

IGP Camilius Wambura Lauds GGML's Commitment to Security During Official Visit



IGP Wambura greeting GGML's Managing Director, Duran Archery with other Senior Management Staff at GGML site.

The Inspector General of Police (IGP) Camilius Wambura praised Geita Gold Mining Limited (GGML) for its robust security measures and highlighted the company as a model in maintaining peace and safety within its mining operations. IGP Wambura made this statement during his significant visit to GGML where he later had dinner with GGML top management at Mchauru Village.

"Among all the mines I am familiar with and have had the chance to visit, GGML stands out for its high standards in upholding peace and security in its mining activities," said IGP Wambura.

GGML's Senior Security Manager, Suleiman Machira, emphasized the company's strong collaboration with the police force in three key areas: Police operations, investigations, and community policing.

"Our partnership with the police is substantial, particularly in the areas of police operation, investigations, and community policing. Geita is a vast region with many hard-to-reach areas. To support security operations, we are committed to donating 50 motorcycles at the beginning of August this year. Additionally, we will soon hand over 6 police houses and embark on a new project to build the Regional Police Commander's (RPC) house in Geita. These initiatives are all part of our efforts to strengthen our relationship with the police force," said Machira.

Addressing Security Challenges

Machira also pointed out the need for an integrated crimes database system to help track criminal activities and improve the hiring process to avoid employing individuals with malicious intent. He highlighted the lack of non-lethal equipment for police officers, which are crucial for managing violent intrusions before resorting to lethal force.

"We lack an integrated crimes database system to help us track criminal activities, which would also assist in our hiring process to ensure we don't employ criminals or individuals with harmful intentions. Additionally, our police officers face shortages in non-lethal equipment essential for managing disturbances before resorting to lethal force," he added.

Acknowledging GGML's Contributions

IGP Wambura expressed his gratitude for GGML's significant contributions to the police force, including the housing projects and the upcoming donation of motorcycles. He assured that the issue of police equipment is already being addressed, and he would collaborate with security and technology experts to implement the integrated database system.

"I greatly appreciate GGML for the strong relationship they have built with the police through projects like the high-standard police housing and the RPC office construction, as well as the motorcycles we expect to receive next month. The issue of police equipment is already on my desk and is being worked on, and I will work with security and technology experts to see how we can implement the integrated database system," added IGP Wambura.

Future Commitments

Duran Archery, GGML's Managing Director, concluded by highlighting the positive impact of the strong partnership with the police on crime reduction and reiterated GGML's commitment to completing ongoing projects and focusing on future initiatives.

"Through our strong partnership with the police, we have significantly reduced crime compared to previous times. We will continue to strengthen our relationship by ensuring that we complete our current projects on time, and later, we will focus on building the RPC residence," concluded Archery.

The visit by IGP Wambura underscores the crucial value of collaboration at GGML between the mining sector and law enforcement in enhancing security and fostering community development.

