

## **Exploration Report – Quarter 2 2023**

**Summary:** PT Merdeka Copper Gold Tbk (Merdeka) continues exploration activities at 3 locations in Indonesia (Tujuh Bukit in East Java, Wetar Island in Southwest Maluku and Pani in Gorontalo), as shown in Figure 1 below. In Tujuh Bukit the focus is on a copper-gold resource and gold-silver resources, in Wetar the focus is on copper resources and in Pani the company is exploring a gold resource.

The total spending on exploration in Indonesia by Merdeka in Quarter 2 2023 is approximately Rp341.4 billion.



Figure 1: Merdeka Exploration Project Locations

# Copper and Gold: Tujuh Bukit Project

A. Expenditure:

The total expenditure for exploration-related activities for the Tujuh Bukit Copper Project in Quarter 2 2023 is Rp162.7 billion consisting of decline maintenance, underground resource definition drilling, and associated test work.

B. Area:

Tujuh Bukit copper and gold resource, Banyuwangi, East Java.

C. Exploration Party:

All work was completed through a contracting agreement between Merdeka and PT Merdeka Mining Services.

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D. Assessment Method: Drilling from underground and surface with associated test work.

E. Election of Assessment Area:

The selected area for the current drilling program is an area of the Tujuh Bukit porphyry deposit that contains the largest zone of high-grade drilling results for copper and gold to date, and is well positioned for drilling from the current decline location.

- F. Results of Exploration:
  6 underground rigs conducted Resource Definition drilling totalling 6,291.1 metres as shown in Table 1.
- G. Action Plan:

Diamond drilling will continue, with another underground diamond drill rig being added from the  $1^{st}$  July.

Hole ID	From	То	Interval	Comments
UHGZ-23-135A	613.7	938	324.3	UG
UHGZ-23-145	0	455	455	UG
UHGZ-23-137	409.9	917	507.1	UG
UHGZ-23-143	0	589.9	589.9	UG
UHGZ-23-143W	382.9	411.8	28.9	UG
UHGZ-23-134	806.3	810.1	3.8	UG
UHGZ-23-140	0	752.5	752.5	UG
UHGZ-23-144	0	592.5	592.5	UG
UHGZ-23-138	444.5	592.3	147.8	UG
UHGZ-23-138W	268.3	785.8	517.5	UG
UHGZ-23-136	659.5	860.5	201	UG
UHGZ-23-141	0	942.6	942.6	UG
UHGZ-23-139	564.7	1217.5	652.8	UG
UHGZ-23-142	0	575.4	575.4	UG

Table 1: Tujuh Bukit copper project drilling statistics Quarter 2 2023



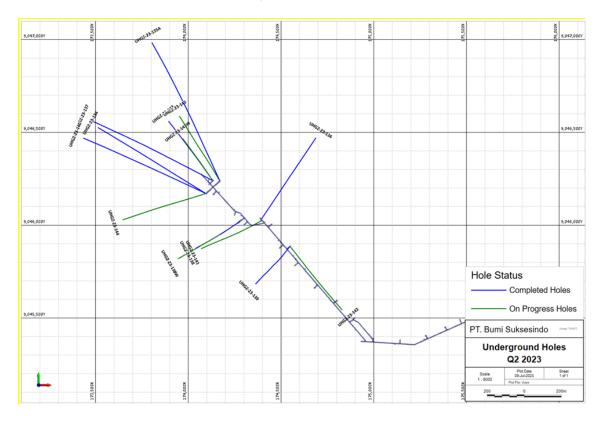


Figure 2: Tujuh Bukit – underground drill holes – Quarter 2 2023

# Gold and Silver: Tujuh Bukit Project

A. Expenditure:

The total expenditure for exploration related activities for the Tujuh Bukit gold and silver project in Quarter 2 2023 is Rp45 billion consisting of life of mine resource definition drilling and regional exploration work.

B. Area:

Tujuh Bukit gold and silver project, Banyuwangi, East Java.

C. Exploration Party:

All work was completed through a contracting agreement between Merdeka and PT Merdeka Mining Servis.

- D. Assessment Method: Drilling from surface, regional mapping, sampling and geophysical surveys.
- E. Election of Assessment Area: The areas were selected for the life of mine drilling programs and for the regional work as they are near the current pits and with anomalous geochemical results.



- F. Results of Exploration:
  1 reverse circulation (RC) rig and 3 diamond drill (DD) rigs conducted drilling with a total of 12,618.2 metres.
- G. Action Plan: Life of Mine drilling will continue using 3 DD rigs and 1 RC rig.

Hole_ID	From	То	Interval	Comments
GTD-23-747	124.5	354	229.5	Surface
GTD-23-748	0	396.4	396.4	Surface
GTD-23-749	0	250.7	250.7	Surface
GTD-23-750	0	305.6	305.6	Surface
GTD-23-751	0	381.2	381.2	Surface
GTD-23-752	0	464.6	464.6	Surface
GTD-23-753	0	164.7	164.7	Surface
GTD-23-754	0	109.5	109.5	Surface
GTR-23-597	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-599	0	290	290	Surface
GTR-23-600	0	280	280	Surface
GTR-23-601	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-602	0	250	250	Surface
GTR-23-604	30	200	170	Surface
GTR-23-606	0	250	250	Surface
GTR-23-608	0	270	270	Surface
GTR-23-609	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-610	0	400	400	Surface
GTR-23-611	0	270	270	Surface
GTR-23-612	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-613	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-614	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-615	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-616	0	380	380	Surface
GTR-23-617	0	350	350	Surface
GTR-23-618	0	325	325	Surface
GTR-23-619	0	12	12	Surface
GTR-23-619A	0	220	220	Surface
GTR-23-620	0	30	30	Surface
GTR-23-620A	0	380	380	Surface

Table 2: Tujuh Bukit surface drilling project statistics Quarter 2 2023

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Hole_ID	From	То	Interval	Comments
GTR-23-621	0	325	325	Surface
GTR-23-622	0	220	220	Surface
GTR-23-623	0	260	260	Surface
GTR-23-624	0	300	300	Surface
GTR-23-625	0	180	180	Surface
GTR-23-626	0	115	115	Surface
GTR-23-627	0	120	120	Surface
GTR-23-628	0	115	115	Surface
GTR-23-629	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-630	0	100	100	Surface
GTR-23-631	0	220	220	Surface
GTR-23-632	0	210	210	Surface
GTR-23-633	0	180	180	Surface
GTR-23-635	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-636	0	204	204	Surface
GTR-23-637	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-638	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-639	0	120	120	Surface
GTR-23-640	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-641	0	200	200	Surface
GTR-23-642	0	120	120	Surface
GTR-23-643	0	150	150	Surface



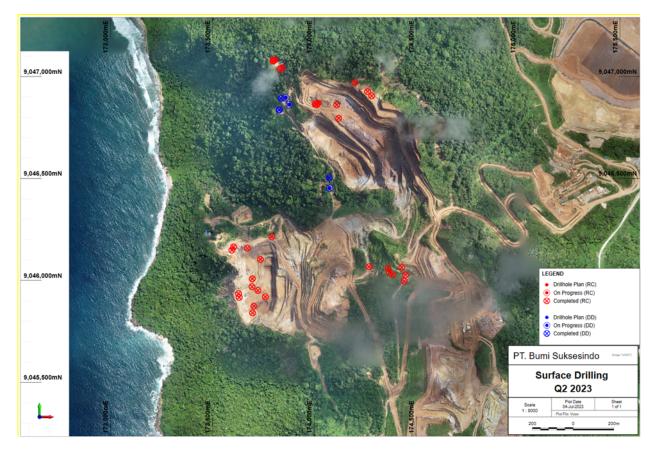


Figure 3: Tujuh Bukit surface drilling map – Quarter 2 2023

# Copper: Wetar Project

A. Expenditure:

Total estimated exploration cost for the Wetar Project in Quarter 2 2023 is Rp39.6 billion.

B. Area:

Wetar Project, Wetar Island, West Maluku

- C. Exploration Party: All work was completed through a contracting agreement between Merdeka and PT Merdeka Mining Servis.
- D. Assessment Method:

Geological interpretation, geochemical surveys, geophysical surveys and previous drilling.

E. Election of Assessment Area:

The exploration areas were selected from the previous significant drill intersections, ground and airborne electromagnetic (EM) geophysical surveys and historical mining activity which identified features with potential for VMS deposits.



F. Results of Exploration:

Two drill rigs operated during the quarter with 79 drill holes completed (including 7 metallurgical holes) for a total drilled depth of 11,724.45 metres in Partolang.

G. Action Plan:

Infill and extension resource drilling will continue in the Partolang area, included metallurgical drilling utilising 1 DD and 1 RC rig.

Drill Type	Holes Completed	Metres Drilled (m)	Hole ID	Details
DD Partolang	12	2,115.45	PTDM0129, PTDM0131- PTDM0136, PTDR0130, PTDR0137-PTDR0139, BMDR0052	Extension drilling to define resources. 7 holes drilled for metallurgical and 2 holes drilled as twin holes
RC Partolang	67	9,609	PTRR0336-PTRR0402	Infill drilling and extension drilling in Partolang
Totals	79	11,724.45		

## Table 3: Wetar project drilling statistics Quarter 2 2023

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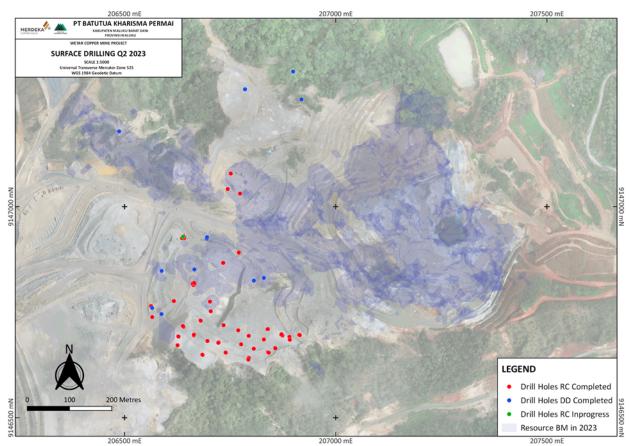


Figure 4: Drilling status for DD & RC holes in Partolang - Quarter 2 2023

### Gold: Pani Project

A. Expenditure:

Total estimated exploration costs for the Pani Project in Quarter 2 2023 is Rp94.1 billion.

B. Area:

Pani Project, Gorontalo Province, Sulawesi.

C. Exploration Party:

All work was completed through a contracting agreement between Merdeka and PT Merdeka Mining Servis.

D. Assessment Method:

Diamond drilling with 12 drill rigs, relogging historical drill core, geological mapping and alteration mineral analysis by LIBS and XRF.

Election of Assessment Area:
 The area selected for drilling was chosen as there is a gap between historical drilling within the IUP and that of the adjoining CoW.



F. Results of Exploration:

151 drill holes were completed for total of 20,434.80 metres during Quarter 2 2023, for resource definition, metallurgy and sterilisation drilling programs. The progress of the current drilling program is shown in Figure 5.

G. Action Plan:

The diamond drilling program will continue using 12 diamond drill rigs for resource definition and sterilisation drilling programs.

Campaign	Holes Completed	Metres Drilled	Hole ID	Details
GSM Resource Definition	13	2,297.90	GSDR0011-GSDR0023	Infill Drilling
GSM Sterilisation	18	2,583.10	GSDS0018-GSDS0035	Sterilisation Drilling
PETS Resource Definition	120	15,553.80	PEDR0060-PEDR0177, PEDR0179, PEDR0186	Infill Drilling
Totals	151	20,434.80		

### Table 4: Pani project drilling statistics Quarter 2 2023

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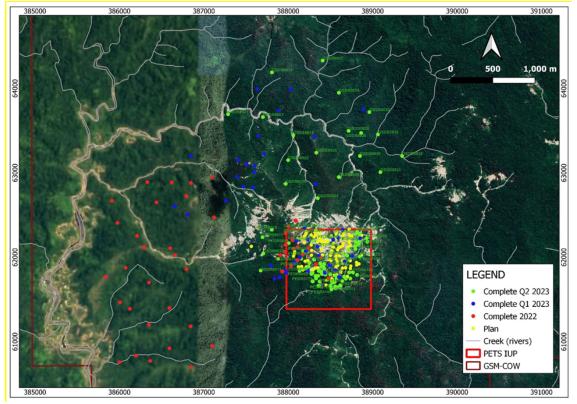


Figure 5: Pani Proposed and Completed Drill Holes Overlain on Topography – Quarter 2 2023