



QUALITY COUNCIL OF INDIA

NATIONAL ACCREDITATION BOARD FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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SCHEME FOR ACCREDITATION OF  
EXPLORATION AGENCIES IN MINERAL SECTOR (AEA)

Accreditation Committee Meeting for Initial Accreditation held on 19/02/2026 and the following members were present during the meeting:

1.	Shri R K Sinha	Chairman
2.	Shri Sarat Kumar Jena	Member
3.	Shri K S Anandan	Member
4.	Dr Satya Prakash	Member
5.	Shri R N Selvan	Member

Shri Dinesh Kumar Rai and Shri Jagminder Kataria- Joint Director expressed their inability to attend the meeting.

Mr. Akshit Kwatra- Associate Manager was present during the meeting.

**1.0. Initial Accreditation:** Following cases were discussed and decisions taken thereof are-

**1.1. HITTITES Exploration**

HITTITES Exploration has scored 59.37%, and accredited as Category-A as per AEA Accreditation Scheme.

**1.1.1. Marks obtained in various aspects of Initial Assessment**

Sl. No.	Aspect	Marks Scored	Out of
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1.	Quality and performance of personnel		
	i. Project Coordinator/s	11.50	20
	ii. Technical Area Expert/s	17.62	30
2.	Infrastructure, P & M, adequate Software (SW) and Hardware (HW)	10.00	15
3.	Field investigations and laboratory systems to ensure data integrity	6.00	10
4.	Coverage and Quality of Geological Report (GR)/ Exploration Assignments	6.00	10
5.	Quality Management System	8.25	15
	<b>Total</b>	<b>59.37</b>	<b>100</b>
	<b>Overall Score</b>	<b>59.37%</b>	

### 1.1.2. Scope Coverage

#### Preparation of Comprehensive Geological Report

- Bedded Stratiform & Tabular deposits
- Lenticular composite veins
- Gem-Stone and rare metal pegmatite, reefs and veins/pipes
- Float & Placer deposits
- Deep Seated deposits

### 1.1.3. Number of Experts applied and approved:

S.No.	Human Resource (No.)	IH		EMP		TOTAL	
		Applied	Approved/ Accepted	Applied	Approved/ Accepted	Applied	Approved/ Accepted
1	Project Coordinator/s(PC)	1	1	0	0	1	1
2	Technical Area Expert/s(TAE)	3	3	1	1	4	4
3	Team Member (TM)	0	0	NA	NA	0	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>

### 1.1.4. Approved Project Coordinator/s (PC)

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S.No.	Name	Approval status		Remarks
		PC Approved	Status	
<b>In-house</b>				
1.	Ganesh Nanjaraj	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-

### 1.1.5. Approved Technical Areas Expert/s (TAE)

S.No.	Name	Approval status		Remarks
		TAE Approved	Status	
<b>In-house</b>				
1.	Mohan M	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-
2.	Manoj Kumar A.S.	Remote Sensing & GIS (RS)	Yes	-
3.	Jayaprakasha Raghavendra	Hydrogeology (HG)	Yes	-
<b>Empanelled</b>				
4.	Bachu Metramulu	Geophysics (GP)	Yes	-

### 1.2. Midwest Limited

Midwest Limited has scored 65.12%, and accredited as Category-A as per AEA Accreditation Scheme.

#### 1.2.1. Marks obtained in various aspects of Initial Assessment

Sl. No.	Aspect	Marks Scored	Out of
1.	Quality and performance of personnel		
	i. Project Coordinator/s	12.90	20
	ii. Technical Area Expert/s	18.69	30
2.	Infrastructure, P & M, adequate Software (SW) and Hardware (HW)	10.50	15
3.	Field investigations and laboratory systems to ensure data integrity	7.10	10
4.	Coverage and Quality of Geological Report (GR)/ Exploration Assignments	6.10	10

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5.	Quality Management System	9.83	15
	<b>Total</b>	<b>65.12</b>	<b>100</b>
	<b>Overall Score</b>	<b>65.12%</b>	

### 1.2.2. Scope Coverage

Preparation of Comprehensive Geological Report	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Bedded Stratiform &amp; Tabular deposits</li> <li>● Lenticular composite veins</li> <li>● Gem-Stone and rare metal pegmatite, reefs and veins/pipes</li> <li>● Float &amp; Placer deposits</li> <li>● Deep Seated deposits</li> </ul>	

### 1.2.3. Number of Experts applied and approved:

S.No.	Human Resource (No.)	IH		EMP		TOTAL	
		Applied	Approved/ Accepted	Applied	Approved/ Accepted	Applied	Approved/ Accepted
1	Project Coordinator/s(PC)	2	2	0	0	2	2
2	Technical Area Expert/s(TAE)	3	3	3	3	6	6
3	Team Member (TM)	1	1	NA	NA	1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>

### 1.2.4. Approved Project Coordinator/s (PC)

S.No.	Name	Approval status		Remarks
		PC Approved	Status	
<b>In-house</b>				
1.	Ramakrishna Bhonagiri	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-
2.	Dr. G. Lakshminarayana	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-

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**1.2.5. Approved Technical Areas Expert/s (TAE)**

S.No.	Name	Approval status		Remarks
		TAE Approved	Status	
<b>In-house</b>				
1.	Gopu Srinivasa Reddy	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-
		Remote Sensing & GIS (RS)	Yes	-
2.	Dwarapudi Vijay Kumar	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-
3.	Pasam Venkata Satish	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-
<b>Empanelled</b>				
4.	Tadivalasa Venkata Hanumantha Rao	Hydrogeology (HG)	Yes	-
5.	Gujjar Jawahar	Geophysics (GP)	Yes	-
6.	Dr. A.V. Subrahmanyam	Remote Sensing & GIS (RS)	Yes	-

**1.2.6. Approved Team Member/s (TM)**

S.No.	Name	Approval status		Remarks
		TA Approved	Status	
<b>In-house</b>				
1.	Manchala Subhakar	Geology (Geo)	Yes	-

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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