# PESAMA TIMBER CORPORATION SDN BHD (PESAMA)

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#### Introduction

This S.O.P describes the process that takes place from the moment the marked trees are felled and bucked into logs, their subsequent transport through to their passage at the nearby Cheneh Forest Checking Station.

#### Tree Felling and Log-making

Felling of trees in the licensed Felling Block (FB), takes along the following steps:

- Directional Felling: This is conducted by the tree feller who cuts the tree in such a
  way as to cause it fall into a prescribed direction as indicated by an arrow painted on
  the base of the tree. This is part of the standard "reduced-impact logging" (RIL)
  procedure adopted under the Malaysian Selective management System (SMS).
  Under the circumstance, care is taken so as only sound trees are cut and minimal
  damage is inflicted onto the residual stand.
- Lopping-off of crown and buttress and sizing.
   Upon felling, the crown and branch parts and excess buttress are removed so as to facilitate the skidding of the felled timber to the nearby "matau". The total length of the felled timber and its average diameter are noted, and the tree tags which was hitherto nailed on the buttress are now removed and nailed instead on the felled timber. However the tag that identifies the felled tree is still left on the stump.
- Skidding of timber to Log Landing
   Skidding of the felled timber is done by a bulldozer/skidder along the skid trail
   (Lorong Penarik) to the nearest matau within the Felling Block

#### Log Landing (Forest Matau)

The following activities take place at the Matau:

- The skidded timber is bucked into logs of 5 6 metres depending on the species and customer's dictates.
- The logs are then measured for lengths and average diameter (over bark) at the smaller end, and given their individual tags which were earlier removed from the felled timber at the felling site.
- · Log-Loader loads logs onto santaiwong
- Santaiwong transports logs out to Pesama's Main Matau for further sorting out.

#### Pesama Matau

The activities that take place at Pesama's Main Matau consist of recording and processing of the logs before being transported out of the forest over the long-distance journey to the sawmill at Jakar Industrial Estate in Kemaman.

- Receipt and Grading of Logs
  - A Flat rate deduction of 5% on the volume of the logs received at this Matau is imposed based on the "Contractor's Tonnage"
  - The Matau Clerk grades the logs based on the "Sawmill Tonnage". The Matau Clerk subsequently enters the graded logs into his logbook
  - Matau Clerk causes to be painted the measured logs in order to mark the quality & identity of Pesama logs
- Matau Clerk acknowledges receipt of the logs and accordingly register them by filling the Receiving Note in 4 copies:
  - > 2 copies to be sent to Pesama office,
  - 1 copy to be retained by the Contractor,
  - 1 copy to be attached to Matau Clerk's book.
- Matau Clerk causes the de-barking of all Meranti logs
- Logs are then stacked according to species.

## Transportation/ Haulage of Logs

- Matau clerk to issue Delivery Note/ Note Eduran in 6 copies before a lorry is allowed to leave the Matau area with the timber load. The Delivery Notes are to be distributed as follows:
  - > 4 copies for the lorry driver who will distribute it as follows:
    - ✓ 1 copy for the sawmill
    - √ 1 copy for the transportation company for them to submit claim for transportation charges/ fees
    - √ 1 copy to be submitted to the Cherul Forest Checking Station in order for them to issue Removal Pass
    - √ 1 copy for Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)'s stamping at KPKKT's
      office which will then return it to Pesama sawmill.
  - > 1 copy to be returned to KPKKT office
  - > 1 copy to remain in the Matau Clerk's logbook
- Delivery Note (Nota Hantaran/ Nota Edaran) must record every piece of log and their final destination as well as buyer's ID and the timber lorry's plate number.
- The Lorry with its log load must pass the Cheneh Forest Checking Station for assessment of royalty.
- Checking Station to issue "Pas bogi Memindohkan Hasil Hutan" (Removal pass)
  - > The Removal pass is only valid for one day, i.e., within 24 hours of issuance

 Upon arrival at Pesama's Logyard at the sawmill in Kemaman, the Nota Edaran will be stamped by the officer in charge of the logyard, and the Removal Pass will be cancelled.

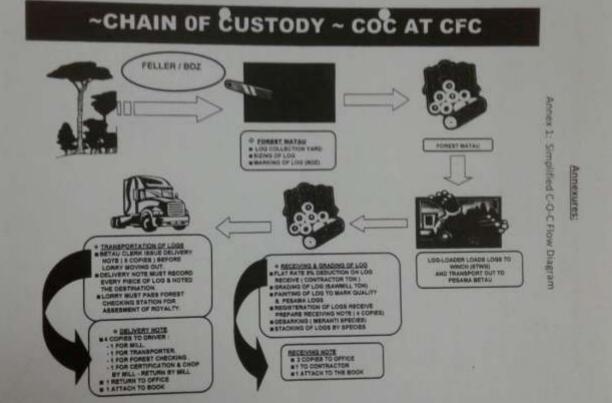
### **Capacity Building and OSH Measures**

Training and capacity building in the following areas are obviously needed, directed at both the staffs of Pesama as well as those of the contractors:

- Timber and wood identification
- Record keeping
- FSC Principles and Criteria
- Matau area management, hygiene and control, including rubbish disposal, control of erosion, solid waste management (machine parts, oil drums, waste timbers and offcuts, timber bark) and oil spill, food waste, human waste, etc.
- Soil erosion and gully erosion can be minimized by instituting the appropriate measures to control water from collecting in the Matau area
- Occupational safety and health (OSH): Dangers and occupational hazards may stem
  from the uncontrolled movement of machines, workshop and handling of dangerous
  good such as logs and oil drums, pollution from noise, smoke and dust, etc.
- Appropriate signs are to be installed in strategic locations to facilitate work processes and enhance safety.
- Matau area rehabilitation by way of re-planting with ground cover crops and fast growing tree species will be needed, in order to check soil erosion and to improve the general view of the area. Appropriate training in this area is in order.
- Appropriate storage and differentiation of chemicals and goods will be accordingly observed.

### **Record Keeping**

- Standard protocols as regards Records (1) Creation (e.g. forms, reports, drawings, copies and correspondence), (2) Distribution (incl. internal and external), (3) Use (response, reference and decision-making), (4) Maintenance (incl. storage and safe-keeping, retrieval, to distinguish between active from inactive records, chain-of-custody and certification matters), and (5) Disposition (destruction, discard, archival), etc will be strictly observed at all levels and points of transit both at Pesama and KPKKT. Appropriate training for the relevant staff will be given.
- The Quality Records Manager, on behalf of Pesama, will arrange for records education and training, e.g. (where relevant and appropriate) in (1) Design records, (2) Process records, (3) Calibration records, (4) Final Inspection records, (5) Shipping and transportation records, (6) Receipt inspection records, (7) Testing and grading records, (8) Audit records, (9) Training records, (10) Purchasing records, etc.



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# Annex 3: Copy of Borang 8 - Pas Bagi Memindah Hutan (Removal Pass)

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# Annex 4: Photos.

Photo 1: Cheneh Forestry Checking Station





Photo 2: Timber Truck

Photo 3: FSC Auditing by SCS Officials in progress

