

Asian Agri Supports Five Villages With Goat Donation

Pelalawan, 30 June 2021 – As part of its broad range of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programs to uplift communities and support a sustainable economy during the pandemic, Asian Agri's business unit PT Inti Indosawit Subur (PT IIS) donated goats to five villages near its operating areas.

The five villages that received the donations are the livestock groups in Makmur Village, Mekar Jaya Village in Kerinci Kanan District; Lalang Kabung Village, Delik Village in Pelalawan District, Pelalawan Regency and Bukit Agung Village in Kerinci Kanan District, Siak Regency. The Etawa goats produce milk that can be sold for income. The donations were handed over at a ceremony today.



Gatot Sibuea, Group Manager, PT Inti Indosawit Subur, said: "We are supporting goat farming in our communities around our company's operations, and we seek to increase their income. Our livestock donation aims to support the family economy. 15 goats have been handed over to five livestock groups in five villages. We hope goat farming will support the improvement of the local economy."

Lindu Simatupang, Public Relations Officer, PT IIS Buatan Plantation, said: "With proper livestock rearing and the increase in sales of milk, the impact of our livestock donation will be continuous and sustainable for the family economy.".

Asian Agri is part of the Royal Golden Eagle (RGE) group of companies. RGE manages a resource-based manufacturing companies with global operations, and operates on the 5Cs philosophy of doing what is good for the community, country, climate, customer and company..

Parlaungan Panjaitan, Head of Bukit Agung Village, expressed appreciation for PT IIS and was optimistic that the goat donation will positively impact the village economy.

On receiving the donation, Parlaungan Panjaitan said: "We thank Asian Agri for caring for our residents, especially the underprivileged among us. We hope that the goats will give birth once a year, with an average of two kids, so in the next three years, we can have 12 goats. The donation has a very positive impact on the family's economy and certainly on the welfare of the residents. We hope to go achieve more with our goat farming and that the good relationship between the villages and Asian Agri will continue."

Suwardi, the Village Head of Makmur also expressed appreciation for the donation and said that he was ready to oversee the efforts to make goat farming sustainable and continuously beneficial to the village.

Suwardi added: "We will ensure proper management of the goat farming and continue to monitor its progress. This is to ensure its continuing success for years to come."

Abu Kasim, Head of the Makmur Lestari Livestock Group, a beneficiary, expressed his gratitude for the company's concern for the community. Abu said: "Thank you Asian Agri for the donation. This means a lot to us. We look forward to raising the goats."

The donation handover ceremony was attended by Public Relations of PT IIS Buatan Plantation, Lindu Simatupang, Plasma Assistant of PT IIS, Slamet Prayogi, CSR Coordinator of Asian Agri Riau Region, Eko Budi, Head of Bukit Agung Village, Parlaungan Panjaitan and Head of Makmur Village, Suwardi and also the Heads of the Goat Livestock Group.

About Asian Agri:

Asian Agri is one of Indonesia's largest <u>palm oil producers</u>. 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 <u>Roundtable on Sustainable Palm Oil</u> (<u>RSPO</u>) 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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