

87th MEETING OF THE MULTISTAKEHOLDER'S GROUP
MARCH 11, 2026

INPERSON – AT EXXON MOBIL OFFICE & VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM) MEETING: 09:00 HRS-12:00 HRS
CHAIRMAN : MICHEAL MUNROE (GOVERNMENT)

DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Call to Order and Opening Remarks.** The Chairman called the Meeting to order and in brief remarks welcomed all and expressed the MSG's appreciation to Exxon Mobil for hosting the Meeting.
2. **Members attendance: Members attendance- in person and virtual, are** recorded in the attendance sheet attached.
3. **Announcements.**
 - (i) Excuses were received for Mr. Derick John and Shane Cornelius.
4. **Adoption of AGENDA:**

Proposed for adoption by Rafael Singh and seconded by Aslim Singh.
5. **Consideration of the MINUTES of 86th MSG held on February 11,2026:** Proposed for adoption, "as is", by William Thompson and seconded by Anil Persaud.
6. **Reports from Committees:**
 - (a) **Co- Chairs:** Informed the Meeting of its discussions on:
 - (i) Civil Society constituency vacancies and concerns related to the filling of the three vacant seats; article published in Stabroek News newspaper on March 10,2026.

The MSG agreed to have a direct interaction with the EITI Regional Director (Esteban) before the EITI Board Meeting in March to register its concerns on the impact of the current situation on the functioning of the MSG.
 - (ii) **Proposal for Constituency consultations.** Agreed that members will review and provide feedback by the next MSG.
 - (iii) **The Distribution of the EITI report** will be guided by a list of the recipient entities, the number of copies to be printed as well as the availability of funds.
 - (iv) Endorsement of the **plain language preparation of the EITI FY 23 Report.** The Communications Committee to follow up on these matters.
 - (b) **Workplan, Validation and TOR Committee.**

The report focused on the Committee's continued examination of the Workplan and Gap analyses. Specific guidelines were provided on:-

 - Interaction with MOE and schools' outreach.
 - The GYEITI future participation at the Energy Conference and Exposition and to have an independent space to allow for visibility. Also, a suggestion was made for Co-chairs to engage in fire-side chat sessions on the GYEITI/ EITI.
 - BO implementation and Chair's support in reviewing the work activities for BO implementation.

- Verified information should be submitted to the GYEITI. The Secretariat should not be involved in the verification of the information/ contact details for entities received from GGMC/ GGB.
- The details on the Cadastral published by GGMC and accessible to the public has information that are requested under licensing / contract in mining. Secretariat will seek to have GGMC demonstrate the use and navigation of the map to have a better understanding of the extent of information publicly available.

(c) Communications Committee

An update on planned activities for the first quarter was presented.

- (i) **Governance engagement with the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs** is awaiting feedback from MOPA on the date.
- (ii) **Details on the engagement with legal fraternity are being finalized.**
- (iii) **Guyana Energy Exposition and Conference February 2026** were circulated to MSG and recommendation for an independent booth space was discussed. Early preparation for the next exposition was suggested.
- (iv) **Strategy for the Schools’ engagement sessions in regions 3 and 4.** –i.e., reach out to the schools’ first before going to the Ministry which is a more efficient way to get the schools’ approval.
- (v) **Decision on the printing of the FY 23 Report for distribution at various entities will be guided by the list to be prepared.**
- (vi) **A Communication activity Calander will be prepared and shared with MSG to provide guidance and members participation.**
- (vii) **Discussions on press release Protocols and media statement by the GYEITI.** A suggested approach is for press releases be cleared by Co Chairs before dispatch to the MNR and to be followed with timely follow-up.

(d) IA Committee

An update was presented on the status of the recruitment of the Independent Administrator.

The RFP Bids opening is scheduled for March 17, 2026. Expects that the evaluation will be completed and by the end of April and the IA be in place, contract signed and consultant ready to work beginning of May 2026.

Also noted were the desire to complete two (2) reports, templates to be for data collection for 2 years Fy 24 and Fy 25 and the format for reporting is by sectors.

The observation of the struggle by the Secretariat to gather information from agencies needs to be addressed and a suggestion was made to have a protocol that mandates agencies (govt) to provide information and to ensure a seamless process for the collection of information. This matter will be further discussed by Co-Chairs.

7. Proposed format for Consultations at the Constituency level.

Members were asked to review the proposed draft circulated by the Secretariat and submit their responses before the next MSG.

8. Secretariat Report

The Secretariat reported that:

- (i) APR at the finalization stage. Will finalized shortly and circulate to MSG.

- (ii) Extending invitation to MSG for engagement session with the government entities to inform the agencies preparation for 2024/ 25 report and to also identify challenges. Members of MSG were invited to join and emphasized the need to have two templates completed at the same time. The facilitators include the 2 Consultants,- Sam Tokpah and Priya Marajh.
- (iii) Reiterated the timelines for the procurement of IA Consultant.

9. Presentations on the Oil and Gas Sector.

As part of the MSG capacity building efforts and to enable, in particular the new members of the MSG understanding of extractive sector, a dedicated session at the MSG will be allotted.

Bill Thompson’s (co-chair for industry) presentation on the Oil and Gas sector highlighted Exxon’s overall operations, the discoveries, exploration and development of wells, the FPSOs, production targets and costs, oil drilling and reserves among others were presented. Exxon’s CSR was also explained, inclusive of its involvement in Stems, and use of solar energy at its Exxon Mobil Office- Ogle.

The presentation was well received and closed with a question-and-answer session.

10. Any other Business

Bill Thompson announced that this is the last MSG meeting he will be attending. Ms. Persaud was identified as Exxon’s replacement on the MSG. Members of Industry will identify among themselves the Chair for the Industry constituency. He thanked everyone for the experience and support during his term in which he served as a chair on a rotation basis, co-chair of the industry sector and a member of the MSG.

11. Close and date for the next Meeting.

The Chair thanked all for their participation and Mr. Thompson and his team for hosting the MSG at today’s meeting. On behalf of the MSG and the GYEITI secretariat he thanked Mr. Thompson for his service and significant contribution to GYEITI and the MSG. He wished him all the best in his future endeavors.


The next MSG will be in **April 2026**. The date will be notified later.

Key decisions/Actions

Areas	Decision/ Action	By whom
Co -Chairs	Agreed to meet with EITI Regional Director (Esteban) before March 18–19 Board Meeting.	Co-Chairs / Secretariat
COMS Committee	Endorsed plain-language preparation of EITI report. To explore possibility for independent booth space and early preparations for next expo.	Secretariat / Coms Committee

	<p>Approved the printing of the FY 23 Report for distribution at various entities will be guided by the list to be prepared.</p> <p>A Communication activity Calander will be prepared. Recommendation for independent booth at Energy Exposition.</p> <p>School outreach strategy approved.</p> <p>Press release protocol under review.</p>	
Constituency Consultations	MSG to review Draft Protocol for Constituency Consultation and submit comments to Secretariat.	MSG members
Sect Report	<p>Finalization of APR for FY 25 underway.</p> <p>Engagement sessions with government entities will be convened on Friday, March 13, 2026.GFC Complex</p>	<p>Secretariat</p> <p>All</p>

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Signed 
 Michael Munroe
 Chairman, MSG (G)

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IN-PERSON MEETING: 10:00 HRS

VENUE: EXXON MOBIL GUYANA LIMITED OFFICE- OGLE.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks.

2. Announcements.

(i) Excuses.

3. Adoption of AGENDA

4. Consideration of the MINUTES of 86 MSG held on January 28, 2026.

5. Reports from Committees:

- Co-Chairs Committee:
- Work-Plan, Validation and TOR Committee:
 - Update on Constituency feedback and formal report to the Secretariat.
- Communication and Outreach Committee
 - Report: Guyana Energy Conference: Secretariat / MSG participation.
 - Update: Workplan activities: Good Governance/ Anti -corruption & Legal Fraternity Engagements.
- IA Committee:
 - MSG approval and Publication of RFP:
 - Update on current status.

7. Update from MSG: Written submission on Constituency Consultations on Workplan 2025/6 and Annual Progress Report 2024.

Update on: Appointment of members to fill vacant positions.

8. Secretariat Report.

9. Presentation on Oil and Gas Sector: Presentation by Co-Chair Thompson.

10. Close and announcement of date for the next meeting.

Attendance

Meeting attendance sheet 87th MSG 11 th MARCH 2026				Present	Absent	
Constituency	Organization	Role	Gender		With excuse	w/out excuse
INDUSTRY SECTOR						
William. Thompson	ExxonMobil	Member/ Co Chair	M	x		
Anand Gohil	CNOOC	Alternate	M	x		
Joachim Vogt	ECO Atlantic	Member	M	x		
Abbigale Loncke- Watson	SISPRO	Alternate	F	x		
Vishanti Balgobin	Guyana Gold & Diamond Assoc.	Member	F		x	
Avalon Jagnandan	Guyana Gold & Diamond Assoc.	Alternate	M			x
Rafeek Khan	Guyana Manu. Service Assoc.	Member	M	x		
Norman McLean	Private Sector Commission	Alternate	M			x
CIVIL SOCIETY						
Aslim Singh	Individual	Member	M	x		
Madhavi Indarjeet	Individual	Alternate	F	x		
Derrick John	Individual	Member	M		x	
Shane Cornelius	Individual	Alternate	M		x	
Balraj Budwah	Individual	Alternate	M	x		
GOVERNMENT						
Micheal Munroe	Ministry of Natural Resources	Member/Co Chair	M	x		
Martin Pertab	Ministry of Natural Resources	Alternate	M			x
Sonya Roopnauth	Ministry of Finance	Member	F	x		
Anil Persaud	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	Alternate	M	x		
Rafael Singh	Guyana Revenue Authority	Member	M	x		
Sean Richmond	Guyana Revenue Authority	Alternate	M			x
Jennifer Persaud- Boodhoo	Prime Minister Office	Member	F	x		
Sharukh Hussain	Prime Minister Office	Alternate	M	x		
GYEITI Staff						
Prem Misir-Head / National Coordinator	GYEITI Secretariat	Observer	M	Vacation		
Renrick Ramgobin	GYEITI Secretariat	Observer	M	x		
Johann Earle	GYEITI Secretariat	Observer	M	x		
Richard . Budhu	GYEITI Secretariat	Observer	M	x		
Rajdai. Jagarnauth	GYEITI Secretariat	Observer	F	x		
Sam Tokpah	Consultant	Observer	F	x		
Anele Barton	GYEITI Staff	Observer	F	x		
Onica Dowridge	GYEITI Staff	Observer	F	x		

GYEITI Secretariat

