

Date: 10 February 2026

CONSULTATION MEETING MINUTES

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study for the Proposed Construction of a New Guyed Mast Telecommunication Tower Site (Nkata/Site 4) in the Nkata Village, Kavango West Region - Application for Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC)

Date: Tuesday, 10 February 2026

Time: 2:05 pm to 2:53 pm

Venue: Nkata Village Community Meeting Point (Tree)

Project Proponent: Mobile Telecommunications Limited (*MTC Namibia*)

Meeting Attendance

The public consultation meeting had an attendance of thirty-nine (39) people, including three Environmental Assessment Practitioners from Serja Consultants. The signed attendance register is attached hereto.



Figure 1: Proceedings of the Nkata EIA consultation meeting on the 10th of February 2026

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING

The meeting was opened, and welcome remarks were made by the Village Headwoman (Ms. Mbambero Eleoteria). Mr. Stefanus Johannes (Environmental Assessment Practitioner / Consultant) from Serja HGE Consultants thanked the meeting attendees for making time. Mr. Johannes then presented the meeting agenda, which is based on the requirements of the 2012 EIA Regulations: Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 on Public Consultation, Sections 21 to 24. The attendance register was circulated for attendees to sign the meeting attendance as proof of consultation to be appended to the EIA Scoping Report.

The meeting proceedings were done in English with translations into Rukwangari by Mr. Paulus Kamunoko (from the Mpungu Constituency Office: Kavango West Regional Council) to ensure that the elderly understood the meeting points for inputs.

2. MEETING AGENDA AND PRESENTATION

The Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) / Mr. Johannes presented the agenda of the meeting, which included the following main points:

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

Mr. Johannes explained that the EIA process is done in compliance with the EMA, as the establishment of telecommunication towers are one of the listed activities that cannot be undertaken without applying and obtaining an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Environmental Commissioner, which is subject to an EIA process and EIA Scoping Report as well as an Environmental Management Plan (EMP). The EIA process requires that the consultation meeting be held with the affected and or interested parties where the project activities would be undertaken. Therefore, the ECC needs to be obtained first from the Environmental Commissioner at the Ministry of Environment, Forestry & Tourism (MEFT) before the tower erection.

2.2 Brief Description of the Project

A brief description of the planned project activities was presented as per the provided BID copy, and Mr. Johannes emphasized the importance of understanding the conducted EIA Study.

2.3 Presentation of Potential Project Impacts

To ensure transparency and that the attendees understand both sides of the proposed project activities, Mr. Johannes also presented the potential pre-identified positive and negative environmental impacts anticipated from the proposed project activities. This will establish the basis for mitigation measures to be developed for the proposed project.

2.4 Public Open Discussion (Interactive Session)

The meeting attendees were provided with an opportunity to ask questions and/or raise concerns about the proposed project activities to be incorporated into the meeting minutes and used as the basis for the compilation of the EIA Scoping Report and Draft EMP. The key comments and issues made in the meeting were recorded and noted for consideration and inclusion in the EIA Report. These issues and comments are presented in Table 1.

Table 1: Issues, suggestions, and comments received during the Consultation Meeting in Nkata on the 10th of February 2026

No.	Name of the Speaker/Commenter & Capacity	Comment/Issue/Suggestion	Response provided by:
1	Mr. Hainawa Oiva	Is the tower intended only for mobile phones, or will it also support radio and TV services?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes (EAP): Television and radio broadcasts are generally transmitted via satellites rather than MTC towers. While it is technically feasible to install radio antennas on such structures, this is highly unlikely in the present case. The tower will be intended exclusively for voice calls and internet/data services.
2	Mr. Kambinda Christian	When will construction and the employment process commence?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes (EAP): Several mandatory procedures and preparatory steps must first be completed. Subject to all processes being successfully finalised, construction activities and associated employment opportunities are estimated to begin in

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			approximately 6–7 months, but not guaranteed as some procedures might take longer than expected.
3	Ms. Mbambero Eleoteria	Will the tower be fenced to mitigate any health risks?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes (EAP): The tower site will be secured with fencing. The fencing will serve to prevent theft, protect children from potential electrocution hazards, and maintain an appropriate distance from the tower itself.
4		Will employment opportunities be offered to individuals from this community, or will workers be sourced from elsewhere?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes (EAP): Priority will be given to employing suitably skilled individuals from the local community if available; if not, they will be sourced from elsewhere.
5		The project represents a positive development for the community and is expected to bring significantly more benefits than drawbacks.	Mr. Stefanus Johannes (EAP): Noted with thanks.
6	Ms. Hedra Theodor	Will MTC notify the community about employment recruitment in the same manner as this current meeting?	Mr. Stefanus Johannes (EAP): The appointed contractor will convene a similar meeting with the headman before the start of construction to inform the community about the recruitment process for employment opportunities.

3. FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

3.1 What is the way forward after this meeting?

Mr. Johannes thanked the community for attending the meeting. He informed them that their comments and recommendations will be included in the EIA Scoping Report and EMP that will be submitted to the Environmental Commissioner at the Department of Environmental Affairs and Forestry (DEAF) of the MEFT for evaluation and consideration of the ECC. The EIA documents (including meeting minutes) will be shared with registered I&APs for review and further comments. In other words, once the review of the draft documents by I&APs is completed, the documents will be finalized and submitted to the Environmental Commissioner at the DEAF/MEFT for evaluation and consideration for an ECC.

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 pm.



STAKEHOLDERS / I&APS CONSULTATION (ENGAGEMENT) MEETING REGISTER

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) STUDY: THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW GUYED MAST TELECOMMUNICATION TOWER SITE (NKATA/SITE 4) IN THE NKATA VILLAGE, KAVANGO WEST REGION - APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC)

PROJECT PROPONENT: M.T.C. (NKATA NETWORK TOWER).....
DATE & TIME: 10 February 2022, 14:02 - 14:53.....
VENUE: NKATA COMMUNITY MEETING TRAF.....

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