

# INDONESIA

## Strengthening The Non-State Actors involvement in The Forest Governance



### CAPACITY BUILDING



Thanks to Burung's guidance and support, the management unit of the Mbeliling Landscape Multipurpose Cooperative (KSU-BAM) has successfully obtained the TLAS Legality Certification.

### INCREASED TRANSPARENCY AND ACCESS TO INFO



The Local Conservation Groups (LCGs) in 16 villages have continued to monitor the forest and ecosystem services, involving 185 people, out of which 65 were women.

### SUSTAINABLE AND INFORMED NETWORKS



The carbon stock assessment result of Mbeliling has been disseminated to the stakeholders in West Manggarai District during the Mbeliling Committee meeting.

### INFORMED AND EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION



The draft regulation of the Manggarai Barat District regarding to the legal timber procurement for government construction services has been submitted to the Legal Bureau of the District Government's Secretariat.


Burung Indonesia has worked closely with a number of stakeholders, include the Provincial Forestry Services, the Regional Development Planning Agency, the Forest Management Unit, the Tourism Office, the Mbeliling Committee network, the Timber Legality Assurance System (TLAS) Acceleration Coordination Team, and the village reGENCY to carry out the following activities aimed at strengthening forest governance in the West Manggarai District of Flores in the East Nusa Tenggara Province.:

- Provided community assistance to the teak wood farmers group, the teak wood farmers' association, and the Mbeliling Landscape Multipurpose Cooperative (KSU-BAM), including
  - Internal audit conducted by the project team to ensure the readiness of KSU BAM as the management unit in the proposed timber certification.
  - Assisted the KSU BAM management unit to complete the timber certification application in line with the TLAS audit indicators.
- Workshop for the West Manggarai Forest Management Unit (FMU) to develop an android-based application for forest monitoring. In this workshop, a monitoring form was successfully developed for use by the FMU in documenting the result of forest monitoring and timber distribution in the West Manggarai District.

*The Head of West Manggarai District would sign the District Regulation regarding to the legal timber procurement for the district government construction services.*

#### ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Burung Indonesia has completed an evaluation of the implementation of the Village Resources Management Agreement in 16 villages in order to prepare the village land-use planning.
- The e-restore application has been evaluated by the Ecosystem Restoration Working Group and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry of the Republic of Indonesia.
- The project team was involved in the virtual discussion “Pojok Iklim” held by the Secretary of the Climate Change Advisory Council with topics on the climate change mitigation and adaptation in Indonesia, such as:
  - Political ecology of the forest and land fires
  - Optimizing the National Forest Monitoring System
  - Optimizing the companies’ performance rating assessment in the environmental management
- The project team has facilitated the Mbeliling Landscape Multipurpose Cooperation (KSU BAM) to follow up timber legality and verification system audit recommendation, including:
  - Facilitating KSU BAM to prepare a detailed plan to follow up auditor’s recommendations
  - Facilitating the SOP development on the private forest timber and the timber market through KSU BAM.
- Training on environmental monitoring for the teak farmers group in accordance with the Statement of Capability in Environmental Management and Monitoring (SPPL) document. This statement letter is mandatory for the teak farmer groups that hold a timber legality certificate in order to ensure the sustainable management.
- Two new nursery centers were developed by the Mekar Jaya and Gelora Jaya Farmers Group and aimed at increasing the number of tree seedlings accessible to the group members.
- A wood storage and a processing workshop were established in the Roe and Cunca Lolos villages. Machinery and equipment for wood processing have been purchased and ready to be installed and assembled.
- Assistance has been provided to the Village Government’s Business Unit (BUMDES) in the Golo Damu Village, which was given a mandate by the community to collaborate with the West Manggarai Forest Management Unit in implementing the forestry partnership scheme in the Puar Lolo forest area.
- Project team attended a virtual National Workshop organized by CIFOR on FLEGT licensing to increase the capacity of micro, small and medium furniture craftsmen to access global markets: learn from Jepara and Pasuruan.



13 staffs of the West Manggarai Forest Management Unit have been trained on how to use the android-based application for forest monitoring. They have committed to conduct the monitoring at least once per quarter.

#### VISIBILITY

- One article on timber legality certification (<http://metro7.co.id/sertifikasi-legalitas-kayu-bentang-alam-mbeliling-untuk-kesejahteraan-dan-kelestarian-lingkungan/>) and an update on the Mbeliling Committee which submitted a draft of the regent regulation on legal timber (<https://www.victorynews.id/komite-mbeliling-ajukan-draf-perbub-legalitas-kayu/>).
- Series of publication on carbon stock study: <https://matanews.net/2020/12/23/cadangan-karbon-bentang-alam-mbeliling-bagian-1/> <https://matanews.net/2020/12/25/cadangan-karbon-bentang-alam-mbeliling-bagian-2/> <https://matanews.net/2020/12/26/cadangan-karbon-bentang-alam-mbeliling-bagian-3/> <https://matanews.net/2020/12/27/cadangan-karbon-bentang-alam-mbeliling-bagian-4/>

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Installation and assembly of wood processing machinery/equipment in the workshop and wood processing will begin.
- Development of village land use planning documents for 16 villages in the Mbeliling landscape. This is a detailed description of the Mbeliling landscape strategic plan.
- Delivering the results of forest monitoring and ecosystem services to the village governments in 16 villages so that they are accommodated in the village development plan in 2021.
- Further development in the e-restore application based on the results of evaluations carried out during 2020.
- Ecosystem Restoration Working Group meeting to evaluate the implementation of 2020 activities and prepare plans for 2021.

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