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#### Overview

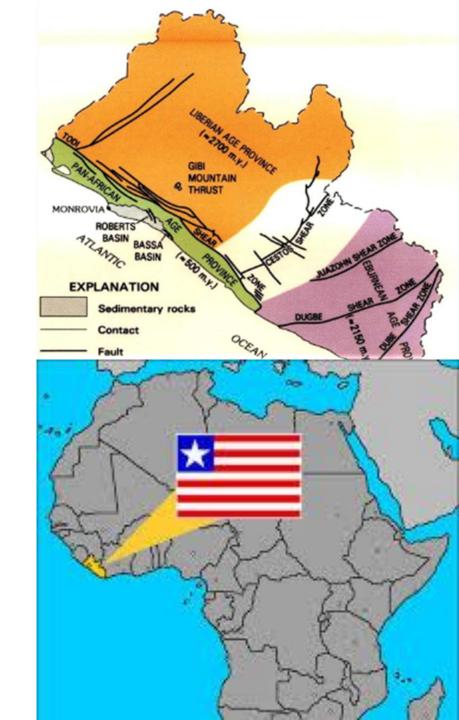
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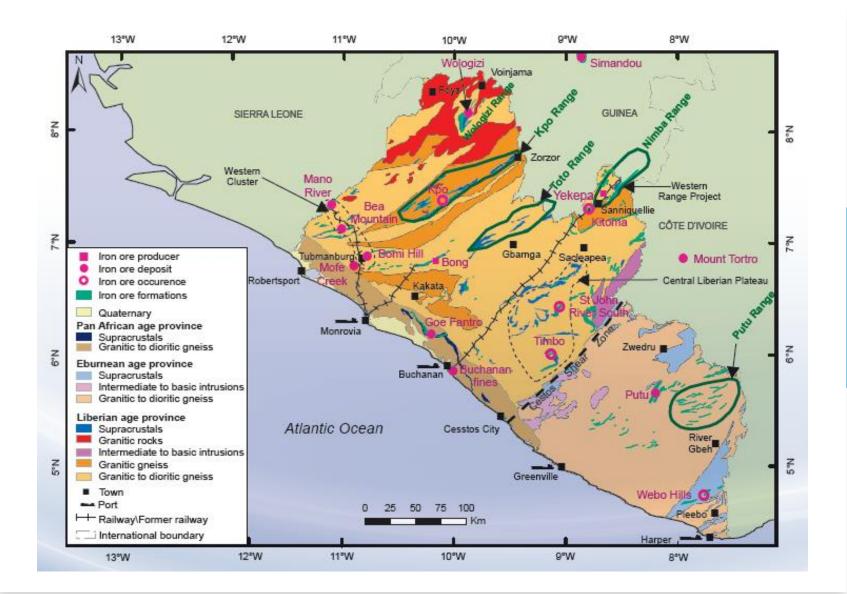




#### **Age Provinces of Liberia**

- Liberian Age 2.7 b.y.
- Archaean-Meta-volcanic sedimentary rocks.
  - Eburnean Age 2 b.y.
- Continuation of the Birimian formations of Ghana
  - Pan African Age 500 m.y.
- Reworked equivalents of the Liberian and Eburnean rocks.
- Good potential for Oil & Gas

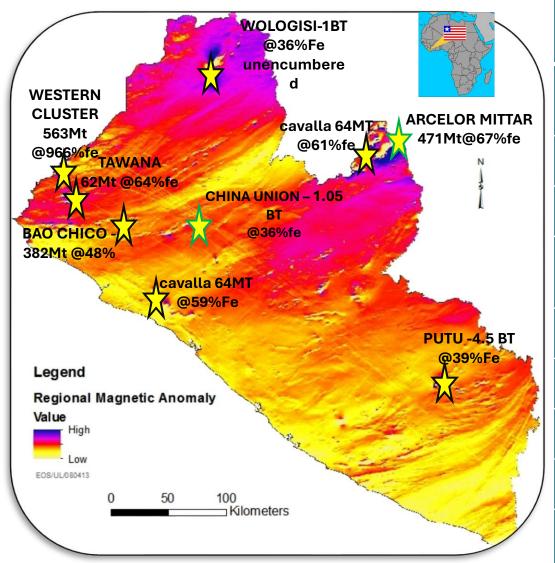






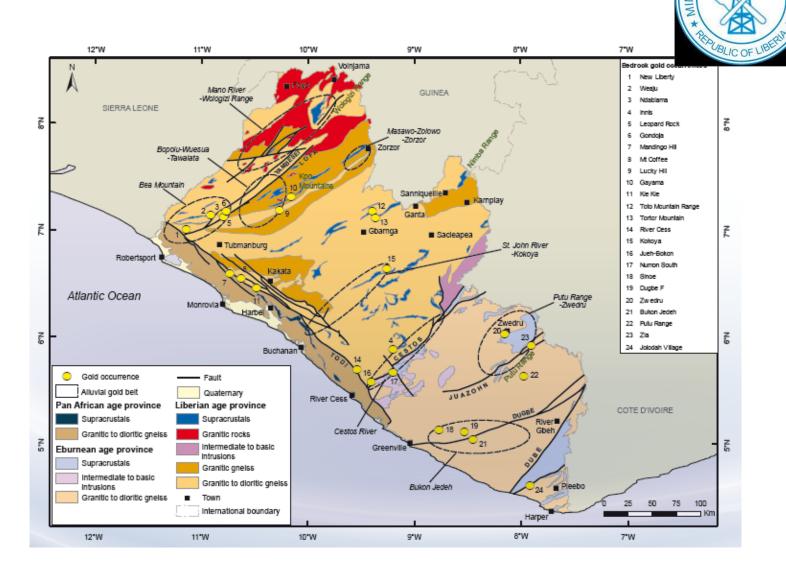
# IRON ORE DEPOSITS

#### **MAJOR IRON ORE INVESTMENTS**

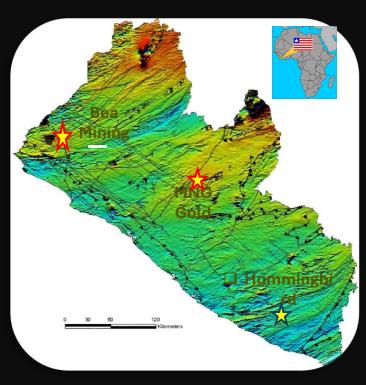


Company	Quantity	Quality Fe
Arcelor Mittar	471Mt	67%
China Union	1Bt	36%
Putu	4.5 BT	39%
Western Cluster	966Mt	33%
Tawana	62Mt	64%
Cavalla	162MT	61%
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Bao Chico	382	48%
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## Gold Potential

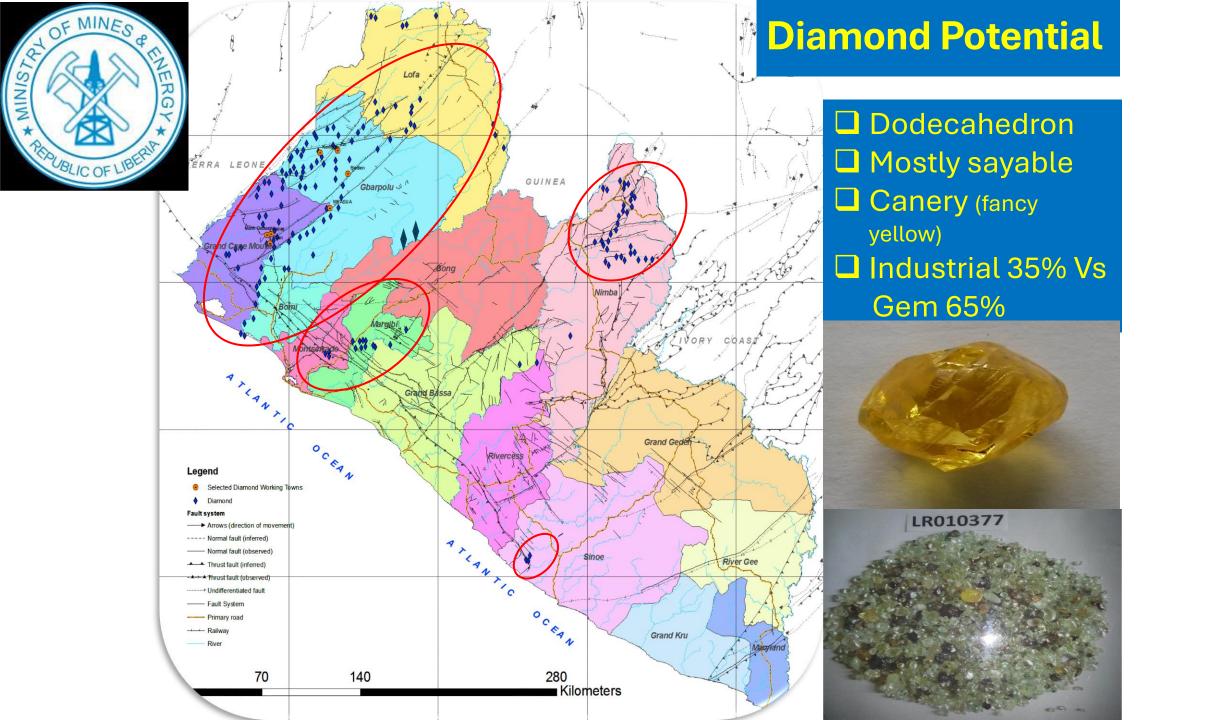


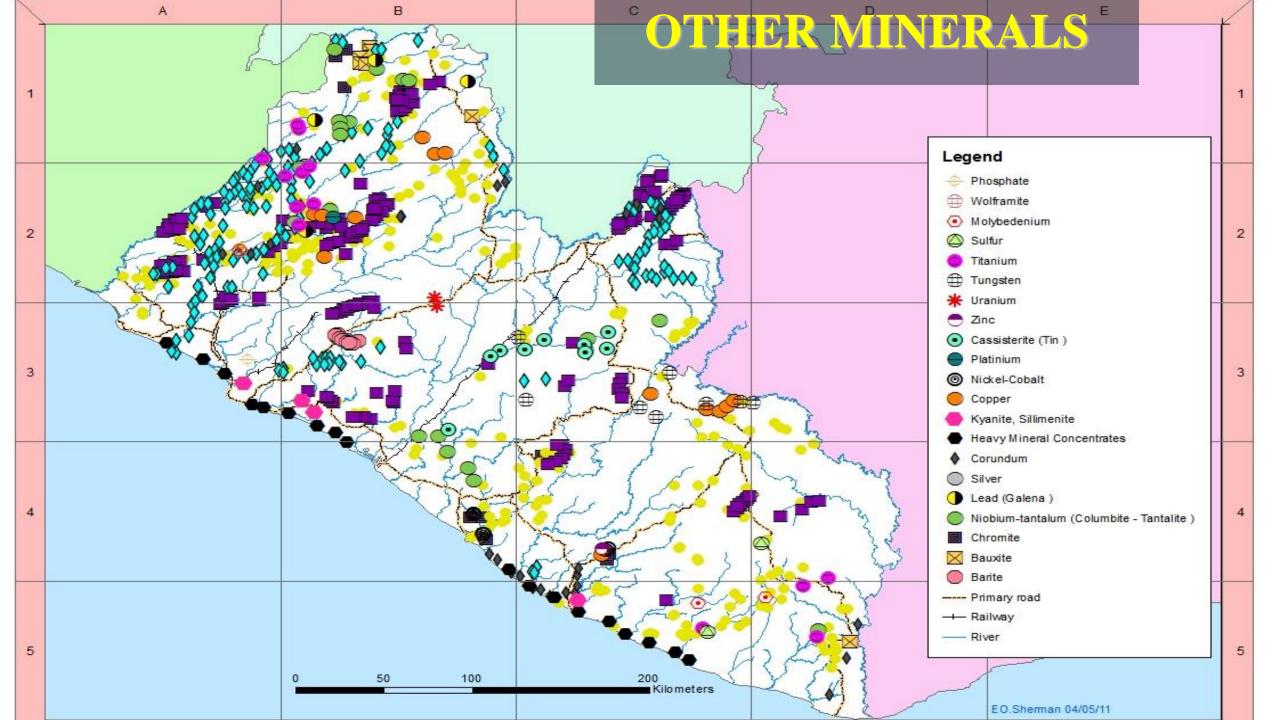
# **Major Gold Investments**



- Two mechanized Gold Mines
- ☐ One existing MDA
- ☐ Disseminated Au production from ASM across the country

Company	Ore	Ore	
	Quantity	Quality	
Avesoro	1.5 Moz	3.8 g/t	
MNG Gold	0.75 Moz	1-3 g/t	
Hummingbird	1.8 Moz	1.3 g/t	
Dugbe (MDA)			





# Mineral Export @ June 2024

- Diamond
- 30,688.32 Carats



- Gold (ASM)
- 193.495 Kg



• Gold (Industrial)



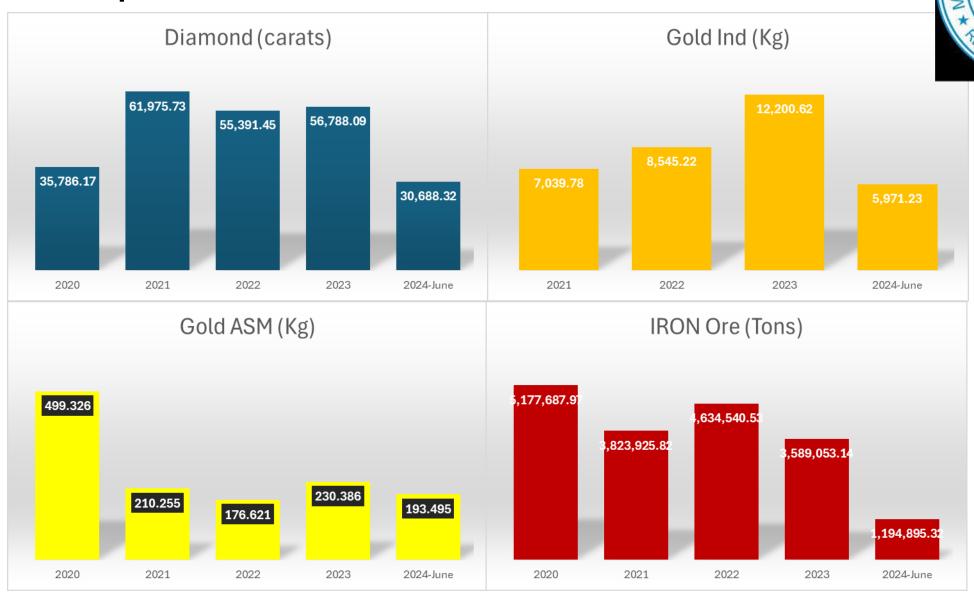


• 1,194895.32 (tons)





# Mineral Export 2020-2024 June



# Revenue YTD as @ June 30, 2024

Description	Draft Budget	Legislative Addition	FY-2024 Approved Budget	FY-2024 YTD Projection as @ June	YTD Performance as @ June 30, 2024	% of Target achieved Against Approved Budget	
Total Revenue	106,155	6,500	112,655	56,328	60,575	54 %	
Domestic Revenue	106,155	6,500	112,655	56,328	60,575	103%	
Tax Revenue	65,670		65,670	32,835	42,171	64%	
Non Tax Revenue	40,485	6,500	46,985	23,493	18,405	39%	

# "Striking the Right Balance"





#### Class "A" License

- ☐ Open to both Liberian and Foreign ownership
- ☐ Concession valid up to 25 years
- ☐ Pay taxes to the Government through the Central Bank of Liberia . Taxes including:
  - Surface rental (payment based on the PPA)
  - Royalty (payment based on ore shipped)
  - Corporate tax (payment based on the profit)
  - Income tax (payment based on salaries)
- ☐ CSR requirement normally negotiated.



# Class "B" License

☐ Open to both Liberians and foreigners; but not 100 percent foreign ownership.



□ Semi-mechanized (Industrial operations)

☐ Mineral right granted for 5 years, but renewable

☐ CSR required, normally negotiated locally.

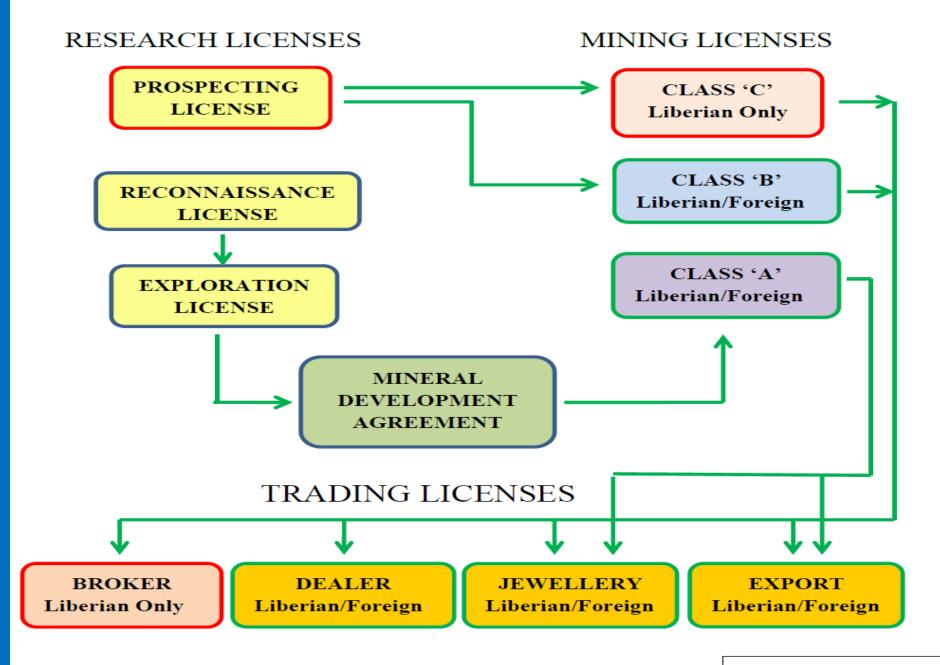


# Class "C" License

- ☐ Restricted to Liberians only
- ☐ Duration is 1 year
- ☐ Claim size is 25 acres
- ☐ Corporate Social Responsibility not mandatory



#### MINERAL TITLES



#### CHALLENGES



- ☐ Rising exploration cost (climatic condition, poor infrastructure)
- ☐ Low Level of Regional Harmonization of Fiscal Regime.
- ☐ Lack of downstream processing/ value addition
- ☐ Minimizing and mitigating Environmental issues deforestation, land degradation air pollution and disruption of ecosystem.
- ☐ Mitigating attending social issues Protest and conflict between mining companies and host communities

### MORE CHALLENGES

☐ Nearly obsolete geologic data been used to compete for investment



☐ Inadequate level of financial and logistical support to enhance proper monitoring of mining activities and concessions companies

☐ Porosity of boarders with neighboring countries

☐ Inadequate instrument to inform and insure the maximization of benefit to the local communities through greater local content realization.



# OVERALL GOAL

"Equitable and optimal exploitation of Liberia's mineral resources to underpin broad-based sustainable growth and socio-economic development".... and therefore striving to rebrand the ministry's image by making it development focused, peoplecentered and investment friendly.



# Ongoing Activities to Increase Investment in the Sector and Improve Benefit to the Country

- ☐ Decentralization of the Ministry's functions to enhance its drive to improve administration, monitoring and supervision of mining activities as well as establishing a closer link with communities.
- ☐ Seeking to implement a Nation-wide Geochemical /Geophysical Mapping
- ☐ Road Map for the Formalization of Artisanal miners into cooperatives.
- ☐ Review of the Minerals and Mining Law of 2000
- ☐ New Regulations to govern the Mining Sector



# THANK YOU

