On 12 August 2020, Geita Gold Mining Limited (GGML), the Geita District Council and Geita Town Council signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in relation to the GGML’s Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Plan for 2020. GGML has allocated over TZS 9.2 billion towards sustainable community projects specifically in the areas of health, environment, education, agriculture and infrastructure.

“We are proud of this incredible milestone and we believe working together with the host communities through an inclusive process will enhance community ownership and commitment to these projects. This will underpin their sustainability,” GGML Managing Director Richard Jordinson said.

On July 2017, the Parliament of Tanzania amended the Mining Act 2010 and introduced section 105, which describes the procedure for mineral right holders to prepare and execute their corporate social responsibility (CSR) plans. In 2018 GGML was the first mine in the country to execute its social and economic projects under the new legislation.

It is fitting that as we honour the legacy of the former late President Benjamin William Mkapa who inaugurated the mine in August 2000, we also commemorate 20 years since GGML commenced its operations in Tanzania,” Richard Jordinson said.
The Geita Regional Commissioner, Eng. Robert Gabriel commended GGML for complying with the amended Mining Law.

“GGML has continued to work with the local authorities and has even implemented development projects extending beyond Geita Town and District Councils such as in Chato, Mbagwe and Bukombe. The development is evident for all to see,” Eng. Robert Gabriel said.

The Regional Commissioner also urged all parties involved in the CSR plan for 2020 to adhere to set procurement rules and regulations in expediting the development projects, particularly those pertaining to infrastructure in order to ascertain ‘value for money.’

GGML strives to support the Government of Tanzania’s aspirations of sustainable social and economic development in its host communities. The company further endeavours to collaborate with the local authorities as well as the communities in the identification and management of key projects that will support a sustainable future for Geita District and Town councils.

Since its inception, GGML has been working closely with the Geita Town and District Councils to support various community projects in the Geita region as well as national programmes through Public-Private Partnerships.

Consistent with its core value of providing the Geita community with sustainable socio-economic development that outlasts mining activity, GGML has a comprehensive programme of direct investment in the local Geita community through a series of projects including water supply, education and economic development activities in the agriculture, construction and service sectors.