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Meeting Minutes

27 Aug 2025

PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING MINUTES:

ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT (ESA) FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING & EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON EXCLUSIVE PROSPECTING LICENCE (EPL) No. 9308 LOCATED NORTHWEST OF OPUWO, KUNENE REGION.

Date: Wednesday, 27 Aug 2025

Time: 12:00 – 13:00

Venue: Omatjanda settlement, Kunene region.

The public consultation meeting was attended by twenty people, including three (3) Environmental Consultants and one (1) Archaeologist from Excel Dynamic Solutions (Pty) Ltd (EDS) - **Please refer to the attached attendance register.**

1. INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING REMARKS

The meeting was opened by the environmental consultant with an introduction of the team, who they are, and why they are consulting affected parties of the proposed prospecting and exploration activities on EPL 9308. The meeting attendance register was then circulated for the attendees to write down their names and contact details so that they could be added to the list of interested and affected parties (I&APs) and receive further information on the ESA process.

2. MEETING AGENDA AND PRESENTATION

The agenda of the meeting included the following main points:

2.1 Brief Description of the Project

The Environmental Scoping Assessment (ESA) and the reason that the Proponent appointed Excel Dynamic Solutions (Pty) Ltd (EDS), an independent Environmental Consultant to carry out the ESA and apply for the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC).

2.2 Explanation of what an ESA is, its Process, and the Public Role in the Process

Ms. Iyaloo Nakale explained to the attendees the purpose of the meeting and why they were invited (with reference to the Environmental Management Act (EMA) No. 7 of 2007 and its 2012 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations on Public Consultation). Ms. Iyaloo Nakale further explained what an ESA is and that the proposed exploration activities are one of the listed activities in the 2012 EIA Regulations of the EMA that cannot be undertaken without an ECC from the Environmental Commissioner.

2.3 Presentation of Potential Project Impacts

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

2.4 Public Open Discussion (Interactive Session)

Ms. Iyaloo Nakale 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, 27th of Aug 2025

Comment/ issue No.	Commenter name & issue/comment/question	Response and name of responder:
1.	Commenter 1 The community demands to know who identified and applied for this EPL in our area. We question what right they have to prospect on our land.	Ms. Iyaloo Nakale (IN): That is a very important question, and thank you for asking it. The right to prospect is granted by the Ministry of Mines and Energy (MME) under the Namibian Minerals Act. The proponent, in this case Zanzan Minerals, would have applied to the MME, which evaluates the application based on its own criteria.
2.	Commenter 2: After this meeting, are you going to start digging?	Ms. Iyaloo Nakale (IN): To clarify, the consultant's role is to conduct the environmental assessment and engage the affected community on behalf of the proponent. No physical activities, including digging or drilling, will happen following the meeting. The subsequent steps involve consolidating all gathered information, including community inputs, into a formal Scoping Report and an Environmental Management Plan (EMP). These documents will be submitted to the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism for rigorous review. The ultimate authority to approve the project rests solely with the Environmental Commissioner. Only upon the granting of an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) by the Ministry would the proponent be legally authorized to proceed with any prospecting activities. This meeting constitutes the initial phase of the regulatory assessment process, not the commencement of operations.

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3.	Commenter 3: We want the owner of this EPL to come here himself.	Ms. Iyaloo Nakale (IN): We acknowledge your request for direct representation from Zanzan Minerals. We will formally communicate this request to the proponent and strongly recommend their presence at subsequent meetings to address community concerns directly.
4.	Commenter 4: We will give them what they want, we just want jobs. So many people are not working in our village.	Ms. Iyaloo Nakale (IN): We acknowledge the community's priority for local employment opportunities. Should an ECC be granted, these expectations can be formally established as conditions for access.
5.	Commenter 6: So many people like you come here and sell us dreams. Last time other people took samples from our area saying they would return and never came back. For instance, we will never see you again!	Ms. Iyaloo Nakale (IN): We acknowledge your distrust stemming from previous unfulfilled promises. Our role as independent consultants is to ensure this process is transparent and accountable. All community concerns, including this history of broken commitments, will be formally documented in our report to the Ministry. We commit to providing a clear timeline of next steps and maintaining communication throughout the regulatory process.

FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

Ms. Iyaloo Nakale 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, Ms. Iyaloo Nakale 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 13:00.

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Attendance Register

Public / Stakeholders' Consultation Meeting Attendance Register

PROJECT: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment for the proposed Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) no. 9308

Located northwest of Opuwo, Kunene region.

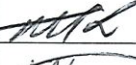
Venue: OMATJANDJA Village

Date: 27 August 2025

Time: 10:00

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