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Dr. Ir. Rudi Nugroho, M.Eng attained his master's degree (in 2000) and doctor's degree (in 2003) after graduating from OITA University.

On January 2016, was appointed as Director of the Center for Environmental Technology until on September 2019 was inaugurated as Director of the Center for Mineral Resources Development.







BADAN PENGKAJIAN DAN PENERAPAN TEKNOLOGI (BPPT – THE AGENCY FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND **APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY)**

BPPT is a non-ministerial government agency under the coordination of the Ministry of Research and Technology of Republic Indonesia.

BPPT has the tasks of carrying out government duties in the field of assessment and application of technology, including the assessment and application of mercury-free gold processing technology for Artisanal and Small-scale Gold Mining (ASGM).

THE TIMELINE



Literature study on the gold ore characteristic and mercury-free gold processing technology

Ore and Site Characterization Study in 5 ASGM locations (in Lebak, Banyumas, Pacitan, Sumbawa Barat, and Ketapang Regency)

The Procurement of the mercury-free gold processing prototype

Detailed Engineering Design (DED) for 3 ASGM locations (in Lebak, Banyumas, and Pacitan Regency) and pilot plant construction in PTPSM-BPPT's Lab.

2014

2016

2017



























2021

Construction of the Pilot Project for Mercury-Free Gold Processing in Logas Village, Kuantan Singingi Regency

Online monitoring system on mercury in ambient

Mercury monitoring application update

2020

DED of mercury-free gold processing in Kuantan Singingi Regency (Alluvial gold deposit)

Design and build mercury container prototype for medical equipment contains mercury

Mercury monitoring application development

2019

Commissioning and training at the Pilot Project for Mercury-Free Gold Processing in Kulon Progo Regency to ASGM miners in Kalirejo Village.

Elemental mercury container prototype

2018

DED and construction of the Pilot Project for Mercury-Free Gold Processing in Kalirejo Village, Kulon Progo Regency (primary gold deposit)

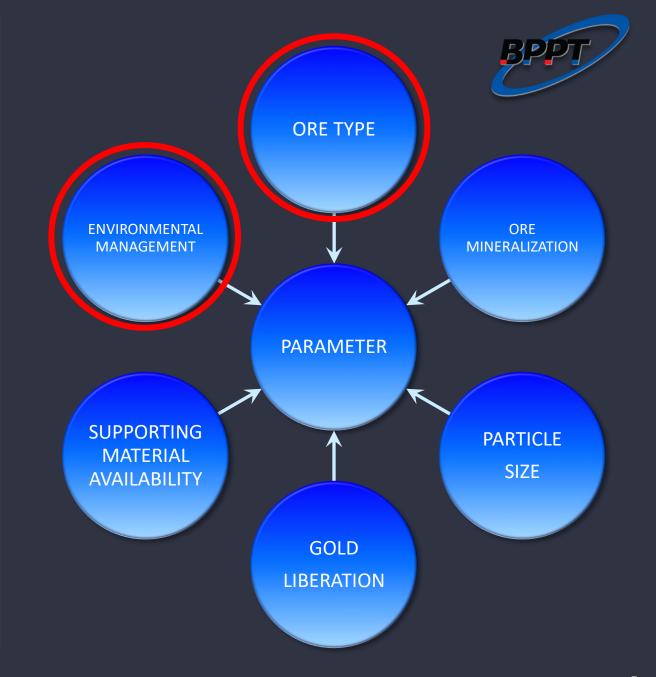


GOLD PROCESSING TECHNOLOGY SELECTION

It is IMPORTANT to have a comprehensive understanding on the gold ore characteristic.

Appropriate gold processing technology for ASGM shall meet the following criteria:

- Low capital
- Low operation and maintenance cost
- Simple process and low duration time
- High recovery
- Controllable tailing and environmental sound waste management.







THE ASSESSMENT AND APPLICATION OF TECHNOLOGY WORKFLOW

Ore and site characterization

Feasibility study

Construction

Training











Metallurgical test



Detailed Engineering Design (DED)



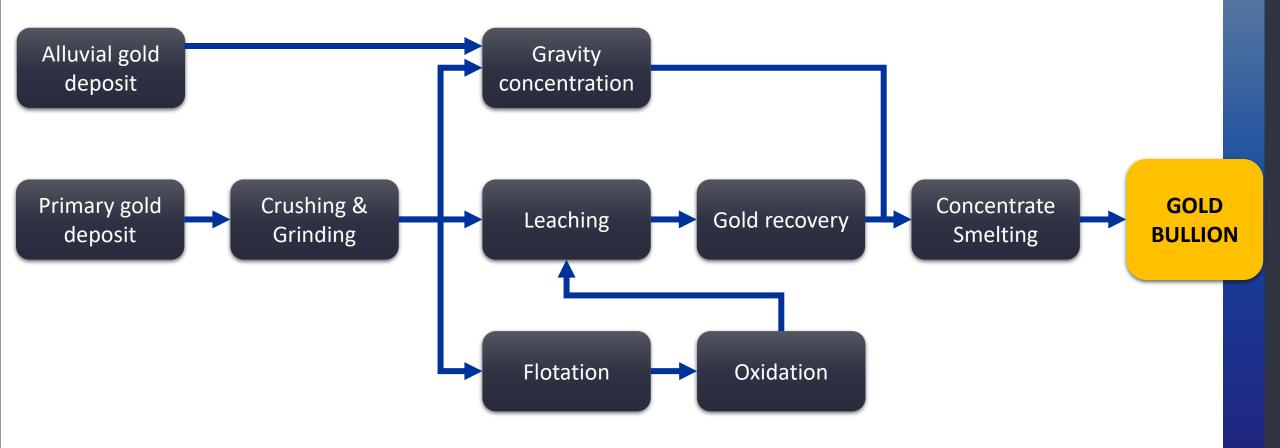
Commissioning and optimalization





MERCURY-FREE GOLD PROCESSING TECHNOLOGIES









SODIUM CYANIDE

- **COMMON**: Most of the gold mining industries have been used this chemical for decades on their gold processing facilities. This leaching agent is more preferable due to its high gold recovery (up to and more than 90%).
- MANAGEBLE: within appropriate pH $HCN_{(q)}$ controlling, generation significantly low. In addition, excess free cyanide in the tailing is removeable within chemical and/or biological oxidation, and/or natural attenuation.
- **ACCESSABLE**: processing and recovery material and equipment easily find and/or fabricated in Indonesia.



THIOSULFATE



- High chemical (thiosulfate) consumption.
- UNSTABLE: This agent require ammonium hydroxide that tends to transform into NH₃ gas (corrosive) resulting in the instability of the gold leaching reaction.
- **UNCOMMON**: Require uncommon resin for gold recovery.

THIOUREA

- Low environmental impact.
- UNCOMMON due to high chemical consumption (10% from total ore mass), more expensive than cyanide, and limited research on gold processing within thiourea.
- **High acid consumption**. Typical process < 2.









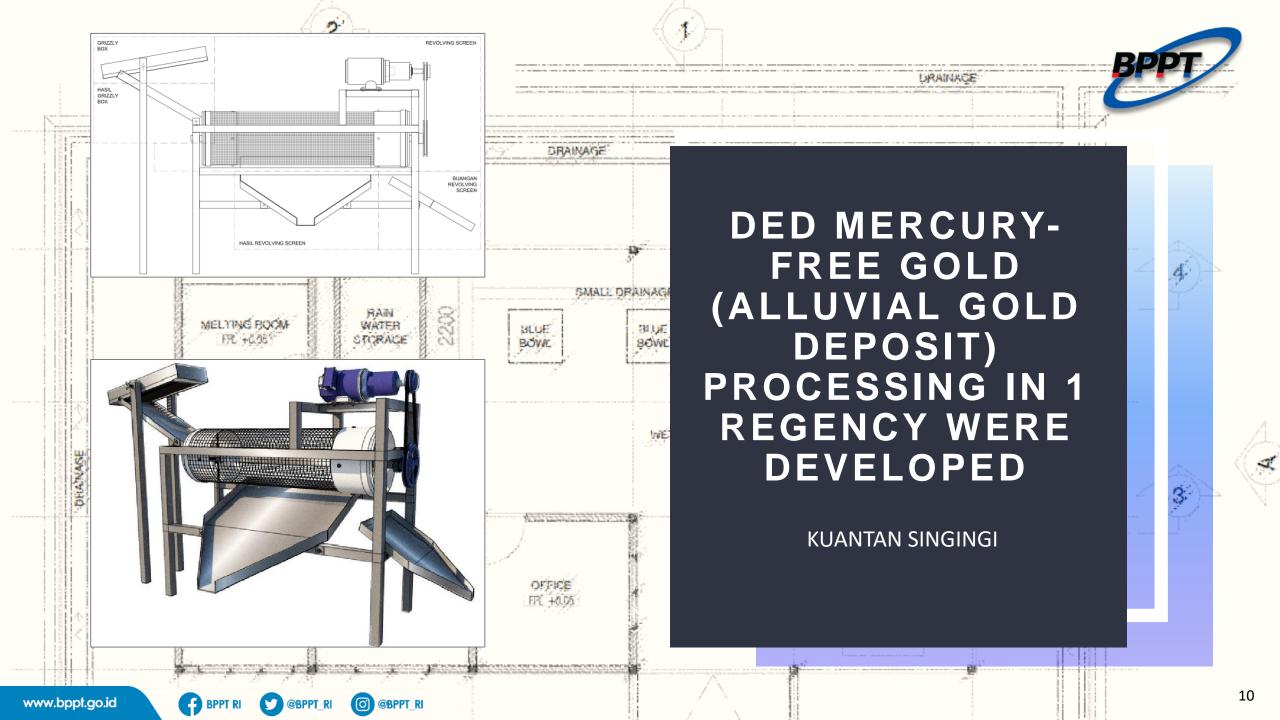
DED MERCURY-FREE GOLD (PRIMARY GOLD **DEPOSIT)** PROCESSING IN 4 REGENCIES WERE **DEVELOPED**

> LEBAK, BANYUMAS, PACITAN, & KULON PROGO







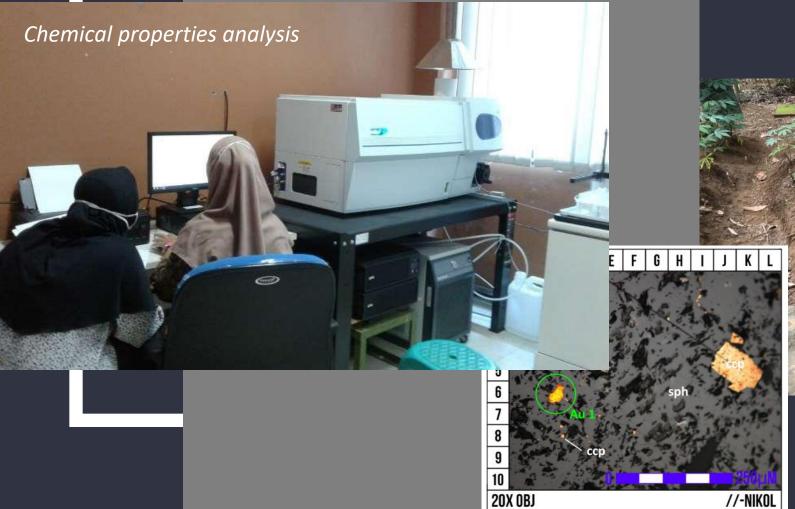






ORE & SITE CHARACTERIZATION







Field survey & sampling













COMMISSIONING, OPTIMALIZING AND TRAINING

On February 2020 (just before Covid-19 spreading out in Indonesia), BPPT, within GOLD ISMIA Project support, conducted the first mercury-free gold processing training for Kalirejo's ASGM in our pilot project in Kalirejo Village, Kokap Sub-district, Kulon Progo Regency, Special Region of Yogyakarta.

20 Trainers of trainer from 3 gold mining cooperatives attained Good Mining Practices Training and Mercury-free Gold Processing Simulation including the waste treatment as well. The simulation produced for over than 331 gr of gold bullion (contains gold and silver).



