

Apical Socialisation Workshop for suppliers in Jambi – 11 May, 2016

A Sustainability Policy Socialisation Workshop was jointly organized by Apical, Asian Agri and TFT on 11 May 2016 in Jambi. This interactive event was attended by 22 participants from 13 Apical suppliers across the Jambi region. The main objective of event was to explain to the suppliers the main commitments in our Sustainability Policy and to get their feedback.



Figure 1 - Participants of the Sustainability Workshop in Jambi



Figure 2 - An interactive discussion session with participants

Topics which are relevant to the Apical Sustainability Palm Oil Policy were presented during the Workshop.

The Workshop also aimed at providing external training to our suppliers on High Carbon Stock (HCS), High Conservation Value (HCV), Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC), Participatory mapping (PM) and No Exploitation of Labour & Human rights. Apical's commitment to achieve full FFB traceability by 2020 was also explained to the participants.

A session dedicated to promoting good practices to adopt for minimizing open burning and haze was included to enhance supplier's understanding on zero-burning and the precautionary measures to take to minimize fire occurrence. Asian Agri presented their Fire Free Village initiative, an example of community participation in fire prevention (*Desa Bebas Api*), based on AA's experience in the Riau area.

The workshop was structured to allow plenty of time for group discussion sessions to ensure participants were given the space to provide their feedback. The participants actively discussed common issues and challenges to comply with FFB traceability and legality in their operations and how to identify areas for improvement.