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### Asian Agri Raises Fire Prevention Awareness in Bagan Limau Village

Ukui, 27 February 2018 – Asian Agri recently held a training session in Bagan Limau Village of Riau, Indonesia, as part of its ongoing efforts to raise public fire prevention awareness, as well as the capabilities of the village's Fire Aware Community ('Masyarakat Peduli Api', MPA) in supporting the company's [Fire Free Village Program](#).



Among those present at the event were Environmental and Forestry Training Center representative, Muhammadun, S.Hut; Bagan Limau Village Secretary, Dr. Slamet Wahyudi; Asian Agri Plasma Manager at Ukui, Agung Wardana; Bagan Limau Village Fire Crew leader, Z. Harahap; eight members of MPA; and 80 Asian Agri farmers.

Asian Agri's Fire Free Village Coordinator, Hafiz Hazalin, said that Asian Agri will continue working with members of the Fire Aware Community – either in groups or individually – in improving their fire prevention skills, as well as their capabilities to form relationships with stakeholders.

“The communities need to be trained to develop both good communication techniques and fire extinguishing techniques,” he said.

Bagan Limau Village has been a member of Asian Agri's Fire Free Village Program since 2017. The village has been equipped with fire extinguishing equipment and training, which is meant for the prevention of land and forest fires around the village.

**About Asian Agri:**

*Asian Agri is one of the leading private companies in Indonesia producing crude palm oil (CPO) since 1979 and employs around 25,000 people today. Since 1987, Asian Agri has been a pioneer of the Indonesian government's Trans-National Government Migration (PIR-Trans) program. Today, the company manages 100,000 Ha of land and partners 29,000 smallholder families in Riau and Jambi who operate 60,000 Ha of palm oil plantation.*

*Asian Agri's success in becoming one of the leading CPO companies has been acknowledged internationally with the ISO 14001 certification for all of its operations. Its Learning Institute in Pelalawan, Riau, as well as its nursery research center in Kampar, Riau are ISO 9001 certified. In addition, Asian Agri's R&D Center in Tebing Tinggi has also obtained certification by the International Plant-Analytical Exchange at the WEPAL lab at Wageningen University in The Netherlands, for its high standards.*

*More than 86% of both owned plantations in North Sumatra, Riau & Jambi provinces & scheme smallholder plantations in Riau & Jambi provinces have been RSPO certified.*

*All plantations have also been ISCC-certified (International Sustainability & Carbon Certification), including plantation owned by smallholders. Palm oil mills and plantation in Buatan, Ukui, Soga, Tungkul Ulu, and Muara Bulian have been ISPO (Indonesian Sustainable Palm Oil) certified.*

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