

# WEST AFRICA NETWORK FOR PEACEBUILDING

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# GHANA **WEEK OF MARCH 1 TO 3, 2024**

# Organised Crime and Violent Extremism

(key concept clarification; causes; indicators and signs that push to radicalization; profiling and assessment or perpetuators of violent extremism; current violent extremism events; impact of violent extremism on population; the cross-cutting and patterns of violent extremism; actions and policies to counter violent extremism. Also, crimes related to syndicates and criminal groups that lead to insecurity and instability)

## Incident N\*01

- Title of Incident: Theft/Arrest
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: Reported, 01-03-2024
- Description of Incident: The Management of Ghana Water Limited (GWL) in Accra West Region has arrested and subsequently convicted Abdul Abubakari Sadiq, 28, for stealing a water meter. The Nigerian was convicted by the Weija Circuit Court on his own plea of intentionally and unlawfully causing damage to the meter belonging to GWL.
- Location of incident: Weija, Greater Accra
- Casualty [Male &female]: None
- Property damaged/Affected population: One person arrested (male)
- **♣ Coping mechanism/Responses:** The suspect was arraigned before the Weija Circuit Court and convicted on February 27, 2024.1

## Incident N\*02

- Title of Incident: Fraud/Arrest
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: 01-03-2024
- Description of Incident: A 33-year-old businessman who allegedly collected \$57,000 under the pretext of securing a Toyota Land Cruiser sport utility vehicle for a church but failed has appeared before the Achimota Circuit Court. Andrews Amoah Ampaw pleaded not guilty to the charge of defrauding by false pretenses.
- Location of incident: Greater Accra
- Casualty [Male &female]: None
- Property damaged/Affected population: One person arrested (male)
- Coping mechanism/Responses: Ampaw was arrested by Ghana Immigration Service officials at the Kotoka International Airport (KIA) while travelling outside the country.<sup>2</sup>

# Gender, peace and security

Key concept clarification violence against women and girls; women participation in conflict; impact of conflict on women; women's role in peace and security; policies for ana inst women; assessment of current events on women peace and security

## Incident N\*01

- Title of Incident: Homicide/Arrest
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: 01-03-2024
- Description of Incident: A 36-year-old farmer has reportedly butchered a 12-year-old boy at Amoakokrom near Sikaman in the Akrofoum District of the Ashanti region. The suspect, Musah Ahmed attacked his nephew, Kwaku Amponsem in his sleep. The victim's grandfather went out to attend nature's call when he heard the victim screaming. When he rushed to the room and attempted to save the boy, his son attacked him with the machete.
- Location of incident: Amoakokrom, Ashanti Region

<sup>1</sup> https://www.adomonline.com/man-28-convicted-for-stealing-water-metre/

https://www.adomonline.com/businessman-arrested-at-kia-for-allegedly-swindling-cleric-of-57000/



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- Casualty [Male &female]: 1 dead (male)
- Property damaged/Affected population: One person affected (male), One person arrested (male)
- Coping mechanism/Responses: The suspect was arrested but complained of being indisposed.<sup>3</sup>

### Incident N\*02

- Title of Incident: Homicide
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: 02-03-2024
- Description of Incident: The Volta Regional Police Command has confirmed the death of an inmate who was found hanging in the Akatsi cell. The deceased, Simon Doeve, accused of murder was going through committal at the Akatsi District Court and was remanded to go and back on March 13 but hanged himself ahead of the court date.
- Location of incident: Akatsi, Volta Region
- Casualty [Male &female]: 1 person dead (male)
- Property damaged/Affected population: One person affected (male)
- Coping mechanism/Responses: The body of the deceased has been deposited at the Ho Teaching Hospital for preservation and autopsy.4

# Democracy and Governance

(Key concept clarification—rule of law; actions of branches of government; elections and its implications to transition processes; stakeholders' analysis; events of threats to olitical transitions; protocols and threats and treaties for democratic stability; constitutional amendr

## **Incident N\*01**

- **Title of Incident: Demonstrations**
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: 01-03-2024
- Description of Incident: The Graduate Unemployed Nurses and Midwives Association (GUNMA) has taken to the streets of Tamale to protest their dire unemployment situation. Expressing deep dissatisfaction with the government and its agencies, particularly the Ministry of Health (MoH) and Ministry of Finance (MoF), the group lamented the lack of financial clearance and permanent employment for over 75,000 graduate nurses and midwives who have completed training at accredited public universities and training colleges.
- Location of incident: Tamale, Northern Region
- Casualty [Male &female]: None
- ♣ Property damaged/Affected population: The Graduate Unemployed Nurses and Midwives Association (GUNMA) affected
- Coping mechanism/Responses: The Graduate Unemployed Nurses and Midwives Association (GUNMA) urged the government to address the backlog of nurses and midwives from 2020, 2021, and 2022 who are awaiting posting to serve the nation.<sup>5</sup>

# Incident N\*02

- Title of Incident: Road Accidents
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: Reported, 01-03-2024
- Description of Incident: Three persons including a pregnant woman, have died after a tricycle they were travelling in collided with a tipper truck in the Offinso North District of the Ashanti Region. The incident happened around 6:pm on Thursday, February 29 on the Akomadan-Konkoma road. It occurred when the tricycle, transporting several artisans towards Akomadan, collided head-on with the tipper truck, which was carrying sand.

<sup>3</sup> https://www.adomonline.com/farmer-butchers-12-yr-old-boy-in-amoakokrom-video/

<sup>4</sup> https://www.adomonline.com/man-in-police-custody-at-akatsi-found-dead/

<sup>5</sup> https://www.adomonline.com/tamale-unemployed-nurses-midwives-protest-over-delayed-postings/



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- Location of incident: Akomadan-Konkoma road, Ashanti Region
- Casualty [Male &female]: 3 persons dead, 6 injured
- Property damaged/Affected population: Nine persons affected
- Coping mechanism/Responses: The injured persons are currently receiving treatment at various health facilities, including the Komfo Anokye Teaching Hospital.<sup>6</sup>

### Incident N\*03

- Title of Incident: Clashes
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: 02-03-2024
- Description of Incident: A clash between residents of Manso Tontokrom and private security personnel, deployed to safeguard Asanko Gold Mines Limited's concession, has left three individuals dead. The altercation escalated when the security personnel fired gunshots, resulting in the death of a resident. In retaliation, angry locals lynched two members of the private security team and severely injured another.
- Location of incident: Manso Tontokrom, Ashanti Region
- Casualty [Male &female]: 3 persons dead
- Property damaged/Affected population: Three persons dead
- Coping mechanism/Responses: The bodies of the deceased have been conveyed by the police and deposited at a morgue.7

# Environmental security

(Key concept clarification-Epidemics and pandemics (causatives factors, impact and threat to human security at localized levels and at regional levels); food security (agro-pastoralist conflicts); natural and man-made disasters, humanitarian crisis, climate change (industrialisation, pollutio

- Title of Incident: Illegal Mining/Pit Collapse
- Scale of Incident: Low
- Date of occurrence of Incident: 02-03-2024
- Description of Incident: Three people have died in a 'galamsey' pit collapse incident at Kobriso Romanmu in the Denkyembuor District in the Eastern Region. The victims have been identified as Kwasi Darkwa, aged 24, Kofi Asante, aged 30, and Yaw Ibrahim, aged 39.
- Location of incident: Kobriso Romanmu, Eastern Region
- Casualty [Male &female]: 3 persons dead (males)
- Property damaged/Affected population: Three persons affected (males)
- Coping mechanism/Responses: The bodies have been deposited to the morgue at St. Dominic Hospital in Akwatia. Meanwhile, the Police have initiated investigations into the circumstances surrounding the incident to ascertain the cause of the incident.8

https://www.adomonline.com/pregnant-woman-two-others-killed-in-fatal-crash-on-akomadan-konkoma-road أ

https://www.adomonline.com/three-dead-in-clash-between-tontokrom-residents-and-asanko-mines-security/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> https://www.adomonline.com/three-dead-after-galamsey-pit-collapses-in-eastern-region/