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1 Please introduce yourself and tell us what ‘I am mining and I belong’ in mining means to you

I am a safety officer at Sukari Gold Mine, Centamin PLC. With two years of experience in the mining sector, including roles in both the processing plant and open pit mining safety, I find this field to be both challenging and rewarding.

The phrase “I am mining and I belong” embodies the empowerment and inclusion of women in our industry. For me, this statement serves as a source of inspiration, motivating me to excel in my role and encouraging others to share their unique contributions. Together, we can create a brighter future for everyone in mining.

2 What was happening and what were you thinking when you took the winning photo? Why was it the one you submitted?

It was my first time witnessing the blasting pattern, observing my colleagues working with the drilling rigs and other equipment. In that moment, I realized that everything we’ve achieved began with the hard work of these individuals. I felt a deep sense of pride to be there alongside them, so I decided to capture the moment with a photo. I choose this one based on how I felt connected with the phrase “ I am mining and I belong “

3 You won an online course from Edumine. Which one did you choose and why? How is/was the process of studying?

Choosing just one course was challenging, as all of them offered valuable insights. Ultimately, I selected 'e3Plus - Health and Safety in Exploration 4: Site and Camp Safety', as it aligned closely with my field of interest. I eagerly began the course upon receiving it, and I found it to be highly informative. The quizzes were engaging, and I appreciated the references provided for each topic. I completed the course in less than a week and was thrilled to receive my certificate of completion afterward.

4 In your own words, how does a campaign like the International Day of Women in Mining enrich the sector?

A campaign like the International Day of Women in Mining enhances the sector by advocating for gender diversity and inclusion, both of which are vital for driving innovation and improving workplace culture. It shines a light on the valuable contributions of women in mining, motivating more females to consider careers in the field. By showcasing success stories and facilitating discussions, the campaign fosters collaboration and mentorship, creating a more equitable environment.

5 What is your next or ultimate career goal? What would you love to do one day?

My ultimate career goal is to advance into a leadership position within the mining industry, where I can influence safety policies and promote a culture of inclusivity. One day, I would love to mentor the next generation of female leaders in mining, helping them navigate their careers and encouraging them to break barriers. Ultimately, I aim to contribute to a more sustainable and equitable mining industry that values diversity and prioritises safety.