



Monthly Update

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Project Updates

Indonesia Australia Commercial Cattle Breeding (IACCB) ***Integrated oil palm and cattle production***

On 24 September 2019, IACCB partner, PT Buana Karya Bhakti (BKB) presented at Nusafest 2019. Nusafest is a collaboration between the Indonesian Oil Palm Research Institute and PT Holding Perkebunan Nusantara (PTPN). This was a great opportunity to build on the recent strong interest shown in the SISKA-model from the Oil Palm Research Institute and state-owned palm oil enterprises.

Cut and carry smallholder group



IACCB officially handed over Brahman Cross cattle to KPT Maju Sejahtera (KPT MS) in Lampung on 30 September 2019. This ceremony marked KPT MS' success in breeding Brahman Cross cattle with IACCB assistance over the past 2.5 years. Out of the initial herd of 100 heifers and 6 bulls, the cooperative managed to produce 205 calves, 169 heads of which were sold at a total value of IDR 1.7 billion.

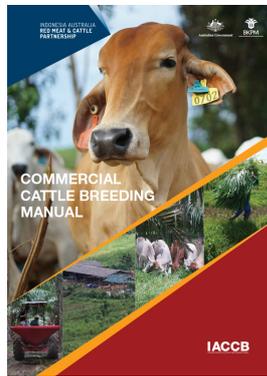
The ceremony was attended by over 200 guests and dignitaries, including Acting *Bupati* (Head of District) South Lampung and Head of Livestock and Animal Health Services Office South Lampung, Head of Provincial Livestock and Plantation Office and Head of Provincial Cooperatives and Small-Medium Enterprises (SME) Office Lampung, Assistant Deputy for Livestock and Fisheries, Deputy for Production and Marketing, Ministry of Cooperatives and SMEs, four local parliament (DPRD) members, as well as IACCB Strategic Advisor.

A similar event was held at SPR Mega Jaya in Bojonegoro, East Java on 7 October 2019, in which IACCB handed over 73 cattle to the smallholder cooperative. Over more than 2 years, the cooperative has successfully bred Brahman Cross cattle and produced 143 calves.

Commercial Cattle Breeding Manual

IACCB is currently seeking feedback from the industry on its recently launched [Commercial Cattle Breeding Manual](#). This includes four technical modules to provide practical advice for managers and investor starting commercial cattle breeding in Indonesia:

1. Economics of Commercial Cattle Breeding
2. Cattle Breeding Herd Management
3. Pastures and Forages for Commercial Cattle Breeding
4. Monitoring and Evaluation of a Cattle Breeding Enterprise



Feedback should be provided to Mr Eko Dharmady (eko.dharmady@iaccbp.org).

For more information on IACCB, please visit <http://iaccbp.org/> and read the latest [IACCB Quarterly Updates](#).

Unlocking business and investment opportunities in Indonesia's red meat and cattle sector



Between late August and mid-September, four teams of consultants conducted a series of scoping missions to five provinces that have been identified by key industry and government stakeholders as potential cattle production regions. These include East Kalimantan, East and West Nusa Tenggara (NTB and NTT), Southeast and South Sulawesi. During the missions, the teams explored the opportunities and challenges for developing cattle sectors and potential investment opportunities in each

region.

Key findings from the project will be discussed at the upcoming Partnership meeting in November 2019.

Training

NTCA Indonesia Australia Pastoral Program (NIAPP)



Twenty NIAPP students have been undertaking placements at cattle stations across the Northern Territory. During the six-week placements, these students will learn about cattle operations in Australia, including animal welfare and handling, breeding and genetics, rangelands management and how to work safely in the beef industry. The focus of the program is not only to impart practical and technical learning, but also to establish and expand networks between

Indonesia and Australia.

Following the completion of their placements on 31 October, the students will return to Indonesia and continue their undergraduate studies. In early 2020, they will then reunite with their Australian host stations during a reciprocal tour to selected Indonesian universities and red meat and cattle companies. Students will also be eligible for the Partnership's internship program.

Please follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to monitor the students' progress during the program.

Internship Program

The Partnership recently launched its internship program. The program will be run by the Indonesian Society for Animal Science (ISPI), and will recruit up to 25 animal science graduates for placement within the Indonesian red meat and cattle industry. Establishments

include feedlots, abattoirs, integrated cattle and oil palm companies and cattle exporters. During the three-month internship (commencing in mid-November 2019), the interns will undergo structured on-the-job training in each company.

Applications for the internship program is now open until 24 October 2019! For further information and application procedures, please visit www.pb-ispi.org.

Visits and Engagements

11th Asia Sustainable Oil Palm Summit

On 12 September 2019, IACCB and its partner, PT Buana Karya Bhakti (BKB), presented their experiences in implementing integrated cattle and oil palm production (SISKA) in the session 'Sustainable Practices on Integrating Cattle Breeding into Palm Oil Plantations' at the 11th Asia Sustainable Oil Palm Summit in Jakarta. The Summit provided excellent opportunity for the program to promote their initial findings of SISKA implementation to a broader audience of oil palm companies across Asia.



Roundtable Meeting on Oil Palm – Cattle Integration

On 18 September 2019, IACCB joined a roundtable meeting on Oil Palm – Cattle Integration (SISKA) hosted by Indonesian Centre for Animal Research and Development (ICARD), Ministry of Agriculture and Indonesian Agency for the Assessment and Application of Technology (BPPT).

During the session, IACCB and its partner PT Kalteng Andinipalma Lestari (KAL), shared their experiences in integrating cattle production in oil palm plantations in Central Kalimantan. The meeting was also attended by two major SISKA players in the country, PT Astra Agro Lestari and PT Sulung Ranch, as well the IndoBeef team. At the end of the meeting, all parties reaffirmed their commitment to promoting cattle under palms through regular sharing of experiences and information

National Seminar on Livestock and Veterinary Technology

Indonesian Centre for Animal Research and Development (ICARD), Ministry of Agriculture is hosting a National Seminar on Livestock and Veterinary Technologies themed "Livestock and Veterinary Technologies Support Food Independence in the Industry 4.0 Era" on 15-16 October at the University of Jember, East Java. The seminar is an opportunity to communicate research findings on livestock and veterinary technologies and develop networks of research cooperation with a wide range of stakeholders. Mr Paul Boon from IACCB, has been invited to present a paper on the Challenges of Cattle Breeding by Smallholder Farmers towards the 4.0 Era.

Integrated Cattle and Oil Palm Production Conference (ICOP) Conference

The Partnership and BPPT (Indonesian Agency for the Assessment and Application of Technology) will host the Integrated Cattle and Oil Palm Production (ICOP) Conference on 23 October 2019 in Jakarta. The conference will serve as a forum to discuss the opportunities and challenges around cattle and oil-palm integration, encouraging further collaboration and investment in promoting profitable cattle and oil-palm integration.

During the conference, Mr Paul Boon (IACCB) will share lessons learnt in piloting cattle under palms (SISKA) in four Indonesian oil palm plantation companies, while Dr Soni Solistia Wirawan (BPPT) will present their experiences in implementing SISKA in smallholder farms in Pelalawan, Riau. In addition, Mr Mohd Azid Kabul (Sawit Kinabalu Farm Products Sdn Bhd) and Mr Jeff McInnerney (New Britain Palm Oil) will also share their experiences in

implementing SISKa in Malaysia and Papua New Guinea, respectively.

Conference registration is open until 15 October. Interested parties are encouraged to register themselves online via <https://icopconference.org/>.

GAPUSPINDO Annual Meeting

On 6 – 8 November 2019, Indonesian Beef Cattle Business Association (GAPUSPINDO) will hold its Annual Meeting in Malang, East Java. Aside from internal discussion and the inauguration of GAPUSPINDO's Executive Committee for the period 2019-2024, the event will also provide a chance for Mr Paul Boon, to present on IACCB's experience in promoting the commercial prospect of Brahman Cross cattle breeding in Indonesia.

Partnership Administration

The 8th Partnership meeting

The 8th Partnership meeting will be conducted in Bali on 4 November 2019 to coincide with the Indonesia Australia Business Council (IABC) Conference (3 – 5 November). The meeting will commence with a policy dialogue session on Indonesian Beef Cattle Industry Roadmap and innovation in the industry. It will also discuss findings from the South Sulawesi scoping mission, the Unlocking Business and Investment Opportunities project and the Indonesia Australia Commercial Cattle Breeding (IACCB) program.

Partnership Design Document

Following the Mid-Term Review recommendations, a Partnership Design Document (PDD) was developed to outline the Partnership's strategic objectives and priorities for the second phase of implementation (2019 – 2024). The PDD is now finalised and available for download from <http://redmeatcattlepartnership.org/publications>.

Reference Groups

As outlined in the PDD, the Partnership has established five Reference Groups aligning with its priority streams, i.e. Investment, Supply Chain, Capacity Building, Innovation and Export, and Communication. Comprising of the Partnership's non-government members, the Reference Groups will oversee project design, implementation and evaluation, as well as providing strategic direction on cross cutting Partnership issues.

Partnership Newsletter

The Partnership has recently released its fourth Newsletter featuring key activities over the last six months. The newsletter is available for download at <http://redmeatcattlepartnership.org/newsletter>.

Please visit the website (<http://redmeatcattlepartnership.org>) and follow us on Facebook and Twitter (@IAredmeatcattle) to stay on top of the latest news and activities.

Upcoming Events

- 15 – 16 Oct : National Seminar on Livestock and Veterinary Technologies in Jember, East Java
- 23 Oct : Integrated Cattle and Oil-Palm Production (ICOP) Conference in Jakarta
- 3 – 5 Nov : IABC Conference in Bali
- 4 Nov : 8th Partnership meeting in Bali
- 6 – 8 Nov : GAPUSPINDO Annual Meeting in Malang, East Java

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