

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT FOR ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE ZAMBEZI REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED UP-EARTHING OF THE EMBANKMENT ON NANKUNTWE COMBINED SCHOOL PLATFORM, LOCATED IN THE EASTERN FLOODPLAINS OF ZAMBEZI REGION, NAMIBIA.

1. INTRODUCTION

Zambezi Regional Council (hereinafter referred to as ZRC), intends on obtaining an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for up-earthing of the embankment on the Nankuntwe Combined School Platform, in order to allow learners and their parents to relocate to such a higher ground during flood times as a permanent solution to the flooding problem. Furthermore, raising the embankment aims to raise the platform of the school in order to increase the carrying capacity and prevent damage and disruptions of classrooms due to flooding.

The embankment project is proposed to be located approximately 120 km east of Katima Mulilo town on approximately 70 km earth road during dry season and 120 km river transport on the Zambezi River.

2. PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

This document has been prepared to inform you:

- about the proposed activities;
- about the EIA process to be followed;
- of possible environmental impacts;
- how you can have input into the EIA process

3. YOUR ROLE

Public involvement is an essential part of the EIA process.

You have been identified as an interested and affected party (IAP) who may want to know about the proposed activities and have input into the EIA process.

All comments will be recorded and addressed in the EIA process.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL

Prior to the commencement of the proposed operation activities, an application for environmental clearance will be submitted in terms of the Environmental Management Act, 7 of 2007 and Regulations 19 and 21 of the EIA Regulations (January 2012) to the MEFT - Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA). MEFT - DEA will review the application and relevant reports for a final decision. An EIA process will be conducted in terms of the above-mentioned Act and Regulations.

I.N.K Enviro Consultants cc (I.N.K), is an independent firm of environmental consultants and has been appointed to manage the EIA process for the above-mentioned activities.

4. HOW TO RESPOND

Responses to this document can be submitted by means of the attached comments sheet or through communication with the contact person listed below.

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6. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

The information in this section is referenced from the Earthworks Investigation Report, conducted in 2014 by Bona Consultants.

6.1 Introduction

The buildings at Nankuntwe Combined School are built with cement and stones, on an elevated piece of land between two streams. The stream on the eastern side of the school will have a constant negative effect on the school site. At this school, the aprons have collapsed and intervention is needed to save the permanent structures.

6.2 Fill Area

This school is constructed on an outcropping along the stream thus following the geographical layout. It is therefore recommended to enlarge this area in width from the current 45m to 100m and in length to 100m north of the school and 170m/133m to the south. Elevate the entire area 23224m² to 600mm above the highest recorded flood level.

6.3 Fill Quantity

A calculated volume compacted fill of 48049m³ will be needed to accomplish this task.

6.4 Source Material

The source where the material will be obtained from is approximately 500m east south east from the school at bearing 116 degrees. It will be worthwhile to develop a direct access to the borrow pit to create a short cut.

6.5 Timing

The construction will commence as soon as all relevant certificates and permits are in place.

7. POTENTIAL IMPACTS

Potential environmental issues associated with the construction of the up-earthing of Nankuntwe Combined School Platform include:

- Surface water quantity can be affected through inappropriate up-earthing techniques used. These aspects could cause potential impacts on surface water flow and direction and could potentially cause the flooding situation to be worse if not properly managed.
- Communities near the construction site could potentially be impacted as a result of air pollution posing as a socio-economic and air quality issue.
- Noise from the construction activities could disturb people and animals in the immediate surroundings of the activities.
- Machinery and equipment used on site and refuelling of generators poses an environmental risk due to potential hydrocarbon spills. Hydrocarbon spillages could potentially contaminate the soil and groundwater.
- Waste generated on site has the potential to pollute the environment and cause environmental degradation, if not properly managed.

8. STEPS IN THE EIA PROCESS

PHASE I – Internal Screening (January)

- EIA project initiation.
- Notify MEFT: DEA..
- Site visit and identify environmental issues.
- Identify key stakeholders.

PHASE II – Combined Scoping & Assessment Phase and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) (February – March)

- Submit Application form to MET
- Notify other regulatory authorities and IAPs of the proposed project (via newspaper advertisements, this document, emails, site notices).
- Conduct public meeting (see details provided) and key stakeholder (focus group) meetings.
- Assess impacts of proposed projects and compile Scoping (including assessment) report and EMP.
- Comment period: Reports will be made available for review and comment by regulatory authorities and registered IAPs.
- Compile final reports (including Issues and Response Report).
- Submit the final reports to MET for their review and decision-making.

9. EIA PROCESS

The EIA process provides information on the proposed project and the environment in which it may be situated; it identifies, in consultation with IAPs, the potential negative and positive environmental aspects and associated impacts of the proposed project; and reports on management measures required to mitigate such impacts to acceptable levels. The likely process steps and timeframes are provided below.

A draft Scoping Report (including an assessment of impacts) and an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the proposed project will be made available for a 14-day public comment period.

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Full Name	
Organisation	
Postal Address	
Date	
Telephone Number	
Email	
Please Identify Your Interest in the Project:	
<p>.....</p> <p>.....</p>	
Please write your Comments and Questions here:	
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UPREARTHING OF NANKUNTWE COMBINED SCHOOL PLATFORM

PUBLIC MEETING – 23 JUNE 2020

VENUE: NANKUNTWE COMBINED SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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Mwailima Namatara	community	—	—
Mbeha Sitwala	community	0812021845	—
Mbeha Kwishule	community	—	—
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NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Right Path Investments (Pty) Ltd hereby gives notice to all the potential interested and Affected Parties, that an application for an Environmental Clearance in accordance with the Environmental Management Act 1 of 2002 and Regulations 19 and 21 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (January 2012) will be made as per the following:

PROJECT AND APPLICANT: Right Path Investments (Pty) Ltd The Battery Recycling Factory
NATURE AND LOCATION OF THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY: Right Path intends to operate a Car Battery Recycling Factory to produce Lead-Acid Batteries. The Battery Recycling Factory is located within the Industrial Area of Okavango, Otjozondjupa Region, Namibia.

INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER: I.N.A. Envoys Consultants cc has been appointed by Right Path to undertake the EIA process for the project. Please contact Envoys Consultants, P.O. Box 111030, Pombierpark, Windhoek. Tel: +264 91 925 9825; E-mail: info@envoyss.com / info@envoyss.com

REGISTRATION TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS AND INFORMATION: Register at an M&P with Electronic Notice by submitting your comments, full name and contact by post or email. A Background Information Document is available for a review and comment period from 11 February to 02 March 2020.

DETAILS ON THE INFORMATION SHARING MEETING: A public meeting will be held on Saturday, 23 February 2020 at the Right Path Battery Recycling Factory, Time: 13h00.



Financial Literacy Initiative

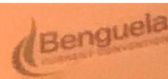
Invitation to bid for the re-development of the FLI website

The Financial Literacy Initiative (FLI) is a national platform to enhance financial education for individuals and micro-, small- and medium sized enterprises.

The FLI is looking for a company to re-develop its current website into an interactive, intuitive and user-friendly yet comprehensive website with graphic layout that embodies timely and accurate dissemination of information about the FLI, its initiatives, events and activities to its stakeholders.

Interested companies can request for more information and detailed terms of reference by emailing antonio@fl-namibia.org

Deadline for Submissions 20 February 2020



Invitation

The Benguela Current Convention (BCC) is a multi-sectoral inter-Governmental Organization by Angola, Namibia and South Africa (Parties) to spearhead regional collaboration for integrated management, sustainable development and protection of the environment using an ecosystem approach to ocean governance in the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem (BCLME).

The Benguela Current Convention invites proposals from competent company/consultancy firm to conduct the following consultancies:

1. To provide Internal Audit Services to the BCC
2. To provide External Audit Services to the BCC

Detailed Terms of Reference is available at: www.benguelacc.org or from Ms. Lenny Brown, lenny@benguelacc.org, Tel: +264 64 406 9011

Entries must be submitted before 16:00 p.m., on 21 February 2020, local time in Namibia.



GOVERNMENT AUCTION – DAY 1

MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT
MINISTRY OF WORKS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC AUCTION: LOOSE ITEMS

VIEWING DATE: MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2020 from 09H00 to 16H00
AUCTION DATE: TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2020 AT 10H00
VENUE: MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES: CENTRAL HOSPITAL – GENERAL STORES (OPPOSITE AMBULANCE STATION)
Items to be sold:
AIRCONS, BENCHES GARDEN, BEDS HOSPITAL, BAR STOOL, BEDS DIVAN, COMPUTERS, CHAIRS, CABINETS, DESKS, DOORS, INCUBATORS, FANS, OVEN, TABLES, SONAR MACHINE, STOVES, STEEL POLES, SCALE, SOFAS, TROLLEYS, TYRES, TV'S VACUUM CLEANER, WHEEL CHAIRS AND MUCH MUCH MORE

Registration: N\$ 500.00 (Cash Only)
Payment: Cash only (No Cheques)
Terms and Conditions Apply, N\$ VAT
Details are subject to change without prior notice
Contact: Mr. JERRY MAGWET 081 273 0445, E JTMAGWET@MOTW.GOV.NA 081 243 2330
081 208 0164

GOVERNMENT AUCTION – DAY 2

MINISTRY OF WORKS AND TRANSPORT
MINISTRY OF WORKS WILL HOLD A PUBLIC AUCTION: LOOSE

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OPPORTUNITY
FOR YOUR

TENDERS



VACANCY

The Namibia Financial Institutions Supervisory Authority (“NAMFISA; the Authority”) is an independent institution established by virtue of Act No. 3 of 2001 to effectively regulate and supervise financial institutions in Namibia, and to give sound advice to the Minister of Finance.

NAMFISA is an equal opportunity employer and invites competent and suitably qualified candidates to apply for the following position:


ECONOMIST

Interested candidates are invited to visit the NAMFISA website for more information.
www.namfisa.com.na

Only short-listed candidates will be contacted and no documents will be returned. No faxed applications will be accepted.

CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY, 19 JUNE 2020

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TENDER

TENDER NO: DBMNE0385

SAP CONSULTING SERVICES - MATERIALS MANAGEMENT MODULE

DESCRIPTION:
Debmarine Namibia invites experienced and suitably qualified service providers to provide SAP Consulting Services for the Materials Management Module on SAP system. The primary role for the service provider is to ensure integrity, reliability and development of Materials Management section of the SAP R3 and the related Supply Chain processes.

SCOPE OF WORK:
The service provider must perform the following services:

1. Identify trends and user needs
2. Conduct training and compile training material
3. Conduct stakeholder’s education and awareness plan
4. Recommend SAP standard solutions
5. Identify areas of business process improvements
6. Identify and introduce enhanced functionalities
7. Knowledge of all other modules in SAP
8. Project Management


CLOSING DATE FOR COLLECTION OF TENDER DOCUMENTATION:
Registered companies interested in providing such Services are requested to to obtain a tender document with Reference Number **DBMNE0385 by 19 June 2020** at 12h00 noon.

ENQUIRIES:
The Procurement Officer
Tel: +264 61 297 8481
Email: DBMNTenders@debeersgroup.com
Specify the Reference Number DBMNE0385: SAP Consulting Services - MM Module

DISCLAIMER:

Debmarine Namibia shall not be responsible for any costs incurred in the preparation and submission of a response to this tender and furthermore reserves the right not to extend this tender into any future tenders, negotiations and/or engagements.

Debmarine Namibia shall not accept submissions rendered after the closing date and time.



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INDEPENDENT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER: I.N.K Enviro Consultants cc has been appointed by ZRC to undertake the EIA process for the project. Please contact Immanuel Katali, P.O Box: 31908, Pionierspark, Windhoek. Tel: +264 81 803 5825. E-mail: immanuelkatali@gmail.com
REGISTRATION TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS AND INFORMATION: Register as an I&AP with Immanuel Katali by submitting your comments, full name and contact by post or email. A Background Information Document is available for a review and comment period from **11 June to 8 July 2020**.
DETAILS ON THE INFORMATION SHARING MEETING: A public meeting will be held on Tuesday, **23 June 2020** at Nankuntwe Combined School, **Time: 12h00** and Muzii Combined School, **Time:15h00**.





Vacancies

Letshego Bank Namibia invites suitable qualified candidates to apply for the following positions:

- **Chief Financial Officer**
- **Management Accountant**
- **Customer Care Consultant (Rundu)**

Suitable candidates are invited to email a cover letter and CV with certified copies of qualifications to na.recruitment@letshego.com

Closing Date: Friday, 19 June 2020

For more information regarding the positions, please visit our website, **<http://www.letshego.com/careers>**

People in designated groups are encouraged to apply.



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EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The United States Embassy in Windhoek has the following vacancy as detailed below. Please note that applications must be submitted electronically via the Electronic Recruitment Application (ERA) system, by June 15, 2020 to be considered.

Interested applicants should visit the U.S. Embassy website at <https://na.usembassy.gov/embassy/jobs/> to apply for this vacancy.

Public Health Administrative Management Specialist: Associate Deputy for Management and Operations (WINDHOEK-2020-002) Re-advertisement

Job holder (JH) oversees the day-to-day management, administrative, financial, and program coordination functions in support of a broad range of agency-funded HIV/AIDS, public health program activities and services of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Namibia office that are implemented by specific program offices, branches or programmatic teams. This is done through direct supervision and management oversight of a team of three staff. The work portfolio includes finance, budget, human resources, procurement, legal, policy, information management, property management and logistics. The job holder also functions on behalf of the Deputy Director for Management & Operations (DDMO) in his/ her absence. The Deputy Director for Management and Operations directly supervises the position.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: The complete position description listing all of the duties and responsibilities may be obtained on our website at <https://na.usembassy.gov/embassy/jobs/>

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY: The U.S. Mission provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.



ZAMBEZI REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED UPEARTHING OF THE SCHOOL PLATFORM - NANKUNTWE

EIA Public Meeting – Nankuntwe

Meeting date | 23 June 2020 | 12:00 Hrs | Meeting location: Nankuntwe Combined School

Project: ZAMBEZI REGIONAL COUNCIL'S PROPOSED UPEARTHING OF THE NANKUNTWE COMBINED SCHOOL. **Attendees:** See attendance register

Purpose:

- Present the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process being followed.
- Explain the motivation and overview of the proposed Project.
- Allow interested & affect parties (IAPs) to provide input into the EIA process and Scoping Report.

Facilitator: Mr. Immanuel Katali (IK) the independent Environmental Practitioner

Client: Mr. Castro Mafwila (CM) – Zambezi Regional Council

Minutes

Presenter: Mr. Immanuel Katali (IK)

Presentation:

IK the independent Environmental Practitioner conducting the EIA process welcomed all to the meeting and introduced CM – Zambezi Regional Council, then took the floor for his presentation.

IK presented the project background/motivation as well as the description and location of the proposed project and various project components.

IK also presented the EIA process being followed and explained the potential key social and environmental issues that were identified as part of the initial stages of the EIA process. He ended the presentation by discussing the way forward regarding the EIA process.

Discussion:

Any issues and concerns raised during the meeting have been recorded in Table 1. Where a response was provided the relevant response has also been included in Table 1. Responses were provided by IK and CM.

TABLE 1: RECORD OF ISSUES RAISED AND RESPONSES GIVEN



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Issue raised/ comment	Response
A lot of people like yourself come here doing all sorts of studies but nothing ever kicks off the ground?	There is a process involved. I am appointed to conduct the EIA for this project. Most likely the engineers will visit the school for that technical aspect of the project. There are various and different feasibility studies that need to be done to determine whether this project is feasible or not.
Thank you for the well put together presentation. Please let us know if you need anything from us, we will gladly assist.	Noted.
Will classrooms still go on during the construction?	Yes. Temporary structures will be put up to accommodated the learners.

Close:

IK thanked everyone for attending, encouraged those with more questions to ask them after the meeting or forward them to I.N.K. Enviro Consultants. He closed the meeting.

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Appendix 1: Attendance Register





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