

## **APPENDIX B - NON-TECHNICAL SUMMARY**

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## APPENDIX C- EVIDENCE OF PUBLIC CONSULTATION

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## Market Watch







# Nigeria creates US\$2.6 bn infrastructure company

Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari's government has approved the creation of a company to fast-track development of critical in-frastructure, with around US\$2.6 billion in initial financing. Africa's most populous country slipped into recession in its third quarter for the second time in four years, hit by the coronavirus pan-demic and a fall in oil prices, and faces a huge infrastructure deficit. "It is envisaged that, overtime, the entity will grow to naira 15 trilentity will grow to naira 15 tril-lion (US\$39.3 billion), in assets and capital," a spokesman for Vice President Yemi Osinbajo said in a statement on Friday.



It is envisaged that, over time, the entity will grow to naira 15 trillion (US\$39.3 billion), in assets and capital

Spokesman for Vice President Yemi Osinbajo

The company, Infra-Co, will be one of the top infrastructure finance entities in Africa and will be wholly dedicated to Nigeria's infrastructure development, the statement said.

Infra-Co will operate as a public-private partnership and will
be initially funded by the Central
Bank of Nigeria, the Nigerian Sovereign Investment Authority and
the Africa Finance Corporation. It will focus on developing public
assets and reconstruction as well
as new roads, rail, power and other
key infrastructure sector projects.
The IMF expects Nigeria's
economy to contract by at least
3 percent this year, a situation
many fears will further deepen
the country's infrastructure crisis
and worsen an economy already
struggling with the impact of the
pandemic.
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Nigeria's senate last year approved nearly USS23 billion (18,9 billion euros) in foreign loan requests by Buhari to support a series of large-scale projects, which the government hopes will revamp the country's crumbling infrastructure. Buhari early this week also launched a USS1.96 billion rail project linking to neighbouring Niger as the country looks to boost its growth.





The agriculture sector is at the heart of Namibia's development agenda going forward.

which is the superston of Namibia's grand development plan, Vision 2030, the government is reviewing the plan with a view to replacing it with one that speaks to the realities of the day. This was announced by National Planning Commission (NPC) director, Obeth Kandjöze, at a recent media conference meant to inform the nation about the government's decision to liquidate the cash-strapped Air Namibia. At this event, Kandjöze said: "We must actually craft a grand-visioning statement that will replace Vision 2030. We must review NDP 5 to be able to fit into the economy post-Covid-19."

Covid-19." Vision 2030 stipulates that Namibia plans to be a prosperous and industrialised nation, developed by her human resources, enjoying peace, harmony, and political sta-



bility by 2030. "We have assembled a team of experts led by the National Planning Commission, assisted by the Ministry of Finance and Bank of Namibia. We have solicited the efforts and

advice of Harvard University Growth Lab experts led by Professor Ricardo Hausmann, a very well renowned

professional in the business of helping countries identify pitfalls in their setups from an economic struc-tural point of view," Kandjoze said.

tural point of view," Kandjoze said. The growth lab works to under-stand the dynamics of growth and to translate those insights into more effective policymaking in develop-ing countries.

Agriculture
Kandjoze also said Namibia must
position itself strategically to benefit
from the African Continental Free
Trade Area Agreement (AGCTTA).
The former mines minister added:
'We must have a stake in that vision.
Going forward the economy is actually put at a display as to 'what is agriculture achieving?"
'Agriculture was contributing
between 12 to 15 percent of GDP.
Today agriculture is reduced to
less than 4 percent. What are the
structural policy changes that
should come in to begin to help the
sector," he questioned? Additionalby, he said agriculture is at the heart
of Namibia's development agenda
going forward. Other sectors such as
mining are also under review.
"The idea is to understand where
the impediments are in our economiestructural set-ups owe can do away
with those impediments, review the
policies, understand the future of the
particular sort of market in agriculture, mining and so forth so that we

particular sort of market in agricul-ture, mining and so forth so that we can position the economy post-Covid-19," he noted.







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## More tax revenue, minimised social welfare

# SA's economic rebound to trim budget deficits



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74% contraction last year, probably bulstering revenue collections and narrowing deficits for the next finan-

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As in other countries, Covic 10 spending coubled the South African hadger last year. The 2020/24 deficit was estimated at 13.85% of GDP in repelliating only about its weeks left. In October, the National Treasury's mushids and Indian March 15.15% of GDP in the year and 15.75% definite of GDP in the year and 15.75% definite of GDP in the year and 15.05% and 7.35% for the following years coperably. Nechank economists where that the 2020/21 adapter was expected to be much hetter than presented in the madium-term budges statement? October Iron the National Treasury.

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continued to on, into executable for occapts in recent years," said Jeffrey Schultz at RNP Pariba. Consumer inflation was expected to average 8.9% this year and 4.3% rectiver, still below the midpoint of the Reserve Banks 33 to 63, comfort

announced will be in the form of the duties and fuel levies, rather than mything that could risk demaging

thy amy fraction has dimined an already fragile and concentrated tax rase. Schultz added.

Gross national debt was projected by the government to stabilise at 98.12 of GDD by 2028/260 mm or less in line with the pollumedian which expended it at 92.73 in 2023/26.

Growth was expected stow to 2.2% next catendar year and 1.7% the fol

lowing year.
Interest rates were expected to remain unchanged at 3.5% this year but the Reserve Bank was expected Lo raise them to 4.0% next year and to 1.75% in 392%. • Nampa/Reutan







# Paratus welcomes Demshi in subsea cable project



The Paratus landing station will host the Equiano undersea cable system transmission equipment. HISTORICK RIGHTS

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## **SITE NOTICE**

# NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EPL7964

## KUNENE REGION, NAMIBIA

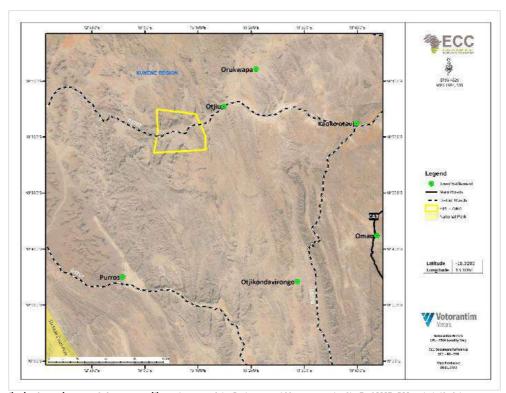
Environmental Compliance Consultancy cc (ECC) hereby gives notice to the public that an application for an environmental clearance certificate in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 will be made as per the following:

Applicant: Votorantim Metals Namibia (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP): Environmental Compliance Consultancy
Project ID: ECC-88-338

Project: Exploration activities on EPL 7964 for base and rare metals, industrial minerals, and precious metals in the Kunene region, Namibia

**Proposed activity:** The proponent proposes to carry out exploration activities for base and rare metals, industrial minerals, and precious metals on EPL 7964. The EPL lies approximately 100km west of Otavi and can be accessed via the D3707 road. The EPL is located within the Kunene Region. Exploration methods may include geochemical surveys (soil and rock sampling), geophysical surveys (electromagnetic surveys), drilling and drill-core sampling.

### Location of EPL 7964:



Application for environmental clearance certificate: In terms of the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007, ECC on behalf of the proponent is required to submit an application for environmental clearance to the competent authority and the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism for the above-mentioned project.

**Purpose of the review and registration period:** The purpose of the review and registration period is to introduce the proposed project and to afford Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) an opportunity to register and comment on the Non-Technical Summary (NTS) and to ensure that potential issues and concerns are brought forward, captured and considered further in the assessment process.



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