

# THE CONSTITUTION OF TAPAC SOGDEK MINERS' ASSOCIATION, KOSIROI

## ARTICLE 1: NAME OF THE ORGANISATION

- i. The name of the organization shall be **Tapac Sogdek Miners' Association, KOSIROI** is a voluntary, nonpartisan, non-religious and non-governmental and shall generally be governed by the organization's constitution.

## ARTICLE 2: HEADQUARTERS

The headquarter of group shall be based in Kosiroi village, Katikekile parish, Tapac sub-county, Moroto District until otherwise determined by the organization.

## ARTICLE 3: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

a). **AIM:** the aim of the organization is to strengthen the capacity and role of the rural communities and civil society to manage resources, environment and problem affecting them

### b). OUR OBJECTIVES

- To support improved livelihood to enhance social and economic security.
- To improve accessibility to markets.
- To promote environmental protection and appreciation of a greener environment.
- To enhance protection and social inclusion vulnerable and majority groups.
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- To support and promote responses addressing needs and rights of especially excluded, neglected and high – risks populations

## ARTICLE 4: MEMBERSHIP

- i. Membership is open to all, and the association does not discriminate any groups, races, sex, ethnicity or class of people and as a member of the group you are entitled to participants in the activities of the association and you will find plenty of opportunities to air your views on all issues concerning your group
- ii. Any person who is interested can make up payment of membership and subscription fees.
- iii. Any person living or hailing from any part of the parish can become a member of the group.

## **ARTICLE 5: RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERSHIP**

The rights and privileges of every member shall be personal to him/her and shall not be transferable or transmissible by his/her own act operation of the law.

The elect or be elected to the executive, attend meeting to participate in the activities of the association

The secretary shall circulate the agenda and minutes of the previous meeting together with the notice of 30 days before the meeting.

Voting at the annual general meeting.

Only register members of the association who have paid the membership and subscription fee shall be eligible to vote.

A declaration by the chairperson that are resolution has been carried by a particular majority and an entry to that effect in the records shall be a conclusive evidence of the fact without further proof

## **ARTICLE 6. EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

- All general meetings other than the AGM shall be called extraordinary meetings. The executive may subject to the provisions of article 17 sections 1-3 or upon requisition made in writing and addressed to this by at least 50% or more of the registered members. Convene an extra ordinary general meeting.
- The requisition shall state the object of the meeting and must be requisitioned and be deposited at the registered office of the meeting of the association.
- If the executive committee does not within seven days from the date of the deposit of the requisition convene an extra ordinary meeting, the requisition or any other of them may themselves within two weeks convene a meeting for the objects specified in the requisition. An extra ordinary general meeting so convened shall as possible be conducted like an AGM convened by an executive committee.
- Shall be signatory to the executive committee, annual general meeting and the bank account of the association.
- Shall be in charge and have overall control of the correspondence, publicity and publication of the association.
- Shall generally make provisions for the safe custody and preservation of all valuable documents dossiers and files of the association shall in consultation with the treasurer, keep an up to date register of members.

#### **ARTICLE 7. THE VICE SECRETARY**

- Deputy for the secretary
- Shall perform such other duties as the executive committee shall prescribe

#### **ARTICLE 8. THE TREASURER.**

- Shall be the principle finance officer of the association in charge of its finance and assets.
- Shall collect or cause to be collected membership dues and all other money to which the association is entitled.
- Shall prepare or cause to be prepared an operating budget for the association and table the same before the executive committee for consideration and approval.
- Shall be the assets controller of the association and shall keep proper records of the assets, their deployment and use.

#### **ARTICLE 9. ADJOURNEMENT**

The chairperson or any other presiding may, with the consent of the meeting adjourn any meeting from time to time and from place to place. No business shall be transacted reconvened meeting other than the business left unfinished at the adjourned meeting.

#### **ARTICLE 10. OPERATION OF FUNDS**

1. The financial year of the association shall be (1) one calendar from 1<sup>st</sup> June to 30<sup>th</sup> July of the year.
2. The funds of the association shall consist of ;
  - Membership and subscription fees.
  - Donations and grants from members, association, well-wishers or government.
  - Funds obtained through income generating activities and any other legal source.
  - Any money obtained from investment and fundraising activities.
3. All funds of the association shall be used for the purpose of the association. With the approval of the executive committee.
4. The treasurer shall keep petty cash as the executive shall determine, for the day to day running of the association.

The association shall have a saving bank account at **Centenary bank Moroto** by the treasurer, chairman and secretary, provided that one of the two signatories shall always be chairman.

5. Where any money has been received by any member on behalf of the association, the member shall hand over such money immediately to the treasurer, who shall pay it into the bank of the association, issue receipt.
6. The executive committee shall be collectively responsible for annual general meeting for the manner in which the association funds are managed.

**ARTICLE 11. AMMENDMENT.**

1. Where there is necessity for amendment of this constitution, the proposed amendment shall be circulated to the members at least 30 days before the date of the AGM and where a two third (2/3) majority members present are in favor of the dissolution, the association shall be dissolved according.
2. Notice of the dissolution of the association shall be served by secretary at least one (1) month (30) days before the meeting at which it are proposed.