

Challenges in exploration and mining for gold

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Abstract: The state of Kelantan is known for a long time for its resources of gold. The author was a general manager of a gold mining company in Kelantan for seven years. The author met several challenges, amongst others are to get ample fund to keep the company running, the thick jungle with wild elephants that trampled on pitting

samples, infighting among the staff and the most unfortunate was misunderstandings with the state authorities. This was the time where the mineral legislations were being tested for the first time, whereby the interest of the miners were being protected. With that the company managed to recover on the losses within two years.