

**ATTENDANCE REGISTER
AND
MEETING MINUTES**



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Public Meeting Attendance Register

PROJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT (ESA) FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING AND EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENSE (EPL) NO. 9996 LOCATED NORTH-EAST OF OTAVI, IN THE OTJOZONDJUPA REGION.

Venue: DHOROANGO
Date: 4 JUNE 2025
Time: 11H00

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16 June 2025

PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING MINUTES:

PROJECT: Environmental Scoping Assessment (ESA) for Proposed Exploration Activities on Exclusive Prospecting License (EPL) No. 9996 located North-East of Otavi in the Otjozondjupa region, Namibia.

Date: Wednesday, 04 June 2025

Time: 11:00 – 11:38

Venue: Ohorongo Cement Factory, Otavi

Four people attended the public consultation meeting, including one Environmental Consultants (Mr. Mandume Leonard) and one Archaeologist (Ms Victoria Shekunyenge) from Excel Dynamic Solutions (Pty) Ltd (EDS). Please refer to the attached attendance register for a complete list of attendees.

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS

The Environmental Consultant (Mandume Leonard) began the meeting by introducing the team and explaining the purpose of the consultation, which was to engage Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) about the proposed prospecting and exploration activities within **EPL 9996**.

An attendance register was then circulated among the attendees, enabling them to register their names and contact details, which would be used to maintain communication and provide updates on the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process.

2. MEETING AGENDA AND PRESENTATION

The agenda of the meeting included the following main points:

2.1 Brief Description of the Project

Mr. Mandume Leonard provided the attendees with an overview of the EIA process, citing relevant legislations such as the Environmental Management Act and its 2012 EIA Regulations on Public Consultation. He then explained the significance of obtaining an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for the proposed project, emphasizing the attendee's crucial role in contributing to the EIA process by offering their insights and feedback regarding the potential environmental, social, and economic impacts of the proposed project.

2.2 Presentation of Potential Project Impacts

To ensure transparency and that the attendees understand both sides of the proposed project activities, the Environmental Consultant also presented the potential pre-identified potential positive & negative environmental and social impacts.

2.3 Public Open Discussion (Interactive Session)

Mr. Leonard allowed the meeting attendees to raise their concerns, issues, and/or comments on the proposed project activities. The concerns/issues and comments recorded are presented in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Comments and issues raised during the public consultation meeting, 04 June 2025

Comment/ issue No.	Commenter name & issue / comment / question	Response and name of responder:
1.	One of the primary concerns surrounding this project is the potential impact on the safety of farm residents. In particular, we are concerned about the uncontrolled movement of people, machinery, and blasting activities within the farm area. Could you please provide further details on the proposed safety measures that will be implemented to mitigate these risks?	Mr. Mandume Leonard (ML): Any arrangements for establishing a camping site on the farm would require an agreement between the farm owners and the proponent. In order to ensure safety control, it is recommended that once the proponent receives the Environmental Clearance Certificate, they should engage in discussions the landowners to develop an access agreement. The access agreement will outline the procedures for managing the movement of personnel, machinery, and blasting activities within the farm area, thereby mitigating potential risks to safety.
2.	Will we have access to copies of the Environmental Scoping Report and Environmental Management Plan?	ML: Yes, stakeholders will have access to copies of both the Environmental Scoping Report and Environmental Management Plan prior to submission to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism. We recognize the importance of your input and feedback, and we are committed to incorporating your comments into the final documents.
3.	For the purpose of maintaining effective communication channels, we would like to confirm that the senior management team at the	ML: Okay, well noted

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	factory will act as the primary point of contact throughout the project.	
4.	During the prospecting stage, trenches and access roads may be constructed. Can you please elaborate on the process by which these activities will be managed in order to minimize disruption to grazing activities and other farm activities? Will the proponent be responsible for restoring the land to its pre-prospecting state once prospecting is complete, and if so, what measures will be put in place to ensure this restoration process is carried out effectively?	ML: Codebreak Investments will be required to submit a comprehensive rehabilitation and backfill plan as part of their Environmental Management Plan to ensure that the affected land is restored to its pre-original state once prospecting activities have been completed. To ensure compliance with these rehabilitation measures, the proponent should enter into a binding agreement with the landowners, outlining the specific terms and conditions for the restoration and rehabilitation of affected areas. This agreement would serve as an important tool for safeguarding the land from irreversible damage and mitigating any adverse impacts on grazing activities and other farm operations.
5.	What if these operations result in significant damage to the grassland that takes a lengthy period of time to recover, how will the landowner be compensated?	ML: In order to ensure that affected landowners are adequately compensated for damages incurred during mining operations, a legally binding agreement between the proponent and the landowner will be required.

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6.	Will the Environmental Assessment team be conducting on-site visits?	ML: Yes, that is correct. Our team will be conducting on-site visits as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment, and the Archeological, and Heritage Impact Assessment process. These visits are necessary to gain a thorough understanding of the local environment.
7.	What happens if landowners provide inaccurate information regarding archaeological sites on their property?	Victoria Shekunyenge: Any misinformation provided by landowners regarding archaeological sites can lead to severe consequences, as the Heritage Council of Namibia takes a strong stance against such actions. If it is discovered that the information provided by landowners is inaccurate or intentionally misleading, the Council may impose sanctions or revoke any existing approvals.

FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

Mr. Leonard thanked the attendees for their crucial input through comments and raising their concerns. He indicated to the attendees that all their comments, concerns, and inputs had been noted down for consideration and addressing in the Environmental Scoping Assessment (ESA) Report as well as incorporating their recommendations into the draft EMP.

Furthermore, Mr. Leonard informed the attendees that the draft meeting minutes, Environmental Assessment Report, and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) will be shared with them for review and further comments. These documents will be made available through emails provided on the attendance register.

Once the review of the draft ESA Report and EMP is done, the documents will be finalized and submitted to the Environmental Commissioner at the Department of Environmental Affairs and Forestry (DEAF) for evaluation and consideration of an ECC.

The meeting adjourned at 11h38.