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TRAGEDY hit Gambia in the Prestea-Huni Valley District of the Western Region, on Monday, when an abandoned mine pit caved in, killing a 17-year old girl, Hamida Tuyuhu and injuring another.

The dead, according to the police,

Abandoned mine pit kills 17-year-old girl

went to the old mine site with Amos Kojo Bukro, 40, to prospect for gold ore when the disaster occurred.

The body has been deposited at the Prestea Government Hospital while Bukro, who had a fractured left leg, had been referred to the Tarkwa Hospital

for medical attention, the Police Public Relations Officer (PRO), Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), Olivia Ewurabena Adiku told *The Spectator*.

She said at about 12.30 p.m. on Monday, some illegal miners went to

an abandoned galamsey site at the Gambia village, to prospect for gold and in the process, the loose sand caved in and trapped Bukro and Hamida.

"Hamida died instantly while Bukro escaped," ASP Adiku said.