

## **Post-Mining Livelihoods**

Demonstrating mining is just one in a series of viable land uses



The demonstration of multiple and sequential land use are key components of sustainable mining. What this means is that we show that mining is just one in a sequence of land uses, and after mining the land continues to sustain livelihoods for future generations.

To complement our work in land revegetation, Golden Star has for the last three years, undertaken programs to engineer our former pits to function as lakes, and to pilot scale commercial fish farming in this areas. Like our land reclamation, it is not enough to simply grow trees, it is our intention to prove that we can operate, commercial scale livelihoods, or levels of production in these areas.

At our Benso pit lakes, we have now harvested and sold three successive seasons of Tilapia that meet all required standards for consumption. In 2018, we have commenced development of a business plan to scale up production to commercially viable levels. This is with a view that in future years, once commercial viability is demonstrated, we transfer these businesses to local communities to enhance and diversify livelihoods.

