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DDO: 236618-UNDER SECRETARY,DEPTT.OF MINES,ROOM NO.312,SHASTRI BHAVAN,NEW DELHI.TEL.386467.

Sanction Status: Approved

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Agency Details:

Sr.No	Agency Name	City	District	State	Country	Gross Amount	Deduction Amount	Net Amount	Payee Remarks
1	Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited	Nagpur	NAGPUR	MAHARASHTRA	INDIA	9,787,433	0	9,787,433	Payment of 1st Advance
Total						9787433	0	9787433	

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National Mineral Exploration Trust  
Sanction Order**

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F.No.23/424/2024-NMET/ **529**

New Delhi, 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

**Subject: Approval of mineral exploration project and release of 1st Advance of Grant-in-Aid (General) Preliminary Exploration (G-3) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka.**

On the recommendation of Technical-cum-Cost Committee (TCC) of NMET, the Executive Committee (EC) in its 33<sup>rd</sup> EC meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024 has approved mineral exploration project to be executed by MECL. The details of the block are given below: The details of the block are given below:

S. No.	Project/Block Name	Commodity	Stage	Duration (Months)	Approved Cost (Including GST).
1	Preliminary Exploration (G-3) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka.	Gold	G3	12 (up to 26.02.2025)	₹ 2,44,68,583

2. The mineral exploration project will be funded by NMET as per the cost recommended by the TCC and approved by the EC. The Implementing Agency shall complete the same as per the approved cost estimates and time schedule, enclosed in **Annexure** as summarized below:-

- **Field Mobilization** : 1<sup>st</sup> month (up to 26.03.2024).
- **Exploration** : 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> month (up to 26.08.2024).
  - i. Geological Mapping & Sampling : 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> month (up to 26.08.2024).
  - ii. Geophysical survey : 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> month (up to 26.08.2024).
  - iii. Pitting/Trenching & Drilling : 1<sup>st</sup> month to 6<sup>th</sup> month (up to 26.08.2024).
- **Laboratory Studies** : 2<sup>nd</sup> month to 7<sup>th</sup> month (up to 26.09.2024).
- **Report Writing with Peer Review and submission to NMET** : 5<sup>th</sup> month to 12<sup>th</sup> month (up to 26.02.2025)

3. The Implementing Agency shall submit progress on monthly basis to NMET Secretariat. The TCC, NMET shall review the progress of project and provide update to the Executive Committee.

4. Sanction is also hereby conveyed for release of the 1<sup>st</sup> installment of 40% of the approved procurement project cost i.e ₹97,87,433/- (**₹ Ninety seven lakh eighty seven thousand four hundred and thirty three only**) as an advance in terms of conditions stipulated in this office letter no. 6/9/2015-NMET/340 dated 09<sup>th</sup> February, 2023 regarding "Release of funds to State Government for Procurement of Machinery and equipment for mineral exploration".



5. The expenditure will be debited to '2853' Non-Ferrous Mining and Metallurgical Industries (Major Head) 02-Regulation and Development of Mines (Sub-Major head) 102-Mineral Exploration (Minor Head) 05-National Mineral Exploration Trust Fund Activities (Sub-Head) 00- National Mineral Exploration Trust Fund Activities (Detailed-Head) 05.00. 31-Grant-in-aid (General) under Demand No. 69, Ministry of Mines during the financial year 2023-24.

6. Certified that the pattern of assistance, under which the Grants-in-Aid (General) has been sanctioned, has the prior approval of Ministry of Finance.


7. MECL is a registered agency on EAT module of PFMS. In terms of **Rule 230, 235, 236 and 238 of GFR**, MECL should maintain subsidiary accounts of the Government Grants and furnish the same to the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry. The account shall be open to inspection by the Sanctioning Authority and audit, both by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India and internal audit by the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry of Mines, whenever the Organization is called upon to do so.

8. The exploration agency has to furnish the utilization certificate in respect of amount disbursed as Grant-in-aid for the project on utilization of disbursed amount or after completion of one year from the date of disbursement of advance, whichever is earlier. The next installment of advance will be released after submission of utilization certificate and progress report in respect of the 1<sup>st</sup> installment.

9. Shri Arun Kumar Chail, Section Officer in the Ministry will be the Drawing and Disbursing Officer for this purpose. It is requested that the payment of **₹97,87,433/- (₹ Ninety seven lakh eighty seven thousand four hundred and thirty three only)** may kindly be made to the Mineral Exploration and Consultancy Ltd, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Bhawan, Seminary Hills, Nagpur – 440006 through RTGS in State Bank of India, Industrial Finance Branch, Nagpur (IFSC Code – SBIN0000432, Current Account No. 10374783387)

10. This has concurrence of JS &FA, Mines vide Note# 10 dated 26.02.2024 (E file No. 3074870).

Yours faithfully,

  
(Vivek Kumar Sharma)  
Director & HoD, NMET

**Copy for information and further necessary action:**

1. The Chairman & Managing Director, Mineral Exploration and Consultancy Ltd. (MECL), Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Bhawan, Seminary Hills, Nagpur – 440006.
2. Dr. S. Ravi, Dy. Director General and Chairman, TCC-NMET, Geological Survey of India, SU: Karnataka & Goa, Bangalore-560078.
3. I.F. Division, Ministry of Mines, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
4. Executive Committee (EC) Meeting file (F.No.6/2/2015-NMET)
5. Grant-in aid Sanction order file.

Annexure-3A							
Estimate cost for Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda Area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka. (Time schedule: 12 months; Review: After 4 & 8 months)							
S. No.	Item of Work	Unit	Rates as per NMETSoC 2020-21		Estimated Cost of the Proposal		Remarks
			SoC-Item - SI No.	Rates as per SoC	Qty.	Amount (Rs)	
A	Geological Mapping Other Geological Work & Surveying						
1	Geological mapping, (1:1000 scale) & Surface samples (Bedrock/Channel/soil)	2.74 sq.km					
i	Charges for one Geologist- Field	day	1.2	11,000	120	13,20,000	
ii	Charges for one Geologist per- HQ	day	1.2	9,000	30	2,70,000	
iii	Labours (2 Nos)	day	5.7	504	240	1,20,960	Amount will be reimburse as per the notified rates by the Central Labour Commissioner or respective State Govt. whichever is higher
iv	d. Charges for one Sampler per day (1 Party)	one sampler per day	1.5.2	5,100	4	21,038	
v	e. Labours (4 Nos)	day	5.7	504	17	8,316	
2	Survey work						
a	DGPS survey for Block Boundary	Per Point of observat	1.6.2	19,200	-	0	As per TCC decision

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b	Charges of Surveyor (1 party) for Topographical survey	one surveyor per day	1.6.1a	8,300	30	249000	
c	Labours Charges for survey work;	day	5.7	504	120	60480	Amount will be reimburse as per the notified rates for unskilled labor by the Central Labour Commissioner or respective State Govt. whichever is higher
	<b>Sub Total- A</b>					<b>20,49,794</b>	
<b>B</b>	<b>GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY</b>						
i	IP Survey	Line km	3.4a	69,950	30	20,98,500	
ii	Electro Magnetic survey (profiling/sounding)	Soundin g	3.7a	21,197	360	76,30,920	
iii	Magneto-Telluric (MT) survey (250x250grid)	stations	3.8	1,98,386	36	71,41,878	Rs. 119031/6 stations=198386 per station
iv	Charges for one Geophysicist per day at field (Geophysicist for 6 months)	day	3.18	11,000		-	
v	Labours (2 Nos)	day	5.7	504	-	-	Amount will be reimburse as per the notified rates by the Central Labour Commissioner or respective State Govt. whichever is higher
vi	Charges for one Geophysicist per	day	3.18	9,000	30	2,70,000	

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	day at HQ						
vii	Surveyor Work	days	1.6.1a	8,300		-	
viii	Labours (4Nos)	day	5.7	504	-	-	Amount will be reimburse as per the notified rates by the Central Labour Commissioner or respective State Govt. whichever is higher
	<b>Sub Total- B</b>					<b>1,71,41,298</b>	
<b>C</b>	<b>LABORATORY STUDIES</b>						
<b>1</b>	<b>Chemical Analysis</b>						
i)	<b>Geochemical Sampling-Surface samples (Bedrock /Channel/Soil)</b>						
	a. Au by Fire Assay	Nos	4.1.5a	2,380	30	71,400	
	b) 34 Elements by ICPMS	Nos	4.1.14	7,731	30	2,31,930	
ii)	<b>Surface Check samples (10% External)</b>						
	a. Au by Fire Assay	Nos	4.1.5a	2,380	3	7,140	
<b>2</b>	<b>Physical &amp; Petrological Studies</b>						
i	Preparation of thin section	Nos	4.3.1	2,353	5	11,765	
ii	Study of thin section	Nos	4.3.4	4,232	5	21,160	
iii	Preparation of polish section	Nos	4.3.2	1,549	5	7,745	
iv	study of polished section	Nos	4.3.4	4,232	5	21,160	
v	Digital Photographs	Nos	4.3.7	280	5	1,400	
	<b>Sub Total- C</b>					<b>3,73,700</b>	
	<b>Total A to C</b>					<b>1,95,64,792</b>	

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E	Geological Report Preparation		5.2	For the projects having cost exceeding 150 lakhs but less than 300 lakh:- A minimum of 7.5 lakh or 3% of the work whichever is more and Rs 3000/- for each additional copy.		7,50,000	Reimbursement will be made after submission of the final Geological Report in Hard Copies (5 Nos) and the soft copy to NMET.
F	Peer review Charges		As per EC decision			30,000	
G	Preparation of Exploration Proposal (5 Hard copies with a soft copy)	5 Hard copies with a soft copy	5.1	2% of the Cost or Rs. 5 Lakhs whichever is lower		3,91,296	EA has to submit the Hard Copies and the soft copy of the final proposal along with Maps and Plan as suggested by the TCC-NMET in its meeting while clearing the proposal.
H	Total Estimated Cost without GST					2,07,36,087	
I	Provision for GST (18% of I)					37,32,496	GST will be reimburse as per actual and as per notified prescribed rate
J	Total Estimated Cost with GST					2,44,68,583	Rs. 244.68 Lacs
Note:							
1	Strict adherence to the Ministry of Finance's and GFR guidelines is mandatory. Every transaction must adhere to GFR rule 21.						

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2	In case of delay/non- performance, the appropriate action will be taken by competent authority against delinquent agency as per prevalling govt. of India rules/guidelines on procurement.
3	If any part of the project is outsourced, the amount will be reimbursed as per the Paragraph 3 of NMETSoC and Item no. 6 of NMETSoC. In case of execution of the project by NEA on its own, a Certificate regarding non outsourcing of any component/project is required.
4	Necessary efforts should be made to minimize any adverse impact on the environment during exploration activities.

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Annexure-3B																		
Time Schedule/ Action Plain for Preliminary Exploration (G-3 Stage) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda Area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka. (Time schuedule- 9 months)																		
S. No.		Months/Days	1	2	3	4	Review	5	6	7	8	Review	9	10	11	12		
1	Camp Setting	months																
2	Detailed Geological mapping (1:2000 scale) & Surface sampling	months																
3	Ground Geophysical Work (TDEM, IP, MT)	months																
4	Survey work	months																
6	Camp winding	months																
7	Laboratory studies	months																
8	Report Writing with Peer Review	months																

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**Note # 1**

**Subject: Approval of mineral exploration project and release of 1st Advance of Grant-in-Aid (General) Preliminary Exploration (G-3) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka.**

On the recommendation of Technical-cum-Cost Committee (TCC) of NMET, the Executive Committee (EC) in its 33<sup>rd</sup> EC meeting (**Pg. no 149/c**) held on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 approved mineral exploration project "Preliminary Exploration (G-3) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka" (**Sl. no 5 at Pg 166/c**) to be executed by MECL at an estimated cost of **₹2,44,68,583/- (including GST). (Pg. no 140/c)**

2. As per the office letter no. 42/1/2017-NMET/176 dated 16th December 2021 (**Pg no 143/c**) regarding "Release of funds to State Government / NEAs for mineral exploration" the 1st instalment of 40% of the approved project cost i.e. **₹97,87,433/- (₹ Ninety seven lakh eighty seven thousand four hundred and thirty three only)** is to be released.

3. The budget status under the head Grant-in-aid (General) for 2023-24 for making payment of first advance of **₹97,87,433/- (₹ Ninety seven lakh eighty seven thousand four hundred and thirty three only)** in favour of MECL is as under:

(₹ in crore)

Budget allotted for 2023-24	Revised Budget 2023-24	Sanction concurred till date	Expenditure in process for IFD sanction	Amount in instant proposal	Balance budget after the instant proposal	Available budget (%)
200.00	191.50	138.34	19.48	0.98		

The above-mentioned advance amount of ₹ 0.98 lakh was not paid earlier to MECL in respect of "Preliminary Exploration (G-3) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka"

4. In view of above, file may be forwarded, through AS (Mines), to JS&FA for financial concurrence **₹97,87,433/- (₹ Ninety seven lakh eighty seven thousand four hundred and thirty three only)** for making advance payment of 1st installment of 40% of the approved project cost to MECL.

5. **DFA/3034831** sanction order is also placed for approval

please.

Submitted please.



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**Jayant Gupta**  
**ASSISTANT COST ACCOUNTS OFFICER**

**Note # 2**

Please refer Note#1

Submitted for kind approval of Additional Secretary (Mines) before sending to IFD for financial concurrence of JS&FA please.(DFA/3034831)

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**Note # 3**

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अपर सचिव|**ADDITIONAL SECRETARY**

**Note # 4**

Please refer Note#1

Submitted to IFD for financial concurrence of JS&FA please.(DFA/3034831)

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**Note # 5**

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**DIRECTOR**

**Note # 6**



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RAJIV KUMAR  
SECTION OFFICERNote # 7Integrated Finance DivisionReference Note#1 above.

2. The Administration Division i.e NMET Section has sent a proposal seeking financial concurrence of **Rs.97,87,433/- (₹ Ninety seven lakh eighty seven thousand four hundred and thirty three only)** towards release of 1st advance payment (i.e.40% of total estimated cost) to MECL in respect of the Project "Preliminary Exploration (G-3) [Phase-I] for Gold in Kudrekonda area by Geophysical Survey, Shimoga Schist Belt, Honnali Taluk, Devanagere District, Karnataka" (Sl. no 5 at Pg 166/d). The Proposal has the approval of AS(SL).

3. NMET Section has informed that the above mentioned Project has been approved (Pg. no 166/c at Sr.5) by Executive Committee in its 33rd EC meeting held on 19th February, 2024, on the recommendations of 61st Technical-cum-cost-committee(TCC). The project was approved at a total estimated cost of **Rs.2,44,68,583/- (including GST). (Pg. no 140/c)**.

4. The Administrative Division has further submitted the Letter dated 16.12.2021 issued by the Ministry regarding the manner of release of fund to State Governments/NEAs for Mineral Exploration. According to Para3 Sr.(iii) of the said letter, 40% of total cost of the project approved by NMET along with sanction order is to be released in 1st installment.

5. The aforesaid expenditure is to be booked under the head **Grant-in-aid(General)** of NMET during the FY 2023-24. The budget provision for the said head is Rs.191.50 crores in RE 2023-24. NMET section has also submitted that the amount in the instant proposal i.e. **Rs.97,87,433/-** has not been paid earlier to MECL in respect of the project mentioned above.

6. In view of the foregoing, as the project has been approved by EC after getting recommendations from TCC of NMET and keeping in view the Ministry's letter dated 16.12.2021, IFD may concur the instant proposal. Submitted for consideration/concurrence of JS&FA(Mines).

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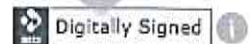
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RAJIV KUMAR  
SECTION OFFICER**Note # 9**

Proposal in Note #7 may kindly be approved.

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DIRECTOR**Note # 10**

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JS(FA)**Note # 11**

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