

- “Dam” includes any natural as well as any artificial depository of water :
- “District” and “mining district” mean a mining district constituted under this Act :
- “Endowment” means any land set apart under any Act by way of endowment for any public body or local authority, in whomsoever the fee-simple of such land is vested : 5
- “Former Mining Act” means any Mining Act in force at any time prior to the commencement of this Act, and includes the compiled Acts : 10
- “Gold” includes any substance containing gold or silver, or having gold or silver mixed therein, or set apart for the purpose of extracting gold or silver therefrom :
- “Inspector of Mines” or “Inspector” means an Inspector of Mines appointed under this Act, and includes an Assistant Inspector : 15
- “Land” includes water :
- “Local authority” means a Borough or County Council, a Town or Road Board, or a Harbour Board :
- “Machinery” includes all mechanical appliances of whatsoever kind used for any mining purpose : 20
- “Magistrate” means a Stipendiary Magistrate :
- “Metal” includes gold :
- “Mine,” as a noun, includes every parcel of land in, on, or under which any mining operations are carried on, whether such mine is occupied under any title or not; and includes also all machinery used in such operations : 25
- “Mine,” as a verb, includes any mode or method of working a mine :
- “Miner’s right” includes also a consolidated miner’s right : 30
- “Mineral” means any metal or mineral other than precious metals, precious stones, and coal; and includes petroleum and other mineral oils :
- “Mining” means mining operations, and includes prospecting :
- “Mining Act” means any Act relating to mining for gold or any other metal or mineral : 35
- “Mine-manager” means the person having the actual control and working of any mine :
- “Mining operations” and “mining purposes” mean mining for gold or any other metal or mineral; and include— 40
- (a.) The stacking, storing, and treatment of any substance supposed to contain gold or any other metal or mineral ;
- (b.) The erection, maintenance, and use of machinery, and the construction or use of races, dams, channels, batteries, dredges, buildings, and other works connected with any such operations or purposes ; 45
- (c.) The deposit or discharge of tailings, *debris*, refuse, and waste water produced from or consequent on any such operations or purposes ; 50
- (d.) The lawful use of land, watercourses, and water, and the doing of all lawful acts incident or conducive to any such operations or purposes :