

**PROPOSAL FOR PRELIMINARY EXPLORATION (G-3) FOR LIMESTONE IN
NADDISINUR-1 AND 2 BLOCKS OVER AN EXTENT OF 12.09 Sq. Km. AREA,
BHIMA BASIN**

DISTRICT: GULBARGA, KARNATAKA

UNDER NMET PROGRAM.

COMMODITY: LIMESTONE

BY

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Summary of the Proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks (G-3) for Limestone

Features	Details
Block ID :	Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks (G-3)
Current Exploration Agency	Mineral Exploration and Consultancy Ltd. (MECL) (Formerly Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd.)
Previous Exploration Agency	Geological Survey of India (GSI)
Geological Report (Previous stage Geological Report)	Previously no work has been carried out in the proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 blocks. However, the entire Bhima basin was mapped by GSI and exploration at different stages was carried out at various places in scattered manner.
Commodity	Limestone
Mineral Belt :	Bhima Basin
Budget & Time Schedule to complete the project	Rs. 135.20 Lakhs, 10 month time period
Objectives:	Objectives of the proposed exploration in Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks are as follows: i) To carry out detailed Topographical Survey and Geological mapping on 1:4000 scale over an extent of 12.09 sq. km. area for proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Block. ii) To delineate the strike and depth continuity of the limestone by drilling vertical boreholes of 10 numbers (5 in each Naddisinur -1 and Naddisinur -2 Blocks). The average depth of boreholes will be 45.00m. iii) To carry out exploration as per Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rule-2015 & Mineral (Auction) Rules-2015 (Amended upto 2021). v) The proposed exploration programme will be helpful in demarcating zone of various grades of limestone in the block as per UNFC norms and estimation of limestone resources which in turn will facilitate the State Govt. for auctioning of the Block.
Whether the work will be carried out by the proposed agency or through outsourcing and details thereof. Components to be outsourced and name of the outsource	The work will be carried out by Mineral Exploration and Consultancy Ltd. (MECL).

agency:								
Name/ Number of Geoscientists :	Geologist: 01 HQ (60 days) Geologist: 01 Field (120 days)							
Expected Field days (Geology, Surveyor)	Geologist: 01 HQ (60 days) Geologist: 01 Field (120 days) Surveyor: 01 Field (45 days)							
1. Location:								
Location	The proposed Naddisinur -1 and Naddisinur -2 Block is located in Gulbarga Taluk of Gulbarga district having a total block area of 12.09 Sq. Km. The Block falls in the Survey of India Toposheet No. 56C/16.							
Block boundary Coordinate	Sl. N o.	Block Name	Poi nts	UTM (M)(Zone: 43N)		GCS (DMS)		Area (Sq. Km.)
				Northing	Easting	Latitude	Longitude	
	1	NADDISINUR-1	NW -1	1895431.1 6	691038.9 3	17°08'08 " N	76°47'45" E	6.44
	2		NW -2	1895474.1 0	692412.4 0	17°08'09 " N	76°48'31" E	
	3		NW -3	1894697.9 4	692543.5 0	17°07'44 " N	76°48'36" E	
	4		NW -4	1894255.1 3	692617.6 5	17°07'29 " N	76°48'38" E	
	5		NW -5	1893311.4 1	692711.8 1	17°06'58 " N	76°48'41" E	
	6		NW -6	1893253.5 8	693120.3 9	17°06'56 " N	76°48'55" E	
	7		NW -7	1893171.9 8	693398.2 2	17°06'54 " N	76°49'04" E	
	8		NW -8	1893170.0 5	693537.3 3	17°06'54 " N	76°49'09" E	
	9		NW -9	1893126.2 4	693740.1 5	17°06'52 " N	76°49'16" E	
	10		NW -10	1892109.6 9	693707.7 7	17°06'19 " N	76°49'14" E	
	11		NW -11	1892136.5 3	693421.1 8	17°06'20 " N	76°49'04" E	
	12		NW -12	1892097.7 6	693349.5 3	17°06'19 " N	76°49'02" E	
	13		NW -13	1892103.7 3	693155.4 8	17°06'19 " N	76°48'55" E	
	14		NW -14	1892056.8 4	693060.2 1	17°06'18 " N	76°48'52" E	
	15		NW -15	1892080.6 3	692726.7 5	17°06'18 " N	76°48'41" E	
	16		NW -16	1892066.4 6	692197.0 7	17°06'18 " N	76°48'23" E	
	17		NW -17	1892067.7 6	691091.1 1	17°06'19 " N	76°47'46" E	

	18	NADDISINUR-2	NE-1	1893099.07	694553.59	17°06'51" N	76°49'43" E	5.65
	19		NE-2	1893354.168	694571.38	17°06'59" N	76°49'44" E	
	20		NE-3	1893488.80	694587.38	17°07'04" N	76°49'44" E	
	21		NE-4	1893780.19	694646.84	17°07'13" N	76°49'46" E	
	22		NE-5	1893780.73	694621.86	17°07'13" N	76°49'46" E	
	23		NE-6	1893994.59	694705.17	17°07'20" N	76°49'48" E	
	24		NE-7	1894217.73	694788.74	17°07'27" N	76°49'51" E	
	25		NE-8	1894220.36	694558.88	17°07'27" N	76°49'44" E	
	26		NE-9	1894239.79	694359.94	17°07'28" N	76°49'37" E	
	27		NE-10	1894610.43	694369.89	17°07'40" N	76°49'37" E	
	28		NE-11	1894610.25	694361.56	17°07'40" N	76°49'37" E	
	29		NE-12	1894903.97	694392.31	17°07'50" N	76°49'38" E	
	30		NE-13	1895156.79	694424.31	17°07'58" N	76°49'39" E	
	31		NE-14	1895276.07	694451.93	17°08'02" N	76°49'40" E	
	32		NE-15	1895529.03	694464.55	17°08'10" N	76°49'41" E	
	33		NE-16	1895034.87	696268.07	17°07'53" N	76°50'42" E	
	34		NE-17	1894785.72	697505.36	17°07'45" N	76°51'23" E	
	35		NE-18	1893094.84	697005.76	17°06'50" N	76°51'06" E	
Villages :		Kimi, Tosanhalli, Firozabad, Telgul, Farhatabad, Shahabad						
Tehsil/ Taluk :		Gulbarga						
District :		Gulbarga (Kalaburagi)						
State :		Karnataka						
2. Area (hectares/ square kilometres)								
Block Area :		12.09 sq. km.						
Forest Area :		No forest area.						
Government Land Area		Data not available						
Private Land Area		The block area mostly comprises of private land						
3. Accessibility								
Nearest Rail Head :		The nearest railhead is Shahabad Railway Station at a distance of 22 kms towards the south east of the block.						
Road :		The National highway No. 50 passes at a distance of 2 km to the west						

	of the block, which connects Gulbarga taluk headquarters and proposed Naddisinur Block. The state highway No. 125 passes at a distance of 8 km from the south part of the block. No road passes through the block.
Airport :	The nearest airport is Gulbarga Airport at 50 km from the block towards north east.
4. Hydrography	
Rivers/ Streams	The drainage of the area is mainly controlled by tributaries of Bhima River. The small nalas flowing from east to west and northeast to southwest to drain into perennial Bhima river which is about 2.5 km west of the block.
5. Climate	
Mean Annual Rainfall :	The average annual rainfall is 770 - 880 mm and the relative humidity varies from 26% in summer to 62% in winter. Rainfall: Max. 70 mm in 24 hours
Temperatures	Summer: Max. 45°C in May- June Winter: Min. 10°C in December
6. Topography	
Toposheet Number	Survey of India Toposheet No. 56C/16
	The topography around the Naddisinur Block is almost flat to gently sloping. In general the area is sloping towards southwest and towards east. The maximum elevation is approximately 450 m and the minimum elevation is 420 m. The north and central part of the block has the highest elevation.
7. Availability of baseline geology data	
Geological Map	1. Geological Map of the Bhima Basin (scale-1:25,000), GSI Mimore-129, GSI
Geochemical Map and Geophysical Map	Geochemical Map and Geophysical Map is not available for the proposed block.
8. Justification for taking up G4 stage mineral exploration	1 The proposed area had not been explored in the past. Though the area is already established of Limestone occurrences, conversion of Geological resource to mineable reserves is a necessity. Exploration increases the level of confidence on quantity and quality of reserve/resource which will attract the investors. 2 Most of the limestone deposits in India vary in grade. Silica and MgO in limestone play an important role towards chemical parameters of raw feed for cement manufacturing. In sedimentary limestones, the said radicals along with CaO vary consistently in lateral and vertical direction, in a small area. Estimation of quantity and quality based on the interpretation from nearby data is not

	possible especially for important factors like silica, MgO and others, which have a key role in the quality of the limestone to be used by cement and other industries. Limestone having high silica and MgO cannot be utilized for cement manufacturing process without blending with high grade limestone and the same may not be suitable for clinker manufacturing process. Exploration will locate and quantify the different grade of limestone based on the requirement for the different industries. 3 The proposed Naddisinur Block lies 13 km northwest of Kannur Limestone Block explored by GSI which had been already successfully auctioned. GSI had carried out General Exploration (G-2) in 550 Ha of block area. A total estimated reserve of limestone was 376.51 MMT with Portland Cement Grade: 309.14 MMT, at average 48.40% CaO, 9.04% SiO₂, 0.98 %Al₂O₃ and Beneficiable Cement Grade of 67.37 MMT at average grade 44.99% CaO, 13.03% SiO₂ and 0.98% Al₂O₃. Thus it can be assumed that the Zone-1 would be well-developed in Naddisinur Block. 4 In Diggaon and Udagi Blocks explored by MECL, it has been observed that there are two zones in Shahabad limestone, namely Zone-1 and Zone-2 separated by shaly limestone. The maximum thickness of Zone-1 is 48.00 m, with maximum grade 47.42% CaO, avg 1.00% MgO and avg 11.59% SiO₂ in Diggaon Block. The proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks falls 33 kms to the northwest of the previously explored MECL blocks, thus it can be assumed that the Zone-1 would be well-developed in Naddisinur Blocks. 5 Due to the high demand of limestone, Bommanalli Limestone Block, Chittapur South Limestone Block, Chitapura SW Limestone Block, Sulahalli Limestone Block, Ravur Limestone Block, Diggaon Limestone Block, were successfully auctioned. Further, the Udagi Limestone Block explored by MECL is also in auction platform. 6 Augmentation of limestone resource which is the base of the infrastructure development and makes these blocks auctionable in accordance with the existing Rules & Regulations. 7 Demand for cement in construction industry will increase in coming years that will further increase the demand for limestone. The infrastructural projects like rail, water, transport, electricity, telecom, etc. will have increased investments and that also arise the need of limestone. In the union budget 2021 it was announced for “Housing for all” and “Smart Cities” which is steadily increasing the demand for cement and subsequently limestone. Metro rail projects in Bangalore and the development of civil structure such as hospitals and schools throughout the state are influencing the cement industries growth in the state. 8 The neighbouring states of Karnataka those do not have cement industries procure cement from the cement plants located in the state.
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 On enactment of MMDR Amendment Act 2015, Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rules 2015 and Mineral Auction Rules 2015, Govt. of India directed State Governments to speed up exploration work for different Mineral Commodities in the respective states and put them for auction. Recently, some rules in the MMDR ACT have been amended which facilitates the state Govt. to auction the blocks with lower confidence level of exploration and put more and more blocks on auction. Accordingly, State Government of Karnataka provided location of 17 prospective Limestone blocks in Gulbarga district to MECL and directed to verify the same for feasibility of exploration along with field work. MECL studied the area based on the available exploration data around the target area along with field visit. Field inspection report, modified location & extent of the blocks feasible for exploration where no exploration work was carried out in the past submitted to DMG, Karnataka. After assessment of the blocks, the feasibility of exploration had been discussed and finalized in the State Technical Committee meetings held on 03.06.2021 & 07.06.2021. The same was also discussed in the State Technical Committee meeting held on 19.07.2021 and recently concluded 56th SGPB held on 29.09.2022, where it was directed to submit proposals for the limestone exploration under NMET funding.
- 1.2 In the 61st meeting of Central Geological Programming Board (CGPB) held on 24th March 2022, New Delhi, Director Technical, MoM added that the proposal for exploration of Limestone can be submitted to NMET through MECL due to crunch of raw material faced by the cement industries which was addressed by FIMI. (Para 61.04.12 of Minutes of the 61st Meeting of the Central Geological Programming Board dated 24.03.2022)
- 1.3 In view of the above, MECL has prepared the exploration proposal involving G-3 level exploration in proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks for Limestone.
- 1.4 At present MECL intends to carry out exploration for limestone in the proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks. Consent from Department of Mines & Geology, Govt. of Karnataka has been accorded to carry out exploration in the proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks vide letter No. DMG/Plan/53695/VOL-III/2022-23 dated 17/11/2022. Before giving consent DMG, Karnataka had taken GSI, state unit Karnataka and Goa views. GSI state unit have confirmed that there is no overlapping of proposed block area with previous/ presently ongoing exploration block.

2.0 LOCATION AND COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 The Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks is located in Gulbarga Taluk of Gulbarga district having a total block area of 12.09 Sq. Km. The location of the Block is shown in **PLATE No-I**. The National Highway No. 50 passes at a distance of 2 km to the west of the block, which connects Gulbarga taluk headquarters and proposed Naddisinur -1 Block. The

Blocks fall in the Survey of India Toposheet No. 56C/16 and is bounded by the co-ordinates as listed in the **Table-2.1**

Table-2.1
Co-ordinates of corner points of proposed Naddisinur -1 and 2 Blocks (G-3) for
Limestone, District: Gulbarga, State: Karnataka.

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- 2.2 The National Highway No. 50 passes at a distance of 2 km to the west of the block, which connects Gulbarga taluk headquarters and proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks. The state highway No. 125 passes at a distance of 8 km from the south of the block. No road passes through the proposed block area.
- 2.3 The block area is surrounded by cement manufacturing industries and some of them are as follows:
- Orient Cement Plant, Itgi, Chittapur
 - Ultratech Cement Plant, Malkhed
 - Vasavadatta Cement plant, Sedam
 - Jaypee Cement Corporation Ltd. Plant, Shahabad
 - ACC, Cement, Wadi
 - Shree Cement, Gulbarga

3.0 PHYSIOGRAPHY AND DRAINAGE

- 3.1 The topography around the Naddisinur -1 and 2 Blocks is almost flat to gently sloping. In general the area is sloping towards southwest. The maximum elevation is approximately 420 m and the minimum elevation is 400 m. The eastern part of the block has the highest elevation.
- 3.2 The drainage of the area is mainly controlled by tributaries of Bhima River. The small nalas flowing from east to west and northeast to south-west drain into perennial Bhima River which is about 2.5 km west of the block.

4.0 CLIMATE

- 4.1 The climate of the area has semi-arid type climate. Dry climate prevails for most part of the year. December is the coldest month with mean daily maximum and minimum temperatures being 29.5⁰ C and 10⁰ C respectively. During peak summer, temperature rises upto 45⁰ C. The climatic information of the area is as given below:

Temperature	Max. 45⁰C in May- June
	Min. 10 ⁰C in December

The average annual rainfall is 770 - 880 mm and the relative humidity varies from 26% in summer to 62% in winter.

Rainfall	Max. 70 mm in 24 hours
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5.0 FLORA & FAUNA

- 5.1 No forest, sanctuaries, national park, etc., exist in the vicinity of the Blocks.

6.0 PREVIOUS WORK

- 6.1. Previously no work has been carried out in the proposed Naddisinur -1 and 2 blocks. However, the entire Bhima basin was mapped by GSI and exploration at different stages was carried out in a scattered manner. The Geological Map of Bhima Basin (Parts of Gulbarga and Bijapur Districts of Karnataka and Ranga Reddy district Andhra Pradesh in Parts of Degree Sheets 56 C, D, G, and H) Scale 1:200000, 2007, Published by GSI is attached as **Plate No. IV**.
- 6.2. Directorate of Mining & Geology (DMG), Karnataka explored the adjoining area in detail in the year 1976 with the purpose of proving cement grade limestone in the area. The exploration could establish the occurrence of large reserves of cement grade limestone in the area. The results of investigation are given in the report entitled "Limestone Deposits immediately to the East of Chittapur, Gulbarga District of Karnataka." The said work was targeted for feasibility to setup cement industry.
- 6.3. GSI carried out preliminary investigation for Flux grade Limestone around Wadi, Gulbarga district Karnataka during the year 1974-75. The area is occupied by Shahabad limestone formation of Bhima Group, chip samples were collected from vertical faces of the quarries existing in the area. Chemical analysis shows that the MgO content is always very low. A few beds of grey to dark grey soft limestone are of blast furnace grade and the rest are of cement grade. Flaggy to slabby variegated limestones are always siliceous in composition with the insoluble around 15%.
- 6.4. During the field season 1976-77, GSI carried out preliminary investigation for Flux grade limestone near Wadi, Gulbarga district Karnataka. An area of about 16.75 sq. km. on 1:7,910 scale using the village maps as base map was covered by mapping. A total of 150 samples also collected and analysed. The formations met with here are Rabanapalli shale and flaggy limestone, stylolitic limestone and variegated limestone units of Shahabad Limestone Formation. All those formations are remarkably horizontal and undisturbed. Generally, stylolitic limestone contains CaO 48% and above and insoluble around 10%. Hence it is categorized as Blast Furnace Grade. The other two units can be utilized in cement manufacture if suitably blended with high grade limestone. An inferred reserve of 96 million tonnes of Blast Furnace grade limestone has been estimated over an area of 4.00 sq.km to a depth of 12 m. Drilling can be taken up to explore the depth-wise persistence and lateral extension of the B.F. grade limestone.
- 6.5. During the F.S. 1977-78, GSI carried out preliminary investigation for Flux grade Cement grade Limestone in Bhima Basin, Gulbarga district, Karnataka. Preliminary investigation for flux grade and cement grade limestone in parts of Bhima Basin, Gulbarga district, Karnataka was taken up an area of 50.5 sq.km area was mapped on 1:10,000 scale using tape and compass and a total of 125 samples were collected, around Wadi and Chittapur. The limestone met with in this area has been classified as fissile limestone stylolitic limestone and variegated limestone. Stylolitic limestone is of Flux grade (Blast Furnace grade) and occupies over an area of 8.5sq.km. Total inferred reserve of B.F. grade limestone has been calculated as 153 million tonnes for the area under investigation.
- 6.6. East of Chittapur and North Diggaon village, MECL has carried out exploration during 2018-19 at G3 level and established 530.80 MT with average grade 45.45% CaO,

- 1.00% MgO ,11.59% SiO₂ in Diggaon Block and 385.35 MT with average grade 45.66% CaO, 0.55% MgO ,12.98% SiO₂ in Udagi Block of net in-situ resource of Cement grade Limestone.
- 6.7 GSI had carried out G-2 exploration in Bommanalli Limestone Block and estimated a resource of B.F Grade 244.27 MT in Avg 49.83% CaO, 9.92%SiO₂, 1.16%Al₂O₃, Portland Cement Grade 18.921 MT in Avg 47.42% CaO, 14.41%SiO₂, 0.91%Al₂O₃, 154.246 MT in Avg 41.80% CaO, 23.37%SiO₂, 2.12%Al₂O₃ and 46.488 MT in Avg 39.12% CaO, 27.17%SiO₂, 1.65% Al₂O₃.
- 6.8 GSI had carried out G-2 exploration in Chittapur South Limestone Block and estimated a resource of Portland Cement Grade 89.04 MT in avg 46.39% CaO, 15.65% SiO₂, 0.98% Al₂O₃, beneficiable Cement Grade 228.16 MT in avg 39.08% CaO, 27.03%SiO₂, 1.66%Al₂O₃.
- 6.09 GSI had carried out G-4 level exploration in Chitapura SW Block and Sulahalli Limestone Block, estimated a resource of 438.00 MT of Cement Grade Limestone and 466.00 MT of Cement Grade Limestone respectively.
- 6.10 Mining activities are currently ongoing in surrounding areas and limestone being excavated for manufacturing of cement.

7.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY AND STRUCTURE

- 7.1. Bhima basin is the smallest of all Proterozoic basins of India. They do not actually come in contact with the Kaladgi group and are believed to be younger. They are in close resemblance to the Kurnool group of the Cuddapah super group. The Bhima basin is covered by latitude N 16°20' to 17°35' and longitude N 76°15' to 77°40'E. The Bhima basin sediments stretch linearly in N -S for about 160 km with varying width and the maximum being 40 km. It extends over an area of 5200 Sq.km. and is situated to the North-west of Cuddapah basin and north east of Kaladgi basin.
- 7.2 Captain New Bold (1842 – 1845) was first to record the Talikote flaggy limestone and Muddebihal red sandstone. R.Bruce Foote (1876) had divided the Bhima Group (mainly of limestone) into lower clastic represented by sandstone and shale and upper mainly of limestone and shales. Further, Mahadevan (1947), Janardhana Rao et.al (1973), Mathur (1977), Mudholkar and Kale (1982) and Mishra et.al (1987) classify Bhima Group. However, Vivek S. Kale, V.G. Phansalkar et.al (1991) classify Bhima Group into Rabanapalli (clastic) formation and Shahabad (limestone) formations.

- 7.3 The Stratigraphic Column of the Bhima Group (after GSI) is furnished in **Table 7.1**

Table – 7.1
The Stratigraphic Column of the Bhima Group (after GSI)

The Stratigraphic Column of the Bhima Group (after CSI)				
Group	Sub-Group	Formation	Member	Thicknes
Bhima Group (upper Proterozoic) (93-273 m.y)		Harwal-Gogi	Fossil shale member ortho-quartzite chert + pebble conglomerate	5-10m
	Andola Sub-group in Pulsating basin environment (31- 68 m.y)	Katamdevar- halli		10-40m 16-18m
				Halkal
		-----Para – unconformity -----		
			Flaggy dark grey and argillaceous	4-6m
			Massive dark grey and bluish grey	8-20m
			Shahabad	Variegated and siliceous/cherty
	Sedam Sub-group with quiescent basin regime (62-2.5 m.y)		Blackish, light grey to bluish grey L.st	10-15m
			Slabby and flaggy Lst	4-8m
			Purple shale	2-40m
		Green/yellow shale	5-15m	
		Rabanapalli	Siltstone	3-4m
			Quartzite / Intercalated Sand stone	5-15m
			Conglomerate / grit	1-2m

- 7.4 Recent classification (1991) of revised litho-stratigraphy of the Bhima Group is furnished below in **Table 3.2**.

Table - 7.2
Revised litho stratigraphy of the Bhima Group
(after Vivek S. Kale, V.G. Phansalkar et.al 1991)

Formation	Maximum Thickness	Member	Main Lithological components
Shahabad limestone	< 75m		• Grey, argillaceous micritic limestones. • Dark, bluish grey, massive limestones. • Variegated, siliceous and cherty limestones. • Blue- grey, black micritic limestones. • Flaggy (Partly impure argillaceous and cherty) limestones.
----- Gradational and transitional contact -----			
Rabanpalli Clastics	< 70m	Ekmai shale member	Ferruginous shales, with calcareous shales at top.
		Kasturpalli- Glauconitic member	Green, glauconitic bearing fine grained sandstones and siltstones.
		Kundrapalli quartz arenite member	Quartzitic sandstones (medium to fine grained).
		Adki Hill conglomerate member	Polymictic conglomerates and arkosic, gritty sandstones.

7.5 Regional Structure:

- 7.5.1 The general trend of all formations is North - South. The rectilinear East - West (EW) to North West (NW) - South East (SE) trending boundaries are faulted while the N-S and NNE-SSW linear trends show unconformable relation with the underlying gneisses.
- 7.5.2 Sediments of Bhima Group are structurally least disturbed and preserve their horizontal bedded character originally impressed at the time of deposition. Deformation is observed only in the vicinity of faults. The faults encountered have continued into the basement that has exercised control upon the basin configuration.

- 7.5.3 The basin is well known for its huge reserves of limestone and the newly discovered Uranium occurrence near Gogi. Regional Geological map of proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks is shown as **Plate-II**.

8.0 GEOLOGY OF THE BLOCKS

- 8.1 The rocks exposed in the blocks belong to the Shahabad formation of Sedam sub group of Bhima Group. MECL had explored Diggaon Block at a distance of 50 kms east of proposed Naddisinur -1 and 2 Blocks the general stratigraphic succession of the Diggaon Block based on field observations and available data/literature from nearby mine/areas is given below in **Table No. 8.1**.

Table No-8.1

General Stratigraphic Sequence of Bhima Group of Litho-units in Diggaon Block

Age	Sub Group	Formation	Litho Units	Thickness
Quaternary	-	Recent	Top soil	
Upper proterozoic	Sedam	Shahabad	Siliceous/ flaggy limestone Massive grey limestone Shaly limestone	68.00 m to 145.00 m
		Rabanpalli Clastics	Ekmai shale member: Ferruginous shales	29.00 m to 40.00 m
			Kasturpalli- Glauconitic member: Glauconitic Siltstone, Siltstone	4.00 m to 13.00 m
			Kudrapalli Arenite Member: Yellowish Quartzitic Sandstone	Max 8.00 m
			Adki Hill conglomerate member: Polymictic Conglomerate	1.20 m to 8.20 m
Archean			Granite Basement	Max 7.00 m

- 8.2 **Description of Rock Types:** Almost entire area of the blocks is concealed under quaternary sediments i.e. soil cover. Scanty scattered limestone outcrops are seen at places. The beds are horizontally disposed as noticed in nearby areas. Since most of the area is concealed under soil cover the strike and dip of the limestone beds is not observed in the blocks. Mining activities are currently ongoing in surrounding areas and limestone being excavated for manufacturing of cement. The lithological description of litho units from top to bottom as obtained from available data from nearby mines is given below.

- 8.2.1 **Top Soil:** The overburden top soil is black in colour, fine to silty, friable when dry and sticky when wet. The overburden soil covers almost the entire Block area. The thickness of the soil varies from 0.10 m to about 19.00 m at places.

- 8.2.2 **Flaggy/ Siliceous Limestone:** This unit overlying massive grey limestone and is grey in color, fine grain, hard and flaggy/ flaky in nature. The thickness of this formation varies from 2.00 m to 65.00 m regionally.
- 8.2.3 **Massive Grey Limestone:** Massive grey Limestone formation is dark grey in color, micritic, fine grained and compact. At places color varies from dark grey to light grey. Stylolite structures are often noticed in this unit. The thickness of this lithounit varies from 7.00 m to 78.00 m regionally. Massive grey limestone is cement grade to high grade and being excavated for manufacturing of cement in nearby areas.
- 8.2.4 **Shaly Limestone:** Shaly limestone is underlying formation of Massive grey limestone and is fine grained, thinly bedded and associated with thin shale bands/partings. Massive limestone to Shaly limestone transition zone is marked with frequency of shale partings. The frequency of shale parting/bands increases with depth. This lithounit forms the bottom most horizon and extends more than 70m depth from ground surface based on available data from nearby areas.
- 8.2.5 **Ekmai shales:** These are ferruginous shales with calcareous at top.
- 8.2.6 **Kasturapalli Glauconitic Member:** It is green glauconite bearing fine grained sandstone and Thickness of this formation varies from 4.00m to 13.00m.
- 8.2.7 **Kundrapalli arenite Member:** It is yellowish quartzitic sandstone.
- 8.2.8 **Adiki Hill Conglomerate:** This is a thin zone of conglomerate and arkosic gritty sandstone.
- 8.2.9 **Archean (Granite):** It's a dark grey, coarse grained rock rich in quartz, feldspars and biotites as major minerals and some sulphides minerals are also associated with it.

8.3 Block Structure: The rock formations within the Blocks are horizontally disposed and mostly concealed under top soil. At places, limestone beds dip 1° to 2° due North. The area is geologically undisturbed.

9.0 OBJECTIVE:

- 9.1 Objectives of the proposed exploration in Naddisinur -1 and 2 Blocks are as follows:
- i) To carry out detailed Topographical Survey and Geological mapping on 1:4000 scale over an extent of 12.09 sq. km. area for proposed Naddisinur -1 and 2 Blocks.
 - ii) To delineate the strike and depth continuity of the limestone by drilling vertical boreholes of 10 numbers (5 in each Naddisinur -1 and Naddisinur -2 Blocks). The average depth of boreholes will be 45.00 m.
 - iii) To carry out exploration as per Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Rule-2015 & Mineral (Auction) Rules-2015 (Amended upto 2021).
 - v) The proposed exploration programme will be helpful in demarcating zone of various grades of limestone in the block as per UNFC norms and estimation of limestone resources which in turn will facilitate the State Govt. for auctioning of the Block.

10.0 METHODOLOGY OF EXPLORATION

In present exploration scheme for proposed Naddisinur block, geological mapping, topographical survey and exploratory drilling (G-3) is planned. The proposed activities are described below.

10.1 DGPS Boundary Corner Pillars Survey & Geological Mapping.

- 10.1.1 The Blocks boundary shall be surveyed by DGPS in WGS-84 datum for demarcation of block boundary/corner points. Triangulation network will be laid down in the proposed study area of 12.09 Sq. Km (1209Ha). 10 Boreholes will be fixed on the ground whose RL's and co-ordinates of survey and exploration points will be determined. Detailed Geological Mapping will be done in the proposed block and all the geological features will be recorded and litho-contacts will be plotted for finalization of Geological map. This map will be used as base map for future work.

10.2 Surface Drilling

- 10.2.1 The present exploration scheme is prepared by proposing total core drilling of 450.00m in 10 boreholes of NQ size with a vertical depth of 45.00 m each. The borehole location map is enclosed as **PLATE No.III** and the details of proposed boreholes at G-3 level are listed as in **Table-10.1**

Table No.-10.1
Details of Proposed Boreholes in proposed Naddisinur Limestone Block

Sl. No.	Block Name	Borehole No.	Inclination (°)	Total Depth (m)
1	Naddisinur-1	PBH-01	90	45
2		PBH-02	90	45
3		PBH-03	90	45
4		PBH-04	90	45
5		PBH-05	90	45
6	Naddisinur-2	PBH-06	90	45
7		PBH-07	90	45
8		PBH-08	90	45
9		PBH-09	90	45
10		PBH-10	90	45

10.3 Drill Core Logging and Sampling

- 10.3.1 Detailed drill core logging will be done with consideration of weathering, grain size, fossil contents, and color of various formations, intercalation / parting of shale, stylolite, and structure. On the basis of these parameters, grade of limestone can be broadly presented and it will also be helpful in sampling.

Primary samples will be drawn at 1m interval subject to change in lithology and core recovery. The following parameters shall be considered while sampling the drill cores.

- 1) Colour, grain size.
- 2) Fossil variation.
- 3) Thin intercalations of shale/siltstone.
- 4) Partially weathered zone.

For preparation of samples the borehole core will be longitudinally split into two equal halves by using core splitter. One half will be powdered to -100 mesh size and the other half will be kept for future studies. The powdered material will be mixed thoroughly and about 100 gm of samples will be taken for chemical analysis by successive coning and quartering as primary samples and rest of the material (-100 mesh size) will be kept as duplicate half for future reference.

Total number of primary samples shall likely to generate about 400 for Limestone, internal check samples (5% of primary samples) of 20 Nos and 10% of primary samples i.e. 40 Nos. will be prepared as external check samples and will be sent to NABL accredited Labs for analysis of 9 radicals.

Total 460 nos. of samples would be prepared including primary samples, internal check sample and external check samples.

10.3 Laboratory Studies

10.3.1 Chemical Analysis: Primary samples (400 Nos.) will be analyzed for 9 radicals, CaO, MgO, Al₂O₃, SiO₂, Fe₂O₃, SO₃, P₂O₅, K₂O and LOI by XRF method. 5% of primary samples around 20 nos. will be analyzed as internal check for 9 radicals CaO, MgO, Al₂O₃, SiO₂, Fe₂O₃, SO₃, P₂O₅, K₂O and LOI. 10% of primary samples i.e. 40 Nos. will be sent to NABL external labs as external check samples for analysis of 9 radicals CaO, MgO, Al₂O₃, SiO₂, Fe₂O₃, SO₃, P₂O₅, K₂O and LOI.

10.3.2 Petrological Studies: Petrological studies will be done on 10 nos. of drill core and surface specimen.

10.3.3 Bulk Density Determination: Bulk Density will be determined on 02 nos. drill core samples.

11.0 THE QUANTUM OF WORK PROPOSED**11.1** The Quantum of work proposed is given in **Table No. 11.1**

Table No. 11.1
Quantum of Work for Proposed Naddisinur 1 and 2 Blocks

Sl.No.	Description and Nature of Work	Unit	Target Naddisinur
A	GEOLOGICAL WORK AND SURVEYING		
1	Geological Mapping (1:4000 scale)	Sq. km	12.09
2	Survey Work		
	i) Topographical Survey (1:4000 scale)	Sq. km	12.09
	ii) Bore Hole Fixation	Nos	10
	iii) RL & Coordinate Determination by DGPS	Nos	46
B	EXPLORATORY DRILLING		
1	Drilling up to 300m (Soft Rock)	m	450
2	Drill Core Preservation	Per m	405
C	LABORATORY STUDIES		
1	Chemical Analysis		
	i) Primary Sampling (8 radicals CaO, MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , SiO ₂ , Fe ₂ O ₃ , SO ₃ , P ₂ O ₅ , K ₂ O and LOI.) by XRF	Nos	400
	ii) Check Sampling Internal 5% (8 radicals CaO, MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , SiO ₂ , Fe ₂ O ₃ , SO ₃ , P ₂ O ₅ and LOI.) by XRF	Nos	20
	iii) Check Sampling External 10% (8 radicals CaO, MgO, Al ₂ O ₃ , SiO ₂ , Fe ₂ O ₃ , SO ₃ , P ₂ O ₅ and LOI.)	Nos	40
	iv) Composite Samples (12 radicals, CaO, MgO, Fe ₂ O ₃ , SiO ₂ , Al ₂ O ₃ , SO ₃ , P ₂ O ₅ , K ₂ O, MnO ₂ , Na ₂ O, Cl & LOI.)	Nos	0
2	Petrological samples (Surface & BH Core Samples)		
	i) Preparation of thin section	Nos	10
	ii) Study of Thin Section	Nos	10
3	Bulk Density Determination		
	i) Bulk Density	Nos	2
D	Report Preparation (5 Hard copies with a soft copy)	Nos	2
E	Preparation of Exploration Proposal (5 Hard copies with a soft copy)	Nos	1

12.0 COST ESTIMATE

- 12.1 The cost has been estimated based on actual schedule of rates mandated in the circular OM No. 61/1/2018/NMET dated 31st March 2020 for NMET funded projects which is **Rs. 135.30 Lakhs**. The detailed cost sheet for G-3 exploration for Limestone in proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks are given in **Table No. 1** of Excel Workbook.

Table 12.1

Summary of Cost Estimates of Proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Block, Bhima Basin, Gulbarga (Kalaburagi) District, Karnataka

SL. NO.	ITEM	ESTIMATED COST (Rs.)
1	Drilling	46,84,530
2	Geology & Survey	35,27,280
3	Laboratory	20,07,730
Sub Total (1 to 3)		1,02,19,540
4	Exploration Report	10,21,954
5	Proposal Preparation	2,04,391
6	Peer Review Charges	20,000
Grand Total		1,14,65,885
GST 18%		20,63,859
Total:		1,35,29,744
Say Rs. in Lakhs		135.30

13.0 TIME SCHEDULE

- 13.1 The proposed exploration programme envisages geological mapping, topographic survey, exploratory drilling, laboratory studies and geological report preparation which will be completed within 10 months. Therefore, all activities have been planned with overlapping and tentative timeline has been worked out for total 10 months for the proposed project completion.

Table No. 13.1

Time Schedule /Action plan for G-3 exploration for Limestone in proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 blocks, Bhima Basin, Gulbarga (Kalaburagi) District, Karnataka.

Sl. No.	Activities	Unit	MONTHS									
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Camp Setting	Month										
2	Surface Drilling (1 rig)	m.										
3	Survey Party days (1 Party)	day										
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Note: 1. Commencement of project may be reckoned from the day the exploration acreage is available along with all statutory clearances.												
2. Time loss on account of monsoon/agricultural activity/forest clearance/local law & order problem may be additional to above time line.												

14.0 JUSTIFICATION FOR TAKING UP EXPLORATION FOR LIMESTONE IN PROPOSED NADDISINUR-1 AND 2 BLOCKS, BHIMA BASIN, DISTRICT GULBARGA.

- 14.1 The area where exploration of Limestone is being proposed has not been explored in the past. Though the area is already established of Limestone occurrences, conversion of Geological resource to mineable reserves is a necessity. Exploration increases the level of confidence on quantity and quality of reserve/resource which will attract the investors.
- 14.2 Most of the limestone deposits in India vary in grade. Silica and MgO in limestone play an important role towards chemical parameters of raw feed for cement manufacturing. In sedimentary limestones, the said radicals along with CaO vary consistently in lateral and vertical direction, in a small area. Estimation of quantity and quality based on the interpretation from nearby data is not possible especially for important factors like silica, MgO and others, which have a key role in the quality of the limestone to be used by cement and other industries. Limestone having high silica and MgO cannot be utilized for cement manufacturing process without blending with high grade limestone and the same may not be suitable for clinker manufacturing process. Exploration will locate and quantify the different grade of limestone based on the requirement for the different industries.
- 14.3 The proposed Naddisinur Block lies 13 km northwest of Kannur Limestone Block explored by GSI which had been already successfully auctioned. GSI had carried out General Exploration (G-2) in 550 Ha of block area. A total estimated reserve of limestone was 376.51 MT with Portland Cement Grade: 309.14 MT, at average 48.40% CaO, 9.04% SiO₂, 0.98 % Al₂O₃ and Beneficiable Cement Grade of 67.37 MT at average grade 44.99% CaO, 13.03% SiO₂, 0.98 % Al₂O₃. Thus it can be assumed that the Zone-1 would be well-developed in Naddisinur Block.
- 14.4 In Diggaon and Udagi Blocks explored by MECL, it has been observed that there are two zones in Shahabad limestone, namely Zone-1 and Zone-2 separated by shaly limestone. The maximum thickness of Zone-1 is 48.00 m, and the maximum grade is 47.42% CaO, average 1.00% MgO and average 11.59% SiO₂ in Diggaon Block. The proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks falls 33 kms to the northwest of the previously explored MECL blocks, thus it can be assumed that the Zone-1 would be of well-developed in Naddisinur Blocks.
- 14.5 Due to the high demand of limestone, Bommanalli Limestone Block, Chittapur South Limestone Block, Chitapura SW Limestone Block, Sulahalli Limestone Block, Ravur Limestone Block, Diggaon Limestone Block, have been successfully auctioned. Further, the Udagi Limestone Block explored by MECL is also in auction platform.
- 14.6 Augmentation of limestone resource which is the base of the infrastructure development and makes these blocks auctionable in accordance with the existing Rules & Regulations.
- 14.7 Demand for cement in construction industry will increase in coming years that will further increase the demand for limestone. The infrastructural projects like rail, water, transport, electricity, telecom, etc. will have increased investments and that also arise the need of limestone. In the union budget 2021 it was announced for “Housing for all” and “Smart Cities” which is steadily increasing the demand for cement and subsequently limestone. Metro rail projects in Bangalore and the

development of civil structure such as hospitals and schools throughout the state are influencing the cement industries growth in the state.

- 14.8 The neighboring states of Karnataka those do not have cement industries procure cement from the cement plants located in the state.

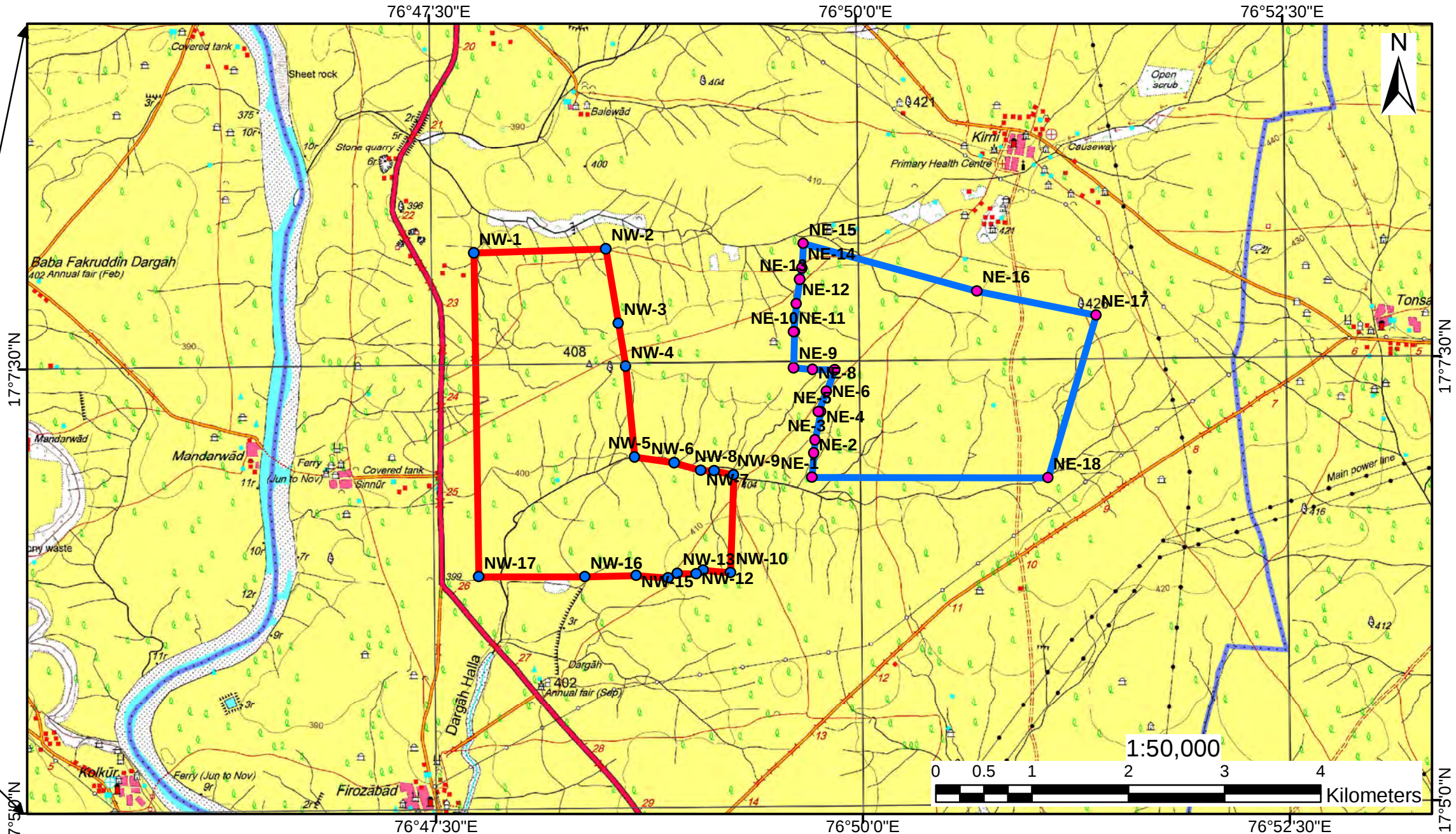
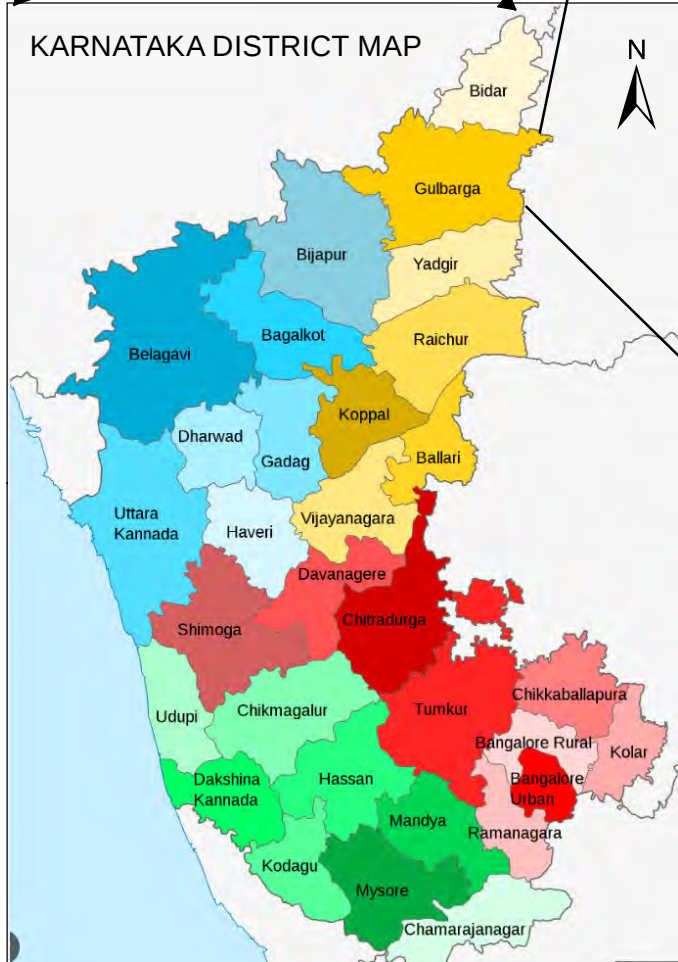
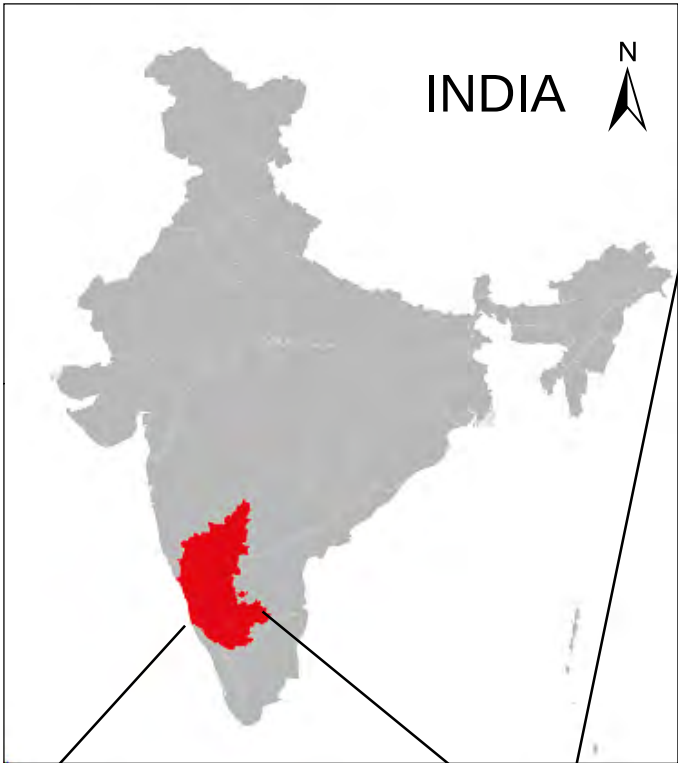
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Location Map of Proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Limestone Blocks, Bhima Basin, Gulbarga District, Karnataka

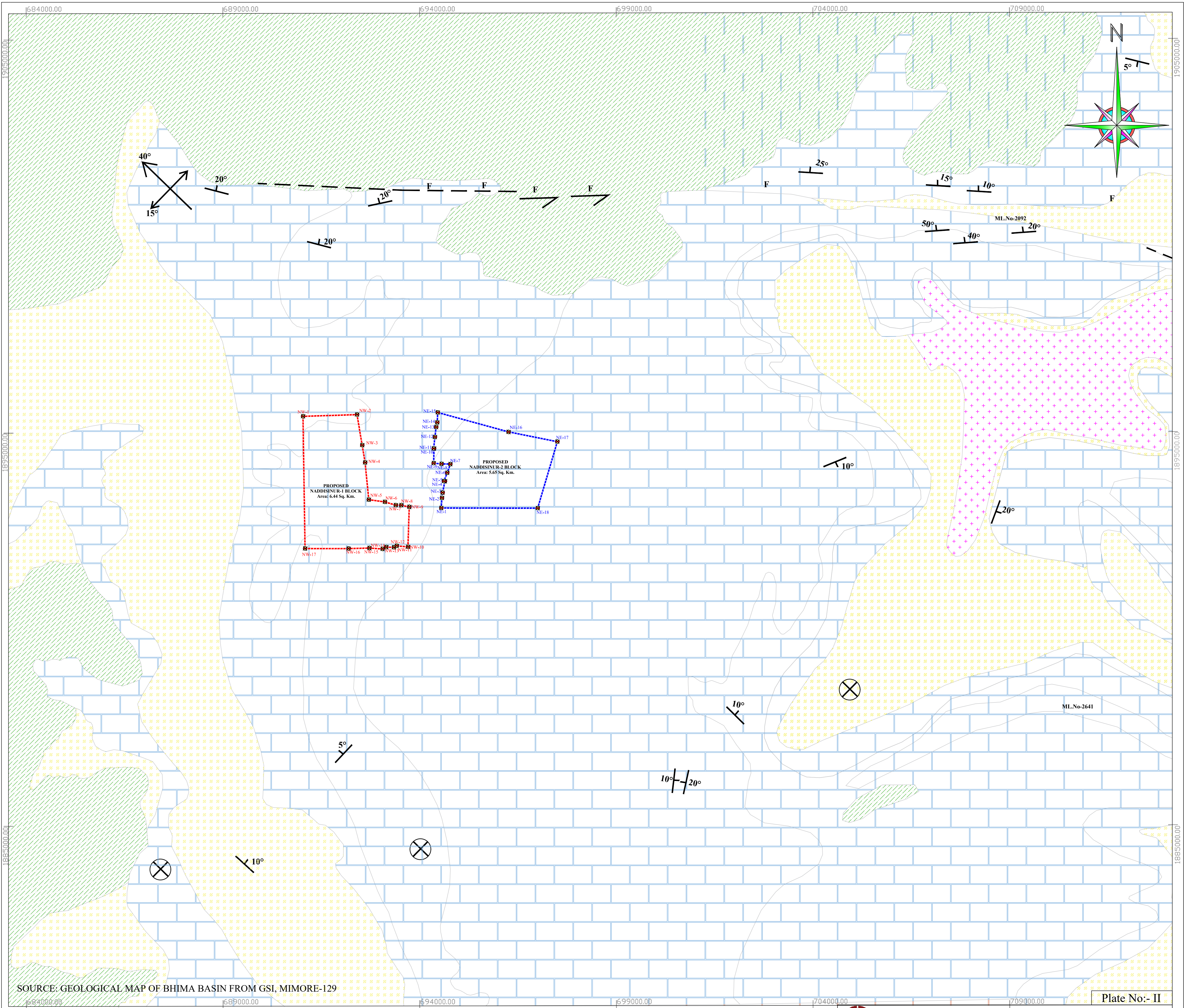


Block Boundary Corner Points of Proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks, Bhima Basin, Gulbarga District, Karnataka									
Block Name	Points	UTM (M)(Zone: 43N)		Area (Sq. Km.)	Block Name	Points	UTM (M)(Zone: 43N)		Area (Sq. Km.)
		Northing	Easting				Northing	Easting	
NADDISINUR-1	NW-1	1895431.16	691038.93	6.44	NADDISINUR-2	NE-1	1893099.07	694553.59	5.65
	NW-2	1895474.10	692412.40			NE-2	1893354.17	694571.38	
	NW-3	1894697.94	692543.50			NE-3	1893488.80	694587.38	
	NW-4	1894255.13	692617.65			NE-4	1893780.19	694646.84	
	NW-5	1893311.41	692711.81			NE-5	1893780.73	694621.86	
	NW-6	1893253.58	693120.39			NE-6	1893994.59	694705.17	
	NW-7	1893171.98	693398.22			NE-7	1894217.73	694788.74	
	NW-8	1893170.05	693537.33			NE-8	1894220.36	694558.88	
	NW-9	1893126.24	693740.15			NE-9	1894239.79	694359.94	
	NW-10	1892109.69	693707.77			NE-10	1894610.43	694369.89	
	NW-11	1892136.53	693421.18			NE-11	1894610.25	694361.56	
	NW-12	1892097.76	693349.53			NE-12	1894903.97	694392.31	
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	NW-14	1892056.84	693060.21			NE-14	1895276.07	694451.93	
	NW-15	1892080.63	692726.75			NE-15	1895529.03	694464.55	
	NW-16	1892066.46	692197.07			NE-16	1895034.87	696268.07	
	NW-17	1892067.76	691091.11			NE-17	1894785.72	697505.36	
				NE-18	1893094.84	697005.76			

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Legend

- Proposed Naddisinur-1 Block Corner Points
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- Proposed Naddisinur-1 Block Boundary (6.44 Sq. Km.)
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SOURCE: GEOLOGICAL MAP OF BHIMA BASIN FROM GSI, MIMORE-129

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			STRIKE & DIP
			FAULT
			STRIKE SLIP FAULT



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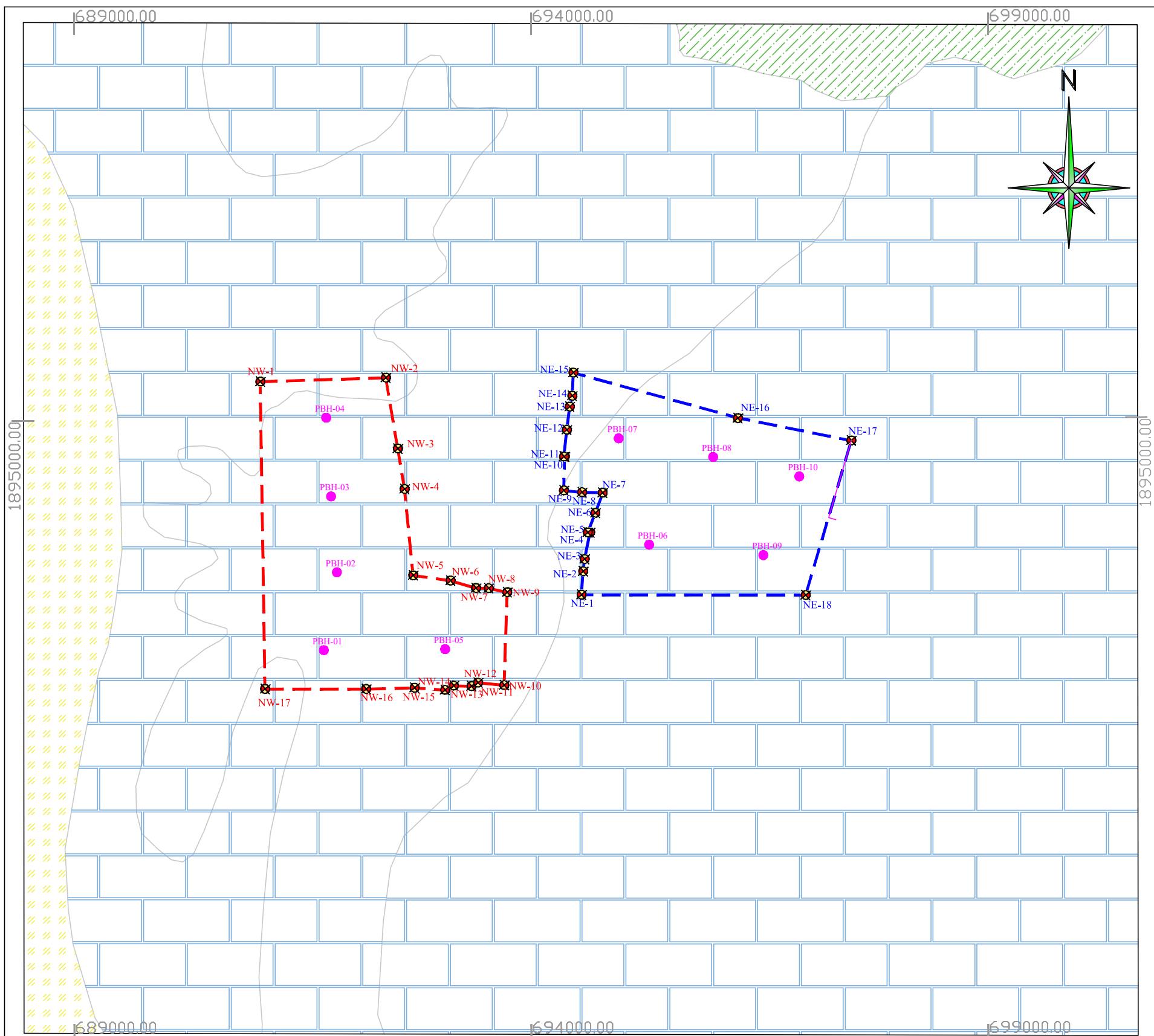
REGIONAL GEOLOGY MAP SHOWING
PROPOSED NADDISINUR-1 AND 2 LIMESTONE BLOCKS

DISTRICT : GULBARGA

STATE : KARNATAKA

STAGE:- G-3 (Exploration)

SCALE:- 1:50,000



SOURCE: GEOLOGICAL MAP OF BHIMA BASIN FROM GSI, MIMORE-129

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			SHALE

Plate No:- III

	MINERAL EXPLORATION CORPORATION LIMITED (A Government of India Enterprise)	
	GEOLOGICAL MAP SHOWING PROPOSED BOREHOLE LOCATION IN PROPOSED NADDISINUR-1 and -2 LIMESTONE BLOCKS	
	DISTRICT : GULBARGA	STATE : KARNATAKA
	STAGE:- G-3 (Exploration)	SCALE:- 1:50,000

Table- 2: Time schedule (in months) for G-3 Level Exploration for Limestone in Proposed Naddisinur-1 and 2 Blocks, Bhima Basin, District: Gulbarga (Kalaburagi), Karnataka

Sl. No.	Activities	Unit	MONTHS									
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Camp Setting	Month										
2	Surface Drilling (1 rig)	m.										
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