



# FAO INDONESIA

# “In-Action throughout Year 2013”

## NEWSLETTER.



### **29<sup>th</sup> April 2013 – Handover livestock in Yogyakarta, Merapi Project DRR Communal Cow Sheds in Kuwang - Argomulyo**

FAO has given more than 240 cows, goats and sheep to those affected by the eruption of Mount Merapi in 2010. The affected areas were Sleman, Yogyakarta and Magelang, Central Java.

FAO provided cattle to those living in Hunian Tetap in Kuwang, Sleman, since their houses in bakalan hamlet were destroyed. 190 goats and sheep were provided to Blongkeng villagers in Magelang. Their homes were swept away by cold lava flows following the eruption of the volcano.

FAO Representative, Mustafa Imir, symbolically handed over the relief to Sleman Regent, Sri Purnomo, and Head of Magelang Disaster management Agency (BPBD), Eko Triyono, on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2013. Mustafa Imir, and Sri Purnomo inaugurated two 84-cow community cages in Hunian Tetap designed for residents to develop biogas from animal waste. Handover of the relief was under the Merapi programme.

### **14 May 2013 - Inception Workshop of IMNv Project and Launching of the activities with Press Release, at Ibis Tamarin**

A 2-year Technical Cooperation Project (TCP) aimed in supporting sustainable aquaculture development for food security and economic empowerment through effective biosecurity governance was launched following the signing between the Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries and FAO

on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2013. The TCP project will assist the government of Indonesia in designing and implementing a surveillance system for priority aquatic animal diseases and an aquatic animal health (AAH) information system, improving emergency preparedness, organizing small-scale shrimp farmers also provide training on on-farm bio security, as well as developing national strategy on AAH.

The Launch was followed by Inception Workshop on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at Hotel Ibis Tamarin. The workshop was running well as expected.



### **23 May 2013 - Filming Interview by Vertigo Singapore**

Mustafa Imir, the FAO Representative of Indonesia was interviewed by Mark Pestana, Producer VERTIGO Pictures based in Singapore for channel Newsasia Television series on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013. He worked on the first season of a Television series entitled “The Food, The Bad and The Ugly which broadcast on Channel NewsAsia. The series examined on food security issues in the Asian continent.

Mark Pestana stated that Indonesia is one of the key agricultural producers in Asia, thus, he was requesting the FAO Representative in Indonesia to have an on-camera interview. There were 5 talking points he questions raised on. The interviewed was taking place at the FAO Representation's office in Jakarta. The interview is scheduled to be broadcasted on Channel NewsAsia in January 2014.

### **27 – 28 May 2013 - Visit of new DG, Jose Graciano da Silva**



The Director General of FAO visited Indonesia. The visit was focused on “Food Security and Nutrition”, “Partnership”, “Role in South-

South Cooperation”. The DG paid a courtesy call to HE Vice President and had bilateral meetings with respected Ministers, and Coordinating Ministers. The main purpose of the visit was to strengthen existing cooperation and collaboration on food security, nutrition and reduction of poverty. He gave some messages to the people of Indonesia and also to the international community on the subject of “The only possible answer to hunger: to make it a priority”.

Among the 35 countries received achievement of 1st MDG, Indonesia would receive a reward at the Reward Ceremony in Rome on 16<sup>th</sup> June 2013 stated by the Jose Graciano da Silva, the Director General of FAO.

### **28<sup>th</sup> September - World Rabies Day.**

Several members of the FAO ECTAD team attended World Rabies Day the end of September. World Rabies Day was this year commemorated in district Pasaman Barat in West Sumatra province. West Sumatra has recently stepped up rabies control activities and FAO supports these control activities by providing Integrated Bite Case Management training for a combination of human and animal health providers under a One Health approach. The Director of Animal Health pledged in his speech his strong support for rabies control and thanked FAO for its support in Bali and other areas in Indonesia.

World Rabies Day was this year preceded by a national rabies seminar in Padang which was attended by representatives of all provinces in Indonesia and all Disease Investigation Centres (DICs). The Bali rabies control experience was shared during this seminar and a draft roadmap for rabies control in Indonesia was presented and discussed. From the discussions it became clear that many provinces are ready to step up rabies control initiatives and planning control in their plans and budgets.

The World Rabies Day commemoration in Padang started with a briefing of the press. At the venue of this briefing, there was a World Rabies Day Walk Through gallery . FAO took part in this gallery by presenting rabies control activities in Indonesia through mounted photos and posters.

### **18 – 20 October 2013 - FAO joined the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) Seminar and Exhibition on Reducing Poverty through Economy Growth.**

In October Participation of FAO at the Millennium Challenge Account Indonesia (MCAI) seminar “Reducing Poverty through Economic Growth” at MCC Forum and Expo was to present:

- i. FAO has knowledge and capabilities to support MCC-Compact,
- ii. Implementation of Blue Economy programme in West Nusa Tenggara Province (NTB),
- iii. FAO and ILO joint project “Decent Work for Food Security and Sustainable Rural Development in NTT Province”.

Participants and organizers welcomed Green Prosperity Project arranged by FAO and MCC, FAO, ILO and Ministry of Development of Disadvantaged areas (MinDA). Discussion resulted several steps in the process of concept note submission to The Millennium Challenge Account Indonesia (MCAI). Green Prosperity Project is designed to increase productivity and reduce reliance on fossil fuels.

FAO Indonesia was also participated in the MCC Exhibition during the MCC Forum at the Jakarta Conventional Centre in Jakarta for three days.

### **31 October 2013 - World Food Day Commemoration, Padang, West Sumatera,**

Commemoration of World Food Day 2013 in Indonesia was celebrated in Padang, West Sumatra, which was attended by



the  
President  
of  
Republic  
Indonesia,  
HE Susilo  
Bambang  
Yudoyono

It was three days arrangement of the joint event; the event was simple and meaningful. FAO Representation was grateful to the respected Embassies for their in-kind support.

**28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2013 – FAO Indonesia Staff Retreat**

FAO in Indonesia organized a two-day staff retreat in Lembang, Bandung, West Java. First agenda of the retreat was participating a coordination meeting to have better understanding the integrated FAO Indonesia role and finding most suitable position of FAO Indonesia against Indonesia’s Medium Term Priority Plan for 2015-2019 and FAO’ Strategic Framework. The discussion went well and productive, it was attended by all concerned officers.

The second day of the retreat was started with team building exercises. The exercises have given motivation to the staff and made all staff enjoyed activities included the “FAO and I” exercise. Many inputs and genuine comments were made during the exercises and they were documented for review and action by senior management.

All participated enthusiastically in the fun and thought-provoking team building exercises; “we should do it all again next year! “

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Ministers, High Ranking officers, Ambassadors, Representatives from the Embassies, UN Agencies and 14 Governors.

At the event, there were series of activities were taken place towards the celebration of World Food Day. The activities were: i. Diplomatic Tour, ii. opening the event ceremony, iii. Display Technology of Agriculture, iv. Exhibition, v. Competitions, vi. holding one-day Seminar, vii. taping and Life Talked Show. The taping of WFD Talked Show with Minister, Governor, and FAOR was taking place on 11 October 2013 at MOA office.

There were also WFD celebrations at the other places with different kind of activities, for instance: Free distribution of nutritional packages for student at Ponorogo school in East Java, promotion and education activities held by Bantul government in Central Java, Catholic schools campaigning “Avoid Food wastage – SAVE FOOD”, Provincial Food Expo at University of Padjadjaran in Bandung-West Java.

**22 November 2013 - FAO Launching of International Year of Quinoa, Papua Meeting Room**

UN General Assembly has declared 2013 as International Year of Quinoa. On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November 2013, FAO Representation in Indonesia together with Embassies of



Peru, Colombia, Argentina and Ecuador were jointly launched and held half day seminar on Quinoa at the UN meeting room. The seminar on “An Andean grain of growing importance” was presented by Peruvian Scientist, Miguel Pinedo-Vasquez, followed with Launching of the International Year of Quinoa, show case and light lunch dishes made of quinoa.