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Sandblasting Supervisor fined for stealing Gold 06022011



Tarkwa, June 2, GNA - A 30 year-old supervisor working with **Sand Blasting Company**, a subsidiary company of Anglo Gold Ashanti Iduapriem mine, Tarkwa, has been fined 180 Ghana cedis for stealing 6,474.50 grams of gold concentrate.

He will serve 12 months in prison in hard labour if he defaults. He pleaded guilty.

Prosecuting Police Detective Chief Inspector Oscar Amponsah told the court that on May 10, the convict was towing a compressor machine from the plant to the Sad Blasting Company workshop for servicing but on reaching the exit point, a search was conducted on the compressor machine.

A polythene bag containing gold concentrate was found hidden on top of the compressor machine battery.

Inspector Amponsah said when the convict was questioned he could not give any tangible explanation and was arrested and handed over to the police together with the exhibit.

The Prosecutor said the exhibit was sent to the S.G.S. Laboratory at Tarkwa for assay report which said the weight of the exhibit was 6,474.50g valued at 303.95 Ghana cedis.

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