

# **Social Forestry in Malaysia from the Perspectives of SDGs & APFW2016**

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# Outline



# Forestry in Brief ...



- Forestry comes under the jurisdiction of the respective State Governments. (*Article 74 (2) of the Malaysian Constitution*)
  - Peninsular Malaysia Forestry Department;
  - Sabah Forestry Department; and
  - Forest Department Sarawak.
  - Nationally: Facilitated by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment
- The National Forestry Policy (NFP) recognized vital role of forest for welfare of community and national economy through concept of multiple land use.
  - To promote active local community involvement in various forestry development projects;
  - To maintain their involvement in agroforestry programs;
  - To develop comprehensive program in social/community forestry to cater for the need of rural and urban communities.



# Major SF Activities - National / State



- Establishment of National Social Forestry Technical Working Group.
- Establishment of Sabah SF Working Group (SASOF).
- Cooperation and linkages with regional SF-related institutions - ASFN, RECOFTC, NTFP-EP, SEARCA, etc.
- Studies, seminars, workshops and study visits with local communities.
- Past and ongoing activities –
  - Awareness & environmental education with local communities.
  - Research & documentation on indigenous knowledge.
  - Uplifting the livelihood of local communities.
  - Nationwide mangrove planting with local communities.

SF Projects	Local Communities	Implementor	Activities / Achievement
<b>Sabah- EU REDD+ Project : Tackling Climate Change through SFM &amp; Community Development</b>	-Mukim Batu Puteh, Kinabatangan; - Mukim Gana, Kota Marudu; - Ecolinc Area, Ranau	SFD, Sabah Wildlife Department, Sabah Parks & supported by respective Local Government/ Agencies.	2013-2017: Improving forest connectivity, carbon sequestration drives, community enrichment planting, community gap planting, capacity building, community empowerment & engagement.
<b>KOPEL Community Eco-tourism Project</b>	Batu Puteh villages, Kota Kinabatangan	KOPEL, MESCOT, SFD	Eco-tourism, Community Riparian planting, capacity building, community empowerment & engagement.
<b>Kelawat FR JFM Project.</b>	Kg Ponopuan, Kota Belud	SFD	Started 1998, FR restored & enriched. On-going. Special Occupation Permit.
<b>Lingkabau Gana FR SF Proj.</b>	10 villages in Kg Gana, Kota Marudu	SFD, Local Govt/ Agencies & CSOs	2007-2010. Watershed area enriched, community empowerment, economic crops. Post-project Mgmt by SFD.
<b>Mangkuwagu FR SF Proj.</b>	4 villages in Pinangah, Tongof	SFD, Rubber Fund Board, Local Govt/Agencies & CSOs	2007-2010. Economic uplifting through community rubber planting, infrastructure, capacity building. Post-project Mgmt by SFD.
<b>Bengkoka FR SF Proj.</b>	5 villages in Bengkoka, Kudat	SFD & Local govt/agencies.	Community enrichment planting, community rubber buffer zone, capacity building, community watershed planting.
<b>Tamparuli FR SF Proj.</b>	2 villages in Tamparuli.	SFD & Local govt/ agencies	Community watershed enrichment & protection, agroforestry, capacity building.

## Active SF Projects in Sabah

# Major SF Activities (Sabah)



- ❖ Local communities living inside or adjacent to forest reserves (approx. 20,000 peoples) are benefitting directly from SFM implementation .
- ❖ Provide basic facilities, training, job opportunity (engagement in SFM & conservation works), etc.



Workshop with Village Leaders



Capacity building by Raleigh



Tanks for Gravity system



Gravity piping system



Weir for gravity system



Organizing ASFN Conference



Provision of Land Tenure (OP)



Marketing local handicrafts



# Uplifting Livelihood of Communities (Sarawak)





# Awareness & Environmental Education (Sarawak)







Census and socio-economic survey on Malay traditional practitioners



# Research on Indigenous Knowledge (Peninsular Malaysia)



Preparation of herbarium specimen

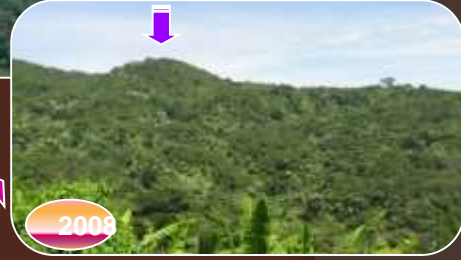
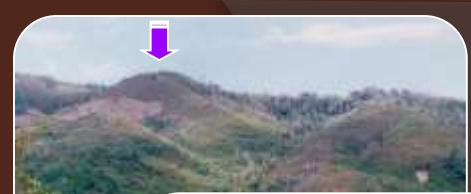


Germplasm collection



# Community Planting of Mangroves (Peninsular Malaysia)





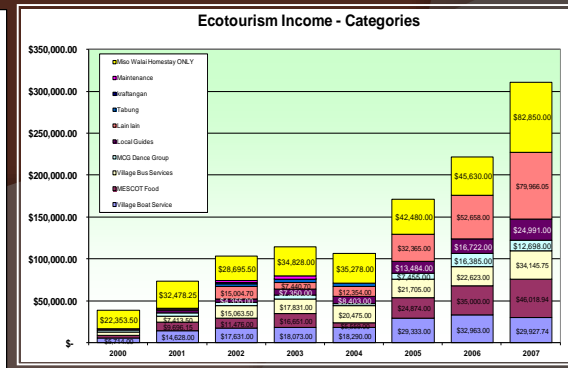
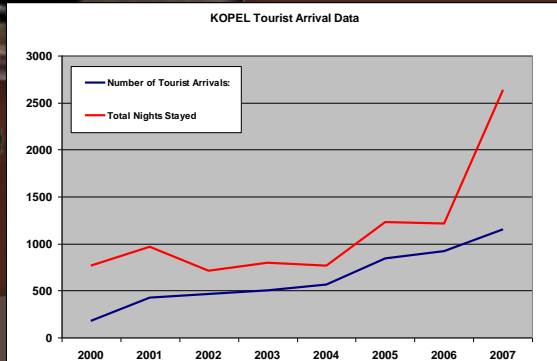
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COMMUNITY,  
KELAWAT FR**



**THE POWER OF  
COMMUNITY  
ENGAGEMENT**



**BATU PUTIH  
COMMUNITY,  
PIN-SUPU FR**





**MEMPROMOSI TAGAL HUTAN UNTUK MEMELIHARA AMALAN TRADISI, MENINGKATKAN PENGURUSAN KAWASAN TADAHAN AIR DAN MENANGANI PERUBAHAN IKLIM**

ANJURAN:  
SABAH SOCIAL FORESTRY WORKING GROUP (SASOF)

**17 FEBRUARI 2016**  
DEWAN MINI-TEATER PERHUTANAN, LOK KAWI, KOTA KINABALU



**BENGKEL PERHUTANAN SOSIAL**




1st with ministers and invited guests at the KKCC's Chinese New Year event.

### Extending Tagal system to the forests in Sabah

ROTAKEPABANGU) Sabah Forestry Department (SFD) and the Sabah Social Forestry Working Group is organising a workshop to promote the 'tagal' system in Sabah's forests. The 'tagal' system is a traditional practice of forest management which has been used for a long time.



# Promoting 'Tagal Hutan' (Community Forest Conservation Area)



**SESSION 2- LOCAL COMMUNITIES**



**SESSION 3- ACADEMIA & CSOs**



**SESSION 4- GOVERNMENT**




### Tagal to protect forests

Sabah students not involved in



**SASOF' TOR SIGNING CEREMONY**



No	Project	Description (Service Contracts)	Value	Time Frame
1	Deramakot	Silviculture tending operations	4,558,109.50	1996-2010
2	Deramakot	Giving Orangutans A permanent Home	300,000.00	2009-2010
3	Deramakot		471,304.00	2008-2009
			6,803,250.00	2004-2008
			2,765,000.00	2008-2011
			660,975.00	2008-2010
			500,000.00	2008
			1,382,000.00	2008-2010
			170,000.00	2008-2009
			1,400,000.00	2008-2010
			6,683,250.00	2006-2010
			592,000.00	2009-2010
			489,277.00	2009-2010



 **Kampong Tawkeys (Village Businessmen)**

## Creation of Kampong Towkays



16	Mt. Andrassy	planted seedlings Rehabilitation, supply and raising of seedlings and maintenance of planted seedlings	850,480.00	2009-2010
17	Timimbang	Rehabilitation, supply and raising of seedlings and maintenance of planted seedlings	84,433.23	2009-2010
18	Ulu Kalumpang	Felling and destroying illegally planted oil palm trees	1,053,400.00	2009
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>32,716,478.73</b>	

# Issues?



- Conflict of land tenure right – forest law/enactment does not allow land ownership within forest reserves and protected areas.
- JFM between community and relevant agencies is not yet fully explored, especially in State's reserves.
- Incorporation of traditional knowledge in forest management is yet to be fully realised



# The way forward



- Malaysia recognizes the vital role of SF as a major instruments in SFM implementation and to achieve SDGs.
- Traditional knowledge on the use and management of forests has a vital role in SFM and to address climate changes.
- A collaboration between government agencies, CSOs/NGOs & local communities is now getting stronger, but integration of traditional knowledge and practice into SFM still has a long way to go.
- More capacity-building and research support are needed.
- Appropriate and logical, people-centred forestry should be allowed to deliver for Malaysia to achieve SDGs.



# Conclusion



## ... in the context of APFW 2016 Streams

- Malaysia has been practicing SF, as early as 1995. Almost all themes are part and parcel of the SFM concept and practices.
- Empowered and engaged community (in CF) can provide important resources and experience to support the Government and Private Sectors/ NGOs/ CSOs to achieve SFM, and also the goals of the 5 Streams.







**Terima kasih**

**Salamat-po**

**Thank you**

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