# **Particulars**

Organisation Name	HUTAN - Kinabatangan Orang-utan Conservation Programme
Corporate Website Address	http://www.hutan.org.my
Primary Activity or Product	Environmental NGO
Related Company(ies)	None
Country Operations	Malaysia
Membership Number	6-0025-13-000-00
Membership Type	Ordinary Members
Membership Category	Environmental and Conservation NGOs
Primary Contacts	Ms. Harjinder Kler <b>Address:</b> P O BOX 17793 Kota Kinabalu Malaysia 88874
Person Reporting	Harjinder Kler

## **Related Information**

Other information on palm oil:

--

**Reporting Period** 

29 April 2013 - 31 August 2013

# **Environmental and Conservation NGOs**

## **Operational Profile**

#### 1. What are the main activities of your organisation?

Our core activities are community based research particularly on orang-utans, Bornean elephants as well as other wildlife and birdlife specifically within the Kinabatangan and generally throughout Sabah (Malaysia).

We also carry out wildlife research for Government agencies and other NGOs, universities and other bodies. And carry out projects such as Reforestation and swiftlet recovery as a way to create alternative livelihoods for local community.

Environmental education for rural communities is also an important component of our core work as these communities have the most direct access to wildlife and natural resources but are most times ignored.

Enforcement and human wildlife conflict is also another area of our work and is carried out in collaboration with our partners, the Sabah Wildlife Department.

Today, our team is composed of 40 highly skilled staff hailing from the Kinabatangan local community, working with immense dedication in close collaboration with an effective network of Sabahan partners including government agencies, NGOs and research institutions as well as private stakeholders.

#### 2. Does your organisation use and/or sell any palm oil?

No

# 3. Activities undertaken to promote sustainable palm oil, the RSPO and/or members in the reporting period

We have and continue to advocate the use of Certification via the RSPO with partners, funders, supporters and Government agencies.

This are by personal communications, talks and at meetings and workshops.

# 4. Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working groups/taskforces in the reporting period?

No

#### If yes, please explain how:

--

# 5. Do you have any collaborations with the industry players/private sector to support them in the market transformation towards CSPO?

No

If yes, please explain how:

6. What percentage of your organization's overall activities focus on palm oil?

10

#### 7. How is your work on palm oil funded?

We do not have dedicated staff for palm oil issues, so we do not receive direct funding to carry out work related to palm oil issues. Instead this responsibility is taken up by the Directors of HUTAN - KOCP with support from on the ground work and research.

### **Time-Bound Plan**

#### 8. Date started or expect to start participating in RSPO working groups/taskforces

2014

9. Date expected to undertake and publicise programmes to support RSPO, RSPO certification and/or good standing RSPO members

2013

10. What are your interim milestones towards achieving your commitments to promote sustainable palm oil?

We want to contribute and affect changes that strengthen RSPO for the next year. If we are unsuccessful in contributing within a year we will not renew our membership.

We hope that by 2014, we are able to contribute within working groups/taskforces where are expertise with our work on the ground can be used for practical workable solutions.

Other targets are : -being involved when Malaysian National Interpretation is carried out, -highlighting RSPO as a forward solution for palm oil issues via our website and other online presences.

#### 11. Which countries that your institution operates in do the above commitments cover?

Malaysia

### **Actions for Next Reporting Period**

#### 12. Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil

We will do so by: -highlighting RSPO as a forward solution for palm oil issues via our website and other online presences, -continue to highlight RSPO via the print media via relevant press releases, -continue to highlight RSPO when we are at meetings and workshops, -continue to highlight RSPO during the talks we do.

### **Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information**

#### 13. If you have not disclosed any of the above information please indicate the reasons why

--

- Other reason:

## Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors

14. Do you have organisational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C

- Ethical conduct
- Labour rights
- Stakeholder engagement

Energy and carbon footprints policy

Ethical conduct policy

--

--

--

--

--

--

Labour rights policy

Stakeholder engagement policy

14.1. If none of the above, please specify if/when you intend to develop one

15. What steps will your organization take to realize ethical conduct in business-applicable regulations and industry practices?

16. Has your company supported any community programmes, related to palm oil, on its own or through partnerships? How do you benchmark the impacts of these programmes?

17. What best practice guidelines or information has your organization provided to facilitate production and consumption of sustainable palm oil? What languages are these guidelines available in?

18. Has your organization partnered with any RSPO members in the implementation of or benchmarking against the Principles and Criteria?

No

--

# Challenges

---

- 1. Significant economic, social or environmental obstacles
- -2. How would you qualify RSPO standards as compared to other parallel standards?
  -Cost Effective:
  -Robust:
  -Simpler to Comply to:
- 3. How has your organization supported the vision of RSPO to transform markets?

As new members of RSPO we have reached out to our friends, supporters and funders on RSPO and why we have joined as members and encourage others to do so.