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Facts and Figures

- EC contribution: € 15 million (89,8% of the project)
- Duration: 2005- 2010
- Geographical zone: Indonesia, concentrated on the provinces of Jambi and West Kalimantan
- Both mitigation and adaptation in focus.



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Indonesia Forest Law Enforcement, Governance and Trade Support Project (FLEGT)

We consider that a FLEGT Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the EU and Indonesia can make a substantial contribution to addressing the problem of illegal logging and can contribute to the promotion of legally harvested and sustainable timber.

Joint Statement of Minister of Forestry
Indonesia and Commissioners for
Development and Environment



Context

The EU action plan for forest law enforcement, governance and trade support project (FLEGT) is the EU's response to the global problem of illegal logging and the trade in associated timber products. Measures under the action plan include support for improved governance and capacity building in timber producing countries, development of Voluntary Partnership Agreements to prevent illegally produced timber from entering the EU market, and efforts to reduce the EU's consumption of illegally harvested timber.

Objective

- To support and encourage the Government of Indonesia, the private sector and civil society to create the appropriate enabling conditions conducive to reducing trade in illegal timber and non-sustainable practices in the forestry sector.

Impact

- Allocation of more than 18 000 ha of state forest facilitated for management by around 2 000 families in the Sarolangun district.
- Establishment of Conflict Resolution Forums facilitated in several districts. These are fully mandated to amicably resolve forestry related conflicts.
- Establishment of district and provincial level Forestry Information Centres to promote improved forest governance at the local level.
- Future management options for abandoned logging concessions developed and introduced to relevant stakeholders.
- Coordination of FLEGT activities and liaison among donors, other international organisations like ASEAN and Government of Indonesia in place.

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Good forest sector governance is crucial for forests to become net carbon sinks and in attracting buyers of forest carbon - there is thus a clear link between FLEGT and climate related forestry activities.

The FLEGT Support project has, amongst other things, facilitated the allocation of more than 18 000 ha of state forest for management by around 2 000 families in the Sarolangun district of Jambi province. This will directly improve the livelihoods of these families. Each family will establish and manage around 10 ha of forest plantations in formerly badly degraded forest areas. The formal allocation of state forest land for community management is a new concept in Indonesia. The area in Sarolangun is already acting as a demonstration site for other districts and provinces in Indonesia.

Related to this, the project has facilitated in a number of districts the establishment of Conflict Resolution Forums. These are established by official local government regulations and are thus fully mandated to amicably resolve forestry related conflicts (i.e. typically conflicts between communities and logging companies or communities and national parks over access to forest resources). Resolution of forestry conflicts leads to more sustainable forest management.

The project is also promoting improved forest governance at the local level through the establishment of district and provincial level Forestry Information Centres. Clear policies on access to and dissemination of forestry information has been established and the Information Centres act as local clearing houses for forestry related information. This improves transparency and accountability of the local forestry officials which in turns results in improved forest sector governance at the local level.



Minister of Forestry of Indonesia together with Commissioner Dimas during a visit to Brussels, 01/2007