Particulars

Organisation Name	HUTAN - Kinabatangan Orang-utan Conservation Programme
Corporate Website Address	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

Environmental and Conservation NGOs

Operational Profile

1.1 What are the main activities of your organization ?

HUTAN is a grassroots non-profit organization working to build innovative approaches to conserve the orang-utan and other wildlife populations in the forests of Sabah, Malaysian Borneo. In 1998, Hutan set up the Kinabatangan Orang-Utan Conservation Programme (KOCP) as a collaboration between the Lower Kinabatangan community and the Sabah Wildlife Department. Today our team is composed of 52 highly skilled staff hailing from the Orang Sungai community.

HUTAN-KOCP has faced many challenges over the past sixteen years, which have incited us to develop a holistic strategy combining long-term scientific research, wildlife and habitat protection and management, policy work, capacity building, education and awareness, as well as community outreach and development. We are now working with a wide range of partners - including communities, government agencies, research institutions, other NGOs and private stakeholders - to find realistic and localised solutions where the sustainable use of natural resources and durable socio-economic development can be compatible with long-term wildlife and habitat conservation.

1.2 Does your organization use and/or sell any palm oil?

No

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

We have supported the RSPO vision by engaging with our partners and funders via peer reviewed research papers, presentations, reports, conferences, press releases on the merits of CSPO and RSPO to improve the situation of those who work in plantations as well as for wildlife and the environment.

1. 4 Did members of your staff participate in RSPO working groups/taskforces in the reporting period?

No

If yes, please explain how:

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

Yes

If yes, please explain how:

Within the Kinabatangan landscape we have been working with mostly outgrowers to study orang-utans in secondary secondary forest. We have also been training with RSPO member Wilmar (PBB Oil) on wildlife assessment and management within Sabah, Malaysian Borneo.

1.6 What percentage of your organizations overall activities focus on palm oil?

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1.7 How is your work on palm oil funded?

We have not applied for specific funding for 'palm oil' work. However, all our work including research/studies and human - wildlife conflict which involves the palm oil landscape is funded via funding grants mostly from Foundations and Zoos in the United States, Europe and Australia.

Time-Bound Plan

2.1 Date started or expect to start participating in RSPO working groups/taskforces

2014

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

2013

2.3 What are your interim milestones towards achieving your commitments to promote sustainable palm oil (the production/uptake of CSPO)?

Not applicable

2.4 Which countries that your institution operates in do the above commitments cover?

Malaysia

Actions for Next Reporting Period

3.1 Outline actions that will be taken in the coming year to promote sustainable palm oil(along the supply chain)

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Reasons for Non-Disclosure of Information

4.1 If you have not disclosed any of the above information please indicate the reasons why

- Other reason:

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Application of Principles & Criteria for all members sectors

5.1 Do you have organizational policies that are in line with the RSPO P&C, such as:

None

- Energy and carbon footprints
- Ethical conduct
- Labour rights
- Land Use Rights
- Stakeholder engagement
- If none of the above, please specify if/when you intend to develop one

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

Not applicable

5.3 What best practice guidelines or information has your organization provided to facilitate production and consumption of CSPO? What languages are these guidelines available in?

Not applicable

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

Yes

- No Please explain why:

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Challenges

1 What significant economic, social or environmental obstacles have you encountered in the production, procurement, use and/or promotion of CSPO and what efforts did you make to mitigate or resolve them?

Not applicable

2 How would you qualify RSPO standards as compared to other parallel standards?

Cost Effective:	
No	
Robust:	
Yes	
Simpler to Comply	to:
equal	

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4 Other information on palm oil (sustainability reports, policies, other public information):

We have published several peer reviewed articles this reporting cycle in addition to reports to partners, funders and policy makers, which highlight issues with wildlife, environment and the palm oil industry.

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