

10th APFP Project Management Meeting

Progress Updates of APFP Project Regional Component

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COMPONENT SUB-OUTCOME 1:

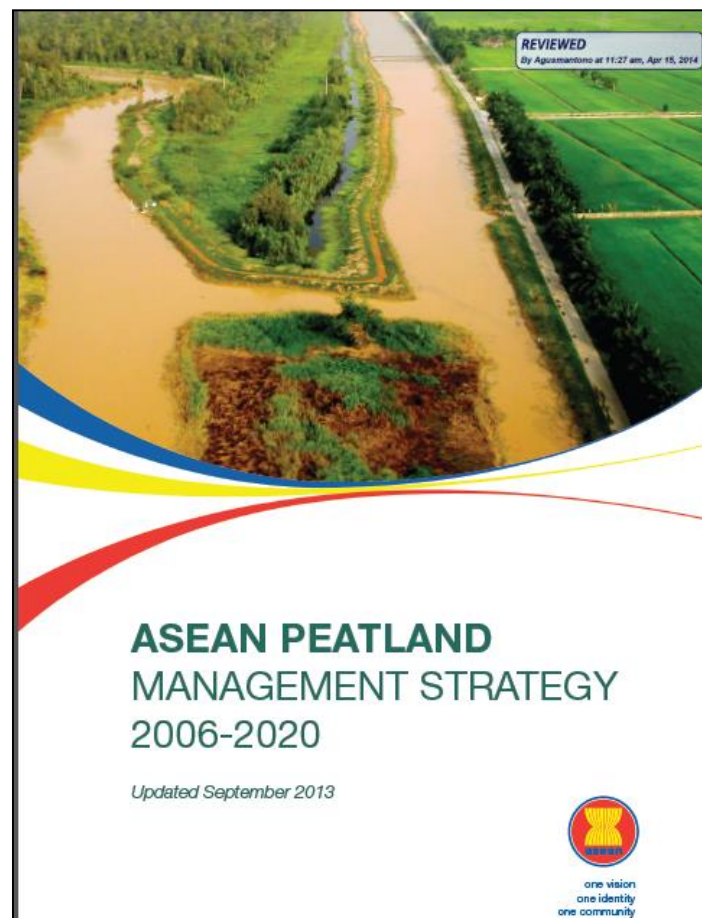
**Capacity for implementation
of APMS enhanced**



Progress on Regional Component

Output 1.1: Coordinated Implementation of the APMS and NAPs supported

- APMS Revision endorsed by COM/COP in Sept 2013
- Pre-Publication in Dec 2013
- Design of final version
- Printed by ASEC and distributed in April 2014
- Presentation on Progress made at TWG/MSC meeting on 1-2 April in Brunei Darussalam



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Output 1.2: Regional programme for capacity building and raising awareness implemented

- 2013 Newsletter (published on www.aseanpeat.net)
- 2014 Quarter 1 Newsletter (Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines and Regional Components)
- ASEAN Peatland Media Award closed on 31 March 2014. Received articles from Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar and Thailand.



ASEAN PEATLAND NEWS 2013

The ASEAN Peatland Forests Project (APFP) reached its fourth year in 2013. With the extension approved by IFAD and GEF, the project is slated to draw to a close in June 2014. Much progress has been made by the country components and here are some of the highlights. The SEApeat project will continue to early 2015.

ASEAN MINISTERS ADOPT UPDATED APMS

At the 14th Informal ASEAN Ministerial Meeting on the Environment and 9th Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution on 25 September 2013, Surabaya, Indonesia, Ministers reviewed regional cooperation on a number of environmental issues, and discussed new initiatives to further promote regional environmental cooperation.

The Ministers reviewed national, sub-regional and regional activities to address land and forest fires in the region and its associated transboundary haze pollution. The Ministers welcomed the significant progress in the implementation of the Work Programme of the ASEAN Agreement on Transboundary Haze Pollution, including concrete on-the-ground activities; the progress in the develop-



ment of the ASEAN-wide Fire Danger Rating System; implementation of the ASEAN Peatland Management Strategy (2006-2020). The revised APMS updates some of the targets and actions and establishes a new ASEAN Peatland Task Force to oversee APMS implementation.

The Ministers adopted the updated ASEAN Peatland Management Strategy (2006-2020) with the revision to the related

ASEAN structures and governance.

The Ministers noted the significant progress and achievements of the two projects on Rehabilitation and Sustainable Use of Peatland Forests in Southeast Asia (funded by Global Environment Facility) and the SEApeat Project (funded by European Union) which will conclude in 2014. The Ministers supported the Programme on Sustainable Management of Peatland

Ecosystems in ASEAN for the period 2014 to 2020 based on the lessons learned from these two projects in order to achieve the goals and objectives of the ASEAN Peatland Management Strategy by the year 2020. The Ministers also supported the development of a similar longer-term programmatic approach to address fires in the Mekong region which mostly originates from agricultural activities and forest areas.

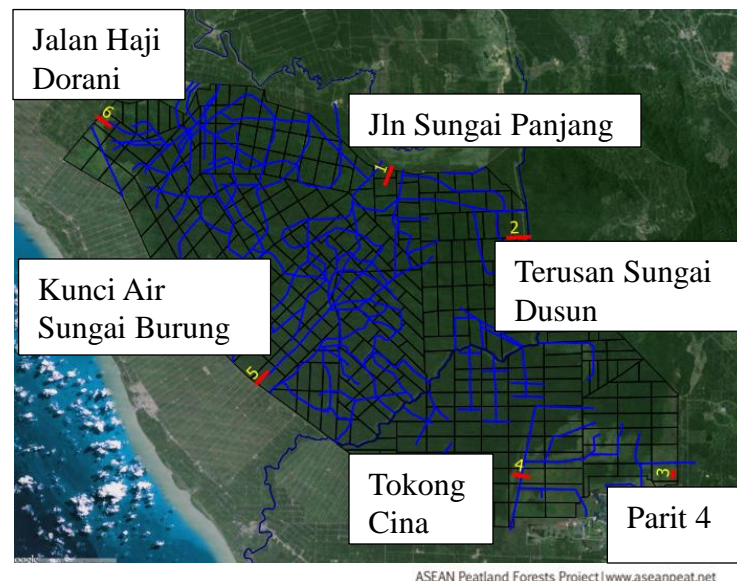


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Output 1.3: Sustainable resource mobilisation mechanisms for peatland management in the region established

a) Development of Peatland Carbon project

- A training on peatland hydrology was organized by GEC/LEAF in December 2013 in conjunction with Selangor Forestry Department.
- A total of 38 dip wells were installed in 6 locations at North Selangor Peat Swamp Forest. Based on the data from water table monitoring for 2 months (Dec 2013 and Jan 2014) a “Tentative assessment of carbon loss from the peat stock for the North Selangor Peat Swamp Forest” has been prepared. Water table monitoring had been continued in February-April.
- The report on Rapid assessment of potential of North Selangor Peat Rewetting project” is expected by May 2014.



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Output 1.3: Sustainable resource mobilisation mechanisms for peatland management in the region established

b) Development of the ASEAN Programme on sustainable management of Peatland Ecosystems 2014-2020

- Indicative support of Euro 20 million for implementation of the programme was confirmed in January 2014
- Technical support was provided to the Ministry of the Environment Indonesia to secure US\$5 million from GEF for an initial project to support the programme.
- A commitment was secured of RM1 Million from Sime Darby Foundation for rehabilitation of additional portions of the North Selangor peat Swamp Forest between 2014-2016.
- Participation in a meeting on climate finance in Vietnam 12-13 March
- A meeting to discuss the development of the programme is being held on 23-24 April



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Output 1.4: Regional Technical support and country guidance provided

- Technical coordination and management of country and regional components, including technical expert input and monitoring of country components and overall project.
 - Meeting on progress with Malaysian Component 25 February
 - Meeting on Progress with Indonesia component on 6 March
 - Meeting on progress with Vietnam Component on 13 March
 - COM and COP Meetings in Brunei Darussalam on 1-2 April
 - Meeting to provide input to Malaysian component of the development of follow-up projects was held on 10 April
 - TWG Malaysia Meeting 15 -16 April

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COMPONENT SUB-OUTCOME 2:

**Protection and sustainable
management of peatlands enhanced**



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Output 2.2: Regional priorities for peatland biodiversity conservation identified

- Collation of information of peatlands of importance for biodiversity in APFP countries
- Philippines had found other new peat area but had not received the respective datasheet.
- **Peatland Data Sheet**

COUNTRY	LOCATION	AREA (Ha)
Brunei	Belait Peat Swamp Forest	85,000
	Tasek Merimbun and Merit	7,800
	Total Area	92,800
Cambodia	Koh Kong	1003.9

COUNTRY	LOCATION	AREA (Ha)
Indonesia	Sg. Putri Forest Complex	70,000
	Pematang Gadung Forest Block	20,051
	Danau Siawan Belida	38,478
	Sebangau NP	568,700
	Ex-Mega Rice Project Area	1,400,000
	Katingan Peatland Restoration & Conservation Project	203,570
	Lamandau Wildlife Reserve	55,890
	Merang Peat Swamp Forest	150,000
	Giam Siak Kecil- Bukit Batu Biosphere Reserve	705,271
	Berbak National Park	162,700
	Danau Sentarum National Park	129,700
	Gunung Palung National Park	90,000
	Kampar Peninsula	700,000
	RawaAopaWatumohai National Park (TNRAW)	105,194
	Sembilang National Park	205,750
	Tanjung Puting National Park (TNRAW)	300,040
	Tulang Bawang Peat Area	76,976
	Total area	4,982,320

COUNTRY	LOCATION	AREA (Ha)
Malaysia	Ayer Hitam Forest Reserve	3,797
	Loagan Bunut Peat Swamp	7,000
	Maludam National Park	43,147
	Raja Musa Forest Reserve (RMFR)	23,486
	Sg. Karang Forest reserve	50,000
	Southeast Pahang Peat Swamp Forest	87,000
	Kuala Langat South Peat Swamp Forest	6,908
	Kuala Langat North Peat Swamp Forest	894
	Total Area	222,232

COUNTRY	LOCATION	AREA (Ha)
Myanmar	Inlay	9105.94
	Heho	1625.7
	Total Area	10,731.64
Philippines	Caimpugan Peatland	5,325
	Other Peatlands in Agusan Marsh (Pag-asa, Talacogon, Kalingayan, San Vicente)	10,350
	Leyte Sab-a Basin	3,088
	Naujan Lake National Park	120
	Lalaguna Marsh	20 (estimate)
	Cagayan	2000
	Samar/Basey	300
	Total Area	21,203
Singapore	Nee Soon Swamp	50

COUNTRY	LOCATION	AREA (Ha)
Thailand	Narathiwat	30969.5
	Nakhon Si Thammarat	18946.0
	Songkla	4828.5
	Choomphorn	3285.0
	Phatthalong	2767.5
	Surat Tani	1589.5
	Pattani	1205.0
	Yala	190.0
	Trang	85.56
	Phuket	62.5
	Krabit	47.04
	Trat	452.5
	Rayong	120.0
	Total Area	64,548.6

COUNTRY	LOCATION	AREA (Ha)
Vietnam	U Minh Ha National Park	8,286
	U Minh Thuong National Park	8,509
	Total Area	16,795

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Output 2.4: Guidelines for Integrated Management of Peatlands developed and promoted

- Development of Guideline for Integrated Management Planning of Peatlands expected to be finalised by May 2014



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COMPONENT SUB-OUTCOME 3:

Best management practices

from demonstration sites

disseminated



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Output 3.1: A multi-country network of demonstration sites and sharing experience established

- Data on possible demonstration sites is being compiled – available data has been listed in the SEA Peat Network
- Online data form available on www.aseanpeat.net – require NCs and NEs to promote the network widely
- Video Documentary of BMP and demonstration sites by June 2014.

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COMPONENT SUB-OUTCOME 4:

**Plantation sector actively
contributing to peatland
management**



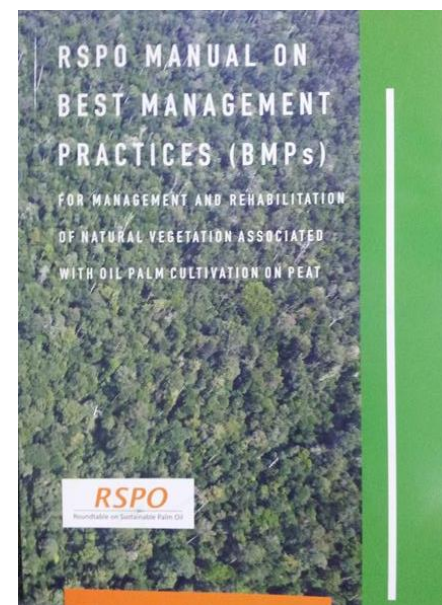
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Output 4.1: Guidelines for responsible management of existing oil palm and forest plantations on peatlands developed and tested

- Project team members have:
- Participated actively in the development of the Malaysian National Interpretation of the RSPO principles and Criteria (meetings in December, January and February)
- Co-chaired the RSPO Emission Reduction working group (17-18 February)
- Development of training materials for Training workshop on BMP Manuals for Indonesian growers on 3-5 March in Padang, Sumatra organised by RSPO



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SUB-OUTCOME 5:

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

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Outcome 5.2 Project governance mechanism overseen and guided and effectively coordinated, monitored and evaluated

- The RPEA was involved in the finalisation of the Semi-Annual Progress Report (July-Dec 2013)
- The RPEA was active in liaising with the country components and ASEC for the finalisation of the Financial statements and audit of the project for 2013.
- Project Management Meeting
Organisation of 10th PMM In Kuala Lumpur in April 2014

Overall Achievement to date versus LFA

	Component	% of achievement
Outcome 1	Capacity building and institutional strengthening	95.9
Outcome 2	Protection and sustainable management of peatlands	81.8
Outcome 3	Promotion of BMP from demonstration sites	80.9
Outcome 4	Plantation sector contributing to peatland Management	89.4
Outcome 5	Project management	100

Budget and expenditure RPEA

Summary of Expenditure for Regional (RPEA) Component

Expenditure Category	2014 Budget	Expenditure Jan – Apr 2014	Balance
I. Capacity Building	148,380.00	82,104.96	66,275.04
II. Reduction in peatland degradation	51,600.00	21,960.00	29,640.00
III. Management and rehabilitation	4,500.00	4,000.00	500.00
IV. Partnerships	7,200.00	6,100.00	1,100.00
V. Project Management	15,000	8,500.00	6,500.00
TOTAL	226,680.00	122,664.96	104,015.04

54 %

April – December 2014

- Printing of Guideline for Integrated Management Planning of Peatlands expected to be finalised by May 2014
- Finalisation of peatland directory (Online and database) based on reports from country component June 2014,
- Video Documentary of BMP and demonstration sites by June 2014.
- Further development of ASEAN Peatland Programme 2014-2020
- Preparation of completion report by August 2014
- RPEA involvement in terminal evaluation Mission Sept 2014
- Organisation of next PSC/closing meeting October 2014



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