

Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

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Statements			
Audit Statement #	GFS 010 WTP		
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Assessment Details	
Company Type	Sawmill, Exporter
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: JP(T)TW001/10(X04)
Product Group	Sawn timber
Source of Material	Sabah, Malaysia.
Species	<i>Drybalanops spp.</i> (Kapur), <i>Dipterocarp spp.</i> (Keruing), <i>Parashorea spp.</i> (White seraya), <i>Shorea spp.</i> (Red seraya, Yellow seraya, Melapi), <i>Sapotaceae spp.</i> (Nyatoh), <i>Shorea pauciflora</i> (Oba suluk), <i>Neolamarckia cadamba</i> (Laran), <i>Duabanga moluccana</i> (Magas), <i>Octomeles sumatrana</i> (Binuang), <i>Annonaceae spp.</i> (Karai), <i>Eugenia spp.</i> (Obah), <i>Sindora beccariana</i> (Sepetir), <i>Lauraceae</i> (Medang), <i>Planchonia valida</i> (Putat), <i>Lithocarpus & Quercus</i> (Mempening), <i>Myristicaceae</i> (Darah-darah), <i>Dillenia spp.</i> (Simpur), <i>Cotylelobium spp.</i> (Resak batu), <i>Cratoxylum arborescens</i> (Serungan), <i>Pentace spp.</i> (Takalis), <i>Hopea sangal</i> (Gagil), <i>Macaranga spp.</i> (Sedaman), <i>Prerospermum</i> (Bayor), <i>Dialium indum</i> (KerANJI), <i>Annonaceae</i> (Pisang-pisang), <i>Anisoptera spp.</i> (Pengiran), <i>Eusideroxylon zwageri</i> (Belian)
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Terms of Assessment
The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of Gold Rank Sdn. Bhd. to the criteria within the Sabah Timber Legality Assurance System (TLAS) Principle 5 - Mill Operations and Principle 6 - Trade and Customs standards. Compliance is defined when the organization demonstrates that there is no non-compliance to any applicable criteria. Non-compliance to the Sabah Legality Standard occurs when the organization does not comply with 1 or more criteria. Non-compliance must be formally addressed prior to certification or within 2 months following a surveillance assessment.

Limitations of Assessment
The information presented in this report is based on documentation and other information presented by the client and observations made during the field verification under the assessment. Auditor's reporting of information presented by the client are taken as accurate, unless evaluated differently through the observations made during the assessment. All information presented in the report is accurate and complete to the best of knowledge of GFS.

Background Information:

Gold Rank Sdn. Bhd. (Gold Rank) is registered in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, with registration # 189675-K. Gold Rank produces sawn timber for the local market and exports to Japan, South Korea, United Kingdom and Thailand.

The previous assessment was conducted in June 2022 that resulted in 0 gap(s) and 0 observation(s) (Report #: GFSSBH 004-365a).

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Gold Rank is associated with Uni-Lumber Sdn. Bhd., Irama Ramai Sdn. Bhd. and Labuan Mesra Sdn. Bhd. which supports the management. Gold Rank engaged Iras Suci Sdn. Bhd. (located in Tawau) as its agent to handle the export documentation.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From June 2022 to May 2023, Gold Rank purchased raw materials from the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk *
KTS Plantation Sdn. Bhd.	JP(SLK)125/93(CO)	Round logs	Sandakan	GFS 012 LVS (14/05/2024)	Low
Irama Ramai Sdn. Bhd.	JP(N)KG001/12(X04)	Sawn timber	Keningau	GFS 110 WTP (26/09/2023)	Low
Bornion Timber Sdn. Bhd.	SFMLA 03/1997	Round logs	Sook	GFS 054 LVS (07/08/2023)	Low
Sangkal Makmur Sdn. Bhd.	JP(T)TW001/14(X20)	Sawn timber	Tawau	GFS 152 WTP (04/12/2023)	Low
Sherwood Timber Processing Sdn. Bhd.	JP(T)TW004/00(02)R	Sawn timber	Tawau	GFS 042 WTP (21/05/2024)	Low
Uni-Lumber Sdn. Bhd.	FDS(KK)(E)102/2019	Sawn timber	Kota Kinabalu	GFS 233 WTP (10/07/2023)	Low
Selera Indah Sdn. Bhd.	JP(T)TW001/00(X50)R	Sawn timber	Tawau	GFS 096 WTP (23/10/2023)	Low
Rakyat Berjaya Sdn. Bhd. (FMU 25)	SFMLA 09/97	Round logs	Kalabakan	Non-Compliance	High
Benta Wawasan Sdn. Bhd. (Serijaya Industri Sdn. Bhd.)	JP(TKA)122/96(CON)	Round logs	Kalabakan	Non-Compliance	High
Gan Hock Soon	2B970293	Round logs	Kalabakan	-	High

Note: *GFS risk evaluation is based on the risk matrix for Sabah TLAS (VL) material & products

Summary Results:

(Major gap = 0, Minor gap = 0, Observation = 1)

GAPs: Year 2023

GAP #	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
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*Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2023

Obs #	Checklist	Description
001-2023	5.1.2	June 2023: Gold Rank did not record the carry forward stock for sawn timber on the online submission of Appendix 1 since June 2022.

Highlights of Close-Out Visit (if applicable)

Date: -

Not applicable

Recommendations

Gold Rank Sdn. Bhd. has demonstrated compliance with the Sabah Standard Principles 5-6 for Chain of Custody and is recommended to receive a GFS Statement of Compliance and Sabah Timber Legality Assurance System Compliance Certificate (TLAS-CC) from SFD.

Gap(s)/Observation(s) identified in this assessment should be addressed before the next surveillance visit. Action required to close the gap(s)/observation(s) include:

Observation 001-2023 – Checklist 5.1.2: Gold Rank shall record the carry forward for sawn timber on the online submission of Appendix 1.

The next surveillance visit is scheduled for June 2024.

End of Summary Report