

## Conservation Division Report as of 31.12.2017

<b>1. Division Updates:</b>	
2 programme areas i.e. the Marine & Terrestrial programmes which support MNS Strategic Plan 2008–2020 implementation.	
Marine Conservation Programme	<p><u>Managers:</u> Sonny Wong/ Zaid (part time)  <u>Staffs:</u> Shahril Kamarulzaman &amp; Anisah Ahmad hired as RAs. EE staffs – Maichal (wetlands), Yazid &amp; Adha (marine) assist on part time basis.  <u>Activity focus:</u> KSNP for Ramsar &amp; North Central Selangor Coast Flyway; Tioman marine protected area &amp; general coastal zone management; Migratory birds, firefly &amp; coral reef conservation</p> <p><b>Current Projects:-</b></p> <p>a. NCSC project with RICOH Japan (Jan 2017 – Dec 2019)  Value of sponsorship RM65K per year for 3-years contract with BL Japan (until 2019) supporting the NCSC and migratory bird initiatives. Supplementary FRIM funds (RM20K) for migratory bird book publication.</p> <p>b. Birdlife-Cemex Project to protect Penang IBA.  Value of sponsorship RM75K for 2016/17. Working with MNS Penang Branch on the protection of Penang IBA (policy advocacy &amp; public awareness). Cemex indicated that they might cease operation in the country and discontinue project support.</p> <p>c. KSNP mangrove nursery &amp; Urban Community Forest  Project supported under Shell Grant for NGOs and FDPM. Value of sponsorship about RM60K for 2017.</p>
Terrestrial Conservation Programme	<p><u>Managers:</u> Balu Perumal &amp; Yeap Chin Aik  <u>Staff:</u> Lee Ee Ling contracted as policy officer. Nabilah Jamaludin, Alifah Ilyana &amp; Mohd Fakhirul hired as RAs. EE staffs – Shiyamala (climate change), Habibun &amp; Amirah (biodiversity) assist on part time basis.  <u>Activity focus:</u> Hornbill &amp; large mammals conservation, forest policy work related to biodiversity &amp; climate change; Important Bird &amp; Biodiversity Areas (IBA) and MNS-BirdLife Partnership Programme</p> <p><b>Current Projects:-</b></p> <p>d. Sunbear Conservation Programme with FGV, Perhilitan and UKM  Value of sponsorship RM160K/ year for 5-years (2015-2019); Project supports the CEPA outreach programme for sunbear conservation, plus establishment of local community action groups.</p> <p>e. HSBC Tapir Conservation Project  Value of sponsorship RM150K/year for 3 years (2015 – 2018). Project supports MNS’s public and awareness events, including research on Tapir and MNS conservation work in Malaysia generally.</p>

	<p>f. Man &amp; Nature Sg. Yu Tiger Corridor project Value of sponsorship Euro28K/year for year 2017/2018. Project support extended until 2019.</p> <p>g. MBZ Fund – Helmeted Hornbill Survey in BT Value of sponsorship (RM60K) for 2017. New proposal submitted to NCTF (RM150K) has been approved for 2018 and will ensure continuation of Hornbill conservation project at BTFC. Further RM50K support from Coca Cola - Water Vision project for 2017.</p> <p>h. EC-BL Forest Governance project Value of sponsorship Euro100K/year for period of 5 years (2017 -2021). Main trust of this multi country project will be on REDD+ and FLEGT-VPA. 1<sup>st</sup> year funding of Euro140K received from BL International in May 2017.</p>
<p><b>3. Project Activities Updates</b> Projects activities are on track with proposed timeline with no major issues.</p>	
<p>Marine Conservation Programme</p>	<p><u>NCSC Project:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MNS Selangor Branch (Bird Group) contracted to produce bird book for NCSC.</li> <li>• 13 Dec: Balu attended Raptor Watch organising committee meeting.</li> <li>• 15 Dec: KSNP Risk Management Report presentation by student interns who was involved during Pesta Sayap 2017 at Forestry Faculty, University Putra Malaysia. Balu, Sonny and Maichal were invited to judge and provide constructive comment on the students' presentations.</li> <li>• Monthly bird count at Kapar Ash Pond by BCC shorebird group postponed.</li> </ul> <p><u>KSNP mangrove nursery, Cameron Highlands tree planting &amp; Urban Community Forest</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22 Nov: Prepared proposal on UCF Network and registered with WUF9. Networking event to be held at KLCC, Malaysia between 7-13 Feb 2018.</li> <li>• 2 Dec: Tree planting at UCF with UPM volunteers (Dr Sreedharan &amp; 12 M. Sc. students)</li> <li>• 5-7 Dec: Tree ID training at FRIM attended by Sonny, Shahril &amp; Anisah.</li> <li>• 7 Dec: 9.00 am: Balu and Zaid attended “Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Petugas penanaman bakau &amp; pesisir pantai 2017” at MNRE. During the meeting the KSU committed FRIM to support the printing of MNS firefly directory.</li> <li>• 10 Dec: Day trip to Fraser’s Hill to collect plant seeds and seedlings.</li> <li>• 11 Dec: Attended the launch of Salleh Trail at Kota Damansara Forest Reserve.</li> <li>• 15 Dec: Balu and Lee Ee Ling attended “Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Kerja Program Restorasi Hutan Terosot Semenanjung Malaysia”. Presentation was made on activities relating to the project for year 2017.</li> <li>• 18 Dec: Meeting Flora group re. usage and maintenance of the Heritage Trail. Agreed that they will be involved in handling the volunteer groups ‘participation under the UCF programme.</li> </ul> <p><u>Birdlife-Cemex Project:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The project is scheduled to wrap up at the end of the year.</li> </ul>

	<p><u>Other projects/ activities:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15 Dec: Sonny attended “Mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Penyelidikan Kebangsaan Tasik, Empangan dan Kawasan Tadahan at NAHRIM’s office in Sri Kembangan. Selangor.</li> </ul>
<p>Terrestrial Conservation Programme</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>FGV Sub Bear Project</u></li> <li>• 11-22 Dec: Nabilah &amp; Anisah in Sabah conducting Sahabat Beruang Madu roadshows at Felda Sahabat, Kalabakan, Sabah. They were joined by staffs from Borneo Sun Bear Conservation Center, Sabah Forestry and Sabah Wildlife and facilitated by the hosts FGV and SBM Felda Sahabat.</li> </ul> <p><u>HSBC Tapir Project</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4-6 Dec: Ms Stephanie attended BIIOFIN workshop in Malacca.</li> <li>• 19-23 Dec: MNS-WWFM join community activity at Kg. Sg. Tiang, Royal Belum State Park. The event coordinated by Yeap, Amirah and Alifah saw the participation of 500 people from the Jahut and Temiar indigenous communities in activities related to wildlife (hornbill) conservation. Workshops on healthy food preparation and tree nursery establishment were also conducted, beside the general education and awareness activities.</li> <li>• 20 Dec: Balu and Habibun attended “Mesyuarat Perangi Jerat 2018” at PERHILITAN Cheras. We were informed that Perhilitan will start on a new wildlife campaign in the New Year and would want to seek collaboration and support from all nature-based NGOs in Malaysia.</li> </ul> <p><u>Man &amp; Nature Tiger Corridor Project</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On-going support to Sahabat Raja Rimba activities on the ground – forest tree nursery, rubber handicrafts &amp; bakery products.</li> <li>• 19-23 Dec: 6 Sahabat Raja Rimba members participated in the MNS-WWFM join community activity at Kg. Sg. Tiang, Royal Belum State Park.</li> <li>• 29-30 Dec: Balu on site visit to Merapoh to follow up on tree nursery and tree planting activities. Also touched base on woman group activity and planning for next AGM meeting in the new year.</li> </ul> <p><u>Helmeted Hornbill Survey in BT (Hornbill Conservation Project)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 16-24 Dec: Yeap at BTFC conducting hornbill research (= as part of monthly fieldwork assignment).</li> <li>• Submitted Helmeted Hornbill proposal for National Geographic Grant via BirdLife International (Asia)</li> </ul> <p><u>EU Forest Governance Project</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Dec: Skype with Nick (BL International policy office based in Cambridge) on the project management</li> <li>• 6 Dec: Post mortem of the recently concluded NGO Roundtable on Central Forest Spine.</li> <li>• 7 Dec: Yeap attended the WWFM initiated discussion on Conservation Assured, Tiger Standard (or CATS) for Royal Belum at Pejabat Hutan Daerah Gerik, Perak.</li> <li>• 8 Dec: Meeting with Ahimsa (MEME) &amp; Leela (TrEES) on the establishment</li> </ul>

	<p>of MyCFS (=a secretariat dedicated to support civil society activity focussed on the CFS). The initiative is part of MEME's project activity supported by Yayasan Hasanah.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 14 Dec: Organised EU-BL National Stakeholder Committee Meeting at Vistana Hotel, Kuala Lumpur and launched the MY Forest project. The event saw the participation of 50 people; representing MNS Branches, local NGOs/CBOs including the government agencies.</li><li>• Balu attended National Steering Committee on Third National Communication /Biurnal Reporting Meeting (Bil 2/2017) at MNRE.</li></ul> <p><u>Other projects/ activities:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 22 Dec: Internal meeting with Shiyamala and Atiqah on streamlining (and migrating) all CV websites and facebook to MNS's parent host site.</li></ul>
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