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Bumitama responds to the COVID-19 outbreak

Jakarta, 30 April 2020 – As the palm oil industry is the largest contributor to Indonesia’s GDP and is considered essential goods and services, Bumitama realises its importance in supporting the country’s economy and the social and financial implications of sustaining its operations. In such critical time of Covid-19 virus global pandemic, we acted quickly and decisively and since early March 2020 implemented a Covid-19 health and safety protocol and preventive procedures crucial to safeguard our greatest assets, our human resources and to ensure that all our estates and mills can remain safely open and in full operation.

While the Jakarta Head Office staff has implemented work from home (WFH), our crisis management centers at the Head Office and plantations have been overseeing implementation of our Business Continuity Plan to ensure minimal impact to our operations. This includes following of a safety and health protocol with measures adjourning all international travel and limiting any travel to the estates to urgent matters only, followed by a mandatory 14 days of self-isolation in a pre-arranged rooms. The health condition of all staff is reported daily to the department head or direct supervision and any employees who would display symptoms of the infection are promptly examined and treated by a doctor. Until today, we have zero confirmed cases of the Covid-19 virus in all estates and mills across our operations.



Bumitma's staff has been continuously educated on the preventive measures to restrain the spread of the virus, including adoption of safe distancing measures, wearing of masks outside of homes, proper methods of washing hands and adopting healthy lifestyle. Our internal social media channels have been put into good use by disseminating interactive information through videos and photos, while posters were installed around the frequented roads and buildings.



Masks and sanitisers are provided to all workers and visitors, including external contractors and suppliers who are checked by measuring body temperature, with their clothes and vehicles disinfected before entering our premises. We have also been conducting regular disinfections of our mills, offices and employee housings.





Bumitama has been working closely with the nearby villages, to make sure our local communities also remain healthy and safe. By providing them with personal protective equipment, hand sanitizers and disinfecting the most frequented public premises we hope that they can be protected from the virus. Special attention has been paid to the local children. The schools managed by the Yayasan Bumitama foundation have implemented Learning from Home programme and our students have used creativity to educate their families and surrounding community on the protective measures and healthy lifestyle. We have also partnered with the public sector, working with Provincial and District government and supporting local hospitals and doctors that fight in the frontline of this Covid-19 pandemic through donations of adequate protective equipment, that is sadly still lacking.



Our team stays positive and motivated, that through a joint effort of all our employees, government officials, healthcare workers and our local communities we can stop the outbreak and prevent damage to Indonesia's economy and protect the health of our people.



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