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CABLE THIEF ARRESTED AT INCHABAN WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Inchaban Water Treatment Plant of Ghana Water Limited has, since October 2022, been going through difficulties at the hands of cable thieves.

Thieves have stolen several meters of cables supplying power to critical installations at the Treatment Plant.

In October 2022, the cables supplying power to the submersible pump at the intake of the plant were stolen rendering the pump useless. The submersible pump is used during the dry season when the water level in the dam goes down such that water cannot flow by gravity to the treatment plant. Due to this cable theft, the Station was unable to engage this special device during the dry season, causing the plant to nearly shutdown in March 2023.

In July 2023, the entire electric cables in the late Station Manager's bungalow were stolen together with the 25mm service cables that draw power from the external pole to the house. All the electrical fittings in the bungalow have also been stolen.

Recently, cables at the trainees' quarters were equally removed by these miscreants costing the company huge sums of money to replace them.

On Saturday, September 23, 2023, however, luck run out for Baba Salihu, 17 years, who is suspected to be the brain behind all these theft cases that have bedevilled the Station in recent times. At about 10.00 am on Saturday, a Senior Technical Assistant at the Station, Mr. Solomon Kuwornu, doing some rounds, heard unusual noise in the old laboratory and decided to find out what could be happening there.

He traced the noise to the ceiling of the laboratory, thinking it was reptiles which were creating the noise, only to find Salihu lying prostrate on the ceiling to avoid

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detection. It came to light that he had already removed all the cables in the walls and was in the process of removing those on the ceiling when the noise caught the attention of Mr. Kuwornu. He was subsequently arrested and sent to the Inchaban Police Station where he was kept in police custody.



BABA SALIHU AFTER HIS ARREST

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