



PRESS RELEASE

Welcoming the National Education Day, Asian Agri Supports Early Childhood Education

Asahan, North Sumatra, 20 April 2021 – Ahead of National Education Day on May 2nd, Asian Agri made contributions to the enhancement of the school facilities at Salwaa Early Childhood Education School, in Gonting Malaha Village, Bandar Pulau District, Asahan Regency, North Sumatra. These enhancements serve to strengthen teaching and learning at the school.

The contributions included a cupboard for book storage, a set of educational toys and a new sound system to support teaching and learning activities. Asian Agri's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Coordinator in North Sumatra, Aris Yunaidi accompanied by CSV Assistant, Puput Dwi Hermasyah conducted a symbolic hand-over of the facilities to the Salwaa Early Childhood Education School Management, Edy Edward RYSihombing.



"We are committed to supporting early childhood education and development in areas where we operate. As we look forward to National Education Day, we remain hopeful that our contributions will serve to the benefit of teachers and children," Aris said.

In response to the donation, Edy Edward R.Y.Sihombing conveyed his gratitude to Asian Agri, "On behalf of the management, teachers and students, I thank Asian Agri for always caring about education. Their assistance and meaningful contribution have helped us resume face-to-face teaching and learning activities in a safe manner that is also compliant with health protocols," Edy added.

Asian Agri is a member of the RGE group of companies. RGE manages a group of resource-based manufacturing companies with global operations.

About Asian Agri

Asian Agri is one of Indonesia's largest palm oil producers. Founded in 1979, the company today manages 100,000 hectares of plantation land and employs over 25,000 people. A pioneer of the Indonesian government's Trans-National Government Migration (PIR-Trans) program, Asian Agri currently works with 30,000 Plasma Scheme smallholders in Riau and Jambi who operate 60,000 hectares of palm oil plantations, and independent smallholders who manage a total 41,000 hectares.

Implementing a strict "no burn" policy since 1994 and best practices in sustainable plantation management, Asian Agri has helped its smallholder partners improve productivity, yield and supply chain traceability, while assisting them obtain certifications. The company's mills are technologically advanced and energy self-sufficient, minimizing greenhouse gas emissions.

Asian Agri (PT Inti Indosawit Subur) is a member of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO) since 2006. More than 86% of its owned plantations in North Sumatra, Riau & Jambi provinces and 100% of Plasma Scheme smallholder plantations in Riau & Jambi provinces have been RSPO certified. All its owned plantations and those owned by scheme smallholders ISCC (International Sustainability & Carbon Certification) certified since 2014. In 2019, the company also achieved 100% ISPO (Indonesian Sustainable Palm Oil) certification.

The company's operations are ISO 14001 certified, while its Learning Institute and nursery research center in Riau province, Indonesia are both ISO 9001 certified. Asian Agri's laboratory at the Center for Research and Development in Tebing Tinggi is accredited by the National Accreditation Committee under the ILAC Mutual Recognition Arrangement (ILAC MRA).

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