

## INFORMATION SHARING MEETING

### ENVIRONEMNTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR EXPLORATION AND MINING ACTIVITIES NEAR EPEMBE, KUNENE REGION

<b>Date</b>	03 December 2024
<b>Venue</b>	Omuangete Primary School, Omuangete
<b>Time</b>	10h30 - 14h00
<b>Purpose</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Present the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process being followed.</li><li>• Provide the description and overview of the proposed Project.</li><li>• Allow interested &amp; affected parties (IAPs) to provide input into the EIA process and EMP.</li></ul>
<b>Number of Attendees</b>	86 Public and Omuangete Community Members
<b>Facilitator</b>	Immanuel Katali (IK)
<b>Translator</b>	Sharon
<b>Client Representative</b>	Gideon Kalumbu (GK) and Morne Du Toit (MDT).

## 1 PRESENTATION

The community elders opened the meeting with welcoming remarks and prayer.

IK the independent Environmental Practitioner, introduced himself and welcomed the community to the meeting, followed by an introduction by GK and MDT, stating their roles at Gecko.

IK outlined the meeting procedures and agenda and explained the aims and objectives of the meeting.

IK presented the project background/motivation as well as the description and location of the proposed project and various project components.

IK also presented the EIA process being followed and explained the potential key social and environmental issues that were identified as part of the initial stages of the EIA process. He ended the presentation by discussing the way forward regarding the EIA process.

## 2 DISCUSSION

Any issues and concerns raised during the meeting have been recorded in Table 1. Where an issue/comment was given, the relevant response was also included in the table.

No	Issue raised/ comment	Respondent	Response
1.	Is this the meeting that you previously informed us that before you start with the mining, you are going to sit with the community and agree in principle on some issues?	GK	As Immanuel explained, this is an Environmental Impact Assessment that is a process conducted by Law before licenses are granted by the Mines and Energy. In simple, this is not a gecko meeting, this is an EIA meeting. Should we be granted the licenses, we will come back.
2.	Who are the people going to carry out the work for dust, waste management, noise pollution and tree clearing? Is it the community members?	IK	The project lead is Philip Hooks who will be undertaking the assessment of the environmental aspects. That is why we are having this meeting, to find out from the community on any significant environmental aspects in the

			area that may require a focused and detailed assessment.
3.	I know the other two gentlemen are from Gecko, however can you explain your role exactly? And in which capacity you are, so that you can distinguish yourself from Gecko.	IK	I am an independent environmental assessment practitioner, facilitating the public meeting on behalf of Philip Hooks, who is the EIA project lead for the EPL and mining claims. Both Philip and I are independent, with the purpose of assessing the potential environmental impacts in a fair and objective manner. Therefore, neither myself nor Philip are from Gecko
4.	Not all of us, are acquainted with the concept of environment. Our community has youth and people that require upliftment. Is there a platform to uplift and support the community?	IK	The EMP document will contain various measures that Gecko will have to adhere to once they commence with operations. One of the sections in the document is the social responsibility aspect, aimed at the upliftment of the community.
5.	We did not see any official documents or letters from you regarding your eligibility to conduct this type of meetings.	IK	I am an environmental assessment practitioner by profession. I have completed projects in the past, acceptable to the level required by the Ministry of Environment. Therefore, that confirms my eligibility.
6.	Are you going to be present as well when it's time to go to site for the assessment or is it only Mr. Philip?	IK	As I have mentioned before, I am only conducting the public meeting on behalf of Philip and gathering inputs/comments from the community members and share them with Philip. The overall assessment of the

			project will be conducted by Philip. However, use this platform to provide comments, issues or concerns you may have regarding the project.
7.	What will happen if you find other resources beyond the boundaries of the Mining License?	IK	Should Gecko find other resources beyond the site, then an application to MME for either an EPL or Mining claim will have to be submitted. If approved, then an EIA process will have to be conducted. The same as this.
8.	Why is the heading on the document written "Epembe", while we are in Omuangeti?	GK	Epembe is just a project name. The initial prospectors in the area that came in the early 2000s found the same rocks, which are traced from Epembe.
9.	I am still confused; you are saying you are not part of Gecko, but you are mentioning Gecko in your presentation. Can you clarify that?	IK	For Gecko to obtain the ECC, they need an EIA to be conducted by an independent party such as Philip and myself.
10.	Looking at the document you handed to us, only Philip's contact details are on, can we get yours as well?	IK	Yes. I will write my details on a piece of paper for you.
11.	Can Gecko take us to the Mining Claims because there are graves that we know of in that area.	IK	A Heritage/Archaeological assessment will be conducted and if there are any graves in the area, they will be assessed, and relevant mitigation measures will be developed.
12.	There are trees, grazing areas, wild animals, homesteads in the vicinity, graveyards. Those are the	IK	Well noted.

	things that are there and need to be considered.		
13.	What will happen to our grazing land that will no longer be there?	GK	There is a compensation procedure we follow for that.



## **1 DEADLINE**

IK explained that the deadline for initial comments is 18 December 2024.

## **2 CLOSE**

The community elders closed the meeting with a prayer.



## Annexure 1

### Meeting Photos





## Annexure 2

### Attendance Register

Total 86

#### ATTENDANCE REGISTER - PUBLIC MEETING

Projects: Environmental Impact Assessment for Exploration and Mining Activities near Epembe, Kunene Region.

Exclusive Prospecting License 10007

Mining Claim 75205

Mining Claims 73580, 73581, 73582, 73583, 75209 & 75210

Mining Claims 73283, 73284, 73285, 73286 & 75208

Mining Claims 73584, 73585, 73586 & 73587















Date: 03 DECEMBER 2024, 10H30AM

Venue: OMUANGETE PRIMARY SCHOOL, OMUANGETE

	NAME & SURNAME	POSITION	EMAIL & PHONE	SIGNATURE
1	Maefjua Kapika	community member	N/A	Kapika
2	Mesekilepi Kazi	community member	N/A	
3	Karipangura Tiposa	Senior grain guard	0813553075	Karipangura
4	Mahindi Tjupiko	Community member	0816079 4079389	M Tj
5	Ritjirumbwa kahuyi	community member	N/A	
6	Nemura Ngombe	verse person (chief)	N/A 0816477038	



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7	Kamundjandi Ndiambi	Community Conservator Community officer	0813560955	
8	Katupi Jipasa	Community police	N/A	
9	Upataiza Hembinda	Community member	0813177259	
10	Verkhodroska Hembinda	Community member	0815558564	
11	Verkhutara Hembinda	Community member	N/A	
12	Upatasaneua Kapika	Community	0839211612	
13	Rukune Jipuliko	Community member	N/A	
14	Jiputu Muzere	Community police	N/A	
15	Jizee Jipasa	Community member	N/A	
16	Ukaxemua Jindunda	Community member	0812051748	
17	Yenao Njombao	Community member	N/A	
18	Uatondouka Kaxari	Community member	N/A	
19	Jituotuo Hunga	Community member	0814112008	
20	Uaretomunjo Jipasa	Chairperson	0814395913	
21	Jijingira Jipuliko	Community police	N/A	
22	Gideon Khamon	CHIEF	gideon.kahambengeva.na 0812958068	
23	Moine du TOIT	CEO	Moine.dubit@geko.mn 0811291779	

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24	Amavhorere Jipuko	Community member	N/A	
25	Kare mbinge	chair person	N/A	
26	Ndiciasa Jipuko	verse chief	<del>081</del> N/A	
27	Mundoji mupia	Community member	081 829 2559	
28	Araura Jiposa	verse chief	N/A	
29	Nofiriana pukura	community member	081 824 1707	
30	Topi Jiposa	Community member	081 874 8419	
31	Veriunga Kakhondo	field officer	081 239 3806	
32	Uakamunika Jiposa	Chair person	085 78 83982	
33	<del>Nahangwa</del> <sup>Nahangwa</sup> murumbwa	community member	<del>08</del> N/A	
34	<del>Jianua</del> A.A. Kambambi	Community member	081 214 3797	
35	Alfons Kambambi	Senior under chief	N/A	
36	Alfons Djuana	Committee	081 416 4651	
37	<del>Musengwa</del> Jiposa	senior under chief	<del>081 887 6960</del> 081 693 6714	
38	Jizwa Jiposa	Community member	0855 60 4444	
39	Kirumukere Hembinda	Community member	N/A	

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40	Riona Tjosa	community member	N/A	Tjosa
41	Maitua Kapika	community	0814324840	Kapika
42	Matsndeho Tjupiko	community member	0817287519	Tjupiko
43	Kuzeeke Tjupiko	youth adviser community member	0857740226	Tjupiko
44	Kpenda Tjupiko	community member	N/A	Tjupiko
45	Vaondjani Tjrambi	community member	0812021266	Tjrambi
46	Matias Tjunga	mini guard	0812667462	Tjunga
47	Natidike Tjrambi	chair person	082308007	Tjrambi
48	Jozongomba Tjupiko	community member	0816566608	Tjupiko
49	Kavanga Tjupiko	community member	N/A	Tjupiko
50	Veriata Ngombe	community member	N/A	Ngombe
51	Maria Albinu	community member	N/A	Albinu
52	Karamba Tjupiko	community member	085338941	Tjupiko
53	Tjupiko Ngombe	community member	N/A	Tjupiko
54	Vapumbe Tjupiko	community member	N/A	Tjupiko
55	Ndamona Sharyelenga	community member	0816128217	Sharyelenga



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56	Ulihaa Jiposa	Community member	08167445572 gEmail 5245	Ulihaa
57	Uandizwa Jiposa	Community member	0814548367 0	Jiposa
58	Uhongora Jiposa	Community member	0816718373	Jiposa
59	Jakurana Jiposa	Community member	N/A	Jiposa
60	Mariarukwa Jirambi	Community member	N/A	Jirambi
61	Mukambambo Jipiko	Community member	N/A	Jipiko
62	Kahupahya mukarukwa	Community member	N/A	Jipiko
63	Kuhatomwa Jirambi	Community member	N/A	Jirambi
64	Hanguruka Jipiko	Community member	N/A	Jipiko
65	Ndjobum Jiposa	Community member	0813228032	Jiposa
66	Kauri Jipiko	Community member	0857832322	Jipiko
67	Soma Mliambe	Community member	N/A	Mliambe
68	Katunjaaga Jiposa	Community member	N/A	Jiposa
69	Uetize mbinge	Community member	N/A	Mbinge
70	Kamanda Adungia	Community member	N/A	Adungia
71	Mbarikoni Ruhovu	Community member	N/A	Ruhovu
72	Kamendu Mwindiwa	Community member	N/A	Mwindiwa

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70	Karitarua Tjuna	community member	N/A	[Signature]
71	<del>Theresa</del> Meinde Thomas	community member	0815862352	[Signature]
75	Ukapuke Tjiposa	community member	0814773855	[Signature]
76	Ngumeja Tjijuju	community member	0858029581	[Signature]
77	Yepahako Tjipuko	community member	N/A	[Signature]
78	Kazenamban Ngombe	community member	0813899508	[Signature]
79	Tinjama Aliaombe	community member	N/A	[Signature]
80	Muhamutjata Aliaombe	community member	N/A	[Signature]
81	puveisa Tambira	community member	N/A	[Signature]
82	Ukapukende Ngombe	community member	N/A	[Signature]
83	Kaamenua Tjiposa	community member	0818068880	U. Tjiposa
84	Karandamabe Kapika	community member	N/A	[Signature]
85	Tjholizo Tjipuko	community member	<del>0815915436</del> 0813194165	[Signature]
86	Kivarere Ngombe	community member	0815915936	[Signature]