

Communication with I&APs, and Means of Consultation Employed

Regulation 21 of the EIA Regulations details the steps to be taken during a public consultation process and these have been used in guiding this process. Communication with I&APs with regards to the project was facilitated through the following means and in this order:

- A Background Information Document (BID) containing brief information about the project activities was compiled, uploaded on the MEFT (ECC) Portal for project registration and shared with registered stakeholders at the beginning of the EIA process.
- A Stakeholders (I&AP)'s List was developed and updated throughout the EIA. The BID was shared with the pre-identified key stakeholders such as the Kunene Regional Council, Epupa Constituency, Okangwati Settlement, and other stakeholders.
- The EIA notices were published in the *New Era* and *Windhoek Observer* newspapers on the 26th of February & 05th of March 2025.
- EIA notices were prepared for printing (posters) that were pasted at the Kunene Regional Council in Opuwo and in Okangwati at the Epupa Constituency Office and Okangwati Settlement Office. Photos of the poster are shown below, and the original copy of the notice is attached.





EIA public notice posters in Opuwo and Okanguati Settlement

- A consultation meeting was scheduled and held with the stakeholders and Okanguati community on the 11th of March 2025 at the Agricultural Hall. The meeting was attended by thirty-four (34) people, including one environmental assessment practitioner from Serja HGE Consultants – see photos below. Minutes were taken from the meeting, and these are attached hereto.



Consultation meeting at the Agricultural Hall in Okanguati Settlement on 11 March 2025

Feedback and issues raised by stakeholders and (I&APs)

There were no significant issues raised in the consultation meeting as the stakeholders and I&APs were in full support of the project and would like to see it being implemented for the benefit of the community. The following key comments were made and summarized as follows:

- How water will be purified should be clarified as well as the management of solid waste in the Settlement during the installation of these services, and eventually the operation of the New Extension.
- Suggestion to have water supply via a pre-paid manner, like what is done in Otjiwarongo. This is to avoid the piling of water bills among the residents and businesses.

The consultation period ran from the 26th of February 2025 to the 28th of March 2025 to allow sufficient time for the submission of comments.

Concluding remark on the overall EIA consultation process and feedback

Minor comments that were raised during the consultation period were not significant to object to the proposed project. Stakeholders and I&APs would just like to see the project implemented.

**APPENDIX D: COPY OF EIA
NOTIFICATIONS IN THE NEWSPAPERS
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Wounded SA soldiers return home

JOHANNESBURG – South African troops seriously wounded in the conflict in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) have returned home for treatment, the military said yesterday.

Rwanda-backed M23 fighters have captured swathes of eastern DRC despite military support provided by several countries, including South Africa, to the Congolese army.

The wounded troops were part of a mission sent by the 16-nation

Southern African Development Community (SADC) bloc in 2023 to help Kinshasa quell unrest in the mineral-rich east.

“The group of critically-injured soldiers who needed urgent medical attention have been successfully repatriated,” the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) said in a statement.

It was not immediately clear how many had arrived.

SANDF said the next batch of injured soldiers would return

“during the course of the week”.

A tally of those wounded would be given at the end of the exercise, SANDF spokesman Siphwe Dlamini told *AFP*.

South Africa dominates the SADC force, which is estimated to number around 1 300, with Malawi and Tanzania also contributing soldiers.

Earlier this month, Malawi ordered its troops to prepare to withdraw from DRC.

South Africa has suffered 14 casualties in the raging

conflict that has provoked fears of a regional war. Most of the casualties were part of SADC mission.

At least two of those killed were in a separate United Nations-mandated peacekeeping force.

The M23 group is supported by some 4 000 Rwandan soldiers, according to UN experts.

It has wrested control of the South Kivu provincial capital Bukavu and Goma, the main city in the country’s perennially-volatile east.

More than 7 000 people have been killed in the fighting since January, DR Congo’s prime minister Judith Suminwa Tuluka told the United Nations Human Rights Council in Geneva on Monday.

She said the number includes “more than 2,500 bodies buried without being identified”, adding that another 1 500 bodies were still in the morgue.

AFP has not been able to verify these figures.

- *Nampa/AFP*



Return... Wounded South African soldiers returned home from war-torn DRC. Photo: File

Mauritania prosecutors seek hefty jail for ex-leader

Mauritanian prosecutors asked an appeals court Monday to sentence ex-president Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz to 20 years in prison for abuse of office and embezzlement, seeking to increase the original five-year sentence he is appealing.

Aziz, who led Mauritania from 2008 to 2019, was convicted in 2023 of using his power to amass a fortune.

The former leader “transformed the presidency into an office... for blackmailing investors”, lead prosecutor Sidi Mohamed Ould Di Ould Moulay told the court.

He asked the court to dissolve the charity Rahma, an organisation he said was founded by Aziz’s son with illicit ends.

Aziz, who has been in custody since his original trial began in January 2023, was appearing alongside several former top officials and advisers also facing charges of abuse of office, illicit enrichment, influence peddling

and money-laundering.

Aziz denies the charges. His lawyers were due to make their case yesterday.

Investigators estimate Aziz, who led the northwest African country of 4.5 million people for more than a decade, accumulated assets and capital worth US\$70 million during his presidency.

He was found guilty and sentenced to five years in jail in December 2023.

His lawyers appealed the sentence.

Aziz, who came to power in a 2008 coup, was excluded from the 2019 presidential election, won by his former right-hand man Mohamed Ould Cheikh El Ghazouani.

The former leader has since faced a flurry of legal woes. Ghazouani has repeatedly denied involvement in the decision to prosecute his ex-boss.

- *Nampa/AFP*



Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz

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PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION: PROJECT INCEPTION MEETING ON Lüderitz Urban Development Initiative

The Lüderitz Town Council is pro-actively responding to the urban development needs the town faces as result of the National Industrialization and Green Energy development initiative.

To respond to these challenges **the Town Council has appointed SPC to assist the Council with** the development of a densification and urban infill policy which is to set the stage for all-inclusive and sustainable urban development. This policy is to be strategically reviewed through stakeholder and community engagement prior to the Town Council initiating town planning procedures leading up to the layout design and development of new urban areas.

Interested and Affected Parties, including regional and local stakeholders, are invited to attend a public meeting which will have the purpose to (a) introduce the project, (b) to present the methodology to be used when preparing the Infill and Densification policy as well as (c) to identify any information or data sources which can be useful when preparing the layouts of the new areas to be formalized.

The Public meeting is scheduled to take place as follows:

Date: 27 February 2025
Time: 17h30- 19h00
Venue: Waterfront Auditorium

Please note that persons or institutions wishing to register as an interested party are invited to register such interest at the contact details below.

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Gross Barmen. Picture: NWR

NWR denies selling lodges to Europeans

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Discussions are already taking place in Europe! Our land and resources are under discussion in Europe. Totally sickening!" stressed Amupanda. Amupanda called on the public to oppose these plans. On Tuesday he released documents on social media, including a letter of invitation dated 09 December 2024, to bidders for the provision of comprehensive audit and strategic enhancement services for non-performing NWR resorts. The bidders, according to the document, should make recommendations to NWR on several issues. "...a detailed assessment of the loss-making resorts, determine the root causes of the loss-making, conduct a

thorough market assessment impact analysis of the loss-making resorts, and make recommendations to NWR on strategic realignment and market viability, enhanced competitive positioning, which may include exploration of outsourcing and joint ventures or any other options in line with NWR's mandate," reads the letter of invitation. In a staff memo to the staff by the company's managing director, Mathias Ngwangwana reassured the staff that there are no plans to sell the lodges. "Recent social media claims have seemingly caused concern among staff regarding the future of NWR and job security. I want to take this opportunity to assure all staff members that there are no plans

to sell or hand over any NWR resorts or lodges. The claims are not based on facts and should not cause any distress among our valued employees," said Ngwangwana. He added that as per the bid document that was shared publicly with potential bidders, the purpose of the exercise is to conduct an in-depth review of underperforming properties to determine ways to improve their efficiency, profitability, and overall sustainability. "This process aligns with good corporate governance practices and aims to ensure that NWR remains financially sustainable while continuing to provide quality services to Namibians and international visitors alike," explained Ngwangwana.

Child's death sparks debate on traffic law enforcement

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constraints. "Road traffic laws are made by the minister of transport, but it's the police that must enforce them. If the minister is unhappy with how they are enforced, all he can do is call his counterpart for coffee, and it ends there," he said. Tjonzongoro said while the country's road laws are adequate, other police priorities impede their enforcement. "The challenge could be with the courts as they follow the lenient side

of the law, which states that everyone is innocent until proven guilty," he said. Tjonzongoro compared the case to that of Johannes Dippenaar, who was convicted and sentenced for culpable homicide in a high-profile road accident case last year. "The Otavi driver must be taken through the same route as Dippenaar, where the courts took a bold stance and sentenced him to jail for the 'murder' of those innocent souls," he said. He also raised concerns over the

Namibian Police's capacity to enforce road laws, saying the traffic law division responsible for enforcing traffic laws is under-resourced. "In 2016, the Ministry of Transport stated that Namibia had 366 000 vehicles in relation to 351 traffic officers under Nampol. That's a ratio of one officer per 745 vehicles, which is madness," he said. He urged the incoming president, Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah, to place traffic law enforcement under the Ministry of Transport. "The president-elect is the patron of road safety in Namibia. She should do the right thing and ensure the ministry has direct control over traffic officers," he said. Otavi's mayor, Issac !Hoab said the town council has implemented several measures to improve road safety. "We have installed speed humps and traffic signs in most residential areas. A contractor is currently on-site conducting road maintenance and placing additional traffic signage," he said. He added that the council is reviewing its bylaws to strengthen enforcement and collaborating with law enforcement agencies. "We are continuously looking into stricter enforcement of vehicle roadworthiness and the installation of critical road safety infrastructure such as pedestrian crossings and streetlights," the mayor said.

Health Ministry to repair Tsumeb Hospital after repeated flooding

HERTTA-MARIA AMUTENJA
Staff Writer

The Ministry of Health and Social Services has committed to repairing infrastructure at Tsumeb State Hospital after the facility flooded twice, first on 8 February and again last week, disrupting healthcare services. The health ministry's executive director, Ben Nangombe, confirmed that the ministry is working with the Tsumeb Municipality to address the underlying issues that led to the flooding. Nangombe has indicated that improving drainage around the hospital and nearby areas is being prioritised to avoid further disruptions.

"The situation is under control, and we are working with the municipality to resolve the problem. We are addressing the channels that caused the flooding to improve the infrastructure," Nangombe said. The ministry has not disclosed the extent of the damage or the cost of repairs. Tsumeb has been experiencing heavy rains in recent weeks, which have caused significant disruptions to infrastructure. On 8 February, downpours damaged three electrical poles at the Nomsoub Pump Station, affecting the town's water supply. The same rains led to flooding at Tsumeb State Hospital, which was inundated again last week. Tsumeb Municipality spokesperson Stella Imalwa-Nangolo previously confirmed the hospital flooding and said efforts were underway to manage the situation. Hospital staff and patients have been affected by the repeated flooding, raising concerns about



Ben Nangombe Picture: Contibuted

the facility's drainage system and infrastructure resilience. A hospital employee, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said water had entered several departments, making it difficult to carry out medical procedures. "During the first flood, we had to move some patients to other areas of the hospital to ensure their safety. The situation was managed, but then it happened again last week, and we had to repeat the process," the employee said. Patients seeking medical attention had also been affected. A resident of Tsumeb, Maria Kaunatjike, said she visited the hospital last week only to find parts of it submerged in water. "I was shocked to see the condition of the hospital. The floors were wet, and staff were trying to clear the water. This is not the first time this has happened, and I hope the government takes it seriously," she said.

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Disregarded tourism laws irk ministry

■ Auleria Wakudumo

The tourism ministry has raised concern over ongoing violations and disregard of applicable laws as well as the park rules and regulations by visitors to the country's national parks.

Ministry spokesperson Romeo Muyunda says they have observed significant violations of various issues in accordance with the relevant laws and park regulations.

"The use of drones is not allowed in Namibia's National Parks without a permit. Despite the restriction of drones, we have observed a significant amount of visitors attempting to enter and fly drones in our national parks. Visitors arriving with drones must declare and register them at the park's entry gates," Muyunda said.

Muyunda added off-road and parking in unauthorised areas continue to pose a significant challenge, as it degrades the parks' ecosystem and diminishes their reputation as well managed conservation areas.

The ministry appeals to all visitors to strictly adhere to designated roads and viewing areas to protect the environment and ensure safety.

"Members of the public and tourists are also reminded that the ministry has placed a restriction on plastic bags in all our national parks. The restriction is for single-use carry bags from retail shops, plastic use in packaging items such as bread or rice bags is permitted," Muyunda said.

The ministry is encouraging visitors to avoid littering and dispose of their waste in designated refuse bins to maintain a clean and healthy environment.

It also wishes to clarify to the public regarding the handling and transportation of meat in and out of the Etosha National Park in accordance with the Animal Disease and Parasite Act.

"Under this law, it is prohibited to exit the park with raw meat at the Anderson, Galtone and Von Lindquist gates.

Any raw meat that will be found will be confiscated and discarded by veterinarian officials at the gate," Muyunda said. Muyunda further added that this restriction is only for exiting, and there is no prohibition for entering the park with raw meat. Equally so, there is no restriction for exiting with the meat at the King Nehale Gate.

Moreover, Muyunda expressed disappointment in some tour operators who aid tourists in carrying out serious disregard of the park rules and laws. "We call upon tour operators to assist us in maintaining law and order in Namibia's national parks to ensure that collectively, we are able to create an exciting experience for our visitors," Muyunda said.

The ministry's spokesperson also encouraged visitors to comply with these regulations, to ensure the country's national parks remain safe and pristine for all. -wakudumoauleria@gmail.com



Watertight... There are no illegal fishing activities taking place in Namibian waters close to the south of Angola. Photo: Nampa

Cold water poured over illegal fishing claims

■ Eveline de Klerk

WALVIS BAY - The fisheries ministry says they have actively deployed its state-of-the-art patrol vessel, Anna Kakurukaze Mungunda, to curb illegal fishing along Namibia's northeastern maritime border with Angola.

Executive director of the ministry Anneli Haiphene said this in response to concerns raised on social media of vessels being spotted in Namibian waters, engaging in illegal fishing in the Namibian Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).

In fact, the ministry said the two vessels that were spotted earlier last month - one was fishing on the Angolan side while the other was sailing

back to Angola from the Walvis Bay harbour.

Haiphene says the widely circulated videos and photographs have been thoroughly analysed to determine whether the vessels were in Namibian waters and if any illegal fishing activities were taking place.

According to her, Anna Kakurukaze Mungunda has been stationed in the area since 7 February 2025, conducting round-the-clock monitoring, control and surveillance.

"On or about 15 February 2025, our patrol vessel crew observed the vessels in question via radar and direct visual accounts. The vessels depicted in the videos and photographs were operating within Angolan waters and not in Namibia's EEZ," Haiphene said.

She further clarified that one of the vessels, FV Mar Rojo Dos, was indeed in Namibian waters, but it was merely passing through on its way back to Angola from Walvis Bay and was not engaged in any fishing activities.

"Our maritime border with Angola is at 17.25 latitude degrees. Any location north

of this is within Angolan waters. The vessels in question were all positioned beyond this boundary," she added.

Haiphene also assured the public that the ministry remains vigilant against illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing, using various monitoring and surveillance tools, including the Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), Automatic Identification System (AIS), patrol vessels and aircraft.

"We are aware of certain tactics used by illegal fishers, such as obscuring their identification or switching off their VMS to evade detection. Our surveillance teams remain on high alert for such activities," she said.

She added that the ministry is in discussions with Angolan authorities to strengthen bilateral cooperation and improve monitoring and control measures along the maritime border.

"The ministry appreciates and encourages members of the fishing industry and the public to continue providing information that will help us in safeguarding our marine resources," the fisheries ED said.

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Tender Document

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Tender Closing Date: 7 March 2025
Tender Closing Time: 12h00


No RFP document will be accepted after the above closing date and time.

Bidders are to submit one original bounded RFP documents and one copy, enclosed in a sealed envelope clearly marked:
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Only shortlisted service providers shall be contacted and no documents shall be returned.

Further information in respect of the RFP's can be obtained from the Principal Officer, Ismael Kasuto at cellphone number +264 81 127 0000

PUBLIC NOTICE - ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS	
Notice is hereby given that an Environmental Scoping Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Public Consultation Process (PCP) are being conducted in terms of the Environmental Management Act (Act No. 7 of 2007) and related EIA regulations for the activity listed below.	
On completion of the aforesaid ESIA and PCP, a formal application will be submitted to the Office of the Environmental Commissioner for consideration to grant an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) allowing for the project development to start.	
Activity	Construction, Operation, Maintenance and Decommissioning of a Fuel Service Station and related amenities.
Project Location	Little Sossus Lodge Hardap Region GPS Coordinates : -24.658965 S 15.991054 E
Proponent	Sossus Express CC
Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs)	AIPs are hereby invited to register for the EIA and to submit written comments, objections and or concerns with respect to the envisaged development. A Background Information Document (BID) is available upon request on registration.
Consultation Period	The duration to receive written submissions from IAPs starts from 28 February 2025 to 28 March 2025.
EIA Consultant:	 Cell: 081 127 3027 Fax: 088 645 026 Email: ekwao@iway.na (Joel Shafashike)

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1. OVERVIEW

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2. SPECIFICATION OF THE SERVICES

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The repair & maintenance of Namdeb's fire extinguishers, fire hose reels, fire hydrants and fire detection and suppression systems.

3. TENDER ENQUIRY DOCUMENT

Interested parties may contact the following person to obtain a copy of the tender enquiry document. **It is recommended that the tender enquiry document be obtained before 12th February 2025.**

Contact: Ms Elizabeth Markowitz
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4. COMPULSORY PHYSICAL SITE INSPECTION

A compulsory physical site inspection (as further detailed in the tender enquiry) shall be conducted on **Wednesday, 19th March 2025**.

Only Tenderers that attended the compulsory physical site inspection shall be eligible to participate in the tender process.

5. CLOSING DATE

The closing date for the tender is **10h00 on Monday, 31st March 2025**, and tender submissions must only be delivered to the address as specified in the tender enquiry document.



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CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR
MINERAL EXPLORATION ON EPL 9398

This notice serves to inform all interested and affected parties that an application for the environmental clearance certificate will be launched with the Environmental Commissioner in terms of the Environmental Management Act (No.7 of 2007) and the Environmental Regulations (GN 30 of 2012).

Location: The license area is located about 51 km south of Karibib. The proponent intends to explore for Lithium. Exploration methods may include geological mapping, geophysical surveys, sampling and drilling.

Proponent: Fishlab Investments CC

All interested and affected parties are hereby invited to register and submit their comments regarding the proposed project on or before **31/03/2025**. Contact details for registration and further information:

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**APPENDIX E: ORIGINAL COPY OF THE
EIA NOTIFICATION POSTER (SITE
NOTICE) PLACED IN OPUWO AND
OKANGUATI**

PUBLIC NOTICE



**Serja Hydrogeo-Environmental
Consultants CC**



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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) STUDY FOR THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF WATER AND SEWER RETICULATION SERVICES AND ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES IN A NEW EXTENSION IN THE OKANGWATI SETTLEMENT AREA OF THE KUNENE REGION: **APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC)**

The public is notified that an application for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) will be submitted to the Environmental Commissioner as required under the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 and its 2012 EIA Regulations. The proposed project and associated activities are listed in the EIA Regulations that cannot be undertaken without an ECC, which is issued upon approval of an EIA Study (EIA Scoping and Environmental Management Plan (EMP)).

Proponent: Kunene Regional Council

Environmental Consultant / Environmental Assessment Practitioner: Serja Hydrogeo-Environmental Consultants CC

Project Description: The proposed project is the installation and subsequent operations of water and sewer reticulation services as well as associated activities in a New Extension of Okanguati Settlement in the Kunene Region. The new extension will consist of 593 ervens of which 545 ervens are planned for residential, i.e., residential (545), agriculture (4), urban agriculture (1), SME park (2), business (15), institutional (5), public open space (17), open market (1), and 3 civic ervens. The extension layout area to be serviced is 44.5 hectares (Ha) - the area/length of the services will only be provided once the project design is completed by the project consulting and design engineers (Arovar Project Engineers).

Locality: The New Extension is located on the northeastern edge of Okanguati Settlement which is located about 110km northwest of Opuwo Town in the Kunene Region— please refer to the locality map below.

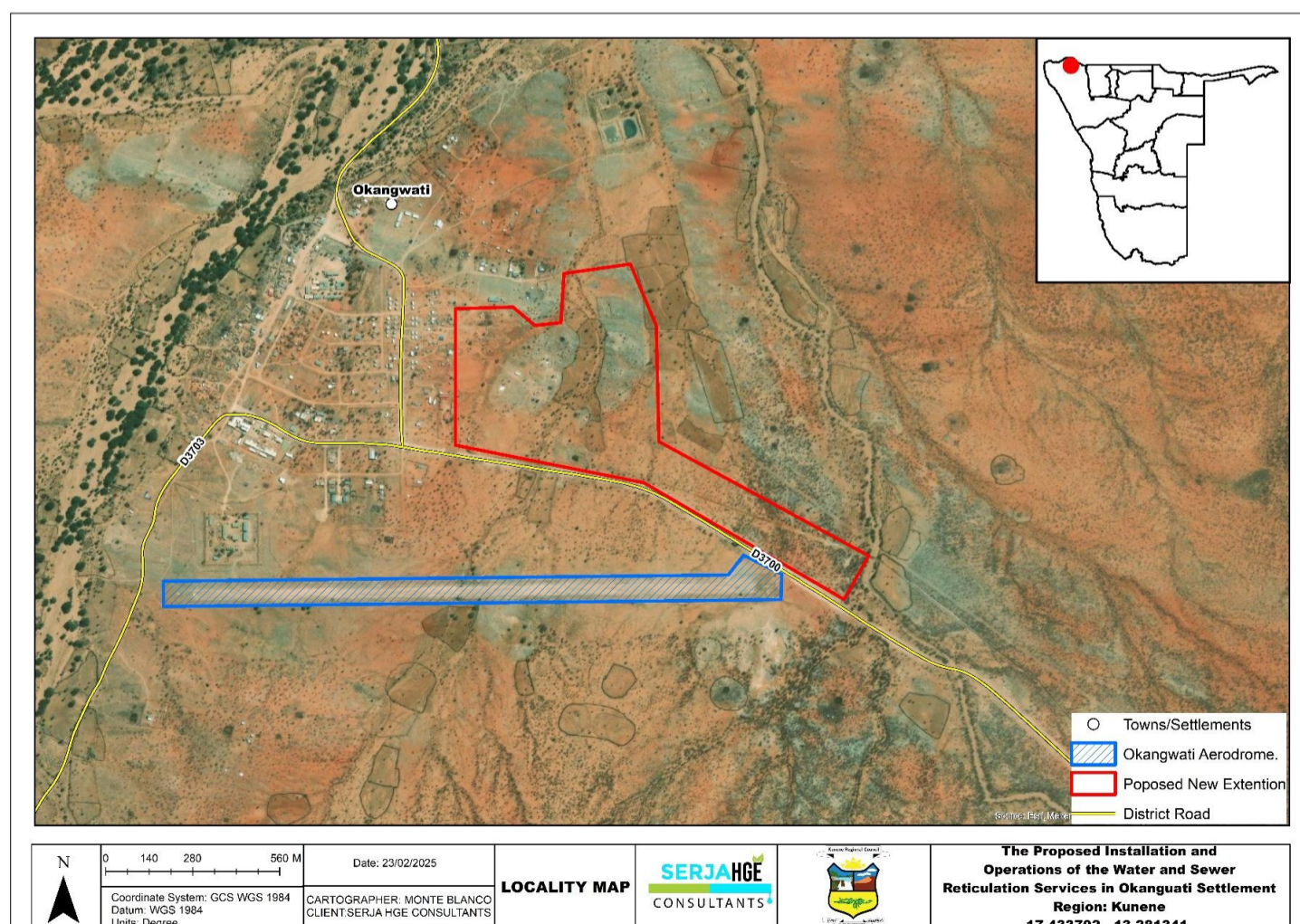
Public Participation (including submission for comments, issues, and concerns): The public is therefore invited to register as Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) and or submit comments, concerns (in writing), and or receive further information on the EIA Study. The deadline for registration as I&APs and submission of comments, issues, or concerns is **Friday, 28 March 2025** to the contact details provided below.

Contact Persons: Ms. Fredrika Shagama OR Mr. Stefanus Johannes (Project Environmental Assessment Practitioners)

Mobile No.: +264 81 749 9223 (by sending an SMS or WhatsApp for easy recording of comments)

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A Public Consultation Meeting will be held in Okanguati Settlement in March 2025. Meeting details will be communicated.



**APPENDIX F: MINUTES FROM THE
CONSULTATION MEETING WITH
STAKEHOLDERS / INTERESTED &
AFFECTED PARTIES**

Date: 12 March 2025

Minutes of the Community and Stakeholder Consultation Meeting

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study for the Proposed Installation and Operation of Water, Sewer, Electrical Reticulation Services and associated activities in a New Extension in the Okanguati Settlement Area of the Kunene Region

Date: Tuesday, 11 March 2025
Time: 11h00 (AM) to 12h30 (PM)
Venue: Agricultural Hall, Okanguati
Project Proponent: Kunene Regional Council

MEETING ATTENDANCE

The meeting was attended by thirty-four (34) people, comprising one Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) from Serja Hydrogeo-Environmental Consultants CC (Serja HGE Consultants), a representative from the Okanguati Settlement Office, and Okanguati Community members. The signed attendance register is attached at the end of the minutes. The photo below shows the consultation meeting in progress in Okanguati.



Consultation meeting in progress with Okanguati Community on the 11th of March 2025

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING

Mr. Stefanus Johannes (the Environmental Consultant), opened the meeting by introducing himself, and stating the purpose of the consultation meeting. The meeting attendance register was circulated for the attendees to sign and add their contact details, so that they could be added to the list of interested and affected parties (I&APs) and receive further information on the EIA process

Mr. Ovehi Kasaon from the Okanguati Settlement Office translated meeting proceedings from English to Otjiherero and vice-versa throughout the meeting to ensure that everyone understood what was discussed.

2. MEETING AGENDA AND PRESENTATION

The meeting agenda was presented by Mr. Stefanus Johannes, which included the following key points:

2.1 Explanation of what an EIA is, its Process and the Stakeholder/Public Role in the Process

Mr. Johannes explained that the EIA process is done in compliance with the EMA, as the proposed services installation and associated activities are listed activities in the EIA Regulations that cannot be undertaken without obtaining an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Environmental Commissioner. The ECC application is subject to an EIA process from which a Scoping Report and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) are compiled for the activities of the proposed project. The EIA process requires that consultation meetings are held with the stakeholders or interested and affected community members (parties) where the project activities would be undertaken.

2.2 Brief Description of the Project

A brief description of the planned project activities was presented by Mr. Johannes.

2.3 Presentation of Potential Project Impacts

To ensure transparency towards the public and understanding of proposed works by the attendees, the Environmental Consultant also presented the pre-identified potential positive & negative environmental and social impacts.

2.4 Public Open Discussion (Interactive Session)

Mr. Stefanus Johannes provided the meeting attendees the opportunity to raise their concerns/issues and or comment on the proposed project activities. The comments recorded are presented in Table 1.

Table 1: Inputs (comments, suggestions, and questions) received during the community consultation Meeting on the 11th of March 2025 in Okanguati, Kunene Region

No.	Name of the speaker/commenter	Comment/Issue/Suggestion	Response provided by:
1.	Mr. Fabianus Mumbinda	My question is to find out whether the water being supplied will be for free or be paid for?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes: thank you for the question. As a usual procedure, water will be paid for as the water supplying system has to be maintained.
2.	Mr. Efeinge Ndapovanu	I do not have a question, but just want to clarify to my fellow community members that the project being presented here is for the supply of water to the new extension only and not for the rest of the Okanguati. Thank you.	Mr. Stefanus Johannes: Thank you for the clarification. That is exactly the purpose of the meeting.
3.	Mr. Napoleon Kapetsa	I would just like to find out how and where the purification of water is done, and how the solid waste is going to be managed or used for?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes: Currently we do not have the final design as the project engineers (Arovar Project Engineers) are still in the early stages of the design works. Thus, this will be determined once the design is complete, of which the information may be available for viewing at the Settlement Office.
4.	Mr. Hini Kakondo	I strongly suggest that the water being supplied to this new extension should be pre-paid, similar to the system in Otjiwarongo, to avoid a piling of water bills to our people.	Mr. Stefanus Johannes: thank you, that is a great suggestion, as it will help in avoiding water bills piling up on the residents as well as businesses of the new extension.
5.	Mr. Alberto Alfons	Who does the new extension land belong to?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes: the area belongs to the state through the Kunene Regional Council which manages the Okanguati Settlement. The KRC through the Okanguati Settlement Office manages the rezoning, installation of the proposed services and eventually the establishment of the new extension.
There were no further questions or comments/concerns.			
Mr. Johannes thanked everyone for attending the meeting and contributions thereto. He informed the attendees that meeting minutes will be incorporated into and appended to the Scoping Report that will be submitted to the			

No.	Name of the speaker/commenter	Comment/Issue/Suggestion	Response provided by:
<p>MEFT for evaluation and consideration of the ECC. Copies of the Scoping Report and EMP will also be shared through the provided email addresses.</p>			
<p>The meeting was concluded and adjourned at 12h30 PM.</p>			

STAKEHOLDER & PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING ATTENDANCE/ENGAGEMENT REGISTER

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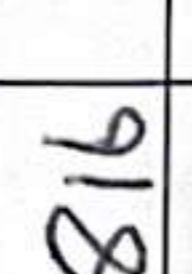
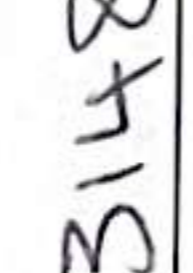

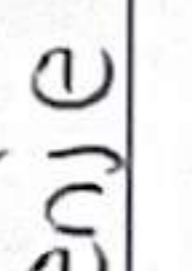
Project Proponent: Kunene Regional Council (KRC)

Date & Time: Tuesday 11 MARCH 2025 11:00 - 12:30

Venue: Agricultural Hall OKANGWATI

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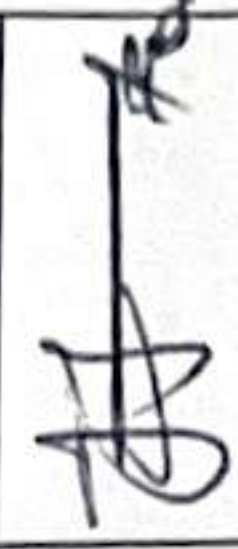


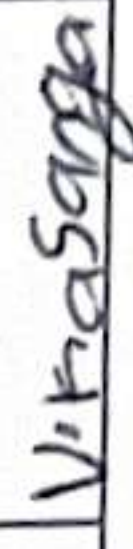
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Project Proponent: KUNENE REGIONAL COUNCIL (KRC)

Date & Time: TUESDAY 11 MARCH 2025 11:00 - 12:30

Venue: AGRICULTURAL HALL OKANGWATI

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