

China major creditor



Zambia's President Hakainde Hichilema. PHOTO NAMPA/REUTERS

Zambia finds US\$2 bn more debt on books

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Zambia's newly elected government on Thursday said it owed US\$2 billion more to foreign creditors than previously thought, with more than US\$6 billion owed to China alone. The resource-rich but impoverished African nation said external debt stood at US\$14.48 billion at the middle of the year more than 60 percent of gross domestic product. Debt had ballooned under the government of Edgar Lungu, who was toppled in August elections by veteran opposition leader Hakainde Hichilema. Hichilema is in talks for a bailout from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) after Zambia became the first African nation to default on its debt during the coronavirus epidemic.

Of the total debt, Zambia owes China US\$5.75 billion or US\$6.18 billion including unpaid interest, Finance Minister Situmbeko Musokotwane told parliament. "The stock of public and publicly guaranteed external debt at the end of the second quarter stood at US\$14.48 billion excluding interest arrears," he said. Lungu was accused of borrowing heavily to splash out on infrastructure projects during his six-year tenure. Despite vast reserves of copper and other minerals, Zambia's economy contracted in 2020 the first recession since 1998 and inflation remains in double digits. Hichilema campaigned on a pledge to improve governance and restore an economy that over years of rapid growth transformed the nation into a middle-income country. The government held talks with the IMF from September 27 to 1 October seeking a bailout to restructure its debt. "Government is actively engaging the IMF for a fund programme aimed at providing an anchor to our debt restructuring," the minister said. **-Nampa/AFP**



Nigeria presents US\$39.8 bn 2022 budget

Nigeria's president unveiled a record 16.39 trillion-naira (US\$39.8 billion) budget for 2022 on Thursday, with a projected 25% year-on-year rise in government spending as the economy struggles with the impact of the pandemic. The deficit will rise to 6.26 trillion naira, or 3.39% of gross domestic product (GDP) to be funded by new borrowing, proceeds from privatisations and drawdowns on loans secured for specific projects, Muhammadu Buhari told a joint sitting of the Senate and the House of Representatives. The plan for Africa's top oil exporter assumes crude output of 1.88 million barrels a day and an oil price of US\$57 per barrel, said Buhari. "Some have expressed concern over our resort to borrowing to finance our fiscal gaps. They are right to be concerned. However, we believe that the debt level of the Federal Government is still within sustainable limits," he said. Economic analysts said Nigeria's budget signalled the government was not about to make any major policy shift as spending would remain elevated to deal with a deteriorating security situation in many parts of the country. The armed forces have been struggling to contain Islamist insurgencies in the north-east, a spate of mass abductions and deadly bandit attacks in the northwest, conflicts between farmers and herders in many areas and a general surge in crime. "In the meantime, Nigeria is likely to be stuck with large budget deficits. If borrowing conditions prove to be unfavourable, the government may increasingly lean on the central bank to finance budget shortfalls," said Virag Forizs, emerging markets economist at Capital Economics.



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Nigeria's President Muhammadu Buhari. PHOTOS NAMPA/REUTERS

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Inflation

The World Bank has said that rising insecurity, along with high food inflation and stalled reforms, was a drag on growth and a factor in rising poverty. The economy is projected to grow by up to 3% this year after it expanded by 5% in the second quarter. It contracted in 2020 due to the pandemic, though it managed to exit recession in the fourth quarter, but growth is fragile. Buhari confirmed a

previously published 2022 GDP growth forecast of 4.2% and an inflation projection of 13%. "Our target over the medium term is to grow our revenue-to-GDP ratio from about 8 percent currently to 15 percent by 2025," Buhari said. This would be achieved by enhancing tax and excise revenues through reforms and administration measures, he added. Nigeria has passed a string of record budgets since Buhari took office in 2015, but the country has struggled to fund the spending plans due to low revenues. The pandemic has added to the revenue problems. According to IMF data, Nigeria has among the lowest revenues globally, with general government revenue between 2015 and 2019 at 7.9% of GDP, compared with a Sub-Saharan African average of 12.7% and a global average of 29.8%. Buhari said a fuel subsidy which successive governments have tried unsuccessfully to scrap, continued to erode revenues. Attempts to remove it have triggered protests and strikes. **-Nampa/Reuters**

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Project Nature & Location: The proposed exploration and mining of Dimension Stone on four Mining Claims 72499, 72500, 72502 & 72503 located about 15 km northwest of Karibib in the Erongo Region. The four Mining Claims are bordering each other and cover a total (combined) surface area of 68.0798 hectares (ha).

The Project Proponent: Hermann Honeb

Appointed Environmental Consultant: Loudima Resources Pty Ltd

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The Project Proponent: Otombawe Mining CC

Appointed Environmental Consultant: Loudima Resources Pty Ltd

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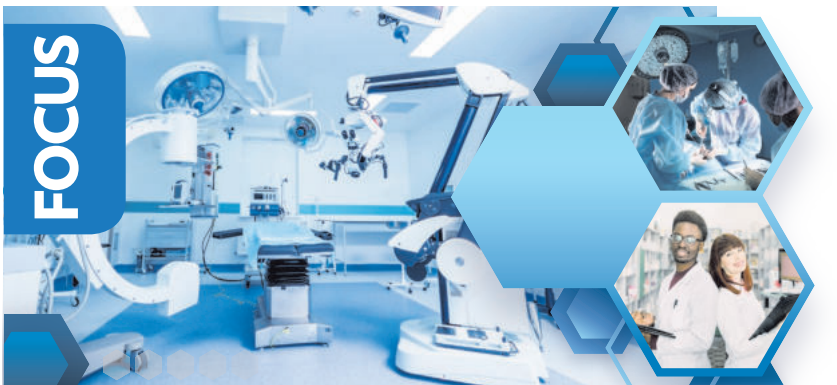
The public is hereby also invited to the Public Consultation Meeting to be held as follows.

Public Consultation Meeting details:

Date: Tuesday, 26 October 2021, **Time:** 11h30 (in the morning)

Venue: To Be Communicated

Contact Person: Ms. Fredrika Shagama, **Email:** eia@loudimaresources.com



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US donates vaccines to Nigeria

The United States has donated 3.6 million doses of the Pfizer Inc/BioNTech Covid-19 vaccine to Nigeria, two months after it shipped Moderna Inc vaccines to Africa's most-populous nation, a local television station reported on Thursday. Faisal Shuaib, who heads Nigeria's National Primary Health Care Development Agency, said on Oct. 5 the country had confirmation that it would receive 3.57 million doses of Pfizer vaccines within the next two weeks. The shipment arrived on Thursday at the airport in the capital, Abuja, AIT Television reported. Nigerian and US health authorities could not immediately be reached for comment. In August, Nigeria received 4 million doses of Moderna's Covid-19 vac-

cines donated by the U.S. government. The West African country has been exploring options to acquire or purchase vaccines through the COVAX facility to enable it to inoculate at least 70% of its population. About 2.3% of Nigerians or 2.54 million people have been fully vaccinated as of Thursday, while 4.7% of the population have received at least one dose of Covid-19 vaccine. Nigeria, which has not tested widely for Covid-19, has so far recorded 208 404 confirmed infections and 2 761 deaths from the virus. It received 501 600 doses of AstraZeneca's Covid-19 vaccine from the French government last week and 434 400 doses of Johnson and Johnson's vaccine from the African Union.

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A person receives a dose of the Pfizer BioNTech Covid-19 vaccine at a mass vaccination centre. PHOTOS NAMPA/REUTERS



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Lower-income nations slipping behind

Quicker vaccinations key to swift recovery

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Accelerating the pace of vaccinations worldwide will be key not just to con-

taining the coronavirus pandemic, but also to resolving the speed bumps besetting the global economic recovery, IMF chief Kristalina Georgieva said.

Finance officials gathered for the annual meeting of the Washington-based crisis lender have flagged concerns about supply chain bottlenecks that are pushing prices higher.

Those disruptions stem from the unprecedented situation created by the pandemic and the sharp rebound in demand as economies reopen, as well as struggles to hire workers amid renewed infections from the Delta variant of the coronavirus.

But Georgieva said the "more fundamental problem" is the growing divergence between "countries that are pulling forward more strongly, and those that are falling behind," largely due to the drastically lower vac-



International Monetary Fund (IMF) Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva.

ination rates in lower-income nations.

"There was a very clear message coming out of this meeting that vaccinating the world is critical," she told reporters.

While advanced countries are starting to provide booster shots, about 96 percent of the population of low-income countries are unvaccinated.

International Monetary Fund members "called for a strong international cooperation and immediate action to achieve universal vaccination," said Sweden Finance Minister Magdalena Andersson, who chaired the IMF's steering committee.

Georgieva repeated the Fund's view that inflation pressures are mostly tran-

sitory, but the committee stressed that central banks will be watching prices closely and will take action if "concrete" risks materialize.



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Kristalina Georgieva, chief: IMF

The committee, in its concluding statement, recognized the risks to the recovery and highlighted the need for "immediate action" on vaccinations and to address the crisis that is exacerbating poverty.

The membership also repeated the pledge to "extend financial assistance to countries in need."

That includes shifting funds from the newly-issued IMF reserves US\$650 billion in special drawing rights to countries most in need. Georgieva said her US\$100 billion goal is "very achievable."

-Nampa/Reuters



Request for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Consulting Services

Procurement Reference No: SC/EOI/NW-002/2022

CONSOLIDATION AND COMPARISON OF THE THREE LONG TERM WATER SOURCES CONSIDERED TO SUPPLY WIND-HOEK AND RELATED AREAS

1. Expression of Interest

Namibia Water Corporation Ltd (NamWater) hereby invites qualified independent engineering consultants to submit pre-selection documents for the required consulting services. The requested consulting services are of strategic importance for the Government of Republic of Namibia. Thus Cabinet in 2021 approved the undertaking of this study as soon as possible.

2. Background of the Project

Objectives: The purpose of this assignment is to propose from among the three most likely long-term sources, namely: 1) Okavango River; 2) Desalinated water from the Atlantic Ocean and 3) Southern Dams, the most technically and financially feasible option that the Government of Republic of Namibia and NamWater should implement next to secure the long-term (up to year 2050) bulk water supply to the consumers in and around city of Windhoek, including en-route users along the supply route of the preferred scheme. The objective of this assignment is to complete and update the Okavango River Link Pre-feasibility Study (PFS) options to supply bulk potable water to Windhoek and subsequently compare with SS2 Scenario - Option that was investigated under the Feasibility Study for the Desalination Plant and Water Carriage System to Secure Water Supply to the Central Coast, Windhoek and the En-route Users (referred to in this study as FS). Furthermore the Consultant is to also assess and conceptually investigate the feasibility of supplying potable water to Windhoek from the integrated Southern Dams (Neckartal, Hardap and Naute referred to as SD) reservoirs. Thus, the engineering consultancy services under this procurement are to undertake the consolidation and comparison of the three long-term water sources considered to supply Windhoek and related areas.

The water demands to be considered will include domestic and industrial water use and will not accommodate irrigation water use.

Applications: A request for application shall be submitted in compliance with the defined forms and conditions as stated in the separate "Expression of Interest (EOI) Document". It is available (electronic version in pdf format) free of charge through the NamWater Procurement Management Unit:

www.namwater.com.na

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours: 08h30 to 16h30

Ms. Julinda IGarus-Oas

Ms. Puje Katjivena

E-mail: Garus-OasJ@namwater.com.na

KatjivenaP@namwater.com.na

Deadline for Submission of Expression of Interest to NamWater, address below:

16 November 2021, 11:00 hrs. (Namibian Time)

Namibia Water Corporation Ltd. (NamWater)

Expression of Interest: CONSOLIDATION AND COMPARISON OF THE THREE LONG TERM WATER SOURCES CONSIDERED TO SUPPLY WINDHOEK AND RELATED AREAS

Attention: Procurement Management Unit

176 Iscor Street, Northern Industrial Area

Windhoek – Namibia

The Expression of Interest is conducted in compliance with Section 35 (2) of the Public Procurement Act (No.15 of 2015) of Namibia.

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PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING MINUTES FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT (ESA) FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING AND EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES (OF DIMENSION STONE) ON EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSE (EPL) 7233 NEAR OMATJETE IN THE ERONGO REGION

Date: Thursday, 28 October 2021

Time: 11h30

Venue: Zeraeua Traditional Authority Conference Hall, Omatjete Village in the Erongo Region

Project Proponent: Otombawe Mining CC (also the holder of EPL 7233)

Environmental Consultant: Loudima Resources (Pty) Ltd (Fredrika Shagama, the responsible Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP))

The Meeting was attended by twenty-three (23) people including three Consultants from Loudima Resources- **Please refer to the attendance register attached at the end of the Meeting Minutes.**

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING

Ms. Fredrika Shagama (the EAP) from Loudima Resources (Pty) Ltd opened the meeting by introducing herself, welcomed, and thanked everyone in attendance for making time to attend the meeting. She briefly explained to the attendees what the meeting was all about and why they were invited (referring to the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007's 2012 EIA Regulations on Public Consultation).

COVID-19 Regulations Adherence: Ms. Shagama reminded the attendees of the ongoing COVID-19 Regulations and requested that every attendee should have their face masks on throughout the proceedings. The chairs were set up in a way that social distancing between the people is observed.

Ms. Shagama presented the meeting agenda. Since some of the meeting attendees were elders from Omatjete and surrounding areas who only spoke Otjiherero Language and to



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ensure transparency and effective communication in the meeting, Mr. A. Karongee who is a conservationist from the nearby villages volunteered to translate for the elders (from English to Otjiherero) throughout the meeting. To ensure that the comments and issues raised during the meeting are well communicated to the Consultants and recorded in the minutes for consideration in the ESA Report., Mr. Karongee also provided translation to Ms. Shagama (from Otjiherero to English).

A meeting attendance register was circulated for all in attendance to write down their names, contact details and sign as proof of attendance. The attendees were also asked to sign the register so that they could be added to the existing list of interested and affected parties (I&APs) / Stakeholders and receive further information on the ESA process.

2. MEETING AGENDA AND PRESENTATION

2.1 Explanation of what an ESA is, its Process and the Public Role in the Process

Ms. Shagama explained what an ESA is and why is it required for the proposed prospecting and exploration activities of Dimension Stone on EPL 7233 (she explained that such activities are listed in the EIA Regulations that cannot be undertaken without an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Environmental Commissioner.

2.2 Brief Description of the Project

A brief description of the proposed project activities was presented to the attendees by Ms. Shagama. This included a brief presentation of the activities and resources anticipated for the prospecting and exploration phase.

2.3 Presentation of Potential Project Impacts

To ensure transparency and that the attendees understand both sides of the proposed project activities, Ms. Shagama also presented the potential pre-identified potential positive and negative (adverse) environmental and social impacts anticipated from the proposed project activities.

2.4 Public Open Discussion (Interactive Session)

At the end of presenting the project activities, ESA process and potential project impacts, Ms. Shagama open the floor for questions, concerns, comments, and suggestions from the attendees. The concerns, issues and questions raised were noted (in **Table 1**) and answers provided in the meeting where possible. Where answers were not available at the time, the



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Environmental Consultant noted questions down to provide answers either through email communications or as part of the Draft ESA Report.

Table 1: Recorded issues, concerns and questions raised during the Public Meeting held in Omatjete on 28 October 2021

No.	Name of the speaker/commentor	Comment/Issue/Suggestion	Response by the Environmental Consultants
1.	Traditional Councillor Edward Mate	<p>-The previous and some current operators in the area who destroyed the mountains with their operations have closed doors for other EPL holders, so we are not really in full support of such activities. There are issues as these:</p> <p>-Compensation of workers: the workers are underpaid (exploited)</p> <p>-Health & safety: There is no assured safety for workers during operations</p> <p>-Road degradation: the conditions of the roads are deteriorating due to the many trucks transporting the Dimension Stone blocks from the area and the operators are not doing much to improve the roads. Small cars in the area for instance struggle to move on the roads now.</p> <p>-Rehabilitation issues: the mined areas are not properly rehabilitated at least to improve the sight and prevent the issue of livestock falling into some of the openings into the ground because of mining activities in the area.</p>	<p>Ms. Fredrika Shagama (FS): The concerns have been noted and will be incorporated into the ESA Report and Environmental Management Plan (EMP)</p>
2.	Traditional Councillor Jonathan Kaanjosa	<p>-A. How strong are the community views with regards to objecting the proposed activities?</p> <p>-B. How much water is required for the project and from where?</p>	<p>FS: -A. The community does have power to object proposed activities in the community and the reason there is provision in the EIA Regulations to consult the public/community. The community reasons for objection needs to be submitted in writing to us the</p>

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		<p>-C. There is usually no rehabilitation fund when the Proponents finish their work. They just pack and go leave the community with damaged areas.</p>	<p>Environmental Consultants and find a way to address these in our Report. If the community will not be happy with the way we address their concerns in the form of the objection reasons submitted to us, then they can also take it up with the Environmental Commissioner directly.</p> <p>-B. The prospecting and exploration activities will require about 10,000 litres every 2 days. The water is anticipated to be carted from Omaruru during these 3 to 4 months of exploration.</p> <p>-C. This has been noted. We will incorporate this concern into the EMP to emphasize on the provision of rehabilitation funds and plan for disturbed sites where exploration blocks have been removed.</p>
3.	Mr Bob Kandundu	<p>-A. Who is Otombawe Mining?</p> <p>-B. What is the target market for this project?</p>	<p>Mr. Ndiili Malima (NM): -A. Otombawe is made up of a Namibian and Chinese national, but the Chinese is the funder only.</p> <p>NM: -B. The sample/display blocks from the site will be sent to the markets in Europe, Asia, and the USA for demonstration.</p>
4.	Mr. John Tjiposa	<p>-A. The EPL was given in 2019 without the community being involved in deciding whether it can be granted or not. So, we feel like we do not have power to stop the proposed activities since the EPL has already been granted for prospecting and exploration.</p> <p>-B. The thing with these types of things, locals are only placeholders in companies or used to apply for such licenses and foreigners own the whole partnership and the communities do not</p>	<p>FS: -A. It is unfortunate that currently the Mining Act (Minerals and Prospecting) No. 33 of 1992 does not make provision for consulting with the public during the EPL applications. However, granting the EPL does not mean automatic carrying out of activities on the EPL. Therefore, there is an EIA process whereby the public needs to be consulted to raise concerns and give comments with regards to the proposed works on the EPL.</p>

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		<p>benefit. Why can they not consider giving a certain percentage to the community even through the traditional authority?</p> <p>-C. Why would the Proponent cart water from as far as Omaruru if there is water in the nearby areas such as Otjohorong Village (local community) that can also benefit from providing water to the project?</p>	<p>FS: -B. Noted. We will present the suggestion to the Proponent for them to see how to address this.</p> <p>FS: -C. Noted. We will present the suggestion to the Proponent. However, the reason it was planned that the water would be carted from Omaruru was that the Omatjete area is known to be struggling with water supply and adding the pressure of 10,000 litres needed by the project every 2nd day in a week would not be ideal for the local resources in the 3 to 4 months. However, since the area of operation is about 25km from the water troubled Omatjete, this proposal will be investigated to also help reduce the cumulative impact of trucks moving on the Omaruru-Omatjete road to cart water. The water supplying agreement will then be reached between the willing seller (local community) and buyer (Proponent) through the existing and fair channels.</p>
5.	Traditional Councillor Edward Mate	-The consultation meetings should also be done at the villages that are directly affected by the projects.	FS: Noted. We will also go to the community. We held this meeting in Omatjete because this is where most leaders are, and the Traditional Authority Offices are here. The project would also need a Consent from the Traditional Authority; therefore, the meeting was also aimed at accommodating the Omatjete based leaders of the areas.
6.	Mr. Kaveri Karongee	-The community had alerted the National Heritage Council (NHC) about the damages caused by Dimension Stone mining activities. A detailed Archaeological & Heritage Impact Assessment (AHIA) Study was done Dr Alma Nankela and recommendations were made (immediate rehabilitation of the mountain, and the NHC to	<p>FS: Noted. Or project Archaeologist will get hold of hold the AHIA Study to obtain the baseline information and apply the relevant recommendations to this project.</p> <p>NM: Comment – The Proponent would need to hold a community</p>

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		<p>put the mountain under protection as a heritage site). There is also a 3km radius of no-go zone around the mountain within which such project activities are prohibited. There is an ongoing (pending) court case about this issue.</p>	<p>briefing to also look at the options of excluding sensitive archaeological areas such as the ones mentioned earlier and probably amend the shape of the EPL to ensure that the sensitive areas are outside the EPL boundaries.</p>
7.	Mr. Kaveni Karongee	<p>-Is the ECC currently applied for also for the mining activities?</p>	<p>FS: No. the ECC applied for currently is for prospecting and exploration activities only. If the Proponent finds something of economic value during and at the end of the exploration, they will need to go back to the Ministry of Mines and Energy to apply for a mining license (ML), i.e., to convert the EPL into an ML. The ML and mining activities are subject to another ECC, therefore another EIA Study with public consultation to be conducted for the mining phase and get an ECC mining activities. One cannot mine on an EPL.</p>
8.	Mr. Lonn Kenaihe	<p>-A. The views of the community do not really matter because these companies are well established, connected and with experts. Our main concern would then be on what are the long-term benefits for the future generations?</p> <p>-B. Rehabilitation issues: there are trenches and caves left behind by Dimension Stone activities.</p>	<p>FS: -A. Noted. The Proponent will need to find ways the local community can benefit from the project activities, although the duration is short (3 to 4 months).</p> <p>-B. We understand the concern and existing fear of unrehabilitated sites given the similar activities being undertaken in the area (in the mining phases) with very little to no effort made to rehabilitate the damaged and disturbed/mined areas. However, since the proposed activities under EPL7233 will only be for prospecting and exploration, the Proponent will try to limit the damage done during stripping and removal of the 2 to 3m of the demonstration blocks on sites. Where possible, progressive rehabilitation will be done during and post-activities before leaving the site.</p>

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9.	Mr. Tizembua Ngatjiwe	-The EPL was granted without the community being consulted	FS: As mentioned earlier, it is unfortunate that currently the Mining Act (Minerals and Prospecting) No. 33 of 1992 does not make provision for consulting with the public during the EPL applications. However, granting the EPL does not mean automatic carrying out of activities on the EPL. Therefore, there is an EIA process whereby the public needs to be consulted to raise concerns and give comments with regards to the proposed works on the EPL. We are hoping that this concern will be heard by the relevant authorities (MME) to relook at their EPL application and granting procedures.
10.	Mr. Josaphat Guaere	-The locals have been suffering without benefiting (Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)). Therefore, there should be a partnership in shareholding between the EPL holders and community.	FS: Noted. We will present this issue to the Proponent.
11.	Mr. John Tjiposa	- Shareholding issue: the few benefits from exploration activities should start to be seen in communities in things like youth development at local level.	FS: Noted for incorporation into the ESA Report and EMP.
12.	Mr. Bob Kandundu	- Continuous consultations with communities should also be done pre-exploration and throughout the project to ensure that communication is transparent and issues that may arise during the works are addressed sufficiently and on time.	FS: Noted for incorporation into the ESA Report and EMP.
13.	Mr. Josaphat Guaere	-When developments happen in the communities, the communities should be a shareholder in terms of mutual benefits to the locals.	FS: Noted for incorporation into the ESA Report and EMP.

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		For instance, they should try to also improve services such as roads upgrades and construction.	
14.	Mr Job Hiakasekoma	-Will the exploration activities only last 3 to 4 months? How many blocks would be required and how big?	<p>NM: The sample blocks are usually 2 to 3m in dimension. It is not known as to how many sample blocks will be required per site explored.</p> <p>The waste rocks will be used to rehabilitate the spaces where the sample blocks were removed. The disturbed space/site might not go back to its pre-sample block removal but backfilling with the overburden/waste rock will reduce the disturbance impact.</p>
15.	Mr. Phillip Ngunovandu	<p>-Rehabilitation issue: I am suggesting that Proponents create Trust Funds meant for rehabilitation after completion of works to at least rehabilitate the disturbed area close to its pre-activities state as possible instead of just leaving the areas as they are. The proposal of funds for this purpose had not been implemented anywhere and no CSR either.</p> <p>-The impact of unrehabilitated sites owing to mining related activities is damaging to the environment because the trenches, pits and caves left behind are a risk to livestock.</p>	<p>FS: The suggestion and concerns have been noted down for incorporation into the ESA Report and EMP.</p>
16.	Mr. Kaveri Karongee	<p>-Investment in community development projects (CSR) such as road improvement because the mining related trucks that are currently transporting the mined blocks from the area have worsened the road conditions.</p>	<p>FS: The suggestion and concerns have been noted down for incorporation into the ESA Report and EMP.</p>
17.	Senior Traditional Councillors in	What are the names of the owners and shareholders of Otombawe	<p>FS: We admit that it was our mistake to not have properly</p>

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	attendance	<p>Mining? We feel like we have been giving our concerns and inputs to a ghost company because we do not even know them. What if they are just some of the existing mining companies that are using another company to continue damaging our area?</p> <p>We want another meeting to formally meet the owners or representatives of Otombawe Mining. The Zeraeua Traditional Authority represented by us, will hold on to the meeting attendance register until this meeting takes place and only then we can release the attendance register into Loudima Resources hands to continue with your reporting.</p>	<p>introduced Otombawe Mining in detail at the beginning of the meeting, but only as the EPL holders and project Proponent.</p> <p>NM: We do know that the other owner is a Namibian (a Herero man but we will get the names for you). One of the representatives of Otombawe Mining will come to meet with you and we will also bring the company's Founding Statement to see who the owners are, when the representative come for the Introduction Meeting.</p> <p><u>The tentative date for the Traditional Authority Leaders (Councillors) and Otombawe Mining is 03 or 04 November 2021.</u></p>

There were no further questions or comments/concerns.

Ms. Shagama concluded the meeting and thanked the attendees for their participation. She also informed them that they still have until 05 November 2021 to submit further comments in writing on the contact details shared so that the inputs/coments can still be incorporated into the draft ESA Report. The attendees were also informed by the Environmental Consultant that once ready, the draft ESA Report and EMP will be shared electronically with those who provided email addresses. For those without email addresses, hard copies of the draft ESA Report will be made available at the Zeraeua Traditional Authority Office and via WhatsApp messages (as a PDF document). A notice of the availability of the report will be sent through short messages to all registered attendees in the attendance register to notify them of the draft Report' availability.

The meeting was adjourned at 13h30.



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ATTENDANCE REGISTER FOR A PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING:

ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT (ESA) FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING AND EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSE (EPL) 7233 NEAR OMATJETE IN THE ERONGO REGION

Date: Thursday, 28 October 2021

Time:

Venue: Zeraeua Traditional Authority Hall, Omatjete

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Registered Stakeholders /I&AP List: Environmental Scoping Assessment for the Proposed Exploration Activities on EPL
7233 near Omatjete in the Erongo Region

Proponent: Otombawe Mining CC

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The list of Community Members who are attended the Second Consultation Meeting with Otombawe Mining Representatives on the 10th of February 2022

The community members raised the same issues raised in the First consultation Meeting on the 28th of October 2021 and these are integrated in these Meeting Minutes.

In addition, the Community and their Local Leaders requested for another Community Engagement Meeting before the project activities commence after the environmental clearance is issued.

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- 4 Holla Jipepa.
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16. Johny Njoma
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20. Immanuel Hei
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23. Winovita TEMBO
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26. Daniel Hamparu
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33. Rukoeveni Muzunia

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50 Hans Kailjindi

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60. H. Uaaha

61. Hugo Hahambwe

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November,03,2021

To: Ministry of Environment and Tourism & Ministry of Mines and Energy.

Re: Otjohorongo Community, Community Leaders and All Stakeholders.

Dear Stakeholders

It is with a clear mind and non-bias analysis plus observation of the increasing current mining activities in the Otjohorongo Communal area. We came to realize that these activities are being spearheaded by people who mostly hails from other regions, and who don't care at all about any environmental impact these activities might cause in areas of their operations.

The EPL holders or owners don't reside in these areas and they don't form part of the communal farmers that survives from livestock herding. The Otjohorongo Communal area is already small and drought stricken. The high mountain areas serves as reserves for grazing during very dry seasons.

Rehabilitation of the areas are not happening which leaves the areas very dangerous for both human and livestock that frequents the area. Sharp accents and descents poses a fatal threat for falls. The road between Otjohorongo and Omatjete have been in dire state, while the locals are witnessing trucks running everyday carrying their resources without caring about the road their making undrivable for the locals.

Destroying of Historical markings, showing total disregard for the protection of historical Rock Paintings in the area. A capitalist approach of ignoring all other possible harm to anyone or environment in pursuit of money.

It is on this background that we the Otjohorongo communal community believes that all mining activities be stopped, we also strongly believe there was corruption in the acquisition of the permits and EPL's. Proper lengthy consultations that are inclusive should be encouraged so that the communities that are directly affected be at the forefront of the decision to allow or reject mining in some areas that are sensitive to any activities.

We also believe the EPL's should be owned by the communities through conservancies so as to give the communities a bigger say with what happens in their own environment.

Proper consultations and following correct procedures without paying bribes to Elected Community Councillor's can facilitate mining activities to be done without harm and with benefits to all stakeholders.

Kind Regards

Otjohorongo Community

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