

## Mining Plan Approval System- Review from Industry Perspective

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### Disclaimer

The views expressed here are solely based on experience faced during the Preparation of Review and Updation of Mining Plan for one of our Mining Leases and has nothing to point out against the regulatory frame work governing Indian Mineral Industry.

Views/Recommendations presented here are keeping in view the acceptability across the industry to maintain greater part of clarity with ease of implementation w.r.t to ground truth.



### Background

#### **Digital Transformation in Indian Mining Industry**



Mining Tenement System (MTS) being developed by the Indian Bureau of Mines to synergize entire Life Cycle activity of a Mine including all statistical information.



Facilitates Interdepartmental, Intergovernmental access to data modules.



Mining Plan Approval System (MPAS) is part under MTS module which has been developed by the Indian Bureau of Mines jointly with National Informatics Center, New Delhi.



Circular from Office of The CCOM vide letter No.R-11013/1/TMIS/MISC/2016/CCOM dated 01.07.2022 stated that and we Quote **"No Mining Plan submissions shall be accepted after 12.07.2022 in any other mode other than through the Online portal i.e www.miningplan.ibm.gov.in"** 







### Pre-requisite for Preparation of Mining Plan in MPAS

Registration/ Re-editing of Particulars of Form-K previously approved by the Office of RCoM in the new portal of the ibmreg.nic.in

#### Things to remember.

- Information furnished in Form-K will be very vital which will be linked to MPAS.
- Correct furnishing of information of Main & Associated Mineral.
- Correct furnishing of Particulars of Nominated Owner, Boundary co-ordinates, Lease particulars, EC and PCB Consent Quantities.
- Upon due approval from the Regional Controller of Mines, the particulars of mine details will get fetched onto the Mining Plan approval system.



Section 1.1.1



Lease execution date and Registration date are two different dates. System has been developed that it captures only date of lease deed execution date also in Lease Registration Date and **No other date later than execution date it accepts- View**.



Section 1.3.1

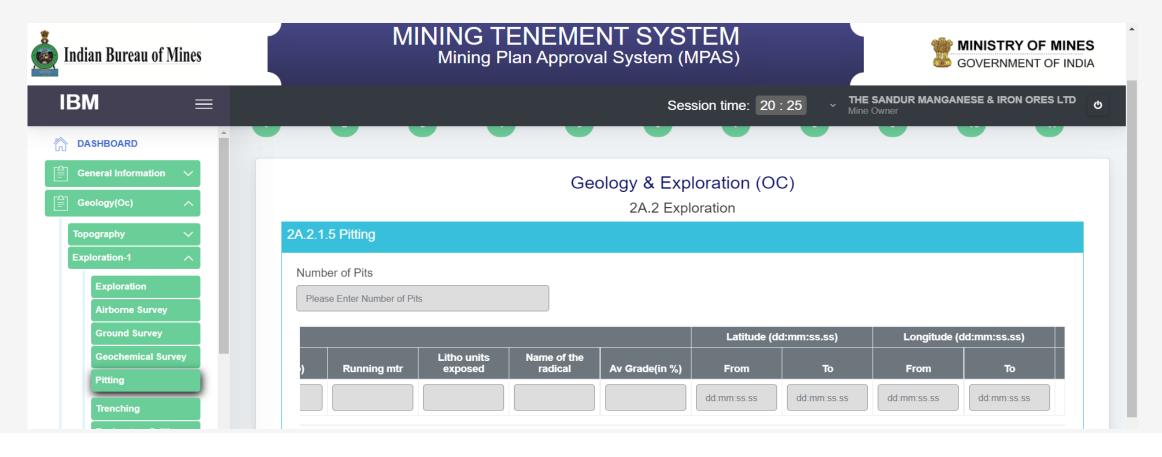
2 Review of the provision to upload previous approved copy of the mining Plan approval letters as Annexures- **Recommendation**.



#### Section 2A.2.1.5 EXPLORATION-1

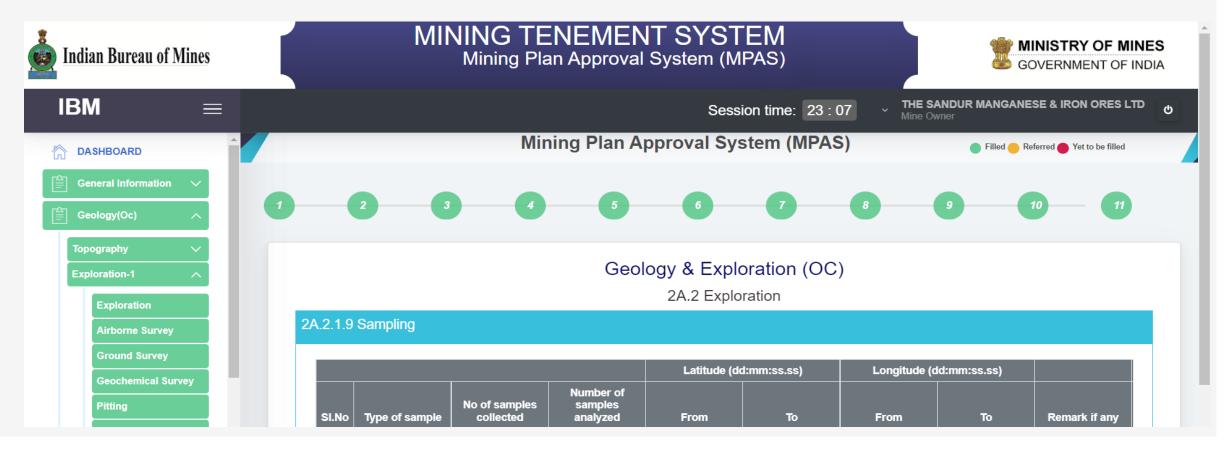
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Under pitting when particulars for individual Pit ID is furnished in the Latitude and Longitude it will be only one central point for the Pit, Hence From & To has to be removed and Single location Point in UTM has to be sought for as all plans and Section are in UTM-**Recommendation** 



#### Section 2A.2.1.9 Sampling

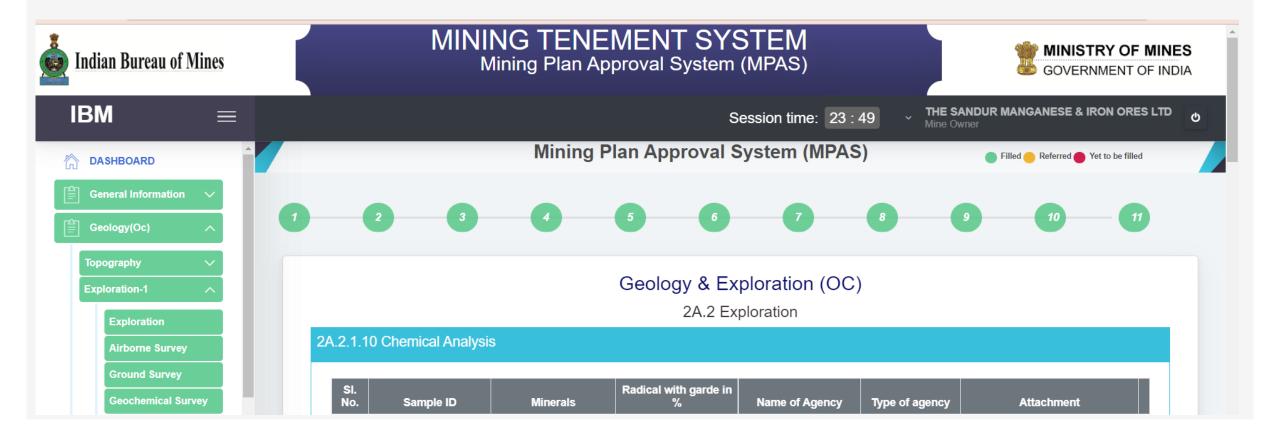
Previously during the time of our submission of document there was no specification of latitude and longitude, Now subsequent to revision this has added up. **Changes introduced**. Where ever are given in DD:MM:SS.SS it is to be sought in UTM for easy correlation with Plans and Section- **Recommendation** 



#### Section 2A.2.1.10 Chemical Analysis

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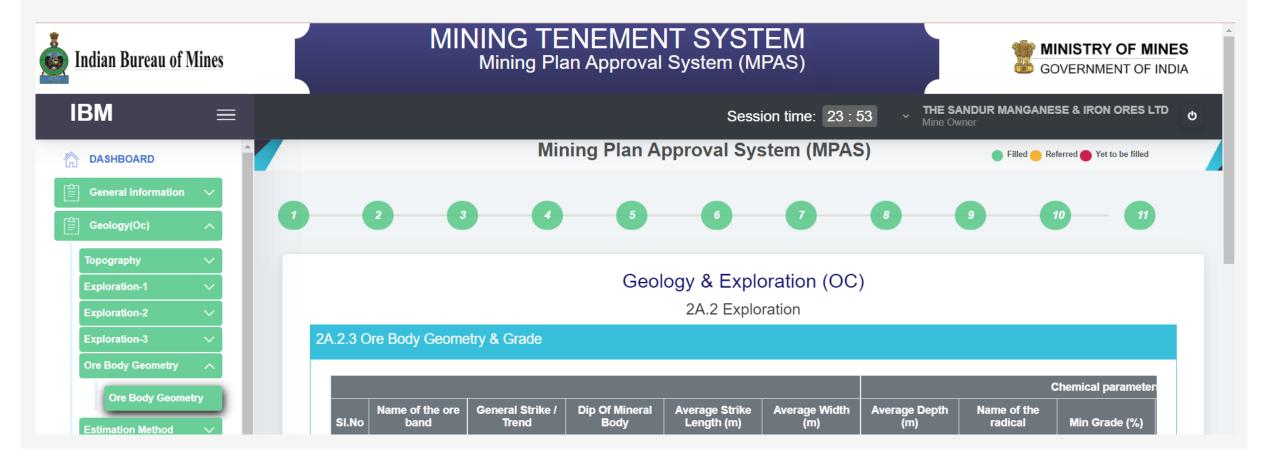
Particulars sought in this section is for Hole wise Chemical Analysis Certificate which will be PDF complainant. But foot note indicating that the particulars to be in CSV format for Collar, Survey, Geology, Assay hole wise doesn't make sense- **Opinion.** CSV files for the entire holes drilled during the last Plan period can be provided as single consolidated file rather than hole wise data- **View.** 



#### Section 2A.2.2.3 Ore body Geometry & Grade



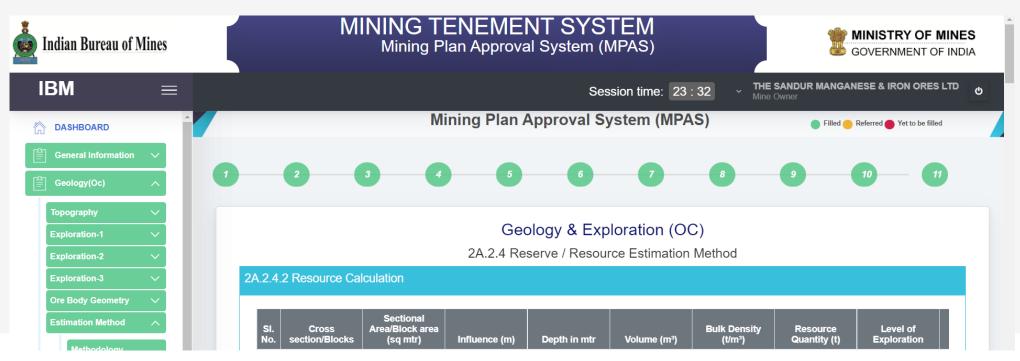
When more than one mineral (Associated Mineral) is involved, make provision for separate entry of all the particulars under one more subheading of Associated Mineral- **Recommendation**.



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Section 2A.2.4.2, Resource Calculation, 2A.2.4.11 Blocked Resource Calculation, 2A.2.4.12 Reserve Estimation

- Make Provision for separate mineral wise entry when multiple minerals are involved -Recommendation.
- Recovery % column to be added in place of depth such that Sectional Area X Influence X Recovery % gives volume Recommendation.
- Auto validation of total not happening –Resolving necessary either Auto Validation to be corrected or provision for manual entry in total column.
- Explore the possibility for providing the option uploading data in CSV file Section of Reserves and Resources rather than manual entry which is highly time consuming and possibility of errors in entry -**Recommendation**.

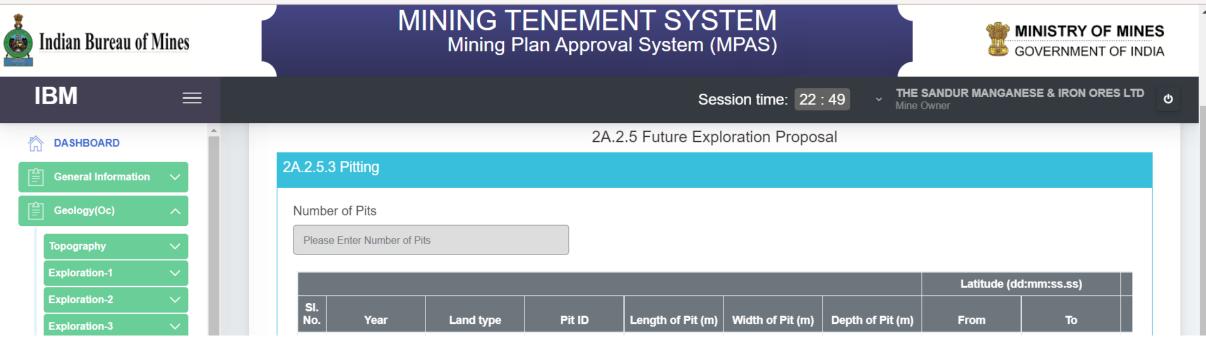


Section 2A.2.5.3, Future Exploration Proposal- Pitting, 2A.2.5.4 Future Exploration Proposal-Trenching

• When for the FY data is furnished for the Pitting, cumulative no of pits/ trenches proposed during the FY can be sought for instead of each pit/trench id, the detailed particulars for the proposed pits and trenches can be sought in the format of Annexure for better

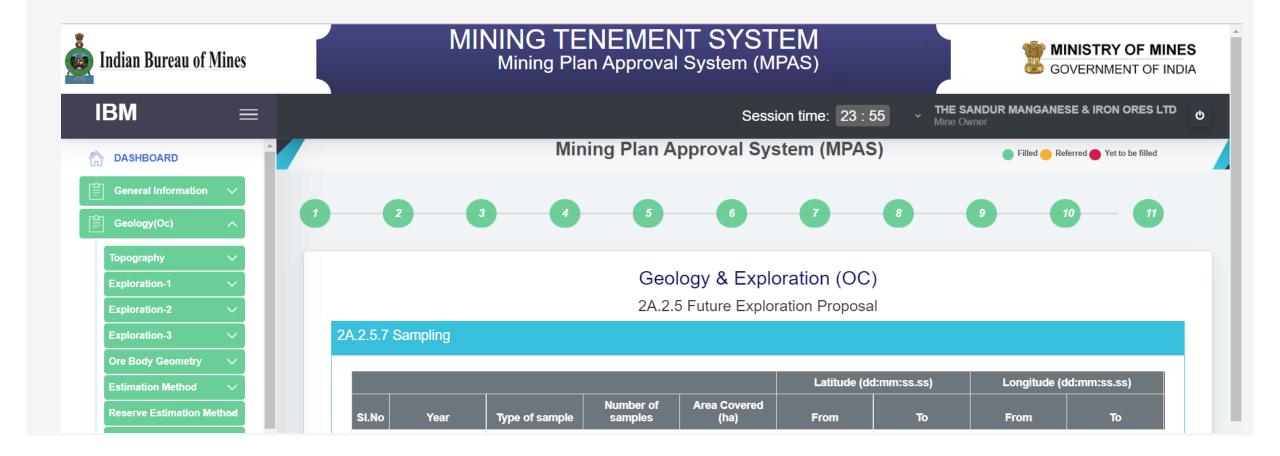
reconciliation- Opinion.

• Explore the possibility of providing option for providing csv format to proposed exploration proposal- Opinion.



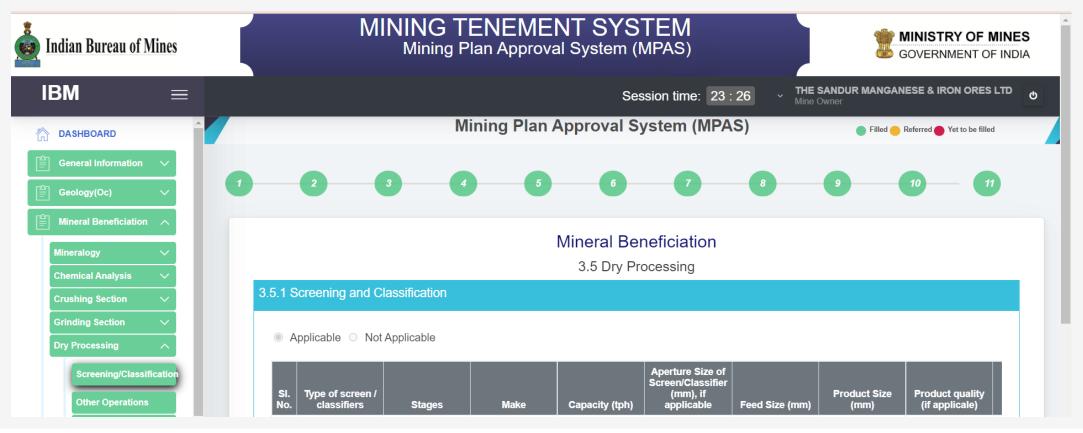
Section 2A.2.5.7 Sampling

18 Year wise filling of particulars has been added now- Changes made.



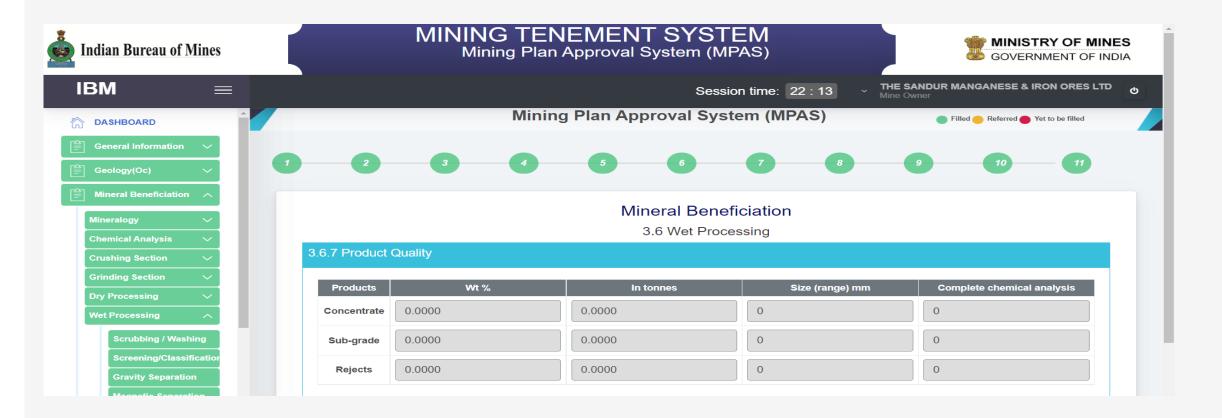
#### Section :3.5.1 Screening & Classification

- Make provision for entry of Special characters in Feed Size to facilitate multiple entries-Recommendation.
  - Make provision for additional of items under product quality for a single equipment entries Recommendation.



Section :3.6.7 Product Quality

22 Make provision for entry of Special characters in Size (range) as product varies from mm to micro meter -Recommendation.



Section : 4A.2.1.2.1 & 4A.2.1.2.2 Inventory of Dump/Stack Details

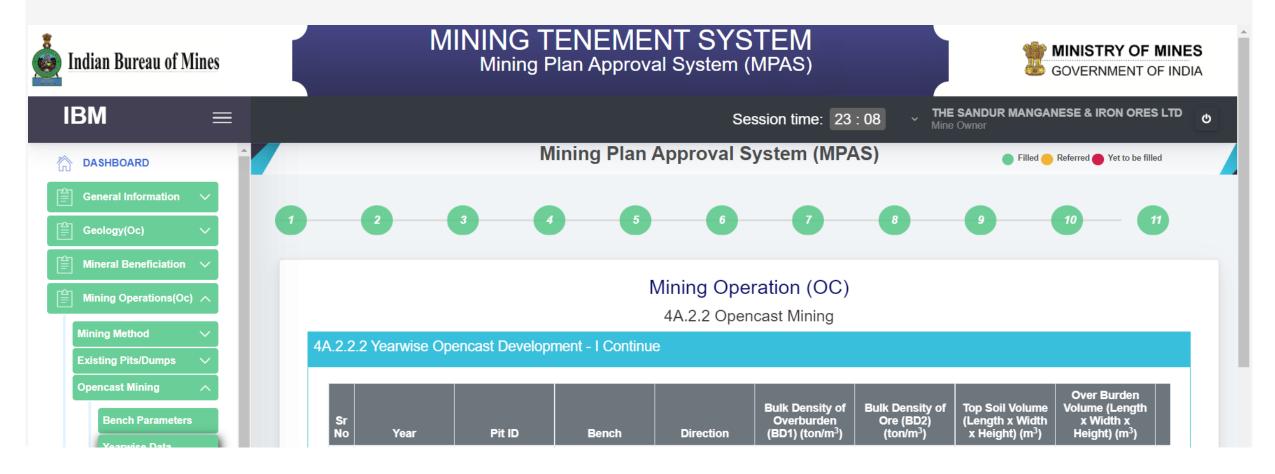


Previously, against the Dump ID no Location was sought, now the location (extents) has been incorporated - **Changes Made**. It would be better if these extents are sought in UTM.



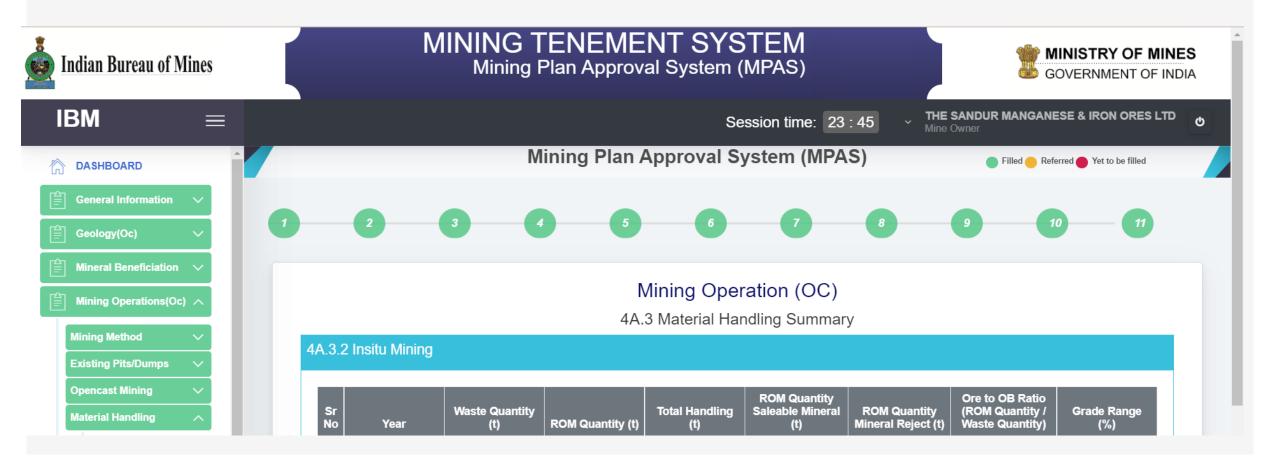
Section : 4A.2.2.2.1 Year wise Opencast Development

25 Separate provision for Year Wise/Mineral wise furnishing of Particulars when Associated mineral (multiple mineral) is involved. – Recommendation.



Section : 4A.3.2 In-situ Mining

7 When multiple minerals are involved please make provision for entry of associated mineral separately- **Recommendation** 



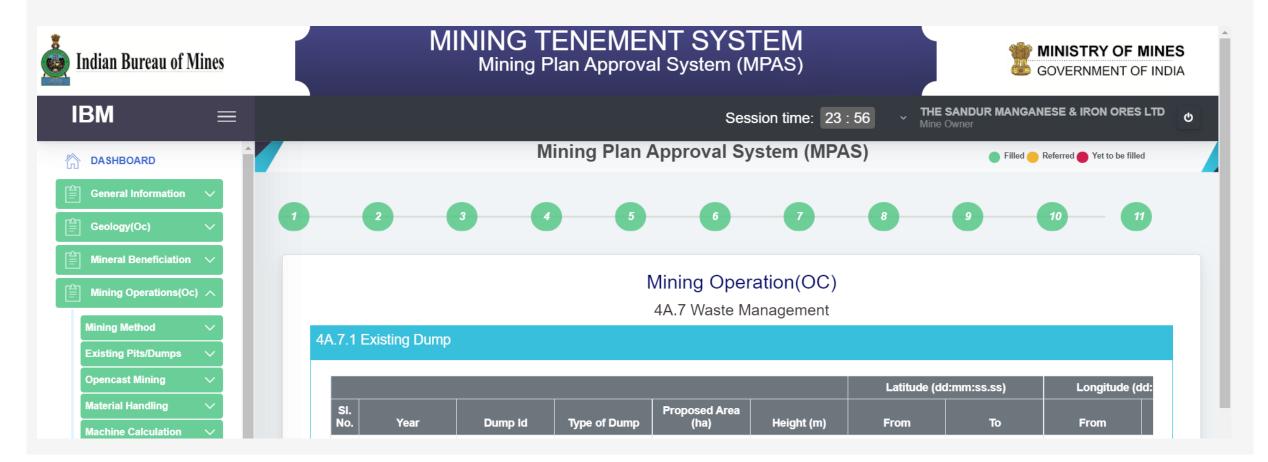
Section: 4A.3.3 Dump Workings

28 Previously, Co-ordinates were not sought, now modifications made seeks co-ordinate of dump workings- Changes made.



Section : 4A.7.1, 4A.7.2 ,4A.7.3 & 4A.7.4 – Existing Dump, New Dump, Existing Stack, New Stack

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  - Make Provision in Chapter-4 to write any Remarks limited to 2000 characters to give any vital inputs in the chapter-Recommendation.



Section : 6.2.1- Backfilling

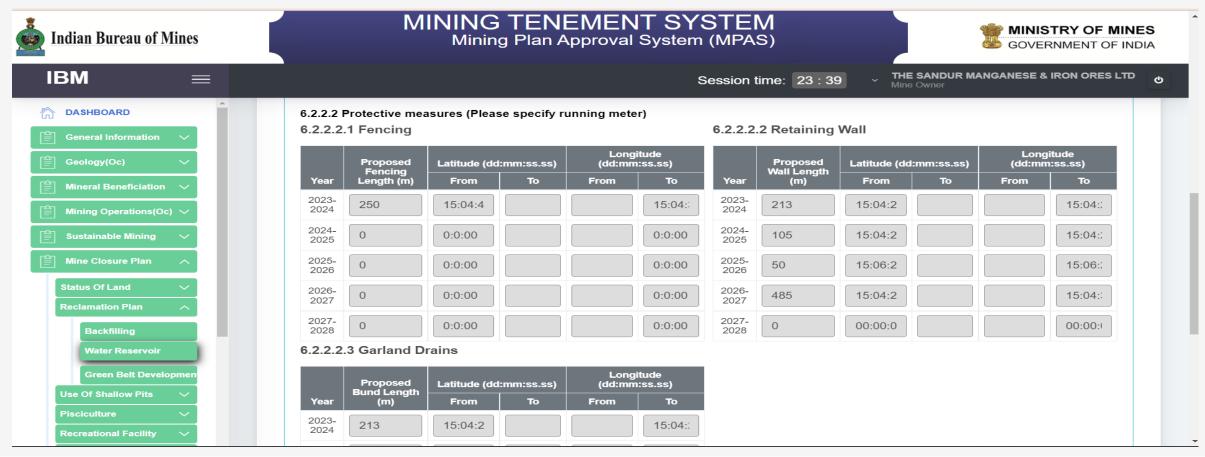
Particulars against year wise qty of backfilling in m<sup>3</sup> to be sought and co-ordinates of back filling to be sought for ease of compliance and verification- **Recommendation**.



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Section : 6.2.2.2.2 & 6.2.2.3 - Retaining wall & Garland Drain

When in multiple pits construction is involved for retaining wall garland drain, provision for additional rows to be made for having better clarity for implementation- **Recommendation**.



#### Section : 8.1.1: Lease Area Utilisation

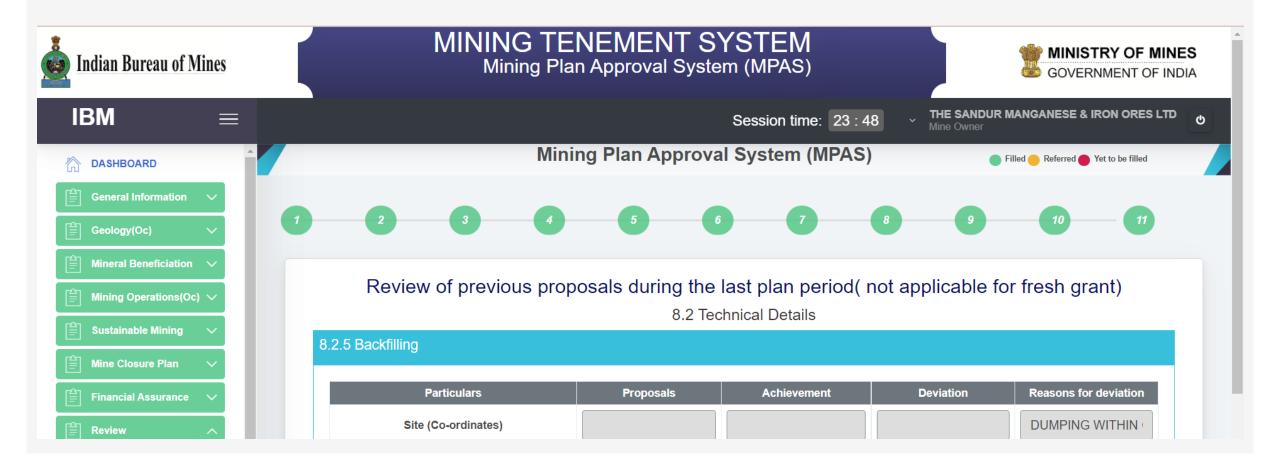
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Correlation of Land use is not happening as AUTO SUM has been enabled and this auto validation is creating problem when filing particulars on reclaimed area of dump- **Resolving Necessary**.

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Section : 8.2.5: Back Filling

**35** • Site co-ordinates of back filling it is neither taking UTM/DD: MM:SS.SS format- **Resolving Necessary**.



Section : 8.2.5: Production of Minerals

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- Total is not getting validated under cleaned Ore- Discussed with CoM-MTS, it has been opined to be Software issue -Resolving Necessary.
- Make provision for mineral wise entry when multiple mineral is involved- **Recommendation**.

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### View on Annexures & Plates

- Under Any other option- pls make provision to add another 3-4 tabs to insert the data- Recommendation.
- PDF copies of Plates should be sealed and approved by Regional Offices as only KML files will not serve as authenticated to Inter departmental Submissions for obtaining various statutory Cleareance & also for Ground truth verification and implementation also at mine level hard copy of plans are preferabele- Recommendation.
- Provision of Cover Page to be made-Recommendation.
- The vital pages of the document like production & Development- Digitally Signed by RCOM- Opinion .

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