

ANS Exploration Corp. Strengthens Community Engagement in Tigray through Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives

Toronto, Canada, October 2024 – ANS Exploration Corp. ("ANS" or the "Company"), a Canadian exploration company, is proud to announce a series of significant corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives in the Tigray region of Ethiopia, where the company has been actively exploring since September 2023. These initiatives reflect ANS's commitment to contributing positively to the development of the region and building strong relationships with the local communities.

Corporate Social Responsibility Initiatives

Over the past two weeks, ANS Exploration completed several impactful CSR initiatives, which have been warmly received by local communities and government officials:

Donation of IT Equipment and GPS Devices to the Tigray Regional Mining Office: ANS donated laptops and GPS devices to the Tigray Regional Mining Office to assist with the resumption of administrative services, which were disrupted due to recent conflict. These tools will enable the Mining Office to enhance its operational efficiency, data management, and land resource coordination, a crucial step in the rebuilding process. Leaders at the Mining Office expressed their gratitude for this timely and much-needed support.



Partnership with Aksum University: ANS Exploration solidified its collaboration with Aksum University through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), marking a key milestone in fostering educational development in the mining sector. The MoU, signed on October 6, 2024, focuses on enhancing applied geology studies through student internships, fieldwork opportunities, and technical support. ANS will also provide guest lectures, supervise student theses, and collaborate on research projects.



Support for Local Schools: ANS demonstrated its commitment to local education by distributing 3,120 exercise books to 21 primary schools within the Zager and Daro license areas. Schools such as Adikelte, DaeroTekli, and Adi Serawat received essential supplies, significantly improving the learning environment for young students. The donation was met with heartfelt appreciation from school leaders and students, who emphasized how critical this support is for a region still recovering from recent turmoil. Community representatives noted that this was the first time many of these schools had received such support from an international company.



Collaboration with Government

During recent meetings with key government officials, ANS reaffirmed its dedication to responsible exploration and its role as a positive force in the region:

- **Meeting with the Minister of Mines, Mr. Habtamu Tegegne:** In a meeting on October 10, 2024, the Minister of Mines expressed his appreciation for ANS's contributions to the region, particularly the donations of IT equipment, GPS devices, and educational materials. The Minister also acknowledged ANS's efforts to promote Tigray within the international mining community, while noting the challenges posed by regional instability.
- **Engagement with the State Minister of Mines, Mr. Million:** The State Minister of Mines praised ANS for its community engagement and highlighted the importance of continued collaboration. He acknowledged the company's stable relations with local communities and its role in promoting mining opportunities in the region. The Minister also discussed ongoing efforts to address regional political challenges and their potential impact on mining licenses.

Commitment to Long-Term Development

ANS Exploration Corp. remains committed to making a lasting impact in the Tigray region through sustainable development, education, and institutional support. The company's contributions align with its broader mission to support the communities in which it operates, ensuring that its exploration activities bring positive social and economic benefits to the local population.

Christopher Schmidt, CEO of ANS Exploration, commented: "We are proud of the positive contributions we've made to the communities in Tigray. Whether through partnerships with local universities, donations to schools, or support for regional institutions, we aim to foster long-term development and resilience. These initiatives reflect our deep-rooted belief that exploration activities should go hand in hand with social responsibility. We look forward to continuing this journey of collaboration and support."

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