





WHAT MOTIVATED YOU - HOW DID YOU END UP BEING INTERESTED IN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES/ENGAGING IN A GEF PROJECT?

"Directorate General of Forestry Planning and Environmental Governance MoEF, Indonesia and UNDP via the KalFor Project focuses on a program to maintain and protect forest. It provides many advices and assistance to community on how to maintain and protect forest.

By maintaining forest in East Kutai, particularly at Batu Lepoq village, it means that it contribute to the global, because Kalimantan forest is the world lung, and maintain to make forest carbon stock well maintained so that the target to reduce emissioin is achieved. Other lesson learnt is we can protect forest potential to tourism/ecotourism, and forest outside state owned forest can be utilized as currently guided by the government."













WHAT HAS MADE THE BIGGEST CHANGE FOR YOU AND/OR YOUR COMMUNITY – WHEN YOU THINK BACK FROM WHEN YOU STARTED WHAT WAS THE MOST IMPORTANT SUPPORT YOU RECEIVED (FROM THE GEF) THAT MADE THE MOST DIFFERENCE?

"I see that with the support of KalFor, there are clear opportunities to protect forest and ensure land status to be managed by community. The community want their forest is protected and KalFor support their efforts.

One of ways to save forest at Non State Forest Area is encouraging to produce immune booster/natural food supplement made from herbs grow well at forest at Non State Forest Area in our village. We are helped also by Prof. Dr. Esti Handayani Hardi, S.Pi., M.Si. from University of Mulawarman to produce the immune booster."











DO YOU HAVE AN INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY WISH – WHAT DO YOU WISH WILL BE DIFFERENT THIS TIME NEXT YEAR?

"As the leader of the village of Batu Lepoq, I hope that community have strong commitment to save the forest. I hope that in the future, capacity of the community increase and spirit to work communally and in unity can be maintained.

In the future, I hope that knowledge on planting, particularly for Cacao increase. Batu Lepoq village has programs one (1) household, one (1) hectare of Cacao. The community expects that their expectation can operate well. This to increase community prosperity. As an example, I have planted 3000 Cacao seed up to now. I hope this will give good changes and good name for the Batu Lepoq village.

I am optimis with the Batu Lepoq village. Although the village is still under developed, I am sure that soon we will be the leader, because Batu Lepoq has capacity and power, has its own land and land at Non State Forest Area. There have been many supports to Batu Lepoq village, including the KalFor Project, and we are happy because our people have more knowledge on how to save and maintain forest at Non State Forest Area. We expect that the Batu Lepoq become self-developed in the future and strongly concern with its forest at its Non State Forest Area.

I would like to say thank you so much for the Directorate General of Forestry Planning and Environmental Governance MoEF, Indonesia and UNDP via the KalFor Project to support that we have received. This is very useful for the Batu Lepoq village community."









One of the KalFor programs is strengthening the role of communities around forests during the Covid-19 pandemic. In this program, Batu Lepoq provides several ingredients for making herbal medicine produced by an expert team at Mulawarman University, Samarinda. The raw materials for the herbal medicine include non-timber forest products (HHBK) in non state forest area in Batu Lepoq.

Meanwhile, the production of immune-enhancing herbs was made possible through the cooperation of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the Global Environment Facility (GEF).



"People can still produce traditional herbal medicine made from forest ingredients. That's what we can still maximize the existence of forest in Batu Lepoq," said Jum'ah





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