

MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT OF JAPAN
AND
THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTRY OF
THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA
ON
ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION

The Ministry of the Environment of Japan and the Ministry of Environment and Forestry of the Republic of Indonesia (hereafter referred to as "both sides");

DESIRING to strengthen the existing friendly relations between both sides;

CONSIDERING their common interest in promoting cooperation for sustainable development;

REAFFIRMING the importance of the actions towards the swift and successful implementation of the Paris Agreement, and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs);

NOTING the importance of conservation and improvement of the environment for present and future generations;

RECOGNIZING that the effective protection of the environment requires global cooperation and coordination, efforts, and those activities to protect the environment should be carried out at the regional, national and local levels;

PURSUANT to the laws and regulations in their respective countries;

HAVE reached the following recognitions:

PARAGRAPH I
OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Cooperation (hereafter referred to as “MOC”) is to strengthen, facilitate and develop mutual cooperation in the field of environment.

PARAGRAPH II
AREAS OF COOPERATION

Cooperative activities may be decided from mutually confirmed areas pertaining to environmental protection and improvement as listed below:

1. Pollution Control (Air, Land and Water);
2. Marine Pollution Control;
3. Climate Change particularly in strengthening policy frameworks; Inventory, Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification of Green House Gases; and Adaptation related Disaster Risk Management;
4. Hazardous Substances Mangement;
5. Solid Waste (including Environmentally Sustainable Cities) and Hazardous Waste Management;
6. Development of Ecotourism;
7. Environmental Technology;
8. Peatland Management;
9. Sustainable Lake Management; and
10. Law Enforcement (forensic technology).

PARAGRAPH III
FORMS OF COOPERATION

1. Both sides will encourage and facilitate cooperation through appropriate forms, to the extent of resources prepared by both sides, including:
 - a. Promoting dialogue and partnership;
 - b. Exchanging information and expertise;
 - c. Capacity Building including organizing symposiums, seminars, conferences, meetings and workshops;

- d. Implementing pilot projects including carrying out feasibility studies for those projects;
2. Any forms of cooperation under this MOC shall not use or utilize any genetic resources from either sides nor involve any information of any genetic resources from either sides.

PARAGRAPH IV FOCAL POINT

To assure effective operation of activities under this MOC, both sides will appoint Focal Point, which will act as representative of each side in all matters concerning this MOC. For the Ministry of the Environment of Japan, the Focal Point will be the International Cooperation Office, Global Environment Bureau. For the Ministry of Environment and Forestry of the Republic of Indonesia, the Focal Point will be the Bureau for International Cooperation.

PARAGRAPH V DETAILED DOCUMENTS

In order to facilitate the activities under this MOC, detailed documents shall be made covering detailed specification in the respective areas and other appropriate matters including, if deemed necessary, the financial arrangement of programs and projects.

PARAGRAPH VI INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Any intellectual property resulting from the operation of activities under this MOC will be exercised in line with the laws and regulations of the respective countries and will be further elaborated in separate arrangements.

PARAGRAPH VII
CONFIDENTIALITY

1. Each side will observe the confidentiality and secrecy of documents, information and other data received from or supplied to the other side during the period of the operation of activities under this MOC.
2. This paragraph will not prejudice the prevailing laws and regulations of the respective countries.
3. Neither side will disclose confidential information received from the other side under this MOC, without the prior written consent of the other side.

PARAGRAPH VIII
SETTLEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

Any problem arising from the operation of activities under this MOC will be resolved amicably through consultation or negotiation between both sides.

PARAGRAPH IX
LIMITATION OF PERSONNEL ACTIVITIES

Both sides shall ensure that any personnel engaged in the activities and/or programs under this MOC shall not interfere in the internal political activities or any commercial ventures or other activities outside the aims of this MOC.

PARAGRAPH X
AMENDMENT

This MOC may be reviewed or amended at any time through mutual written consent by both sides.

PARAGRAPH XI
COMMENCEMENT, DURATION AND TERMINATION

1. The cooperation under this MOC will commence on the date of its signature.
2. The cooperation under this MOC will valid for a period of 4 (four) years and may be extended by mutual written consent of both sides or terminated at any time by either side by giving a written notification at least 6 (six) months prior to the date of the intended termination.
3. The termination of the cooperation under this MOC will not affect the duration of any on-going project or activity until the completion of such project or activity, unless the Parties agree otherwise.

The foregoing represents the recognition reached between both sides on the matter referred to in this MOC.

Signed in Tokyo, on 10 April 2017, in duplicate, in the Indonesian and English languages, all texts having equal values. In case of any divergence of interpretation, the English text will be referred to.

**FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE
ENVIRONMENT OF JAPAN**

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ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTRY
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