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Supply chain information:

Supply chain information included in Rapid Response reports is based on the latest public versions of mill disclosures, recent export data and grievance logs. Mighty Earth encourages companies to send updated versions of mill disclosures as soon as they become available and to share any decision to suspend relations with a given group/company listed in those mill disclosures; please send to rapidresponse@mightyearth.org.

Mighty Earth is now including biofuel companies in the supply chain tables of Rapid Response reports, as these companies have both direct and indirect trading relationships with groups highlighted in these reports and should be filing grievances on these cases. These biofuel companies are listed in the "Traders and Biofuel Companies" tables.

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Group: LKPP Corporation Sdn Bhd

PKPP Plantation Sdn Bhd

Concession location: (3.860507, 103.085155)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	101	-	-	-	February 11, 2019 - May 20, 2020

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between February 11, 2019 and May 20, 2020 a total of 101 hectares of forest was cleared in the PKPP Plantation Sdn Bhd concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Supply Chain Information

Company/Group	Trader	Biofuel Company	Consumer Brand
PKPP Plantation Sdn Bhd	-	-	-
LKPP Corporation Sdn Bhd	AAK, ADM, Bunge, Cargill, COFCO, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oi, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Lipsa, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Musim Mas, Oleon, PIL, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, Danone, FrieslandCampina, General Mills, Hershey, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever, Upfield, Vandemoortele

Ownership Information

LKPP Corporation Bhd Sdn is wholly owned by Perbadanan Kemajuan Pertanian Negeri Pahang (PKNP).¹

^{1.} LKPP Corporation Sdn Bhd website, www.lcsb.com.my



Mapping analysis

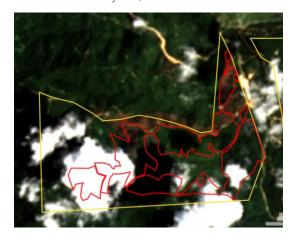




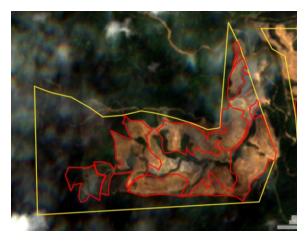
Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (3.860666, 103.078113)

Date: February 11, 2019



Date: November 17, 2019



Clearance location: (3.870990, 103.097408)

Date: February 11, 2019



Date: May 20, 2020



Group: Instant Star Holdings Sdn Bhd

Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd (area A)

Concession location: (6.122494, 117.476142)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	102	-	-	-	January 31 2019 - July 19 2020

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between January 31, 2019 and July 19, 2020 a total of 102 hectares of forest was cleared in the Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd (area A) concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Supply Chain Information

See below.

Ownership Information

The majority shareholder (66.34%) of Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd² is Instant Star Holdings Sdn Bhd, which is owned by Lee Yoke Har (50%) and Lee Yoke Hui $(50\%)^3$ — the daughters of the now deceased founder and chairman of the IOI Group, Tan Sri Lee Shin Cheng.⁴ The tycoon was ranked fifth on the 2019 Forbes Malaysia Rich List with a net worth of US\$5.4 billion.⁵

^{5.} e.g. New Strait Times article, June 3, 2019: www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2019/06/493502/lee-was-retire-today



^{2.} Corporate profile for Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd, Companies Commission Malaysia

^{3.} Corporate profile for Instant Star Holdings Sdn Bhd, Companies Commission Malaysia

^{4.} e.g. New Strait Times article, June 3, 2019: www.nst.com.my/news/nation/2019/06/493502/lee-was-retire-today

Case notes

Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd holds two concession areas in the Bonggaya Forest Reserve of Sabah covering 5,033 ha.⁶ In the last few years approximately 40,000 ha of forest have been cleared inside in the reserve, a known forest habitat of the Bornean orangutan (Pongo pygmaeus).⁷

Instant Star Holdings Sdn Bhd is also the majority shareholder (66.32%) of Satria Eramaju Sdn Bhd,⁸ which holds one concession area covering about 4,100 ha in the Bonggaya Forest Reserve.⁹

Mighty Earth was analyzing the deforestation within Aspirasi Kristal Sdn Bhd and Satria Eramaju Sdn Bhd concessions, and possible supply chain links to these companies, prior to the publication of a <u>report by Chain Reaction Research (CRR)</u> on July 10, 2020.

Regarding deforestation in the Aspirasi Kristal Sdn Bhd (area A) concession, the CRR report states: 'Since January 2020, Aspirasi Kristal has cleared 70 ha of forest on its concession. This is in addition to 1,300 ha of forest clearance between 2016 and 2019. High Conservation Value (HCV) or High Carbon Stock (HCS) assessments for this concession have not been made publicly available or submitted for peer review.'

Mighty Earth's analysis of deforestation in area A shows that between January 31, 2019 and July 19, 2020 a total of 102 hectares of forest was cleared in the concession.

Regarding supply chain information, the CRR report also states: 'There are six palm oil mills within an approximate 20-kilometre radius of Aspirasi Kristal, belonging to IJM, Boustead, Wilmar, IOI and Genting. IJM's Sabang Mill 1 is the nearest to the deforested area, just 12 kilometres away. IOI confirms that it does not buy fruit from Aspirasi Krista, and Aspirasi Kristal is not listed as a supplier to Wilmar's Sri Kamusan mill. Information on traceability to plantation for IJM, Boustead and Genting could not be found.'

According to MSPO audit reports for Aspirasi Kristal Sdn Bhd and Satria Eramaju Sdn Bhd, both companies have been producing and trading Fresh Fruit Bunches (FFB) since at least April 2019.

Mighty Earth contacted IJM, Boustead and Genting regarding whether they have sourced, or are continuing to source, FFB from Aspirasi Kristal Sdn Bhd and/or Satria Eramaju Sdn Bhd.

IJM Plantations Bhd

IJM - which owns the Sabang 1 and Sabang 2 mills - stated that; 'Aspirasi Kristal is one of our FFB suppliers. For your information, we have initiated the investigation on the mentioned matter since 24 June 2020. We have since had active engagement with management personnel from Aspirasi Kristal. As we are still awaiting other supporting information from them, we have given them the timeline until the end of this week [17 July] to respond to our request, such as the historical data and stop clearing works, shall there be any.'

^{9.} Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd, MSPO Public Summary Audit Report, December 2019



^{6.} Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd, MSPO Public Summary Audit Report, December 2019

^{7.} Simon et al 2019: Changes to Sabah's orangutan population in recent times: 2002-2017, https://journals.plos.org/plosone/article?id=10.1371/journal.pone.0218819

^{8.} Corporate profile for Instant Star Holdings Sdn Bhd, Companies Commission Malaysia

Case notes (cont.)

Although IJM adopted an NDPE policy in February 2019 - which applies to 'all suppliers' ¹⁰- the group clearly failed to apply the policy to Aspirasi Kristal's operations. It also failed to apply the NDPE policies of its customers, such as Bunge, IOI, Wilmar, etc.

Also, at the time of publication of this report, IJM has not logged this case on its grievance log.¹¹ However, IJM informed Mighty Earth directly that: 'we have requested them to stop any clearing activities prior to investigation completed and they have agreed to do so. The engagement is still ongoing.'

See supply chain information for IJM and its Sabang mills below.

Mighty Earth requests that traders sourcing from IJM, file this case as a grievance and take measures to ensure that Aspirasi Kristal/ Satria Eramaju comply with traders' NDPE policies.

Further, as this case highlights the fact that IJM has not fully operationalized its NDPE policy with its suppliers, that traders sourcing from IJM should investigate to whether IJM is sourcing from other NDPE non-complaint suppliers.

Genting Plantations Bhd

Genting - which owns the Sabapalm mill - stated that the company does not source FFB from Aspirasi Kristal Sdn Bhd and Satria Eramaju Sdn Bhd.

Boustead Holdings Bhd

Boustead - which owns the Rimba Nilai mill - did not respond to emails from Mighty Earth.

Other mills in the region of the Aspirasi Kristal and Satria Eramaju concessions:

United Malacca Bhd

Mighty Earth also contacted United Malacca Bhd, which owns the Meridian mill which is further north of the Aspirasi Kristal and Satria Eramaju concessions. The company stated that it does not source FFB from the Aspirasi Kristal and/or Satria Eramaju concessions.

Fortuna Group

Mighty Earth was unable to find contact details for the Fortuna Group which owns the owns the Kilang Kelapa Sawit Fortuna Sdn Bhd. The mill is also a potential buyer of FFB from the Aspirasi Kristal and/or Satria Eramaju concessions, as the group does not have its own FFB production and therefore solely reliant on third party FFB suppliers.¹²

Mighty Earth therefore requests that traders sourcing from the Fortuna Group investigate whether the group is sourcing from the Aspirasi Kristal and/or Satria Eramaju concessions.

^{10.} IJM NDPE policy, www.ijmplantations.com/media/IJMP-NDPE-Commitment.pdf

^{11.} IJM grievance log, www.ijmplantations.com/grievances-compliance-matters.php

^{12.} MSPO Summary Report for Kilang Kelapa Sawit Fortuna Sdn Bhd, https://rehpro.com.my/e-report/view.php?path=/home/rehproco/public_html/e-report/upload/01%20KILANG%20KELAPA%20SAWIT%20FORTUNA.pdf

Supply Chain Information					
Company/Group	Trader	Biofuel Company	Consumer Brand		
Sabang Mill Sdn Bhd (IJM Plantations)	Bunge, Cargill, COFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, Itochu, Mewah, Oleon, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, General Mills, Hershey, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Upfield, Vandemoortele		
IJM Plantations	AAK, ADM, Bunge, Cargill, COFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Mewah, Olam, Oleon, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, General Mills, Hershey, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Upfield, Vandemoortele		

Mapping analysis

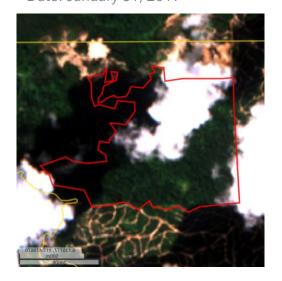




Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (6.139979, 117.469569)

Date: January 31, 2019



Date: July 19, 2020





Group: Instant Star Holdings Sdn Bhd

Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd (area B)

Concession location: (6.032496, 117.518971)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	10	-	-	-	November 17, 2019- June 20, 2020

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between November 17, 2019 and June 20, 2020 a total of 10 hectares of forest was cleared in the Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd (area B) concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Supply Chain, Ownership Information and Case notes

See Aspirasi Kristal (M) Sdn Bhd (area A) above.

Mapping analysis





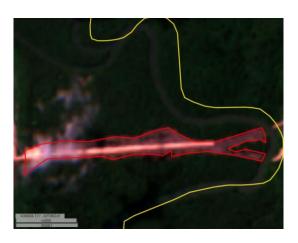
Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (6.038663, 117.491692)

Date: November 17, 2019



Date: June 4, 2020



Group: Amanah Saham Pahang

Mentiga Corporation Bhd (area A)

Concession location: (3.844676, 102.820220)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	33	-	-	-	February 5, 2019- July 7, 2020

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between February 5, 2019 and July 7, 2020 a total of 33 hectares of forest was cleared in the Mentiga Corporation Bhd (area A) concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Ownership Information

Mentiga Corporation Bhd (area A) is wholly owned by Amanah Saham Pahang Bhd. 13

Supply Chain information

See pages 19-20 below.

Mapping analysis





^{13.} Mentiga Corporation Bhd website, https://mentiga.com.my/v2/



Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (3.861886, 102.820678)

Date: February 5, 2019



Date: July 7, 2020



Group: Amanah Saham Pahang

Mentiga Corporation Bhd (area B)

Concession location: (3.844676, 102.820220)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	58	-	-	-	February 11 2019- May 20 2020

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between February 11, 2019 and May 7, 2020 a total of 33 hectares of forest was cleared in the Mentiga Corporation Bhd (area B) concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Ownership Information

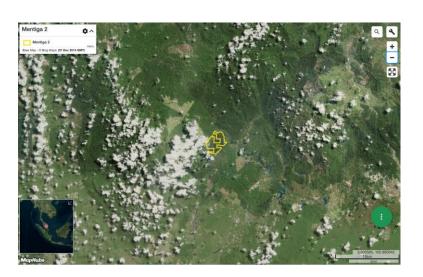
Mentiga Corporation Bhd (area B) is wholly owned by Amanah Saham Pahang Bhd. 14

Supply Chain information

See pages 19-20 below.

Mapping analysis





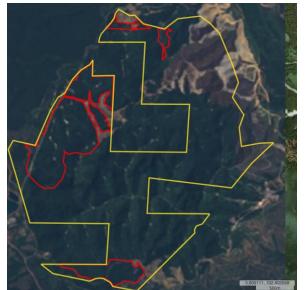
^{14.} Mentiga Corporation Bhd website, https://mentiga.com.my/v2/



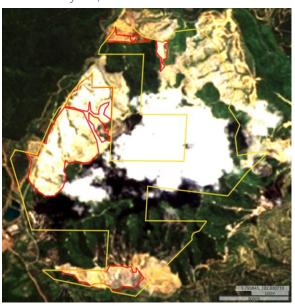
Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (3.779326, 102.836594)

Date: February 11, 2019



Date: May 20, 2020



Group: Amanah Saham Pahang

Amanah Saham Pahang (ASPA) - Berabong Estate

Concession location: (2.739578, 103.374190)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	156	-	-	-	April 29, 2018 - February 15, 2019

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between April 29, 2018 and February 15, 2019 a total of 156 hectares of forest was cleared in the Amanah Saham Pahang (ASPA) - Berabong Estate concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Ownership Information

The Amanah Saham Pahang (ASPA) Berabong Estate is held by Amanah Saham Pahang Bhd, which is wholly owned by the State Government of Pahang Darul Makmur.¹⁵ The Berabong Estate (4,100ha) is located on south-west of Kuala Rompin, Peninsula Malaysia.¹⁶

Note: The Berabong Estate deforestation analysis is included in this report, as it shows that ASPA was clearing forest between April 29, 2018 and February 15, 2019 - the period immediately before the documented deforestation took place in the two Mentiga concessions held by Amanah Saham Pahang Bhd. ¹⁷ As such, any NDPE trader sourcing from mills associated with ASPA concessions should have identified this company as a deforestation risk, before the deforestation took place in the two Mentiga concessions.

Supply Chain information

See pages 19-20 below.

^{17.} Mentiga Corporation Bhd website, https://mentiga.com.my/v2/



^{15.} Mentiga Corporation Bhd website, https://mentiga.com.my/v2/

^{16.} Based on concession data

Mapping analysis





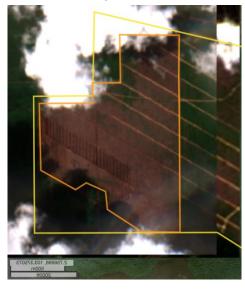
Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (2.753781, 103.397649)

Date: April 29, 2018



Date: February 15, 2019



Group: Yayasan PahangYP Plantation Sdn Bhd

Concession location: ((3.340233, 103.382049)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period
Report 30	-	1,807	-	1,216	January 21, 2019 - June 19, 2020

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between January 21, 2019 and June 19, 2020 a total of 1,807 hectares of peat was developed and a total of 1,216 hectares were prepared for clearing (stacking lines) in the YP Plantation Sdn Bhd concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Ownership Information

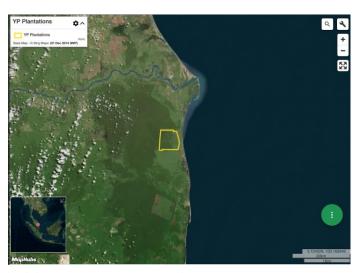
YP Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd is owned by the State government of Pahang Darul Makmur (Yayasan Pahang).¹⁸

Case Notes and Supply Chain information

See below.

Mapping analysis





^{18.} Corporate profile for YP Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd, Companies Commission Malaysia



Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (3.335399, 103.376308)





Supply Chain information: Amanah Sahan Pahang (ASPA) and YP Plantation

Unconfirmed industry communications with Mighty Earth indicate that in 2020, Pahang-based palm oil mills owned by Far East Holdings Bhd, Chin Teck Plantations Bhd, iKHASAS Group and Yuwang Group have been sourcing Fresh Fruit Bunch (FFB) from established plantations owned by Amanah Saham Pahang (ASPA) and/or YP Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd:

- Far East Holdings Bhd (Endau, Kosfarm and Rompin mills) has been sourcing FFB from ASPA and YP Plantations;
- Chin Teck Plantations Bhd has been sourcing FFB from ASPA;
- iKHASAS Group (Sri Jelutung mill) has been sourcing FFB from YP Plantations;
- Yuwang Group (Kilang Sawit Lembing Sdn Bhd mill, owned by Lembing Plantation Sdn Bhd) has been sourcing FFB from ASPA and YP Plantations.

An MSPO audit report for YP Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd (dated September 2019), confirms that the company has been selling its FFB production to Far East Holdings Bhd and Yuwang Group, as well as other mills in the region:

- "The FFB production from the Gugusan Rompin & Gugusan Endau estates i.e. LSK, LSKB and LSM partly were sent to Endau Palm Oil Mill (EPOM) [owned by Far East] also sent to outside mills i.e. Seri Senggora Palm Oil Mill [owned by Kilang Sawit Lembing Sdn Bhd, Yuwang Group] and others";
- "The FFB production from the Gugusan Pekan estates i.e. LSBU, LSBS and LBP were sent to outside mill i.e. Kilang Sawit Lembing Sdn Bhd [owned by Yuwang Group] and other mills."

Further, an RSPO Assessment <u>report</u> for Sime Darby's Jabor Palm Oil Mill (dated May 2019), shows that the company bought 24,663 tonnes of FFB from YP Plantation between April 2018 and March 2019.

According to information on the companies' websites, Far East Holdings Bhd, Chin Teck Plantations Bhd, iKHASAS Group and Yuwang Group have not adopted a No Deforestation, No Peat, No Exploitation (NDPE) policy or grievance procedure.¹⁹ Prosper Group - which claims to be is an "associate company" of Far East Holdings and is controlled by the Tee family - adopted an NDPE and grievance procedure in 2019.²⁰

Based on the evidence provided above, the Amanah Saham Pahang (ASPA) and YP Plantation cases highlight a complete failure by traders to conduct traceability due diligence with the mills listed above and enforce their NDPE policies.

Given the evidence of deforestation and/or peatland development by companies owned by Amanah Saham Pahang (including Mentiga Corporation) and YP Plantation Holdings Sdn Bhd, Mighty Earth requests that companies sourcing palm oil from Far East Holdings, Chin Teck Plantations, iKHASAS Group, Lembing Plantation and Sime Darby immediately file these cases as grievances and investigate these cases accordingly.

^{19.} Far East Holdings Bhd website, http://bursa.fareastholdingsbhd.com/sustainability/palm-oil-policy; Chin Teck Plantations Bhd website, www.chinteck.com.my/sub_business.html; iKHASAS website, www.ikhasas.com/palm-oil.html;Yuwang Plantations website, www.yuwang.com.my/webpages/history.asp 20. Prosper Group website, www.prosper.com.my

Supply Chain Information: Continued					
Company/Group	Trader	Biofuel	Consumer Brand		
Far East Holdings Bhd (linked to ASPA and YP Plantation cases)	AAK, ADM, COFCO, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Olam, Oleon, PIL, Sime Darby, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, Danone, FrieslandCampina, General Mills, Hershey, ISF, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever, Upfield, Vandemoortele		
Chin Teck Plantations (linked to ASPA case)	AAK, ADM, Bunge, Cargill, COFCO, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Lipsa, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Olam, Oleon, PIL, Sime Darby, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, Danone, FrieslandCampina, General Mills, Hershey, ISF, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever, Upfield, Vandemoortele		
Sri Jelutung/iKHASAS Group (linked to YP Plantation case)	ADM, Fuji Oil, IOI, KLK, Lipsa, Mewah, Olam, PIL, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, FrieslandCampina, Hershey, ISF, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever, Vandemoortele		
Yuwang Plantations (linked to ASPA and YP Plantation cases	AAK, ADM, BLD, Cargill, COFCO, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Lipsa, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Olam, Oleon, PIL, Sime Darby, Wilmar	-	Avon, Colgate-Palmolive, Danone, FrieslandCampina, General Mills, Hershey, ISF, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever, Upfield, Vandemoortele		
Kilang Sawit Lembing Sdn Bhd (mill owned by Yuwan Plantations, linked to ASPA and YP Plantation cases)	AAK, ADM, Cargill, COFCO, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Lipsa, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Olam, PIL, Wilmar	-	Avon, Danone, FrieslandCampina, General Mills, Hershey, ISF, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever, Upfield		



Supply Chain Information: Continued							
Company/Group	Trader	Biofuel	Consumer Brand				
Jabor Palm Oil Mill (owned by Sime Darby, linked to YP Plantation case)	AAK, ADM, Cargill, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oil, IOI, KLK, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Olam, Oleon, PIL, Sime Darby	Neste	Avon, Colgate Palmolive, Danone, General Mills, Hershey, ISF, Johnson&Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, RB, Unilever, Upfield, Vandemoortele				
Sime Darby	AAK, ADM, Cargill, COFCO, Felda IFFCO, Fuji Oil, GAR, Genting, Goodhope, IOI, Itochu, KLK, Lipsa, Louis Dreyfus, Mewah, Olam, Oleon, PIL, Sime Darby, Wilmar	Neste	Avon, Colgate Palmolive, Danone, Ferrero, RoyalFrieslandCampina, General Mills, Hershey, ISF, Johnson&Johnson, Kellogg, Mars, Mondelez, Nestle, Nisshin OilliO, Procter & Gamble, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, RB, Unilever, Upfield, Vandemoortele				



Unresolved Case

Group: Samling

Samling LPF 0008 Merudi and Batu Belah

Concession location: (4.095721, 114.493447)

Deforestation and/or peat development

Report	Deforestation (ha)	Peat development (ha)	Peat forest development (ha)	Clearance prep/Stacking lines (ha)	Time period	
Report 13	44	-	-	-	January 7, 2019 - February 16, 2019	
Report 17	12 (GLAD)	-	-	-	May 19, 2019 - June 20, 2019	
Report 19	13 (GLAD)	-	-	-	July 15, 2019 - August 15, 2019	
Report 20	166 (GLAD)	-	-	-	August 15, 2019 - September 15, 2019	
Report 21	9 (GLAD)	-	-	-	September 16, 2019 - October 15, 2019	
Report 24	359	-	-	-	February 18, 2019 - January 7, 2020	
Report 26	107	-	-	-	December 20, 2019 - March 19, 2020	
Report 28	119 (GLAD)	-	-	-	April 21, 2020 - May 21, 2020	
Report 30	61	-	-	-	March 29, 2020 - July 6, 2020	

Satellite imagery (see below) shows that between March 29, 2020 and July 6, 2020 a total of 61 hectares of forest was cleared in the Samling LPF 0008 Merudi and Batu Belah concession. (Imagery: Contains modified Copernicus Sentinel data 2020)

Supply Chain Information

Company/Group	Trader	Biofuel Company	Consumer Brand
Samling	BLD Plantations, Olam	-	-
Potential Samling oil via BLD Plantations (see Case Notes below)	IOI, Oleon	-	ISF, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mondelez, Nestle, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever



Ownership Information

Samling LPF 0008 Merudi and Batu Belah is part of the Samling Group.²¹

Mapping analysis





Alert Imagery (before and after satellite images)

Clearance location: (3.982854, 114.552355)

Date: March 29, 2020



Clearance location: (4.003017, 114.535717)

Date: March 29, 2020



Date: July 6, 2020



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^{21.} Samling Group website, www.samling.com/doc/Marudi%20FPMP%20Public%20Summary.pdf



Case notes

To date, the following traders and producer groups have suspended the Samling Group due to violations of their NDPE policies: ADM, Bunge, Cargill, Fuji Oil, Genting Plantations, IOI, KLK, Kwantas Corporation, Louis Dreyfus, Sarawak Oil Palms (part of the Shin Yang group), Sime Darby, and Wilmar.

Colgate-Palmolive, Danone, FrieslandCampina, Hershey's, Nestlé, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, Unilever and Upfield have also taken the progressive step of instructing their suppliers to suspend Samling, effectively placing the group on a 'No Buy' list. Further, General Mills, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg's, Mars, P&G and PepsiCo have engaged with their palm oil suppliers to ensure Samling palm oil is not entering their supply chains.

As some of the above consumer company brands have been sourcing from Malaysia producers such as Genting, Kwantas and/or Sarawak Oil Palms, which were in turn sourcing palm oil from Samling, there was a potential risk of Samling oil entering their supply chains from these producer groups – effectively creating a 'leakage' market for Samling oil. As a result of actions by a limited number of consumer brands, alongside Mighty Earth's direct engagement with these producer groups, Genting, Kwantas and Sarawak Oil Palms agreed to suspend contracts with Samling.

Unfortunately, the Sarawak-based producer group BLD Plantations Bhd (a KTS Group company) continues to source from Samling - despite adopting an NDPE policy and grievance protocol in 2019. Companies still sourcing from BLD in their most recent versions of mill lists are:

Traders: IOI and Olean

Consumer company brands: ISF, Johnson & Johnson, Kellogg, Mondelez, Nestle, PepsiCo, PZ Cussons, Reckitt Benckiser, and Unilever

Mighty Earth requests that traders and consumer company brands still sourcing from BLD immediately file this case as a grievance and investigate this case accordingly.

