

Sabah TLAS Audit Report

Sabah Legality Standard Principles 1 – 4

Licensee	Licensee: Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta Contractor: Team Best Timber Sdn. Bhd. (1192884-P)	Reference #	GFSSBH 003-149
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Statements

Audit Statement	GFS 168 LVS		
Issuance Date	05 September 2022	Expiration Date	04 September 2023

Assessment Details

Assessment Dates	29 August - 02 September 2022
Scope of Assessment	TLAS P1-4: Form IIB - JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/JILID.2/5 and JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/JILID.2/9
Species	Mixed species
Lead Assessor	Priera Bagang, (Acting) Ivy Justin
Assessor(s)	Varenius V Untomon
SFD Staff	Afifuddin Jadin (DFO Tambunan), Edmund Attin (KPPM Tambunan), Ambrose James Gipilon (PPM Tambunan), Mazlan Azman (PPW Keningau)

OBJECTIVES:

- The objective of this checklist is to verify compliance to the Criteria listed in the Sabah Legality Standard as defined by Principles 1 - 4 for Sabah dated 01st January 2015 (**FDS-TLAS-002**).
- Compliance is defined when all applicable criteria are observed to be compliant. A Minor Gap to any indicator does not constitute non-compliance to a criterion. A Major Gap to any applicable indicator does reflect non-compliance to a criterion. Compliance for a criterion where multiple minor gaps are identified in indicators under the criterion may reflect non-compliance to the criterion.
- All issues identified under this standard shall be considered appropriate to the scale and degree of forestry operations undertaken by the parties under the agreement.

Summary Information

Overview of Licensee:

- The Land and Survey Department of Sabah issued a Field Register #: 144026835 on 11/01/2018 to 19 beneficiaries from Kg. Tiang Widu under an agreement for logging and land clearing operations with a total area of 99.442 hectares associated with Kg. Tiang Widu, Tambunan, Sabah, Malaysia.
- The Land and Survey Department appointed Team Best Timber Sdn. Bhd. (Team Best Timber) to carry out logging and land clearing operations within FR 144026835 project area. The agreement between Team Best Timber and the 19 beneficiaries was signed on 14/12/2021.
- The project area is located at Kg. Tiang Widu, District of Tambunan, Sabah, approximately 40 km from Tambunan Township. Access to this project area is from Ranau - Tambunan Road.
- After the salvage logging operations are completed, Team Best Timber must conduct a subdivision survey for the FR title for issuance of land title (Native Title) to all 19 beneficiaries.
- Team Best Timber is registered with the Companies Commission of Malaysia with registration #: 1192884-P.
- Land use classification:

Land classification	Area (ha)	Current Status (ha)
FR144026835 (34 Lot)	99.442	1 st FIIB application: 1006 pcs (2,106.65m ³) 2 nd FIIB application: 898 pcs (1,796.79m ³)

Environmental Context:

- The project area is located within state land under land title number FR 144026835 adjacent to Nuluhon Trusmadi FR Class I and Trusmadi FR Class II, located at the southern boundary of the project area. The topographic pattern is relatively undulating ground with an altitude from 400 m to 600 m above sea level.
- Dipterocarp diversity is low and non-dipterocarps become more dominant. Based on records, trees above 30 cm DBH growth size have been identified and recorded within the project site. The common trees found within the project area are Macaranga, Seraya, Mempening, Binuang, Keruing, Sedaman, Darah-Darah, Melapi and Laran.
- The soil is made up mostly of Crocker Association under Mountains landform with main soil units of Orthic Acrisol, Chromic & Dystric Cambisols and Lithosols. The parent materials of these associations are sandstone and mudstone. There is also a small area in the south made up of Malian Association with main solid units of Orthic Acrisol, Dystric Cambisol, Gleyic Podzol, Humic Gleysol and Lithosol.
- No sensitive or protection area was identified within this project area.
- An EIA or PPM is not required for this project area.

Social Context:

- The area is associated with people from Kg. Tiang Widu located approximately 2KM from the licensed area. The land allocation of 99.442 ha under FR 144026835 is to prepare the area for issuance of land titles following salvage logging.
- All beneficiaries of the project area are people from Kg. Tiang Widu, Tambunan.

Scope of Assessment

- The scope of the evaluation is to verify compliance of **Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta (Team Best Timber Sdn. Bhd.)** with the with the Form IIB permits No. **JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/JILID.2/5** and **JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/JILID.2/9**.
- The assessment is in accordance on the terms of the agreement for the "Sabah Legality Standard Principles 1 - 4 dated 01st January 2015 (**FDS-TLAS-002**).
- Site evaluation to verify and report the level of compliance by **Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta** and contractors to the standard in respect to each of the criteria within this report.
- Compliance is defined when the auditee demonstrates that the indicators consist of none or only minor gaps against any applicable criteria of the standard. Non-compliance to the Sabah Legality Standard occurs when the auditee does not demonstrate adequate compliance to a criterion.

Itinerary & Mandays: Form IIB permits: Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta / Tenom & Tambunan District / 29 Aug – 02 Sep 2022 (Total Mandays = 19)

Date	Activity	GFS Staff	Mandays
29 August 2022 Monday	Traveling to Tenom for Form 1: Andaun Bin Tangkap & 11 Peserta. Opening Meeting at PPD Tenom. Document Review at PPD Tenom.	Ivy Justin Piera Bagang Varenus Untomon	3
30 August 2021 Tuesday	Traveling to Kuala Tomani Forest Reserve. Field assessment and Document review.	Ivy Justin Piera Bagang Varenus Untomon	3
31 August 2022 Wednesday	Public Holiday – Malaysia Independence Day	Ivy Justin Piera Bagang Varenus Untomon	3
01 September 2022 Thursday	Traveling to PPD Tambunan for Form IIB: Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta. Opening meeting, field assessment and Document Review.	Ivy Justin Piera Bagang Varenus Untomon	3
02 September 2022 Friday	Closing meeting at PPD Keningau. Travel to home base.	Ivy Justin Piera Bagang Varenus Untomon	3
03-04 September 2022	Reporting GFSSBH 003-148 Reporting GFSSBH 003-149	Dr. Kevin Grace Piera Bagang	4
Total			19

Highlights of Assessment

(Major Gaps = 0; Minor Gaps = 1; Observations = 0)

Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta (Team Best Timber Sdn. Bhd.) has complied with the Sabah Legality Standard (**SFD-TLAS-002**) as no non-compliance was identified during the assessment on 29 August - 02 September 2022.

Summary of status of operations by **Principle**:

Principle 1.

Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta (Team Best Timber Sdn. Bhd.) demonstrated compliance with the Form IIB permits and the Form IIB is valid for 1 month after the approval.

Form IIB Permit JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/JILID.2/5, dated 06/07/2022.

Applicant	Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta
Land status	FR.144026835 (34 Lot)
Locality	Kg. Tiang Widu, Tambunan
Area (ha)	99.442 ha
No. of logs	1,006
Volume (m ³)	2,106.65
Validity	1 month

Form IIB Permit JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/JILID.2/9, dated 11/08/2022.

Applicant	Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta
Land status	FR.144026835 (34 Lot)
Locality	Kg. Tiang Widu, Tambunan
Area (ha)	99.442 ha
No. of logs	898
Volume (m ³)	1,796
Validity	1 month

There are no records of existing EIA studies conducted for the licensed area.
The SFD did not require a Management Plan to be developed for the Form IIB application.

Highlights of Assessment

Principle 2.

Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta (Team Best Timber) demonstrated compliance with the Forest Operation Principle. Based on the map, there are no protected areas identified.

As of the assessment, the summary production was reported to DFO Tambunan for royalty payment.

Form IIB Permit JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/jilid.2/5, dated 06/07/2022.

Lot	Total logs	Total volume, m ³
Parcel 1	1,006	2,106.65
Total	1,006	2,106.65

Form IIB Permit JPHTN/FRM 700-2/4/1/826/jilid.2/9, dated 11/08/2022.

Lot	Total logs	Total volume, m ³
Parcel 2	898	1,796.79
Total	898	1,796.79

The total production was limited to 1,904 logs, equivalent to 3,903.44 m³. Royalty fees have been paid for all logs. All logs under parcels 1 & 2 have been transported to local processing.

Logging and land development are still in progress and the licensee will report the next production log in the 3rd application of Form IIB.

September 2022: Gap 001/2022 (Minor) – Checklist 2.3.2, 2.3.7

The licensee did not conduct safety and fire training prior to forest operation.

Principle 3.

No occupational permit registration is required.

The company has paid all the associated fees to the SFD.

Principle 4.

Not applicable – The area is associated with people from Kg. Tiang Widu located approximately 2KM from the licensed area. The land allocation of 99.442 ha under FR 144026835 is to prepare the area for issuance of land titles following salvage logging.

All beneficiaries of the project area are people from Kg. Tiang Widu, Tambunan

Summary Results:

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

Gap raised against indicators & criteria during the September, 2022 assessment.

GAP	Type	Checklist	Status	Description
001/2022	Minor	2.3.2 2.3.7	New	September 2022: The licensee did not conduct safety and fire training prior to forest operation.

Observation raised against indicators & criteria during the September, 2022 assessment.

Obs #	Checklist	Description
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Highlights of Close Out Visit (if applicable)	Dates
Not applicable	-

Recommendations

Dymnah Jubile & 18 Peserta (Team Best Timber Sdn. Bhd.) has demonstrated compliance with the Sabah Legality Standard (**SFD-TLAS-002**) as no non-compliance was identified and is eligible to receive a GFS Statement of Compliance or a Sabah TLAS Compliance Certificate 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 001/2022 (Minor) – Checklist 2.3.2, 2.3.7: Conduct safety and fire training for the forest workers prior to the operation.

Form IIB permits issued for areas under 100 ha are expected to be completed within 12 months; thus, annual surveillance should not be applicable.

End of Summary Report