



**ACP-EU Development
Minerals Programme
Brief
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Jamaica



Formalisation of ASMEs

approval of the **National Mineral Policy of Jamaica**

the National Mineral Policy:

- requires quarry operators to have **certified quarry managers** in the next 5 years
- **mandates registration** of illegal and informal operators
- diversifies institutional arrangements in the mineral sector, introducing **National Minerals Institute** and **Jamaica Limestone Institute**

supported the Ministry of Transport and Mining to **disseminate** the National Mineral Policy



Limestone mine, owned by Chemical Lime Company in Central Jamaica
Photo credit: ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme

Access to geological and mineral information

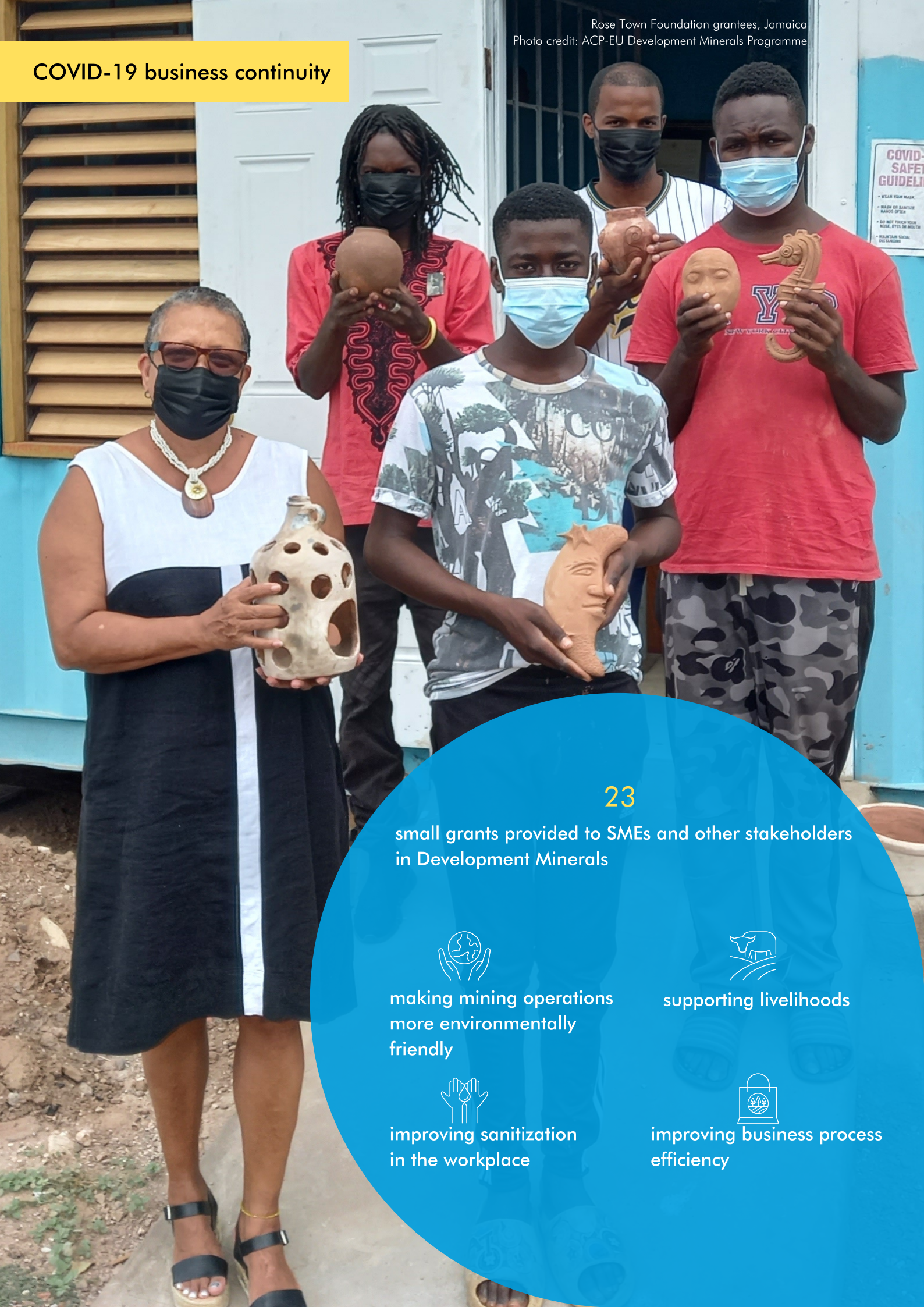
refined the geo-database and made it **publicly available**

development of an **on-line Mining Cadastre** for Jamaica, using Free and Open Software System (FOSS), covering development minerals



Mr. Lamont, a Jamaican artisan, holding gypsum/alabaster piece
Photo credit: ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme

COVID-19 business continuity



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small grants provided to SMEs and other stakeholders
in Development Minerals



making mining operations
more environmentally
friendly



supporting livelihoods



improving sanitization
in the workplace



improving business process
efficiency



Facilitated access to markets

helped ASMEs **sell ceramic and pottery products** in Jamaica, the Caribbean and North America

supported the Ministry of Transport & Mining to **develop a website** to promote the products of artisans and mining operators

Entrepreneurship and business development



Facilitated access to finance

conducted **3** island-wide trainings for **52** SMEs to calculate the valuation and reserve estimation of mineral deposits licensed

the SMEs can now use reserve estimation to **apply for loans**

21 representatives of approved financial institutions (AFI's) attended trainings, learned about the development minerals sector

supported the Ministry of Transport & Mining to develop an app to **estimate the cost of production** of mining enterprises

Clay products produced by Advocate Industries, a ceramics manufacturing company in Jamaica

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Female miner receiving certificate after training in Jamaica

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Artisan processing semi-precious stones in Jamaica
Photo credit: ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme



semi-precious stones

Environmental and social safeguards

developing a mobile application for **conflict prevention and grievance resolution** in communities affected by mining

alert by communities to **report environmental incidents** to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), to the Mines and Geology Division (MGD), the communities, as well as the press, to take early action

Knowledge generation
and sharing

the University of Technology in Jamaica (UTech) launched an online programme of Bachelor of Science in Mining and Quarrying Management in September 2021, a 3-year degree course



UTech programme launch poster in Jamaica
Photo credit: University of Technology (UTech) Jamaica

with the Programme's support, UTech is able to offer the course to students in other **Caribbean countries**

12 students have enrolled in the course so far

worked with the Mines and Geology Division, Ministry of Transport and Mining to help develop a course at **Excelsior Community College (EXED)** in Jamaica.

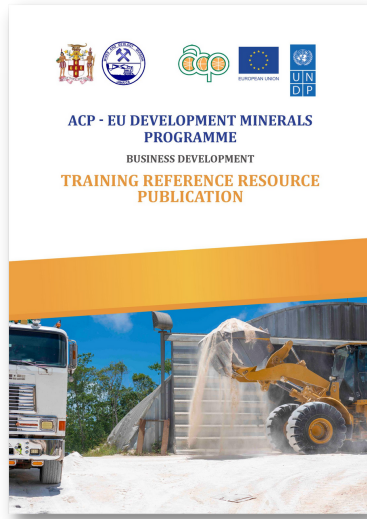


Country coordinator of Jamaica at zoom presentation on using development minerals in craft industry locally
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Online training organized for mining operators in March 2021
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produced a Training Reference Resource Publication to build the entrepreneurial skills of ASMEs

In the media



This youngster from the Trenchtown Art Centre made his ceramic dog using clay dug up in nearby fields. Thousands of clay pieces like the one in his hands are destined for retail markets generating income for the Art centre.

This youngster is one of hundreds trained by Garfield Williams and team, who are passing on valuable artisanal skills. Art is an outlet for channeling life's ups & downs into conversation pieces. But it's so much more.

@UNDP Jamaica



A truck dumps limestone into the conveyor system at Lydford Mining Limited, a major player in the limestone industry.

Mines and Geology Division launches Mineral Information System

Wednesday, July 29, 2020



@Business ACP on Youtube



@Business ACP on Twitter



@UNDP Jamaica

Composition



chaired by the Commissioner of Mines, Mines and Geology Division

Objective

gives a strategic direction to the Programme

Issues addressed

- programme monitoring and recommendations on programme delivery
- review and selection of small grants applications
- technical review and advice on the mining cadastre

Country Working Group



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Abbreviations and acronyms

ASME Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining Enterprise

SME Small and Medium-sized Enterprise

Cover page image

Female employee of Lydford Mining Co. Ltd., a large scale mining operation in Jamaica, who is also pursuing a degree in Mining and Quarrying Management at UTech

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About the Programme

The ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme Phase II is an initiative of the Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS), coordinated by the Secretariat of the OACPS, financed by the European Commission and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and implemented by UNDP