

**28 October 2025**

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING MINUTES:**

### **ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT (ESA) FOR THE PROPOSED PROSPECTING AND EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES ON (EPL) No. 9686 LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF OHANDUNGU, KUNENE REGION.**

**Date:** Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> October 2025

**Time:** 10:00 – 11:00

**Venue:** Chrestos primary school, Otjisoko Tjamuhanguzi, Kunene region

The public consultation meetings were attended by thirty-nine (39) people, including one (2) Environmental Consultant 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 9686. 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**

Mr. Wilbard Angula 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). Mr. Wilbard 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)**

Mr. Wilbard Angula 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, 03<sup>rd</sup> of November 2025**

Comment/ issue No.	Commenter name & issue/comment/question	Response and name of responder:
1.	<p><b>Commenter 1:</b> There is a need for development in the area and the area has high unemployment rate (<b>Unemployment</b>).</p> <p>Most locals here are uneducated so proponent might employ people not from here (<b>skills gap outsourcing fear</b>).</p>	<p><b>Mr. Wilbard Angula (WA):</b> Well, Noted.</p> <p><b>Mr. (WA):</b> It is recommended that the proponent prioritize the employment of local community members, particularly for general labor positions, while specialist roles may be filled based on required skills and expertise.</p>
2.	<p><b>Commenter 2:</b> There are water shortages the proponent should drill boreholes to supplement local water supply (<b>water shortages</b>).</p> <p>The road infrastructure in the area is in poor condition. Therefore, it is recommended that the proponent upgrades the roads where feasible (<b>Poor Road infrastructure</b>).</p>	<p><b>Mr. (WA):</b> Well, Noted.</p>

### **FINAL REMARKS AND CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING**

Mr. Wilbard Angula 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. Wilbard 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 meetings adjourned at 11h00.









## Public / Stakeholders' Consultation Meeting Attendance Register

PROJECT: Environmental and Scoping Assessment (ESA) for the prospecting and exploration Activities on Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) No. 9686 Located southwest of Ohandungu in the Kunene Region, Namibia.

Venue: Oruriuo Village, Kunene Region.

Date: 28 October 2025

Time: 10:00

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