

Asian Agri Helps Coffee Farmers With Huller Machine Gift

Jambi, 28 June 2022 – Lubuk Bernai Village, Batang Asam District, West Tanjung Jabung Regency, Jambi Province, is a coffee-producing village. The village's weather and conditions are conducive for coffee cultivation.

To further support the expansion of Lubuk Bernai Village's coffee business, Asian Agri, through its business unit, PT Dasa Anugrah Sejati (PT DAS), provided a huller machine to help the coffee farmers maximise production.

“Currently, coffee farmers in Lubuk Bernai Village still cultivate the beans the traditional way. This is an obstacle for farmers as the processed products will not be optimal,” said Marpituah Saragih, Group Manager of PT DAS after handing over the two-function huller machine.



“The machine peels both dry and wet coffee beans more efficiently than traditional means,” explained Marpituah. He added that the Lubuk Bernai Village Head Wahyu Amrullah saw economic potential in the community in the area of coffee cultivation, which inspired the idea of the huller machine gift.

“The coffee business potential of Lubuk Bernai Village is starting to increase, so the Village Head wants the coffee production owned by farmers to develop immediately. Therefore, he has submitted a request to provide coffee huller machines,” Wahyu Amrullah said.

“[Asian Agri](#) has a CSR program that addresses the requests of the communities. We hope that the community of Lubuk Bernai Village can develop and grow coffee, and also meaningfully contribute to the [local economy](#),” he added.

The Lubuk Bernai Village Head thanked Asian Agri – PT DAS Group Kebun Taman Raja for providing this coffee peeler, saying: “This donation is very meaningful and beneficial for coffee farmers. We will continue to maintain good relations between the community and the company. We also hope the company will continue their support of the community here, ” he said.

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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