

18 MARCH 2019**CIMIC'S THIESS WINS \$1.7B CONTRACT IN BOTSWANA**

CIMIC Group's global mining services provider, Thies, through Majwe Mining Joint Venture (Majwe), has secured a A\$1.7 billion contract at Debswana Diamond Company's Jwaneng Mine Cut 9 project in Botswana.

Majwe, a joint venture between Thies (70 per cent) and long-term local partner Bothakga Burrow Botswana (30 per cent), will provide full scope mining services over nine years, including drill and on-bench services, mine planning, equipment maintenance, load and haul, and mining operations.

This new volume-based contract follows Majwe's successful completion of the Cut 8 project at the diamond mine in November 2018.

CIMIC Group Chief Executive Officer Michael Wright said: "This new contract strengthens Thies' presence in Botswana and builds on our operational and technical teams' solid performance at Jwaneng since 2011.

"The relationship developed between Majwe and client Debswana Diamond Company, owned by the Botswana Government and De Beers, is a testament to all involved with the project."

CIMIC Group Mining and Minerals Executive and Thies Managing Director, Douglas Thompson, said: "I am pleased to be extending our long-term relationship with Debswana Diamond Company and Majwe, delivering scalable and innovative solutions that are tailored to our client's production and expansion needs.

"This contract extends our compliance with Botswana's Citizen Economic Empowerment Policy and to delivering sustainable mining."

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