

APKSM Uses RSPO Credits to Protect Orang Utans in Kalimantan



Asosiasi Petani Kelapa Sawit Mandiri (APKSM), a smallholder group that achieved RSPO certified since 2019 has become one of the groups that continues to have initiatives and innovations in protecting the environment. This May,

APKSM together with FORTASBI, RSPO, PT. Sawit Sumbermas Sarana (SSMS), and Borneo Orangutan Survival (BOSF) released 3 individual orangutans named Lanting, Junior and Praca, at the Orangutan Pre-Release Center on Salat Island, Pulang Pisau Regency, Central Kalimantan.

Salat Island is a group of islands with an area of around 2,000 hectares, managed by PT. SSMS and BOSF. This island is dedicated as an area for the learning process for orangutans before they are released into the wild, as well as ensuring the orangutans adapt with the environment before returning to natural habitat.

In order to support the protection and sustainability of orangutans, FORTASBI and APKSM have contributed to

providing food for 2 individual orangutans for 1 year. APKSM used part of the **RSPO Credit funds** to support this extraordinary action.

Widodo, APKSM Group Manager, who took part in orangutan releasing process, said that he was amazed by the experience. He also ensured that APKSM would continue to support the protection of orangutans for years to come, "This trip opened our eyes to how important orangutans in maintaining forest balance and forest conservation. I represent APKSM, an association of independent smallholders who have been certified by the RSPO. Thank you to BOSF and PT. SSMS, for involving us in the process of protecting orangutans. We will continue to be involved not only this year, but also in the following years."

The collaboration of protection on Salat Island will not only have an impact on protecting orangutans, but more than that, to provide economic benefits for farmers and the local community there, because orangutan food is produced from the community gardens around Salat Island.

Check out complete information [here](#).

RSPO Credit Supports APBML & FPS-MRM in Empowering Women's Groups



How can RSPO Credit helps oil palm smallholders to support empowerment for women's groups? In Tanjung Jabung Barat District, Jambi, two RSPO-certified smallholder groups, **APBML and FPS-MRM** are using RSPO Credit to increase the income of the Women's Nursery Management Group

(KP3) by purchasing coffee and candlenut seedlings from them. In this inspiring collaboration, APBML purchased 2,000 seeds, and FPS-MRM purchased 900 seeds.

The purchase of seeds was carried out as an effort by APBML and FPS-MRM to **rehabilitate the river banks** by planting the plants on the river banks using these seeds.

These two groups are indeed independent smallholder groups who have a river restoration program through the 'Lubuk Larangan' method. We provide social media articles and full documentations [here](#).

What is RSPO Credit?

Under the RSPO certification scheme, independent smallholders can sell RSPO certificates, known as **RSPO Credits**, through online sales on 'PalmTrace' platform.

Sale of RSPO Credits will provide additional income for independent smallholders, which can be used for institutional & community development [#SmallholderSocialResponsibility](#).

The credit value is equal to the value of the volume of FFB produced during 1 year, which has been converted to IS-CSPO, IS-CSPKO, and IS-CSPKE. More info about RSPO Credit [here](#).

KUD Sawit Jaya Utilizing RSPO Credit to Repair Roads for Villagers

KUD Sawit Jaya uses RSPO credit to provide greater benefits for community of Sukamaju Village.

The KUD, which is located in Seruyan Tengah District, Central Kalimantan, carrying out to **repair trans and axis road** of Sukamaju Village. Within the latest 1 year, the



road was damaged. The damaged roads also hindered the community access to pass the road.

The amount of funds disbursed by KUD Sawit Jaya in the construction of the 10km-long road is Rp 122,500,000. The repairing roads are expected to be completed within 8 days.

"We hope that the road we repaired can make community activities run smoothly," said Ali Sobirin, KUD Sawit Jaya smallholder. Check out more documentations [here](#).

Innovative Collaboration to Regenerate the Landscape

We invite you to explore the **extraordinary collaborative journey** that we have built since 2022, between FONAP together with FORTASBI and local NGOs: CAPP and Yayasan Setara Jambi, in improving the landscape of Bukit Tiga Puluh National Park in Tanjung Jabung Barat, Jambi.

This action carried out by inspiring actors in the field: forest farmers, women's groups, and independent oil palm smallholders. Watch the video: [#RegeneratetheLandscape](#).