



MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIALISATION AND TRADE



INVITATION - TRAINING OF ENTREPRENEURS IN GEMSTONES CUTTING AND POLISHING AT KARIBIB GEMSTONE CENTRE

Namibia strives to be one of the competitive economies in SADC region with its Industrialisation ambition spelled out in the National Development Plans (NDPs) towards vision 2030. Equally, Namibia's Industrial Policy and its implementation strategy, "Growth at Home" strive towards a more equitable distribution of income, growing the size of the Namibian economy through enhanced local production and wealth creation.

Small-scale mining as a sub-sector of the mining sector provides a livelihood to a quite number of people and their families, alleviating poverty and improving lives. In addition, small-scale mining activities provide numerous job opportunities to various rural communities in Namibia especially in regions endowed with gemstones.

Therefore, as part of entrepreneurship development and promotion, EMPRETEC Namibia in collaboration with The Department of Industrial Development is hereby inviting unemployed youth and women who are interested to be trained in Gemstone cutting and polishing to apply for the 2020/21 intake scheduled to commence on **16 November 2020** for a period of six months. Applications can be downloaded from the Ministry's website or collected at the Ministry's Offices in all regions.

Therefore, applicants who meet the following requirements should submit their applications for consideration:

- Unemployed youth and women
- Entry age 18 to 45
- Minimum qualification required is Grade 8
- Basic English Communication and, basic Mathematics
- Willing to start own business and become a member of a Cooperative

Closing date: 30 October 2020

NB: Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for interviews and applications will not be returned.

For enquiries or clarifications, contacts details in various regions are provided below:

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