

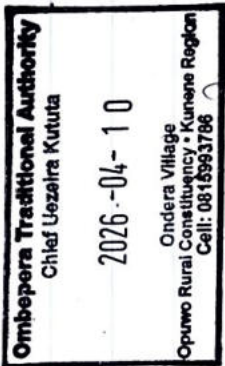
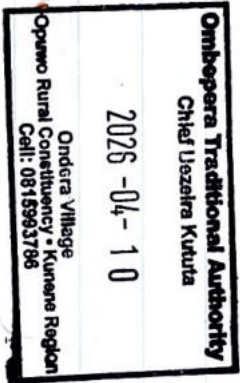
THE COMMUNITY WILL NOT ALLOW THE ENVIRONMENTAL
IMPACT ASSESSMENT TO CONTINUE UNTIL THE RIGHT
REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE MARIUS LEDO STRAENER'S
FAMILY COME TO HOLD A MEETING WITH THE
COMMUNITY.

HANSIE STROUBEE: 

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CHIEF: UZEIRA R. HUTUJA 

CONTACT NO: 0815993786 



OMBEPERA TRADITIONAL AUTHORITY

Ondera Village

Tel: 081 599 3786

Date: 02 May 2026

LETTER OF CONSENT

To Whom it May Concern,

I, Chief Uezeira R. Kututa, in my capacity as the duly recognized Traditional Authority representative of the Ombepera Traditional Authority, hereby confirm that the Traditional Authority has no objection and grants its full consent to Mrs. Janet van Dyk, Identity Number 65090900175, residing at 72 Burger Street, Windhoek, P.O. Box 9052, Eros, Windhoek, Namibia.

This consent is granted in respect of the following matters:

1. Transfer and Conversion of Mining Claims

Consent is hereby granted for the transfer and conversion, in accordance with the provisions of the Minerals (Prospecting and Mining) Act, 1992 (Act No. 33 of 1992), of the following mining claims:

- Claim No. 70310
- Claim No. 72092
- Claim No. 72093

2. Prospecting and Mining Activities

The Ombepera Traditional Authority acknowledges and consents to the lawful prospecting and mining operations to be conducted by Mrs. Janet van Dyk, including those carried out by her duly appointed contractors, employees, consultants, and business partners, within the area under the jurisdiction of the Traditional Authority.

Such activities shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable laws, regulations, and licence conditions issued by the Ministry of Mines and Energy.

3. Environmental Authorisation and EIA

The Traditional Authority hereby grants consent for the undertaking and submission of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, 2007 (Act No. 7 of 2007) and its Regulations.

Approval is further granted for the environmental assessment process to be conducted by Eco Wise Environmental Consultants, as the appointed Environmental Assessment Practitioner.



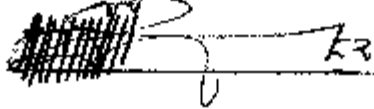
4. Community Undertaking

This consent is granted with the understanding that Mrs. Janet van Dyk has undertaken, in good faith, to contribute an amount of **N\$ 5,000.00 (Five Thousand Namibian Dollars)** per month to the community for as long as the mining claims remain economically viable.

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This letter serves as official confirmation of consent and no objection by the Ombepera Traditional Authority for submission to the relevant authorities, including the Ministry of Mines and Energy and the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism.

Yours faithfully,



Chief Uezeira R. Kututa
Ombepera Traditional Authority



Official Stamp

Date: _____

WITNESSES:

1.

Name: Jeanelle van Dyk Steiner
ID No.: 65090900175
Signature: [Signature]
Date: 02/05/2026

2.

Name: Majie M Muxoo
ID No.: 70092600247 *chairperson conservancy*
Signature: [Signature]
Date: 02.05.2026

02/05/2026

To Justice Kapetja

Letter of promise for Payment
of ownership of Claims,
to pay him 5000 US\$ each
month, as long as mine is
viable and working, or
until his death

Jeanette van Dyk
65090900175

J. Dyk

Justice Kapetja
56091000837



Witness: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ →



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08 April 2026

**TO: Ms. RUTH MUTYAVAVIRI
ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT
ECO-WISE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING**

SUBJECT: FORMAL COMMENT ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED SMALL SCALE MINING ON MINING CLAIMS IN OTUANI AREA, OPUWO RURAL CONSTITUENCY – KUNENE REGION.

1. Introduction

I hereby submit formal comments on the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for proposed small-scale mining claims located in Otuani District, Opuwo Rural Constituency, within the Kunene Region. This submission is made in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, 2007 (Act No. 7 of 2007), which requires public participation and stakeholder input to ensure sustainable development and environmental protection.

2. Key Environmental Concerns

- a. **Water Resources:** Mining activities may contaminate local water sources through sedimentation, chemical use, or improper waste disposal, affecting both human consumption and livestock.
- b. **Biodiversity:** The Kunene Region hosts fragile ecosystems; disturbance of habitats could threaten endemic species and reduce grazing land for pastoral communities.

3. Socio-Economic Considerations

- a. **Employment Opportunities:** While small-scale mining can create jobs, recruitment should prioritize local residents and ensure language compatibility (Otjiherero fluency where relevant).
- b. **Health and Safety:** Adequate measures must be taken to protect workers and communities from occupational hazards, including dust inhalation and unsafe excavation practices.

4. Legal and Compliance Framework

- a. Compliance with the Labour Act, 2007 to ensure fair employment practices is strongly recommended.
- b. Mandatory environmental clearance certificates prior to commencement, with periodic monitoring and reporting to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism is also strongly recommended.

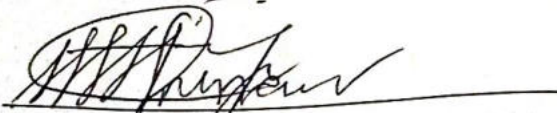
5. Recommendations

I would like to recommend the establishment of the rehabilitation plans, including re-vegetation and backfilling of pits and form local monitoring committees to oversee compliance. It is recommended that miners contribute to community development initiatives, such as water infrastructure or grazing land restoration within the area of their mining operations.

6. Conclusion

As it is stated in the Background Information Document of the environmental consultant, small scale mining in Otuani District must be managed responsibly to avoid ecological damage and social disruption. A precautionary approach, rooted in statutory compliance and sustainable development principles, is strongly recommended for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



Mr. Truman Nguazireko
Control Administrative Officer

Opuwo Rural Constituency Office; Kunene Regional Council

