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SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

ISikole Sezomnotho Nezezimali
Sekolo sa Dithuto tsa Moruo
le Tshebediso ya Tjhelete

DEGREES

ECONOMICS: BA; BSc; BCom; BCom (PPE); BEconSci

FINANCE: BCom; Bcom (FinSci)

BEconSci incorporates mathematical sciences with commercial sciences majoring in Economics and Finance or Mathematics

MAJORS

Majors in Economics (Economic Science or Economic Theory)

Microeconomics III

Macroeconomics III

Econometrics III

Mathematical Economics III

South African Development Issues

International Economics or History of Economic Thought III

Majors in Finance:

Portfolio Theory and Asset Valuation III

Capital Budgeting III

Derivative Securities and Portfolio Management III

International Finance and Capital Structure III

QUESTION

How does illegal mining and trade affect:

- Mining companies and local communities
- Government and overall South African welfare.

Mining companies and local communities

THINK MICROECONOMICS!

Firm Welfare and individual (or community welfare)

- Output and price distortions
- Higher costs of additional security etc required to reduce illegal mining activities.
- Investment impacts for companies.
- Environmental impacts for people and surrounding communities.
- Burdens placed on communities.
  - Crime syndicates get stronger and law and order deteriorates; communities have this additional burden to deal with.
  - Health and Safety.

Government and overall South African welfare.

THINK MACROECONOMICS

The bigger picture that affects South Africa

- Investment impact for South Africa
- Tax impact for South Africa
- Damage to infrastructure that burdens Government spending
- Environmental damages that affect future health, production and profitability.
- Overall South African welfare. This is just to round off the first 2 discussions.