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**SAMIN GROUP PTY LTD PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION WITH  
BULK SAMPLING ON UNSURVEYED STATE LAND 440MT & 442MT,  
AREA OF GUMBU / MASISI, MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MUSINA,  
LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

**SCOPING AND EIA PROCESS**

**SCOPING PHASE PUBLIC MEETING WITH AFFECTED COMMUNITIES OF  
PROSPECTING RIGHT AREA**

DMR REF. LP30/5/1/1/2/13050EM

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**MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING**

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<b>MEETING DATE</b>	7 February 2018
<b>VENUE</b>	Gumbu Primary School, Gumbu
<b>TIME</b>	14:00HRS – 16:00HRS

**Attendees:**

Naledzi Environmental Consultants CC (NEC) – Desmond Musetsho (DM)  
SAMIN Group Pty Ltd (SAMIN) – Caroline Mulaudzi (CM)  
SAMIN Group Pty Ltd (SAMIN) – Uys Elmer (UE)  
SAMIN Group Pty Ltd (SAMIN) – Jane Mashamba (JM)  
SAMIN Group Pty Ltd (SAMIN) – Ronald Ramukhadi (RR)  
South African National Parks (SANParks)  
Vhembe Biosphere Reserve (VBR)  
DA Ward Councillor and Ward Committee  
Community Members from Gumbu, Tshenzhelani, Bende Mutale, Sigonde, Masisi, Tshikuyu

Refer to attached Attendance Register under Annexure A.

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**Meeting Facilitator:** Mr Desmond Musetsho – NEC

**DISCUSSIONS**

**1. Agenda and Purpose of meeting:**

- 1.1 DM, from NEC introduced himself as the EAP for the project and, enquired if attendees were satisfied with the agenda items;
- 1.2 Mr Vhulahani Munzhelele opened the meeting with prayer. Mr A.C Mudai welcomed all the attendees.
- 1.3 DM from NEC indicated the purpose of the meeting was to provide I&APs with background information regarding the project, provide I&APs with the opportunity to become more involved and seek clarity on any aspects of the project.
- 1.4 DM from NEC highlighted the meeting also allows the EAP to obtain information from I&APs about the study area with regards to environmentally sensitive areas, alternative

options to be investigated and more over to record comments, issues and concerns raised by I&APs.

## **2. Project Overview and Background:**

- 2.1 UE from SAMIN explained the company is in the process of applying for a prospecting right, which will be its first prospecting permit since establishment of the company.
- 2.2 UE indicated that SAMIN will prospect for two types of Graphite and other minerals. The preferred type of Graphite would be Flex Graphite as it is 7 times stronger than steel and 100 times lighter than steel. It was explained that flex graphite is a better conductor of electricity as oppose to copper. Flex Graphite is also used in the production of car batteries and aeroplanes.
- 2.3 DM from NEC indicated that an area of 4000 hectares will be prospected.
- 2.4 UE from SAMIN indicated he was born in Gumbu Village; his father was a former miner in the area. The idea to mine the area originated from a site visit between himself and late Mr. Phaswana to the project area, where his father used to mine.
- 2.5 UE stated that CM, RR and JM including his brother were key role players who would help the mine to materialize.
- 2.6 UE requested all community members to support the proposed development based on the positive economic impact it would bring during the operation phase.

## **3. Scoping and EIA Process & Public Participation:**

- 3.1 DM from NEC explained that the NEMA EIA Regulations require the appointment of an independent EAP to undertake and manage an EIA Process triggered by listed activities, such as a prospecting right application. For this reason NEC has been appointed by SAMIN to carry out the EIA Process for the project.
- 3.2 DM explained prospecting involved a process whereby the quantity and quality of a mineral deposit is evaluated through either a drilling process or bulk sampling.
- 3.3 DM indicated that the SAMIN prospecting application triggers a full Scoping and EIA Process since the prospecting programme will include bulk sampling.
- 3.4 DM explained that the authorising authority for the application is Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) which can either reject or approve the application. The application may be rejected based on the sensitivity of area.

## **4. Public Participation Process:**

- 4.1 DM from NEC explained the purpose of the public participation process was to inform the community or public of the proposed project, so public could in turn provide information of the project area for example; the occurrence of graves or protected trees with in the project area.
- 4.2 DM further indicated that an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPR) will be prepared for the project and made available for public review and comment. Different specialist would form part of the project, and their findings will be incorporated into the EIR & EMPr to be submitted to the DMR for decision making.
- 4.3 DM explained that the prospecting programme would take up to 18 months to complete after which the applicant would apply for mining rights.

4.4 It was stated that all the comments from I&APs would be recorded and submitted to the DMR.

## 5. Photographic Proof of Public Meeting



**Photograph 1:** Indicating the DA Ward Councillor (Mr Mariba), Naledzi Environmental Consultants representative, and the SAMIN Group representatives.



**Photograph 2:** Indicating the community members and Mr Desmond Musetsho of Naledzi Environmental Consultants facilitating the public meeting.





**Photograph 3:** indicating the meeting attendees



**Photograph 4:** indicating the meeting attendees



**Photograph 5:** indicating the meeting attendees



## **6. Discussion Session:**

6.1 DM from NEC welcomed questions, comments and queries from the attendees. Refer to 6.2 in table format, overleaf for comments raised during the public meeting and associated responses.

## **7. Way Forward & Closure:**

7.1 DM from NEC indicated that the application form for the environmental authorisation was lodged to DMR on 22 November 2017, the onsite notices were placed on 12 January 2018, the BID registration commenced on 12 January and lapses on 12 February 2018. It was highlighted that the public meeting was the 1 public meeting for the project and a second meeting would be scheduled for the 14-18 May 2018.

7.2 It was indicated that the EIR & EMPR would be available for public review and comment from 27 April until 28 May 2018. The final EIR & EMPr would be submitted to the DMR for decision making on 29 June 2018. The DMR decision on the application would be issued by 15 October 2018 in the form of an environmental authorisation.

7.3 CM from SAMIN was introduced as a Geologist by profession with 10 years working experience and indicated that the community were in good hands, since she was also from Venda.

7.4 Mr Mudau gave the vote of thanks to all the community members, Kruger National Park representatives, chiefs and the Naledzi Team for attending the public meeting.

7.5 Mr Vhulahani Munzhelele closed the meeting with a prayer at 16:00hrs.

7.6 **Post meeting note 19/02/2018:** Point 5.1 is addressed under Item 4.2.1 under post meeting note 1 and under item 4.2.3 under post meeting note 6.

Refer to 6.2 in table format overleaf, which contains comments and issues raised at the meeting with associated responses.

6.2 Comments and Responses recorded at the Public Meeting of 7 February 2018			
NO	Comment	Commenter	Response
6.2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Why was the Gumbu Mine closed down?</li> <li>▪ The study area is very dry, where will the mine obtain water from?</li> <li>▪ Will the mine abstract water from the Limpopo River? If so how many litres?</li> <li>▪ What is the total area to be used for mining /prospecting?</li> </ul>	Sandra Visagie Kruger National Park Section Ranger - Pafuri	<p>RR from SAMIN responded Zimbabwe fights were the reason behind mine closure. Employees were no longer safe from terrorist attacks.</p> <p><b><u>Post meeting response (1) 20/02/2018</u></b></p> <p>The application submitted to the DMR is for a prospecting right not a mining license. The prospecting activities will not require much water, mainly for domestic purposes. Any water requirements would be brought to site by the contractors.</p> <p>SAMIN will prospect on an area of 4000 hectares.</p>
6.2.2	We as a community have a problem with the Kruger National Park, since it does not employ local people. We would like to request the SAMIN Group to employ local youth during its operations at the project site.	Samuel Sigebe	<p>Comment noted.</p> <p><b><u>Post meeting response (2) 20/02/2018</u></b></p> <p>The current application by Samin Group is for a prospecting right. There are no prospects for job opportunities during the prospecting programme.</p> <p>Job opportunities would only be created if a mine is established and operational.</p>
6.2.3	The application area was claimed back for development and we want the proposed mining project to be approved in order for it to create job opportunities for the local people. The SANDF does not employ local people.	Munzhelele Vhulahani	Comment noted. Please refer to Post meeting response (2).



6.2.4	The Lord must open the way for this proposed development.	Luvhimba David Mphodo	Comment noted.
6.2.5	We welcome the project because it will benefit the community.	Nndwamato Thetshelesani	Comment noted.
6.2.6	All community members must stand up and applaud to show that we welcome the proposed project.	Mr Mudau	The motion was supported and community members applauded.
6.2.7	The project will assist to combat crime caused by unemployment in the area, since the project will employ people.	Tshikovhi Humbulani	<b><u>Post meeting response (2) 20/02/2018</u></b>  The current application by Samin Group is for a prospecting right. There are no prospects for job opportunities during the prospecting programme.  Job opportunities would only be created if a mine is established and operational.
6.2.8	SAMIN should continue with the project. The EIA Process is timeous and the community must be patient. The title deed issues need to be addressed so that the community can take over from the SANDF.	Mahwasane Mudzweda	Comment noted.
6.2.9	What will be the planned mining period and how many people will be employed?	Tshimangadzo Brestons	RR from Samin responded that the current application is for a Prospecting Right not a mining licence.  The question relates to actual mining. The mining period and number of people to be employed if the mine is developed is unknown at this stage since the quantities of minerals will only be known after the prospecting phase.
6.2.10	I would like SAMIN Group to proceed with the proposed development.	Mphondo Agnes	Comment noted.
6.2.11	I would like this project to proceed. Four groups of mining companies have tried to prospect in the area before, however did not succeed. I worked with and lived with Elmer's	William Gumbu	Comment noted.

	father.		
6.2.12	I never thought that there were still white people who did not want development. The Kruger National Park does not employ the youth. The community believes that SAMIN mine will bring employment.	Phaswana Itani	<p>Comment Noted.</p> <p><b><u>Post meeting response (2) 20/02/2018</u></b></p> <p>The current application by Samin Group is for a prospecting right. There are no prospects for job opportunities during the prospecting programme. Job opportunities would only be created if a mine is established and operational.</p>
6.2.13	Many people will still try to intimidate SAMIN Group and discourage them from prospecting. The unexploded bombs the SANDF state still to be scattered onsite have been swept away. I was part of the workforce who swept the area for UXO's.	Sidzhie Daniel	<p>Comment noted.</p>
6.2.14	Samin Group should consult the environmental and water departments since they can frustrate mining companies. I experienced this whilst working for Vele Mine.	Moyana Nnduvheni Philemon	<p>Comment noted.</p> <p><b><u>Post meeting response (3) 20/02/2018</u></b></p> <p>The Department of Water &amp; Sanitation and Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism are being consulted as part of the EIA Process.</p>
6.2.15	Can a community member without a university qualification be employed in a higher position during the mine operation stage?	Magovha Pfarelo	<p>RR from SAMIN responded, once a mine is established, people would be employed as per their qualifications and expertise. There will be an entity which would deal with employment issues. The lower income/poor people will be employed in numbers.</p>
6.2.16	We were excited to hear about the proposed development. The community members should not fight amongst each other and take account of groups which will oppose the proposed development. If any of the community members	M.J. Mariba DA Councillor	<p>Comment noted.</p>



<p>do not understand the project detail provided, they should ask questions for clarity as soon as possible to avoid frustrations with the proposed development.</p> <p>Sandra Visagie from the Kruger National Park protects animals. The community must let her continue with her job, but she must not frustrate the community by being against the proposed development. The SANDF will also try to frustrate the community with the issue of unexploded bombs still present on the project site. Drilling companies only drill up to 10m or 15m for boreholes which shows that there is more water around Gumbu area, but water will be monitored as per Mrs. Visagie's input.</p>		
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**ANNEXURE A**  
**Attendance Register**



**ATTENDANCES REGISTER – PUBLIC MEETING  
SCOPING PHASE MEETING WITH COMMUNITIES OF GUMBU, MALALE, SIGONDE, TSHENDZHELANI, MASISI  
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**DATE: WEDNESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2018 FROM 2PM – 4PM  
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 GROUP (PTY) LTD IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MUSINA, AREA OF GUMBU, LIMPOPO PROVINCE  
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**SAMIN GROUP PTY LTD PROSPECTING RIGHT APPLICATION WITH  
BULK SAMPLING ON UNSURVEYED STATE LAND 440MT & 442MT,  
AREA OF GUMBU / MASISI, MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF MUSINA,  
LIMPOPO PROVINCE**

**SCOPING AND EIA PROCESS**

FOCUS GROUP MEETING BETWEEN SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL DEFENCE  
FORCE (SANDF) AND NALEDZI ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS  
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**MINUTES OF SANDF FOCUS GROUP MEETING**

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<b>MEETING DATE</b>	12 February 2018
<b>VENUE</b>	Naledzi EC Offices, Polokwane
<b>TIME</b>	14:00HRS – 15:00HRS

**Attendees:**

**Naledzi Environmental Consultants CC (NEC)**

- Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP): Desmond Musetsho (DM)

**South African National Defence Force (SANDF)**

- Hennie Davel (HD) Regional Environmental Manager (EM) for SANDF

Refer to attached Attendance Register under Appendix A.

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**Meeting Facilitator:** Mr Desmond Musetsho – NEC

**DISCUSSIONS**

**1. Agenda and Purpose of meeting:**

- 1.1 DM, from NEC introduced himself as the EAP for the project and, provided the SANDF opportunity to introduce themselves;
- 1.2 The agenda was announced which included discussion on the project background, Scoping and EIA Process and the Public Participation Process. A discussion session would follow.
- 1.3 HD indicated that the SANDF requested the meeting to provide NEC with information of the proposed project site based on it being used as a military training area.

**2. Project Overview and Background:**

- 2.1 DM from NEC indicated that the NEMA EIA regulations requires SAMIN Group, applicant of the prospecting right, to conduct an EIA Study in respect of the proposed prospecting activities. Prospecting is a listed activity in terms of the EIA Regulation

scheduled listing notices of 2014 and requires an EIA Study. NEC has been appointed as the independent EAP to undertake the required EIA Process.

2.2 DM explained that prospecting is a process whereby a company searches for certain mineral deposits by determining its quality and quantity through either drilling or bulk sampling. The SAMIN prospecting application triggers a full Scoping and EIA Process since its prospecting methods will include bulk sampling.

**3. Scoping and EIA Process & Public Participation:**

3.1 HD from the SANDF requested DM from NEC to avoid the discussion since both processes were well understood by the attendees.

**4. Discussion Session:**

4.1 DM opened the opportunity for discussion. Refer to 4.2 in table format, overleaf for comments raised during the focus group meeting and associated responses.

**5. Way Forward & Closure:**

5.1 DM indicated NEC will confirm the quantities of the samples to be extracted for bulk sampling and lab testing. The National Department of Public Works would be notified of the project as requested.

5.2 DM closed the meeting.

5.3 **Post meeting note 19/02/2018:** Point 5.1 is addressed under Item 4.2.1 under post meeting note 1 and under item 4.2.3 under post meeting note 6.

Refer to 4.2 in table format overleaf, which contains comments and issues raised at the meeting with associated responses.

#### 4.2 Comments and Responses recorded at the Focus Group Meeting of 12 February 2018

NO	Comment	Commenter	Response
4.2.1	<p>The SANDF oppose the proposed prospecting right application due to the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The land has been used for military training since 1960's and is currently registered under the Department of Public Works.</li> <li>▪ SANDF spent R 100 billion to sweep/clean the area from land mines so land could be used for agricultural purposes.</li> <li>▪ There are still landmines present in the area, to depths of 4m below ground. A civilian was killed whilst handling a land mine for the purpose of collecting it for scrap metal. The area is not safe yet.</li> <li>▪ The Madimbo Corridor is the only base available to the SANDF for training. There is continuous training in the corridor.</li> <li>▪ The project site is a declared Nature Reserve</li> <li>▪ The project area still needs to be cleaned / swepted for further concealed unexploded bombs (UXO's).</li> <li>▪ Rumours indicate ammunition was dumped into the old Gumbu Mine.</li> <li>▪ Only the western side from Beacon 5 towards Musina would have been given back to the community, as it has been cleaned from all UXO's</li> <li>▪ Vigorous training is still undertaken on the eastern side of Beacon 5.</li> <li>▪ A land claim has been lodged against the project site, and is yet to be finalised.</li> </ul>	<p>Lt Cl. Hennie Davel SANDF Regional EM</p>	<p>All comments have been noted. DM from NEC responded the aim of the public participation is to record all issues from interested and affected parties and to address such through the EIA Process to assist the DMR in decision making.</p> <p><b><u>Post meeting notes on 19/02/2018:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) NEC is aware that the prospect site is registered under the National Department of Public Works (DPW). The DPW is a registered I&amp;AP on the project database. NEC informed the DPW, Property Manager of Facilities, Mr. Yuza Siwela of the application. The project Background Information Document, Notification letter including the availability of the draft Scoping Report was emailed to the DPW on 16/01/2018.</li> <li>(2) NEC takes note of the project site being a nature reserve; it falls within the Vhembe Biosphere Reserve which is a UNESCO biosphere reserve. The impact on biodiversity will be considered in the EIA Process.</li> <li>(3) The unsafe nature of the eastern portion of the project site will be recorded in the Scoping Report and made known to the applicant and decision making authority.</li> <li>(4) NEC has obtained Land Claim results on 10/01/2018 from the Commissioner on Restitution on Land Rights. The results stipulate the claimants of the land are Gumbu, Masisi, Tshenzelani, Sigonde Community, Mutale Community. Yet it states the claim has been settled. NEC will reconfirm the status with the Commissioner.</li> </ol>



4.2.2	The National Department of Public Works, Mr Siweya needs to be notified of the application since the DPW is the current landowner of the area under claim.	Lt Cl Hennie Davel SANDF Regional EM	<b><u>Post meeting note (5) 19/02/2018:</u></b>  Please refer to point 4.2.1 post meeting note 1 for response.
4.2.3	What volumes of sampling will be taken at the site?	Lt Cl Hennie Davel SANDF Regional EM	DM from NEC indicated the exact volumes of sampling would be confirmed.  <b><u>Post meeting note (6) 19/02/2018:</u></b>  The legal maximum allowed volume for bulk sampling is 500 000 tons/annum. The old Gumbu Mine is the only current target area selected for bulk sampling at 500 000 tons/annum.  The other target areas for prospecting would include trenching, with an extent of 1m x 1m x 20m long/ trench. Most target areas will comprise 5 trenches. The volumes of material excavated from each target site would vary from 30m <sup>3</sup> up to 280m <sup>3</sup> . The average volume of excavation would be 100m <sup>3</sup> .
4.2.4	Would a mining permit be applied for after the prospecting phase?	Lt Cl Hennie Davel SANDF Regional EM	DM from NEC confirmed that the applicant would apply for a mining permit from the DMR should the prospecting programme yield positive results.
4.2.5	What will be implemented to close the trenches opened during bulk sampling?	Lt Cl Hennie Davel SANDF Regional EM	DM confirmed NEC will prepare a rehabilitation plan with measures to be implemented at the end of the prospecting phase.
4.2.6	Will sampling of soil be done on site?	Lt Cl Hennie Davel SANDF Regional EM	DM from NEC confirmed SAMIN Group intends sampling the soils at labs.

**ANNEXURE A**  
**Attendance Register**

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