

Sabah TLAS Audit Report Principles 5 & 6

Organisation	Landlord: Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd. 198301015783 (111175-A) Tenant: Cymasun Trading Sdn. Bhd. 198201008767 (88490-W)	Reference #	GFSSBH 004-790
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Statements			
Statement of Compliance	GFS 091 WTP		
Issuance Date	03 March 2025	Expiration Date	02 March 2026

Assessment Details	
Company Type	Sawmill, Moulding
Scope of Assessment	Sabah TLAS P5-6: JP(K)KK002/18(X04), KON(KKK)006/14(KK)
Product Group	Sawn timber
Source of Material	Sabah – Malaysia
Species	Pinus spp. (Pine), Parashorea spp. (White seraya), Shorea spp. (Red seraya, Yellow seraya) and OT (other timber)
Lead Assessor	Sheanna Kehong
Assessor(s)	Anne G. Grace
SFD Staff	Robert M. Mijol (SFD HQ)

Terms of Assessment
The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance with Cymasun Trading 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 is 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 knowledge of GFS.

Background Information:

Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) Sdn. Bhd. [Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah)] is, on and from 05/12/1983, incorporated under Companies Act 2016, and is registered in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia, with registration #: 198301015783 (111175-A). Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) has no operations since 2019.

Cymasun Trading Sdn. Bhd. (Cymasun Trading) is, on and from 11/08/19982, incorporated under Companies Act 2016, and is registered in Sibul, Sarawak, Malaysia, with registration #: 198201008767 (88490-W)

A Tenancy Agreement was made on 01/01/2025 between Tropical Timber & Trading (Sabah) (Landlord) and Cymasun Trading (Tenant).

Associated Organizations & Subcontractors:

Cymasun Trading has a “Memo of Work Service” to provide work service to Bonusoon Trading Sdn. Bhd.. Jelas Cermat provides manpower to Bonusoon Trading and Cymasun.

Description of the Supply Chain:

From November 2023 to January 2025, Cymasun Trading provided work service the suppliers as below:

Supplier	License	Raw Material	Location	GFS WTP # STCC #	Overall Risk *
Bonusoon Trading Sdn. Bhd.	FDS(KK)(I)007/2019	Sawn timber	Kota Kinabalu	GFS 240 WTP (25/12/2024)	High

*GFS risk evaluation is based on the risk matrix for Sabah TLAS (VL) materials & products.

Summary Results:

(Major gap = 0, Minor gap = 3, Observation = 0)

GAPs: Year 2025				
GAP #	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
001/2025	minor	5.1.3	New	February 2025: Incorrect recording of input and output volume in Appendix 1 for both online and manual submission.
002/2025	minor	5.3.1, 5.3.2, 5.3.5	New	27 February 2025: Jelas Cermat could not provide documents related to employment agreement and EPF contributions.
003/2025	minor	6.4.1	New	February 2025: Cymasun Trading did not maintain the summary records for materials received & Finished Goods.

*Major = Non-Compliance

Observations: Year 2025		
Obs #	Checklist	Description
001-2025 Addressed	5.1.6, 6.4.2	27 February 2025: License permit and retention records were not defined. 28 February 2025: The company defined license permit and retention records.

Highlights of Close-Out Visit (if applicable)	Date: -
Not applicable	

Recommendations

Cymasun Trading 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:

Gap 001/2025 (minor) – Checklist 5.1.3: Cymasun Trading shall seek guidance from SFD HQ and record Appendix manual and online correctly.

Gap 002/2025 (minor) – Checklist 5.3.1, 5.3.2, 5.3.5: Cymasun Trading should provide documents related to the employment agreement and EPF to facilitate with the Sabah TLAS assessment/checklist.

Gap 003/2025 (minor) – Checklist 6.4.1: Cymasun Trading should maintain monthly summary records for material received and Finished Goods.

The next surveillance visit is scheduled for February 2026.

End of Summary Report