

# MINERAL RESOURCES INSTITUTE (MRI)

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## DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL EXPLORATIONS SHORT COURSES

S/N	COURSE NAME	COURSE CONTENTS	DURATION
1.	<b>Exploration Geophysics (Geophysical Exploration)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Types of geophysical exploration</li><li>b) Application of geophysical exploration methods in mineral and petroleum exploration</li><li>c) Gravity and magnetic surveys</li><li>d) Geo-electric surveys</li><li>e) Concepts of geophysical data processing and interpretation</li><li>f) Simple geophysical data processing</li><li>g) Simple interpretation of geophysical data results</li></ul>	3 Weeks

2.	<b>Practical identification of minerals and rocks in hand specimen</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The use of physical properties of minerals in their identification</li> <li>b) Hand specimen identification of the common rock-forming, ore and industrial minerals</li> <li>c) Review of the classification of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks and its use in the practical identification of rocks</li> <li>d) Hand specimen identification of igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks</li> </ul>	One Month
3.	<b>Exploration Geochemistry (Geochemical Exploration)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Application of geochemical exploration methods in mineral exploration</li> <li>b) Types of geochemical surveys</li> <li>c) Principles of geochemical sampling</li> <li>d) Geochemical sampling equipment</li> <li>e) Establishment of geochemical survey grids</li> <li>f) Sample preparation and submission</li> <li>g) Geochemical analysis (Analytical techniques)</li> <li>h) Interpretation of geochemical results</li> </ul>	3 Weeks
4.	<b>Introduction to</b>	<b>1. Introduction to GIS (Principles and Concepts)</b>	One Month

	<p><b>Geographical Information Systems (GIS)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Basics of GIS</li> <li>b) GIS Spatial data types</li> <li>c) Spatial Data Structures (Raster and Vector data structures, topology and spaghetti data models)</li> <li>d) GIS Data Sources (Aerial Photographs, Remote Sensing and ground survey)</li> <li>e) GIS Data Input Techniques (Spatial and attribute data) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Digitizing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manual digitizing,</li> <li>• Scan digitizing, and</li> <li>• On-screen digitizing</li> </ul> </li> <li>- ElectronicDataTransfer (spatial data collection and processing using hand held GPS)</li> <li>- Attribute Data input (Tabular data entry and importing Non Spatial data from MS Excel)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>2. Introduction to ArcGIS software</b></p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Getting to know ArcGIS Environment (Arc Catalog, ArcMap and Arc Toolbox)</li><li>b) Workspaces and Geodatabases</li><li>c) GIS Data input</li><li>d) Creating Shape files</li></ul> <p><b>3. Spatial Data Analysis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>□ Spatial Data Analysis: Spatial Querying, Buffering, Overlaying and Proximity</li></ul> <p><b>4. GIS data Output (Data visualization)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Map elements and Cartographic symbols</li><li>b) Layout Preparation</li></ul>	
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5.	<b>Mining Geology and Grade Control Course</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) An integrated geological framework for effective grade control and mining operations</li> <li>b) Grade control sampling theory</li> <li>c) Sampling methods in open pit mines</li> <li>d) Sample preparation, assaying and geochemical analysis</li> <li>e) Tools for quality control</li> <li>f) Cut-off grade determination</li> <li>g) Delineation and mark-out of mineable ore blocks</li> <li>h) Statistical and geo-statistical foundations of ore block estimation</li> <li>i) Sources and methods for control of dilution and ore loss</li> <li>j) Reconciliation between ore reserves, grade control and production</li> <li>k) Ore Block Optimization and other applications using conditional simulation</li> </ul>	One Month
6.	<b>Geo-Laboratory Technology</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Explain laboratory regulations and safety rules</li> <li>b) Practice safe working procedures in the laboratory</li> <li>c) Comply with rules for handling emergencies in</li> </ul>	3 Weeks

		<p>the laboratory</p> <p>d) Explain appropriate procedures of handling various samples</p> <p>e) Prepare rock thin sections for laboratory analysis</p> <p>f) Conduct sample crushing, grinding, sieving and splitting</p> <p>g) Classify geo-laboratories</p> <p>h) Classify geo-laboratory instruments</p> <p>i) Explain operating principles of geo-laboratory instruments</p> <p>j) Calibrate geo-laboratory instruments</p>	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Geological Mapping</b>	<p>a) Roles of geological mapping in mineral exploration</p> <p>b) Geological mapping principles and techniques</p> <p>c) Outcrop description and documentation</p> <p>d) Geological mapping equipment and tools</p> <p>e) Preparation of geological maps and cross section</p> <p>f) Practice Geologic Mapping and Specific Field Techniques</p> <p>g) Prepare Geological mapping Report</p>	One Month

## Note

1. Certificate of attendance will be awarded to participants who successfully complete each topic
2. All payments should be done via CRDB Account Number **01J1082316900**, Account Name **Madini Institute – Dodoma**

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