

# THE MALAWI MINING INDUSTRY

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# **PRESENTATION OUTLINE**

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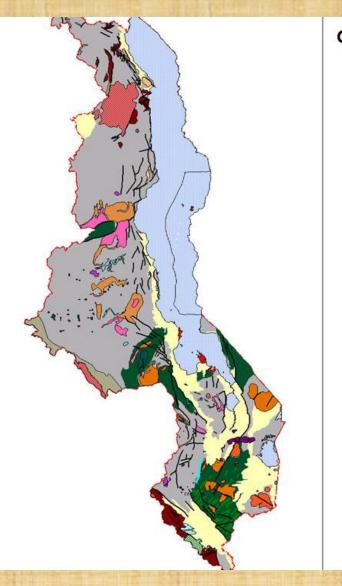
#### GEOLOGY AND MINERAL ENDOWMENT

#### **BASEMENT COMPLEX**

- Gold
- Nickel, Platinum
- Copper, Lead, Zinc
- Gemstones
- Niobium, Uranium, Tantalum, Zircon KAROO SYSTEM
- KAROO 31311
- Coal
- Uranium
- Agates

#### CHILWA ALKALINE PROVINCE

- Rare earths, Niobium, Manganese, Barite, fluorite
- **TERTIARY PLEISTOCENE**
- Oil and gas



# GEOLOGY OF MALAWI

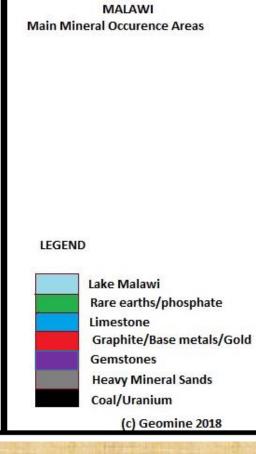


Charnokitic suite



#### Mineral Occurrence Areas





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# MINERAL POTENTIAL

	DEPOSIT	LOCATION	DELIANATION RESERVES (Million tones/ grade)	
	Bauxite	Mulanje	28.8/43.9% Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	
	Uranium	Kayelekera	29.3/510 ppm Ur <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	
		Kangankhunde	11/ 8% Strontianite and 2.0% REO	
	Rare Earths/ Strontianite	Songwe	8.5/1.6%TREO	
	Rutile/Graphite	Kasiya	609 /1.0% Rutile/1.5% Graphite	
	Corundum	Chimwadzulu-Ntcheu	8,000g/75.6gm per m <sup>3</sup>	
	Graphite	Katengeza-Dowa Malingunde - Lilongwe	2.7/5.8% Carbon 70.0/9.0% TGC	
	Limestone	Malowa Hill-Bwanje	15/48% CaO, 1.2% MgO	
		Chenkumbi-Balaka; Chikoa-Livwezi-Kasungu	10/46.1% CaO, 3.5% MgO	
		Njereza-Mangochi	98.0/53% CaO, 2.0% MgO	
		Nkhotakota-Salima	700/5.6% HMS	
	Titanium bearing Heavy Mineral Sands	Chipoka	3.15/7.7% HMS	
	taniuni bearing Heavy Mineral Sanus	Mangochi	680/6.0% HMS	
		Halala (Lake Chilwa)	15/6.0 % HMS	
		Mwabvi-Nsanje	4.7/30% ash	
	Coal	Ngana-Karonga	15/21.2% ash	
		Mchenga	5/17% Ash, 0.5% Sulphur and calorific value of 6,800kcal/kg	
	Phosphate	Tundulu-Phalombe	2.0/17% P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	
	Pyrite	Chisepo-Dowa	34/8% S	
		Malingunde-Lilongwe	10/12% S	
	Glass Sands	Mchinji Dambos	1.6/97% SiO <sub>2</sub>	
	Vermiculite	Feremu-Mwanza	2.5/4.9% (Med+Fine) 5	



### **CURRENT STATE OF THE EXTRACTIVE SECTOR**

#### • EXPLORATION STAGE

- Sovereign Metals at definitive feasibility study graphite
- Crown Minerals at feasibility study titanium minerals (rutile and ilmenite)
- Mawei Mining at feasibility study ilmenite and magnetite
- NGX Exploration Limited at Definitive Feasibility Study- Graphite
- MINING STAGE
  - Lotus Africa Limited uranium
  - Globe Metals and Mining niobium and tantalum
  - Mkango Resources Rare Earths
  - Kasikizi Coal Mining Ltd and Rukuru Mining coal
  - Shayona Cement and Cement Products Limited limestone
  - Terrastone Ltd, Mota\_Engil, Master Stone Stone Aggregate



## **DELINEATED MINERAL RESOURCES**

Source: Exploration Companies

LOCATION	CUT-OFF GRADE	RESERVE TONNAGE (Million tonnes)	RESOURCE TONNAGE (Million Tonnes)
Mkango Resources	1.60 TREO	13.2	18.6
Globe Metals and Mining	3,000 ppm Nb	55.0	Open ended
Paladin Africa Limited	0.17% U	0.01	Open ended
Kangankunde	2% TRE 8% Strontianite	11.0	Open ended
Sovereign Metals	7.2% (TGC)	77.3	Open ended
Kasikizi – ZAGAF Cement JV	4500-6800 Cal/Kg	7.0	Open ended
MAWEI	6.0% (ilmenite, magnetite)	680.0	Open ended



#### **ADVANCED MINING PROJECTS IN MALAWI**





#### Estimated Contribution of Mining to Malawi's Economy by 2027

PROJECT	ORE RESERVE	INITIAL CAPEX	<b>EBITDA Per annum</b>	Life of Mine
Lindian Resources Ltd - Kangankunde REE	23 Mt @ 2.2 TREO%	US\$40.0 Million	US\$57.0 with 99% IRR	45 years
Mkango Resources - Songwe REE	21 Mt @1.4% TREO	US\$ 311.0 Million	US\$ 215.0 Million @ 31.5 % IRR	18 years
Lotus Africa Ltd - Kayelekera Uranium	29.3 Mlb @510 ppm U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	US\$88.0 Million	US\$ 164 Millon @ 28% IRR	10 years
Globe Metals and Mining Ltd – Kanyika Niobium	33.8 Mt @ 2,830 ppm Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	US\$35.0 Million	U\$7.0 Million @ 14.9% IRR	18 years
Sovereign Metals Ltd	609 Mt @ 1.0% rutile and 1.5 % graphite	US\$ 597.0 Million	US\$415 Million @ 28% IRR	25 years
TOTAL		US\$ 1,071 Million	US\$ 694 Million	12% of Current GDP
Current Malawi GDP (2023)			14.8 Billion	



# CHALLENGES FACING THE EXTRACTIVE SECTOR

- Poor infrastructure
- Few local service industries
- Limited skilled labour
- Administrative congestion related with high vacancy rate and corruption
- Small Contracts to local companies
- Poor local participation in financing and equity
- Delays in negotiating Mining Agreements
- Unfair Benefit sharing



#### **CRITICAL ISSUES TO BE TAKEN CARE OF**

- Community Development Agreements, CSR and Benefit Sharing
- Community Engagement/Social Licence
- Inclusion of economic opportunities for vulnerable groups such as women and other minority groups
- Local participation/Local Content
- Formalising ASMs and creating access to finance and marketing

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Development of local entrepreneurship



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