

Commencement of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment

Kibaran Resources Limited (ASX: KNL, “Kibaran” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has commenced an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for its Epanko Graphite Project in Tanzania. The commencement of this work follows the signing of a binding off-take agreement¹, as announced to the ASX on 23 December 2013.

The Company has signed an agreement with an experienced Tanzanian environmental consultancy to register the Epanko Graphite Project with the National Environmental Management Council (NEMC), which is operated within Tanzania’s Ministry of Environment and the Vice President’s Office.

Following project registration, the consultant will undertake the ESIA work in accordance with Environmental Management Act 2004 and the Environmental Impact and Audit Regulations 2005.

The ESIA work is critical for Kibaran to receive its Environmental Certificate from NEMC, for the Epanko project, with the certificate being a key prerequisite to obtaining a Mining Licence for the project.

The environmental and social baseline studies, receipt of the Environmental Certificate and subsequent Mining Licence, are the longest lead time items in the approval and permitting process of the development of the Epanko Deposit. The entire process is expected to take 16 to 18 months (refer to Figure 1).

Kibaran Executive Director Mr Andrew Spinks said, “We are pleased to have commenced the Environmental Permitting and Mining Licence process as the next stage in developing the Epanko Graphite Project. This is the first of many positive steps towards project development following the major milestone of a binding offtake agreement for graphite sales.”

Figure 1 – Environmental Permitting and Mining Licence forecast timeline

ITEM	Month															
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Community/social studies	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█				
Environmental studies	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█	█				
Permitting and Mining Lease											█	█	█	█	█	█

¹ Under the terms of the binding off-take agreement, Kibaran has a guarantee for the sale of 10,000 tonnes of graphite concentrate per year from Kibaran, for an initial period of five years with the option to renew for a further five years, on a market based pricing mechanism. This is a contractual provision and not a production target.

About Kibaran Resources Limited:

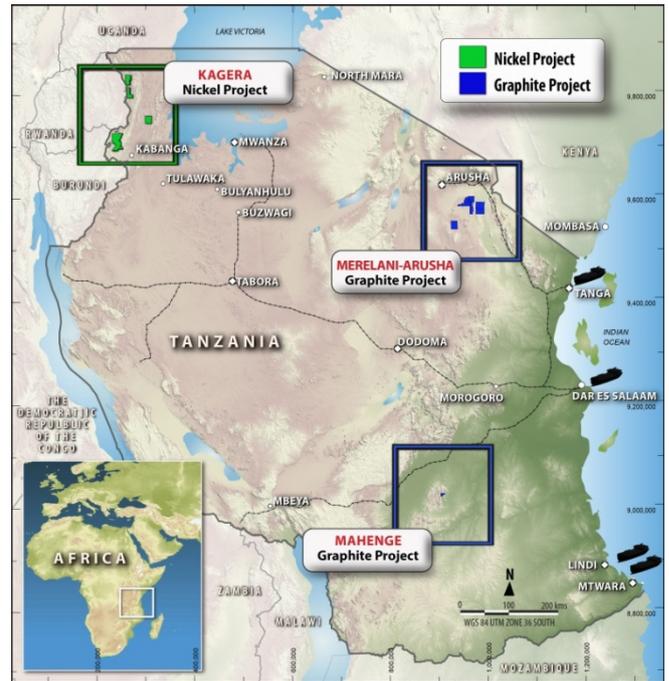
Kibaran Resources Limited (ASX: KNL or “Kibaran”) is an exploration company with highly prospective graphite and nickel projects located in Tanzania.

The Company’s primary focus is on its 100%-owned Epanko deposit, located within the Mahenge Graphite Project. Epanko currently has an Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 14.9Mt, grading 10.5% TGC, for 1.56Mt of contained graphite, defined in accordance with the JORC Code. This initial estimate only covers 20% of the project area. Metallurgy has found Epanko graphite to be large flake and expandable in nature.

Kibaran also has rights to the Merelani-Arusha Graphite Project, located in the north-east of Tanzania. Merelani-Arusha is also considered to be highly prospective for commercial graphite.

Graphite is regarded as a critical material for future global industrial growth, destined for industrial and technology applications including nuclear reactors, lithium-ion battery manufacturing and a source of graphene.

In addition, the Kagera Nickel Project remains underexplored and is located along strike of the Kabanga nickel deposit, owned by Xstrata, which is considered to be the largest undeveloped, high grade nickel sulphide deposit in the world.



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