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### **Asian Agri Empowers Youth to Meaningfully Contribute to Community in Lampisi Village**

**Tanjung Jabung Barat, 21 April 2021** – To support the empowerment of local youth as active economic contributors to their village, [Asian Agri's](#) business unit PT Inti Indosawit Subur (PT IIS) worked with the village's youth organization, known as Karang Taruna, to provide motorbike washing equipment to the community. This also supports the development of the youths' entrepreneurial spirit.

"Karang Taruna, as a youth organization in the village, is capable of being the village's creative economy contributor. When we received their proposal, we've decided to support their establishing of a motorbike washing business by providing a set of high capacity motorcycle washing equipment. We hope our support can bring [positive impact](#) to not only the Karang Taruna but also Lampisi Village," said Eduart Hutauruk, Plasma Manager PT IIS, Kebun Tungkal Ulu.

At the symbolic hand-over event, Mr Eduart urged members of the Karang Taruna to not only develop their entrepreneurial skills but also continue doing so while observing health and safety protocols to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

The Chairman of the Lampisi Village Youth Organization, Suyetno, gave his appreciation to Asian Agri for supporting the young generation as productive members of the community. He received the donation from Asian Agri on behalf of the community at a handover ceremony today.

"As a representative of Lampisi Village's Karang Taruna, I would like to thank PT IIS for their attention and support. The equipment will be very useful, especially in increasing our productivity in our spare time as well as creating economic value in support of our Karang Taruna activities," said Mr Suyetno.

Head of Lampisi Village, Ahmad Musthofa, also express his appreciation to the company for their support of the youth organizations in his village.

"We would like to express our appreciation to PT IIS Kebun Tungkal Ulu for providing a set of motorcycle washing equipment to our village youth organization. We hope this will support our community on many levels, including empowering our youth to contribute meaningfully to the community. We also hope that we can continue this meaningful collaboration with Asian Agri so we can improve, thrive and also stay safe together," he said.

The handover ceremony was held in Lampisi Village, Renah Mendaluh sub-district, Tanjung Jabung Barat district. It was attended by Eduart Hutauruk, Plasma Manager of PT IIS Kebun Tungkal Ulu, Mr Suyetno, the Chairman of the Lampisi Village Youth Organization, CSR Coordinator of Asian Agri Jambi Region, Rudy Jasthon S, Public Relations of PT IIS Kebun Tungkal Ulu, Joko Rianto, Head of Lampisi Village, Ahmad Musthofa, and one of the members of the Youth Organization, Andi.

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 since 1979. Today, the company manages 100,000 hectares of land and employs over 25,000 people. A pioneer of the Indonesian government's Trans-National Government Migration (PIR-Trans) program, Asian Agri works with 30,000 plasma smallholders in Riau and Jambi who operate 60,000 hectares of palm oil plantations, as well as independent smallholders, bringing about positive impact on their quality of life and economic development.

Implementing a strict "no burn" policy 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 is a member of the Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil (RSPO). More than 86% of both owned plantations in North Sumatra, Riau & Jambi provinces and 100% of scheme smallholder plantations in Riau & Jambi provinces have been RSPO certified. All plantations, including those owned by smallholders, have been certified by ISCC (International Sustainability & Carbon Certification). The company has also been 100% ISPO (Indonesian Sustainable Palm Oil) certified.

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 R&D Center in North Sumatra was also given a certification by the International Plant-Analytical Exchange at the WEPAL lab at Wageningen University in The Netherlands, for its high standards.

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