Awaiting promulgation |
| MDF Award of Mineral | Oversight agency Open and Transparent | Outstanding | of MDF Bill Awaiting outcome of |
| Right Licences | Bidding Process | | new committee on Mining Agreements |
| Improvement in Mining Cadastral System | On-line cadastre system | Outstanding | |
| Royalty on mineral output of Small Scale Mining | Levying royalty on ASM Production to be attempted | Outstanding | Being discussed |
| Request and release of mineral royalty to Asutifi District | No recourse to Coordinating Council on royalty releases | Addressed | |
| Mineral Royalty Payment by Prestea Sankofa Gold Ltd | GRA to follow through | Partly paid | |
| No Transfer of Mineral Royalty to Assemblies in 2013 | Regular transfer advocated | 2013 Royalty Funds partly released | |

10.0: OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 Setting off tax credits against Royalty.

It was observed that in October 2014 Perseus Mining Ltd set off its Tax credit on VAT against the royalty liability resulting in the payment of GHS 410,000 instead of GHS GHS10,686,543.

10.1.1 Recommendation

This practice should be discouraged as it has the potential of denying host mining communities, the appropriate royalty disbursement.

All mining companies should pay the appropriate royalty without any set off. In the meantime GRA and the OASL are requested to ensure that the host District Assembly and communities receive their due royalty disbursements.

10.2 Dedicated bank accounts for royalty disbursements.

District Assemblies continue to receive mineral royalty disbursements into the main account (normally IGF Account) of the District. Where the districts have designated accounts for royalty receipts, other transactions are also carried through that same account.

Again some of the district Assemblies transfer some amounts of royalty receipts back to the IGF account.

10.2.1 Recommendation

The District Assemblies should have dedicated bank accounts for mineral royalty receipts. These accounts should be used exclusively for mineral development purposes.

10.3 Licensing regime

The mode of awarding licences and concessions remains unchanged, as first come first served basis. The determination of who came first is left to the Commission. Again the country could possibly be losing needed funds.

10.3.1 Recommendation

In order to ensure full transparency in the system, an open round of bidding should be conducted with the highest bidder obtaining the concession. This will ensure transparency and also has the potential of generating higher revenue. The Minerals Commission should expedite plans of introducing the tendering process.

10.4 MDF Bill

The delay in passing the MDF Bill into law is hampering transfer and utilization of funds to the mining sector institutions for effective execution of projects.

The actual amount spent on mining sector institutions for 2014 was GHS 21,446,990.75 (i.e. less transfer to OASL). This represents less than 10 percent of the royalty proceeds meant for MDF activities, as per the administrative fiat of 1999 (letter no. AB.85/156/01).

10.4.1 Recommendation

It is recommended that Parliament, at the earliest convenience, pass the MDF bill into law to ensure strict adherence of disbursement requirements to sector institutions.

10.5 Disbursement of Mineral Royalty

Only one tranche of royalty disbursement was made in 2014 in respect of 2012 mining operations.

10.5.1 Recommendation

Regular disbursement of royalties affords MMDAs with more development funds for projects to impacted communities.

10.6 Payment of Forest royalty

Newmont Golden Ridge Ltd made two forest royalties payments of GHS 1,802,012 for September and October 2014 and GHS 1,012,094 for November 2014 operations.

10.6.1 Recommendation

Forestry Commission is requested to follow through on payments for mining operations in the Agyenwa Bepow Forest Reserves for the remaining months of the year 2014.

10.7 Arrears in mineral royalty disbursement

Disbursement of mineral royalties made cover specific periods. Sometimes payments do not cover fully the money for the entire period, creating arrears.

10.7.1 Recommendation

It is important that disbursements cover fully the periods indicated. This will afford stakeholders at all fronts ie MMDAs to independently compute royalties due them and thereby enhance transparency.

10.8 Outstanding Ground Rent

During the period of ground rent re-negotiation in respect of 2013, no company made any down payment. On settling on GHS 3,675 per sq. km payable annually, mining companies have had to pay for both 2013 and 2014 ground rent liabilities. Only Goldfields (Ghana) Ltd and Ghana Manganese Co. Ltd paid in full.

10.8.1 Recommendation

Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands is requested to follow through on the payment of outstanding balances and retrieve over GHS 12million due in 2014 only.



11.0 CONCLUSION

The 2014 reconciliation had an amount of GHS 972,092,848 as government receipts and company payments of GHS 972,787,529.

Initial reconciliation yielded a net discrepancy of GHS44, 877,385. After the resolution of some discrepancies the final net discrepancy came up to GHS 694,681. This represents 0.07% of reported government receipts.

All reporting entities required to report for the reconciliation exercise did so dutifully.

Corporate tax was the largest of the mining revenue streams received by the government in 2014.

Ground rent receipts were significant for the first time in the reconciliation process.

Mineral royalty payments should not be offset against any tax credits, as there are implications for subnational transfers.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX 1: TERMS OF REEFERENCE

PART I - Background contextual information

Under the terms of reference for the assignment the obligations of the Independent Administrator shall include the provision of the following contextual information about the mining industry in Ghana:

- I. An overview of the mining industry, including exploration activities, analysis of how large-scale mining production has developed overtime, levels of investments, confirmed reserves, level of employment, price developments and average cost developments.
- II. An overview of the relevant laws and regulations (legal framework and fiscal regimes), and information on roles and responsibilities of relevant government agencies.
- III. The contribution of the mining industry to the economy for the 2014 fiscal year
 - Contribution of the industry, including the informal sector to GDP
 - Production data including volumes and values by commodity for 2014;
 - Total government revenues generated by the mining industry (including sales/export receipts, taxes, royalties, bonuses, fees and other payments for all exploration and production companies) in absolute terms and as a percentage of total government revenues;
 - Describe the policy, legislative and institutional arrangements for small scale mining in Ghana, including a value chain analysis (licensing, production, regulation, sales and exports) of artisanal and small scale mining activities
- IV. Compare the mining sector contribution to GDP with the oil sector and the rest of the other sectors within the economy. The data used in the reports must be properly referenced
- V. Mining sector revenue and expenditure budget management and outcomes, i.e., revenues earmarked for specific programmes or districts.
- VI. State participation in the mining industry. Disclosures from state owned companies on their revenues, costs and expenditures such as payments for social services, public infrastructure, fuel subsidies and national debt servicing.
- VII. Track changes in the beneficial ownership structure of mining companies operating in Ghana and establish whether or not capital gains tax opportunities that arise as a result of these changes have been seized upon by the revenue collection agencies.

- VIII. Distribution of revenues from the extractive industries; sovereign wealth and development funds, subnational governments, state-owned companies, and other extra-budgetary entities.
 - IX. Information on the licensing processes and awards, register and the allocation of licenses (license holders, coordinates of the license area, date of application, award, duration and commodity being produced), trends in applications, number of pending licenses, progress in terms of reform of cadaster, issues with small scale mining licenses, and decentralized cadaster.
 - X. Information on mining contracts: disclosure practices and policy of companies and government. Provide updates on renegotiations of Stability Agreements ie Newmont Ghana Gold and Anglogold Ashanti.
 - XI. Report on the spending patterns of mineral revenues through the national budget.
- **XII.** Report on social expenditures: Where material social expenditures by companies are mandated by law or the contract with the government that governs the extractive investment, report on it, where possible, reconcile these transactions.
- XIII. Provide a brief description on how each company does its social responsibility expenditure. The Administrator is expected to report on the Trust Funds from the established Foundations, how much is accrued, how much has been used and on what projects.
- XIV. Where such benefits are provided in-kind, report on the nature and the deemed value of the in-kind transaction. Where the beneficiary of the mandated social expenditure is a third party, i.e. not a government agency, provide/disclose the name and function of the beneficiary.
- XV. Where reconciliation is not feasible, include unilateral company and/or government disclosures of these transactions.
- XVI. The Administrator shall be expected to report on amounts accruing to the Minerals Development Fund, how the funds have been utilized, and whether or not the utilization is accordance with provisions of its statute.
- XVII. In addition to the review of the relevant background information, the Independent Administrator is expected to review the findings from any preliminary scoping work, and conclusions and recommendations from the previous EITI Reports and validations.

PART II

Solid Minerals

For the mining report the Independent Administrator is expected to specifically,

1. Analyse documentation on production, exports, payments and receipts from solid minerals in the country.

2. Review feasibility reports of Mining Companies in order to compare projected production with the actual production. Explain the discrepancy if there is any. Indicate if the feasibility reports are accessible to the general public.

3. Where applicable, check if quantities of solid minerals declared to the regulatory institutions are in conformity with the declarations on the refinery certificates.

4. Check if the computation of the amortization and depreciation is in accordance with the Income Tax Act and agreement between a mining company and government and does not improperly reduce the amount of taxable profit of the mining companies.

5. Check the correctness of the computation of payments in order to determine the appropriateness of the revenues received as mineral royalty, dividends, tax on profit property rate, ground rent, mineral rights, environmental permitting fees as well as the additional royalty paid for mining in forest reserves.

6. Analyze all tax deductions claimed by the companies to ensure that only legitimate claims have been made.

7. Scrutinize the central government transfers made to District Assemblies, Traditional Authorities and Stools through the Office of the Administrator of Stool Lands within the operational areas of mines, and establish the correctness of computation in accordance of the operational formula. Furthermore scrutinize the transfers made by the Ministry of Finance to the OASL.

8. Reconcile the data so collected to ascertain, where applicable, if there is any disparity between the government's reported template and the companies' reporting Templates and make appropriate recommendations to deal with the disparities.

9. Review financial statements of companies and institutions for consistency. Specifically, for companies the Administrator shall review company capital investments and operating cost using the World Gold Council Cost Matrix (WGCCM) as the Benchmark. Comment on the status of the benchmarking of operational cost study being done by Minerals Commission

12. Provide information regarding disclosures on environmental impact assessment and environmental management plans. Provide a link to EPA's AKOBEN

13.. Reconcile the data so collected to ascertain if there is any disparity between the government's reported templates and the companies' reporting templates.

APPENDIX 2: DETAIL OF RECONCILIATION

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME:ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI (OBUASI) TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Compa | iny | | | Government | | Final . | Amounts | Unresolved | Unresolved |
|----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | | |
| No | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | Over | Under |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | 215,750 | | 215,750 | | | 0 | 215,750 | 0 | 215,750 | |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 516,487 | (12,024) | 504,463 | 504,463 | | 504,463 | 504,463 | 504,463 | 0 | |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | 1,052,283 | | 1,052,283 | | 1,052,283 | 1,052,283 | 1,052,283 | 1052283 | 0 | |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 23,808,478 | 2,948,676 | 26,757,154 | 18,079,138 | 8,678,016 | 26,757,154 | 26,757,154 | 26,757,154 | 0 | |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | 337,650.00 | | 337,650 | | | 0 | 337,650 | 0 | 337,650 | |
| | TOTAL | | 25,930,648 | 2,936,652 | 28,867,300 | 18,583,601 | 9,730,299 | 28,313,900 | 28,867,300 | 28,313,900 | 553,400 | 0 |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI (IDUAPRIEM) TIN:

REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Compa | any | | Government | | | Final An | nounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|----------|------------|----------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 99,903 | | 99,903 | 99,903 | | 99,903 | 99,903 | 99,903 | - |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | 564,260 | 564260 | | 564,260 | 564,260 | 564,260 | 564260 | - |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 22,491,549 | | 22,491,549 | 22,491,549 | | 22,491,549 | 22,491,549 | 22491549 | - |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | 57,790 | 100,000 | 157,790 | | 157790 | 157,790 | 157,790 | 157790 | - |
| | TOTAL | | 22,649,242 | 664260 | 23,313,502 | 22,591,452 | 722050 | 23313502 | 23,313,502 | 23,313,502 | 0 |

COMPANY'S NAME: ADAMUS RESOURCES LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Company | | | Government | | | Final | Unresolved | |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|----------|------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|--------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 30,000 | | 30000 | 30000 | | 30,000 | 30000 | 30000 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 21,743,968 | | 21743968 | 21743968 | | 21743968 | 21743968 | 21743968 | 0 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 57790 | 57790 | | 57790 | 57790 | 57790 | 57790 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 21,773,968 | 57,790 | 21,831,758 | 21773968 | 57790 | 21831758 | 21831758 | 21,831,758 | 0 |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: GOLDEN STAR RESOURCES (WASSA) TIN:

REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Comp | any | | | Government | | Final A | mounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 28,000 | | 28,000.00 | | 28,000 | 28000 | 28000 | 28000 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 21,285,398.00 | | 21,285,398 | 21,285,399 | | 21,285,399 | 21,285,398 | 21,285,399 | -0.65 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 27,209,221.00 | (3,150,000) | 24,059,221 | 24,059,221 | | 24,059,221 | 24,059,221 | 24,059,221 | 0 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 188460 | 188460 | | 188,460 | 188460 | 188460 | 188460 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 48,522,619.00 | (2,961,540) | 45,561,079.00 | 45,344,619.65 | 216,460.00 | 45,561,079.65 | 45,561,079.00 | 45,561,079.65 | (0.65) |

COMPANY'S NAME: GOLDEN STAR RESOURCES (PRESTEA/BOGOSU) TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| Company | | | | | | Go | Government Final A | | | | Unresolved |
|---------|--------------------------|---------|----------------|----------|------------|----------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 43,563 | | 43,563 | 43563 | | 43563 | 43,563 | 43563 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 22,655,984 | | 22,655,984 | 22655984 | | 22,655,984 | 22,655,984 | 22655984 | 0 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 22,699,547 | 0 | 22,699,547 | 22699547 | 0 | 22699547 | 22699547 | 22699547 | 0 |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: GOLD FIELDS (GH) LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Com | pany | | | Government | | Final Am | ounts | Unresolved | |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|---------|
| | | | Initial | | | Initial Amount | | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | Amount GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | Over | (under) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | - | 0 | | |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 789,826 | | 789,826 | 559,904 | | 559,904 | 789,826 | 559,904 | 229,922 | |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | 1,637,988 | 1,637,988 | | 1,637,988 | 1,637,988 | 1,637,988 | 1,637,988 | | |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 103,901,625 | 820,001 | 104,721,626 | 104,721,626 | | 104,721,626 | 104,721,626 | 104,721,626 | | |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 99,847,473 | (14,566,352) | 85,281,121 | 85,281,121 | | 85,281,121 | 85,281,121 | 85,281,121 | | |
| 6 | Dividends | | 32,947,125 | (1,912,195) | 31,034,930 | 17,432,550 | 13,602,380 | 31,034,930 | 31,034,930 | 31,034,930 | | |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 114000 | 114000 | | 114,000 | 114,000 | 114,000 | 114,000 | | |
| | TOTAL | | 237,486,049 | (13,906,558) | 223,579,491 | 207995201 | 15354368 | 223,349,569 | 223,579,491 | 223,349,569 | 229,922 | 0 |

COMPANY'S NAME: ABOSSO GOLD FIELDS (GH) LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Compa | ny | | G | overnment | | Final An | nounts | Unresolved | |
|----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------|---------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | | |
| No | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) | Under |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 40,000.00 | 38,507 | 78,507.00 | 78,507 | | 78507 | 78507 | 78507 | 0 | |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 31,226,256.00 | | 31226256 | 31,458,013 | | 31,458,013 | 31226256 | 31458013 | -231757 | |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| | TOTAL | | 31,266,256.00 | 38,507.00 | 31,304,763.00 | 31,536,520.00 | - | 31,536,520.00 | 31,304,763.00 | 31,536,520.00 | (231,757.0) | - |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: CHIRANO GOLD MINES LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Comp | oany | Government | | | | Final A | Amounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|----------|-------------|----------------|----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 175,000 | | 175,000 | 175,000 | | 175000 | 175000 | 175000 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 51,917,282 | | 51917282 | 51,917,282 | | 51917282 | 51917282 | 51917282 | 0 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 145,055,465 | | 145,055,465 | 145,055,464 | | 145055464 | 145055465 | 145,055,464 | 1 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | 65,580 | 92,210 | 157,790 | | 157,790 | 157790 | 157,790 | 157,790 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 197,213,327 | 92210 | 197305537 | 197147746 | 157790 | 197305536 | 197305537 | 197305536 | 1 |

COMPANY'S NAME: NEWMONT GOLDEN RIDGE LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Company | | | Government | | | Final A | mounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-------------|---------------|----------------|----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 62,814,030 | (2,819,107) | 59,994,923.00 | 59,994,923 | | 59994923 | 59994923 | 59994923 | 0 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 56,250 | 56,250 | | 56,250 | 56250 | 56250 | 56250 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 62814030 | (2,762,857) | 60,051,173 | 59994923 | 56250 | 60,051,173 | 60,051,173 | 60051173 | |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: NEWMONT GHANA GOLD LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Comp | any | | G | overnment | | Final A | mounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|----------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 50,138,855 | | 50,138,855 | 50138855 | | 50,138,855 | 50,138,855 | 50138855 | - |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 186,956,591 | | 186,956,591 | 186,956,590 | | 186956590 | 186,956,591 | 186956590 | 1 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 57790 | 57790 | | 57790 | 57790 | 57790 | 57790 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 237,095,446 | 57,790.00 | 237,153,236 | 237,095,445.00 | 57,790.00 | 237,153,235 | 237,153,236 | 237,153,235.00 | 1 |

COMPANY'S NAME: GHANA BAUXITE CO. LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Compa | ıny | | Go | vernment | | Final . | Amounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|----------|-----------|----------------|----------|---------|---------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 41000 | | 41000 | 48,000 | -7000 | 41000 | 41000 | 41000 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | 20,000 | -275 | 19,725 | | 19,725 | 19725 | 19,725 | 19725 | - |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 5,515,000 | | 5,515,000 | 5,514,704 | | 5514704 | 5515000 | 5514704 | 296 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 57,790 | 57790 | | 57790 | 57790 | 57790 | 57790 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 5,576,000 | 57515 | 5,633,515 | 5562704 | 70515 | 5633219 | 5633515 | 5633219 | 296 |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: GHANA MANGANESE CO. LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Compa | ny | | | Government | | Final | Amounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|------------|------------|----------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 54,175 | (3,532) | 50,643 | 50,643 | | 50,643 | 50,643 | 50,643 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | 1,293,086 | | 1,293,086 | | 1,293,086 | 1,293,086 | 1,293,086 | 1,293,086 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 16,886,079 | | 16886079 | 16886079 | | 16,886,079 | 16,886,079 | 16,886,079 | 0 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 17,370,125 | 10,000,000 | 27,370,125 | 27,460,125 | | 27,460,125 | 27,370,125 | 27,460,125 | (90,000) |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | 57,790 | 57,790 | | 57,790 | 57,790 | 57,790 | 57,790 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 35,603,465 | 10,054,258 | 45,657,723 | 44,396,847 | 1,350,876 | 45,747,723 | 45,657,723 | 45,747,723 | (90,000) |

COMPANY'S NAME: PERSEUS MINING (GHANA) LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Comp | any | | Go | overnment | | Final A | mounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|--------------|------------|----------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | 65,104 | 65104 | | 65,104 | 65104 | 65104 | 65104 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 35,835,609 | (10,686,543) | 25,149,066 | 25,593,683 | | 25,593,683 | 25,149,066 | 25,593,683 | (444,617) |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | - | | | - | - | - | - |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | - | | | - | - | - | - |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | | - | | | - | - | - | - |
| | TOTAL | | 35,835,609 | (10,621,439) | 25,214,170 | 25,593,683 | 65,104 | 25,658,787 | 25,214,170 | 25,658,787 | (444,617) |

DETAILS OF RECONCILIATION

COMPANY'S NAME: NOBLE MINING LTD TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| | | | Compa | iny | | Go | vernment | | Final A | mounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|----------------|----------|-----------|----------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| | | | Initial Amount | | | Initial Amount | | | | | |
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | GHS | Resolved | Final | GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | 17000 | | 17,000 | | | 0 | 17,000 | 0 | 17,000 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | 250000 | (50,000) | 200,000 | 200000 | | 200000 | 200,000 | 200000 | - |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | - | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 2,314,382.00 | | 2,314,382 | 1,570,033 | | 1570033 | 2,314,382 | 1570033 | 744,349 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | | | - | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | - | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | | - | | | 0 | - | 0 | - |
| | TOTAL | | 2,581,382 | (50,000) | 2,531,382 | 1,770,033 | - | 1,770,033 | 2,531,382 | 1,770,033 | 761,349 |

COMPANY'S NAME: WEST AFRICAN QUARRIES TIN: REPORTING PERIOD: 2014

| _ | | | Company | , | | Gov | ernment | | Final A | mounts | Unresolved |
|-----|--------------------------|---------|--------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------|----------|---------|---------|------------|------------|
| No. | Revenue Stream | Paid To | Initial Amount GHS | Resolved | Final | Initial Amount GHS | Resolved | Final | Company | Government | (Over) |
| | MINING | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Mineral Right Licence | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | Property Rate | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | Ground Rent | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | Mineral Royalty | | 1,936,984 | | 1,936,984 | 2,020,897 | | 2020897 | 1936984 | 2020897 | -83913 |
| 5 | Corporate Tax | | 146,369 | | 146369 | 146,369 | | 146369 | 146369 | 146369 | 0 |
| 6 | Dividends | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Environmental Permit Fee | | | | 0 | | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | TOTAL | | 2083353 | 0 | 2083353 | 2,167,266 | 0 | 2167266 | 2083353 | 2167266 | -83913 |

APPENDIX 3A

Prestea Sankofa Social Payments in 2014

| Institution | Nature of Request | Approved Amount |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Bosofest | Request for sponsorship | Approved |
| | – District Education | GH¢3,500.00 |
| | Excellence Award | |
| Prestea Huni Valley | 30 th National Farmers | Approved |
| District | Day Celebration – | GH¢ 2,500.00 to buy 10 |
| | award for the Farmers | wheelbarrows, 20 |
| | | wellington boots and 20 |
| | | cutlasses. |
| Axim Girls' Senior High | Appeal for Assistance - | Approved |
| School | Construction of | GH¢ 2,500.00 buy 100 |
| | classroom block | bags of cement |
| Ghana Health Service – | National immunization | Approved |
| District Health | Days Campaign | GH¢ 500.00 |
| Directorate | Transportation | |
| Social Welfare – Prestea | Request for financial | Approved |
| Huni Valley District | support-Riyhanatu | GH¢ 2,500.00 |
| | Nurudeen-Assist in | |
| | plastic surgical | |
| | operation (burns) | |
| Ghana Police Service - | Request for set of shock | Approved |
| Prestea | absorbers and a pair of | GH¢ 3,241.00 |
| | links for a vehicle GP | |
| | 3308 | |
| Trinity FM | Breast Cancer | Approved GH¢ 2,000.00 |
| | Awareness | |
| Prestea Urban Council | General Communal | Approved GH¢ 5,000.00 |
| | labour-Assistance for | to purchase 15 wheel |
| | tools and other logistics | barrows, 20 shovels and 20 rakes. |
| | to help clean the | Transportation, |
| | environment and | embossment |
| | around Prestea | |

| Muslim community Prestea Urban Council | EID UL FITR Re-building and re- shaping of Prestea and | Purchased 6 bags of rice, 6 crate of minerals and GH¢ 500.00 amounting to (GH¢ 2,000.00) Approved GH¢ 710,000.00 |
|--|---|--|
| Prestea Urban Council | Bondaye roads 57 th Independence Day Celebration | Approved GH¢ 500.00 |
| Bondaye Area Council | 57 th Independence Day Celebration transportation to convey school children to and from celebrating grounds | Approved GH¢ 600.00 |
| Prestea Government Hospital/Best FM | Blood Donation | Approved GH¢ 1,000.00 to purchase 5 cartoons of Milo, 10 cartoons of milk and 5 boxes of voltic mineral water |
| Trinity FM | Sponsorship for 1 st Anniversary | Approved GH¢ 500.00 |
| Insu catholic Primary School | Appeal for Assistance to purchase computers | Approved GH¢ 1,250.00 to buy one computer |
| Ghana Education Service Himan D/A Basic School | Application for computers | Approved GH¢ 2,500.00 to buy 2 set of computers |
| Total | | GH¢ 744,091.00 |

APPENDIX 3B

GHANA MANGANESE LTD SOCIAL PAYMENTS

| | GHS | Name of beneficiary |
|----------------------------|-----------|---|
| Scholarships | 89,560 | Bursuries for Essuaso Division Council |
| Educational infrastructure | 27,850 | Fiaseman SHS |
| Educational infrastructure | 33,437 | Tarkwa Banso JHS re-roofing |
| Sports & Culture | 242,400 | MEDEAMA SPORTING CLUB |
| Sports & Culture | 44,461 | Asuaso Divisional council-Festivals & Donations |
| Sports & Culture | 28,000 | Manshia Palace |
| Sports & Culture | 5,824 | 57th Independence Anniversary |
| Sports & Culture | 4,000 | Football team - Tarkwa Banso |
| Sports & Culture | 6,000 | Volley Ball Association - Western Region |
| Sports & Culture | 15,636 | Road Repairs - Tarkwa Banso |
| Sanitation | 21,000 | Drainage - Huni Valley |
| Sanitation | 36,100 | Drainage - Anomako Krom |
| Other Social Expenditures | 10,300 | Voter Card Registration - EC |
| Other Social Expenditures | 5,000 | Donation - Farmers day |
| Other Social Expenditures | 6,800 | Graduation of Apprentices & Library - Nsuta |
| General Infrastructure | 6,600 | Water - Zongo community |
| General Infrastructure | 15,500 | Road Repairs - Effuanta |
| General Infrastructure | 8,673 | Water - Ackem Community |
| General Infrastructure | 12,229.05 | Water - Tarkwa Banso Community |
| General Infrastructure | 265,450 | Bridge - Essuaso |
| General Infrastructure | 12,000 | Water - Bankym Community |
| General Infrastructure | 8,000 | Anomako Krom Community Centre |
| Health | 2,055 | Breast Cancer Awareness |
| Health | 3,300 | Medical - Agona Chief |
| | 910,175 | |

APPENDIX 4

Sizeable Out of Scope Company Royalty Payments in 2014

| GOLD RECOVERY GH LTD | 570,139.24 |
|---------------------------|------------|
| EASTERN QUARRIES | 418,894.77 |
| KIBI GOLDFIELDS LTD | 250394.24 |
| XTRA GOLD MINING LTD | 229,010.69 |
| MANAGING GOD'S RESOURCES | 185,091.50 |
| REGIMANUEL CONC'TE PRODTS | 123,508.06 |
| MED MINING | 107,283.00 |
| P.W. GHANA LTD | 65,685.80 |
| MENSIN GOLD BIBIANI LTD | 255,800 |

APPENDIX 5A

| | LIST OF Explora | ation and | Mining Le | ases gran | ted in 2014 | | | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---|-------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|------|----------------|--------------|
| No | Name of Company | Type of Mineral | Size (km ²) | Location | District | Date of Licence | Date of Expiry | Term | Mineral Right | Amt Paid GH¢ |
| 1 | Alharris Company Limited | Gold | 89.45 | Nyinahin | Atwima Mponua | 18-Apr-14 | 17-Apr-15 | 1 | Reconnaissance | 16,495.00 |
| 2 | Asaray Company Limited | Gold & other minerals | 17.01 | Domama Wasa | Wassa East | 2-Apr-14 | 1-Apr-15 | 1 | Reconnaissance | 2,670.00 |
| 3 | Kopaclif Limited | Gold and other Minerals | 5.31 | Watreso A | Ashanti | 26-Mar-14 | 25-Mar-15 | 1 | Reconnaissance | 5,000 |
| 4 | Kopaclif Limited | Gold and other Minerals Gold & | 2.34 | Watreso B | Ashanti | 26-Mar-14 | 25-Mar-15 | 1 | Reconnaissance | 5,000.00 |
| 5 | Socorro Investment Ltd | Other Mineral | 10.08 | Prawkaw South | Ashanti Akyem South | 3-Oct-14 | 2-Oct-22 | 8 | Mining Lease | 125,664.00 |
| 6 | Socorro Investment Ltd | Gold & Other Mineral | 2.52 | Prawkaw North | Ashanti Akyem South | 3-Oct-14 | 2-Oct-24 | 10 | Mining Lease | 31,416.00 |
| 7 | Tripple Key Co. Ltd | Gold,Diamo nd&Base Metals | 11.89 | Afiefiso | Amansie West &Upper Denkyira | 22-May-14 | 21-May-24 | 10 | Mining Lease | 96,558.00 |
| 8 | Tripple Key Co. Ltd | Gold,Diamo nd&Base Metals | 11.68 | Apenimadi | Amansie West &Upper Denkyira | 22-May-14 | 21-May-24 | 10 | Mining Lease | 93,170.00 |
| 9 | Arise Mining Co.Ltd | Gold | 35.07 | Amuni | Wassa Amenfi West | 23-May-14 | 22-May-16 | 2 | Prospecting | 11,009.00 |
| 10 | Azumah Resources (Gh) Ltd | Gold | 26.48 | Kunche/Be pkong | Wa East | 19-05-14 | 18-May-29 | 15 | Mining Lease | USD 100,000 |
| 11 | Angel Royal Gold Mines Limited | Gold | 44.94 | Amponya | Bekwai | 8-Jul-14 | 7-Jul-15 | 1 | Reconnaissance | 7,053.00 |
| 12 SOUR | Midlands Minerals Corporation | Gold,Diamo nd & Base Metals | 5.76 | Mmooho | Amansie West | 19-Dec-14 | 18-Dec-16 | 2 | Prospecting | 40,000.00 |
| sourc | ce infinerals Comm | ission | | | | | | | | |

APPENDIX 5B

| LIST OF QUARRY LICEN | SE GRANTE | ED IN 2014 | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------|----------------|-------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Name Of Company | TYPE OF Mineral | LOCATION | TERM | FROM | TO | SIZE (ACRES) | DISTRICT | Amt Paid |
| Kasap Ltd. | Quarry | Lorlorvor | 5 yrs | 08 May 2014 | 07 May 2019 | 70.25 | Dangme West | USD 20000 |
| Nendor Eng.& Facilities Management Ltd | Quarry | Anoff | 5yrs | 11-06-14 | 10-06-19 | 22.34 | Akuapim South | GH¢ 3000 |
| Premier Terrazzo Co-op. Works Ltd. | Quarry | Klo Begoro | 5 yrs | 14-05-14 | 13-05-19 | 4.92 | Yilo Krobo | GH¢ 3000 |
| Ghacem Limited | Quarry | SEDORM | 15yrs | 11-03-14 | 10-03-29 | 45 | Asuogyaman | USD 20000 |
| P.W. Ghana Ltd. | Quarry | Shai Hills | 5yrs | 14-05-14 | 13-05-19 | 106.92 | Dangbe West | USD 20000 |
| P & W Ghanem Limited | Quarry | Wiemba | 5yrs | 14-05-14 | 13-05-19 | 54.56 | Wa | GH¢ 3000 |
| Kas Products Ltd. | Quarry | Krobo Buoho | 5yrs | 17-07-14 | 16-07-19 | 33.44 | Kwabre | GH¢ 3000 |
| Uhuru Quarry Limited | Quarry | Bokodo-Pershie | 5yrs | 29-04-14 | 28-04-19 | 22.155 | ld-Edina-Eguafo- | GH¢ 3000 |
| Damang Quarry Limited | Quarry | Damang | 5yrs | 17-07-14 | 16-07-19 | 3.7 | restea Huni-Valle | GH¢ 3000 |
| Stone and Moore Limited | Quarry | Matrikasa | 5yrs | 28-11-14 | 27-11-19 | 21 | Akatsi | GH¢ 3000 |
| Source:Minerals Commission | | | | | | | | |

APPENDIX 5C

| LIST OF SAND LICENSES GRANTED IN 2014 | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------|----------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|----------|
| Name Of Company | TYPE OF MINERAL | LOCATION | TERM | FROM | TO | SIZE (ACRES) | DISTRICT | REGION | Amt Paid |
| Ekow Dwirah Hanson | sand | Danso | 2yrs | 31-03-14 | 30-03-16 | 15.659 | Ga South | Greater Accra | GH¢ 500 |
| THOMAS ABROKWA | SAND | KEJABIL | 2YRS | 04-04-14 | 03-04-16 | 2.68 | AHANTA WEST | WESTERN | GH¢ 500 |
| Kobina Baah | Sand | Tsikweikrom | 2yrs | 13-05-14 | 12-05-16 | 4.2 | K.E.E.A | Central | GH¢ 500 |
| Stephen Nana Ayipah | Sand | Nsuakwere | 2yrs | 08-05-14 | 07-05-16 | 9.77 | Adeaso | Eastern | GH¢ 500 |
| East Akim Sand & Stone | Sand | Kukurantumi | 2yrs | 16-07-14 | 15-07-16 | 4.95 | EastAkim | Eastern | GH¢ 500 |
| Paul Kojo Mensah | Sand | Kwekutsiakrom | 2yrs | 17-07-14 | 16-07-16 | 8.79 | Ahanta West | Western | GH¢ 500 |
| Paul K. Evu | Sand | anpanso Kuromkes | 2yrs | 16-07-14 | 15-07-16 | 3.19 | lsawam Adoagyii | Eastern | GH¢ 500 |
| Battor River Sand Winners | Sand | Battor | 2yrs | 10-07-14 | 09-07-16 | 11.05 | lorth Tongu (Batto | Volta | GH¢ 500 |
| Solomon Addotei Allotey | Sand | Danchira | 2yrs | 08-07-14 | 07-07-16 | 7.44 | Ga-South | Greater | GH¢ 500 |
| Fred K. Kutorke | Sand | Ateitu | 2yrs | 07-10-14 | 06-10-16 | 10.87 | Efutu-Winneba | Central | GH¢ 500 |
| Glemphas Enterprise | Sand | Okaikrom-Adeiso | 2yrs | 16-07-14 | 15-07-16 | 5.12 | Upper West Akim | Eastern | GH¢ 500 |
| John Narh Nartey | Sand | Ahwiam-Ningo | 2yrs | 17-07-14 | 16-07-16 | 5.37 | Ningo-Prampram | Greater | GH¢ 500 |
| David Owusu Ansah | Sand | Tuansa | 2yrs | 16-07-14 | 15-07-16 | 20.581 | Effutu | Central | GH¢ 500 |
| Ebenezer Mensah Laryea | Sand & Gravel | Katamanso | 2yrs | 16-07-14 | 15-07-16 | 9.46 | Kpone-Katamansc | Greater | GH¢ 500 |
| Isreal John Clottey | Sand | Obuom | 2Yrs | 07-10-14 | 06-10-16 | 10.3 | Ga-South | Greater | GH¢ 500 |
| Jonathan Ayebeng | Sand | Kwahia | 2yrs | 11-06-14 | 10-06-16 | 2 <u>.</u> 47 | ıhum Kroboa Coal | Eastern | GH¢ 500 |
| Source:Minerals Commis | sion | | | | | | | | |

APPENDIX 6A

| YEAR: | | | CES OF OASI | | | |
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| ASHANTI REGI | ON | | Payment from | n Anglogold Asł | anti Obuasi | |
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| DATE | | | | | | Total |
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| Adansi North | | - | - | - | - | - |
| 3ekwai Municip | | - | - | - | - | - |
| Amansie Centra | I | - | - | - | - | - |
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APPENDIX 6B

| DISBURSEM | ENTS FROM | REGIONAL | OFFICES OF OASL. | | | | |
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| YEAR: | 2014 | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | |
| DATE | | | SEPTEMBER | PAYMENT 2 | PAYMENT 3 | PAYMENT 4 | Total |
| Jul-12 | | | | | | | - |
| Aug-12 | | | 3779391.19 | | | | 3,779,391.19 |
| Sep-12 | | | 4,909,681.38 | | | | 4,909,681.38 |
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| Total | | | 12,570,736.99 | - | - | - | 12,570,736.99 |
| Amount Dur | | | 000.054.40 | | | | 000.054.40 |
| Amount Due | | | 622,251.48 | - | - | - | 622,251.48 |

APPENDIX 6C

| DISBURSEME | ENTS TO DISTR | ICT ASSEMBLIES. | | | |
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| YEAR: | 2014 | | | | |
| WESTERN RE | GION | | | | |
| PRESTEA/HU | INI VALLEY DIS | TRICT | | | |
| | GGL(TARKWA) | GSR PRESTEA | ABOSSO | PRESTEA SANKOFA | Total |
| D | ATE | BOGOSU | GOLDFIELDS | | |
| Jul-12 | 26,761,053.59 | 6,264,529.00 | 5769053 | | 38,794,635.59 |
| Aug-12 | | | | | - |
| Sep-12 | | | | | - |
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| Total | 26,761,053.59 | 6,264,529.00 | 5,769,053.00 | - | 38,794,635.59 |
| | 704 000 00 | 040.004.40 | 005 500 10 | | |
| Amount due | 794,803.29 | 310,094.19 | 285,568.12 | - | 1,390,465.60 |

APPENDIX 6D

| TARKWA N | SUAEM MUI | NICIPAL ASSEMBLY | | | | |
|------------|-----------|------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
| | | 2014 | | | | |
| DATE | | | | | | |
| | | GMC | GGL(TARKWA) | A ASH(IDUAPRIM) | GSR WASSA | TOTAL |
| Jul-12 | | 2,527,458 | 26,761,054 | 11,523,880 | 5,812,048 | 46,624,440.00 |
| Aug-12 | | | | | | 0 |
| Sep-12 | | | | | | 0 |
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| TOTAL | | 2,527,458.00 | 26,761,054.00 | 11,523,880.00 | 5,812,048.00 | 46,624,440.00 |
| TOTAL | | 2,327,430.00 | 20,701,034.00 | 11,020,000.00 | 3,012,040.00 | 40,024,440.00 |
| | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Amount due | | 125,109.17 | 529,868.87 | 570,432.06 | 86,308.91 | 1,311,719.01 |

APPENDIX 6E

| DISBURSEMEN | TS FROM REGIONA | L OFFICES OF OAS | L. |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| YEAR:2014 | | | |
| WESTERN REG | ION | | |
| BIBIANI AHWIAS | SO BEKWAI DISTRIC | CT ASSEMBLY. | |
| | | | |
| DATE | | | |
| | CHIRANO GOLD MINE | GHANA BAUXITE LTD | TOTAL |
| Jul-12 | 9,499,583.96 | 410,762.00 | 9,910,345.96 |
| Aug-12 | | | - |
| Sep-12 | | | - |
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| TOTAL | 0 400 593 00 | 410 762 00 | - |
| TOTAL | 9,499,583.96 | 410,762.00 | 9,910,345.96 |
| Amount Due | 211 602 22 | 20,332.72 | 231,935.95 |
| Amount Due | 211,603.23 | 20,332.72 | 231,933.95 |

APPENDIX 6F

| WESTERN R | REGION | | | | | | |
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| | | | | GSR (WASS | A) LTD | | Total |
| | | SEPTEMBER | | | | | |
| Jul-12 | | 5 | ,812,048 | | | | 5,812,048.00 |
| Aug-12 | | | | | | | 0 |
| Sep-12 | | | | | | | 0 |
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| Total | | 5,81 | 2,048.00 | - | - | - | 5,812,048.00 |
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| Amount due | | 15 | 8,808.40 | - | - | - | 158,808.40 |

APPENDIX 6G

| YEAR: | 2014 | | |
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| WESTERN REGION | | | |
| SEFWI WIAWSO DISTRICT ASSEMBLY. | | | |
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| | | CHIRANO GOLD N | IINE |
| Jul-12 | | 9,499,583.00 | |
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| TOTAL | | 9,499,583.00 | |
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| Amount Due | | 258,626.15 | |

APPENDIX 6H

| WESTERN R | EGION | | | |
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| Jul-12 | | 4,083,851.00 | | |
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| TOTAL | | 4,083,851.00 | | |
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| Amount Due | | 202,150.62 | | |

APPENDIX 7

Establishing materiality using Total Government receipts.

| Name of Company | | Total Payment | % Wt | Cumulative Weight |
|----------------------------------|------------|----------------|-------|-------------------|
| Newmont Ghana Ltd | | 237,153,235.00 | 24.26 | 24.26 |
| Goldfields Ghana Ltd | | 223,349,569.00 | 22.85 | 47.12 |
| Chirano Gold Mines Ltd | | 197,305,536.00 | 20.19 | 67.30 |
| Newmont Golden Ridge | | 60,051,173.00 | 6.14 | 73.45 |
| Ghana Manganese Co. Lto | k | 45,747,723.00 | 4.68 | 78.13 |
| GSR (Wassa) Ltd | | 45,561,080.00 | 4.66 | 82.79 |
| Abosso Gold Fields Ltd | | 31,536,520.00 | 3.23 | 86.02 |
| Anglogold Ashanti Ghana | Ltd | 28,313,900.00 | 2.90 | 88.91 |
| Perseus Mining | | 25,658,787.00 | 2.63 | 91.54 |
| Anglogold Ashanti(Iduapi | riem)Ltd | 23,313,502.00 | 2.39 | 93.92 |
| GSR(Prestea/Bogoso)Ltd | | 22,699,547.00 | 2.32 | 96.25 |
| Adamus Resources Ltd | | 21,831,758.00 | 2.23 | 98.48 |
| Ghana Bauxite Co. Ltd | | 5,633,219.00 | 0.58 | 99.06 |
| West African Quarries Ltd | | 2,167,266.00 | 0.22 | 99.28 |
| Noble Mining | | 1,770,033.00 | 0.18 | 99.46 |
| Eastern Quarries | | 736,959.00 | 0.08 | 99.53 |
| Gold Recovery Co. Ltd | | 570,139.00 | 0.06 | 99.59 |
| X'tra Gold Mining Ltd | | 499,010.00 | 0.05 | 99.64 |
| Aggreagate Medium Scale | e Quarries | 475,420.00 | 0.05 | 99.69 |
| Aggregate Small Scale Qu | arries | 460,385.00 | 0.05 | 99.74 |
| Kibi Goldfields Ltd | | 386,309.00 | 0.04 | 99.78 |
| Azumah Resources Ltd | | 300,000.00 | 0.03 | 99.81 |
| Aggregate Exploration Activities | | 280,000.00 | 0.03 | 99.84 |
| Tripple Key Ltd | | 189,728.00 | 0.02 | 99.86 |
| Managing God's Resource | 25 | 185,091.00 | 0.02 | 99.88 |

| EPA Processing Fees | | 183,300.00 | 0.02 | 99.90 |
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| Socorro Ltd | | 157,080.00 | 0.02 | 99.91 |
| Regimanuel Concrete Pro | ducts | 123,508.00 | 0.01 | 99.92 |
| Med Mining Ltd | | 107,283.00 | 0.01 | 99.94 |
| Keegan Resources Ltd | | 100,000.00 | 0.01 | 99.95 |
| West Star Mining | | 100,000.00 | 0.01 | 99.96 |
| Blue River Mining | | 100,000.00 | 0.01 | 99.97 |
| Aggregate Quarries - L/C I | ees | 81,000.00 | 0.01 | 99.97 |
| Prestea Sankofa Gold | | 77,446.00 | 0.01 | 99.98 |
| P. W Ghana Ltd | | 65,685.00 | 0.01 | 99.99 |
| Midland Minerals Corpora | ition | 40,000.00 | 0.00 | 99.99 |
| Narawa Ltd | | 20,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| Alharris Co | | 16,495.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| Arise Co. Ltd | | 11,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| Kopacliff Ltd | | 10,000.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| Angel Royal Gold Mines | | 7,053.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| Asaray Co. Ltd | | 2,670.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| | | 977,378,409.00 | | |

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