

ASX ANNOUNCEMENT **12 MARCH 2025**

STAR MINERALS TO RAISE $1.6 MILLION, WELCOMES STRATEGIC INVESTOR FOR TUMBLEGUM SOUTH DEVELOPMENT

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Highlights

- **$1.6 million in firm commitments received for a Placement to fund work on Star Minerals' Tumblegum South Gold Project and other project opportunities**
- **Bain Global Resources, a company associated with the large Indian mining contractor, BGR Mining and Infra Limited, to become a strategic shareholder in Star Minerals as part of this raise**
- **Funding will allow Star to complete activities required to progress Tumblegum South to decision-to-mine, including:**
    - Infill and extension drilling
    - Resource upgrade
    - Approvals and environmental studies
    - Feasibility study
- **Placement will be in two tranches:**
    - $750,000 to be raised in Tranche 1, within existing placement capacity
    - $850,000 to be raised in Tranche 2, which will require shareholder approval

Star Minerals Limited (ASX: SMS, "the Company" or "Star Minerals") is pleased to announce that is has received binding commitments for a placement of 64,000,000 new shares at an issue price of $0.025 per share (**New Share/s**), to raise $1.6 million (before costs) (**"Placement"**). CPS Capital Group Pty Ltd (**"CPS"**) acted as Lead Manager to the Placement, which has been strongly supported by strategic, institutional and sophisticated investors and existing shareholders.

Star Minerals' Chair, Ian Stuart commented:

"Star Minerals is delighted to secure funding for the next phase of development at Tumblegum South and welcome the strategic investment and commencement of a relationship with one of the largest mining contractors in India.

BGR was attracted to the economics of the project as outlined in the recent Updated Scoping Study released in May 2024 and is interested in the exploration and project economic opportunity given the sustained surge in the Australian gold price."

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The Company is now funded to continue project development programs. Proceeds will be primarily applied to:

- Tumblegum South Gold Project
  - Infill and extension drilling
  - Resource upgrade
  - Approvals and environmental studies
  - Feasibility study
- New project generation
- General working capital

About Bain Global Resources

Bain Global Resources is a company associated with BGR Mining & Infra Limited (BGR) which is headquartered in Hyderabad, India, and was founded in 1988 as an engineering contractor (see www.bgrmining.com). Today, BGR is a major player in the Indian mining industry. It has executed more than 50 projects and currently has an order book of close to US$$11 billion. BGR has consolidated its services as one of the leading mining developers and operators (MDO) in India, with a keen focus on local issues, rest and recreational activities and the other inherent challenges in mining projects. BGR integrates design, planning and modern operation technologies for safer and more productive mines. From open cast coal mining contracts to MDO projects in India and in Mozambique, BGR is committed to serving every region in the world. Having achieved steady growth over the years since its inception, BGR has now set its eyes on the global stage to deliver mission-critical projects in a timely manner.

Placement Details

The Company has arranged the Placement of 64,000,000 New Shares at an issue price of $0.025 per New Share in two tranches to raise $1.6 million (before costs) with sophisticated and professional investors as defined by section 708 (8), (10) and (11) of the Corporations Act 2001.

The offer price of $0.025 represents a discount of 16.67% to the last closing price on the ASX and represents a 23% discount to the 15-day VWAP of $0.0327.

The issue of 30,000,000 New Shares under Tranche 1 of the Placement to raise $750,000 will not be subject to shareholder approval and will be made utilising the Company's combined 7.1 and 7.1A placement capacity under Australian Securities Exchange (ASX) Listing Rules.

Tranche 1 comprises 18,000,000 New Shares issued within the Company's 15% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1 and 12,000,000 New Shares issued within the Company's additional 10% placement capacity under Listing Rule 7.1A.

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The issue of 34,000,000 New Shares under Tranche 2 of the Placement to raise $850,000 will be subject to shareholder approval. The Broker Options will be issued in conjunction with the issue of the Tranche 2 shares.

The Company will convene a general meeting seeking shareholder approval for the issue of Tranche 2 New Shares, as soon as possible (late April 2025).

Shares issued under the Placement will be fully paid ordinary shares in the Company and will rank equally with shares currently on issue.

Settlement and issue of the Tranche 1 Placement shares is expected to occur on or around 17th March 2025.

CPS or its nominee/s will receive a management fee of 2% and raising fee of 4% on gross funds raised under the Placement. Additionally, CPS or its nominee/s will receive 10,000,000 unlisted options ("Broker Options"). The Broker Options will have an exercise price of $0.0375, and an expiry of three years from their date of the issue.

This announcement is intended to lift the voluntary suspension applied for and granted on Monday, 10 March 2025.

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This announcement has been approved for release by the Board.

Compliance Statements

The information in this announcement that relates to exploration is based on information compiled by Mr Ashley Jones, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM) and is a Director of Star Minerals Limited. Mr Jones has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Jones consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information in this announcement relating to the current resource estimate for the Tumblegum South gold deposit is extracted from the Company's announcement 'Tumblegum South Mineral Resource Update' dated 29 May 2023 and is available to view on the Star website, www.starminerals.com.au.

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The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement. The estimated mineral resources underpinning the Production Target have been prepared by the Competent Person in accordance with the requirements of the JORC Code (2012).

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

The information in this report that relates to the Open Pit Mining Scoping Study for Tumblegum South and to the Production Target derived from the Scoping Study is based on information compiled by Mr Jake Fitzsimons, a Competent Person who is a Member or Fellow of The Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a full time employee of Orelogy Pty Ltd. Mr Fitzsimons has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Fitzsimons consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

Forward Looking Statements

This announcement contains forward-looking statements which are identified by words such as 'may', 'could', 'should', 'believes', 'estimates', 'targets', 'expected', or 'intends' and other similar words that involve risks and uncertainties. These statements are based on an assessment of present economic and operating conditions, and on a number of assumptions regarding future events and actions that, as at the date of this announcement, are considered reasonable. Such forward-looking statements are not a guarantee of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other important factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, the Directors and the management. The Directors cannot and do not give any assurance that the results, performance, or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this announce will actually occur and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

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