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Part Three Report: Activities in Japan to Tackle Illegal Logging Issues

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Title of Your Presentation:

LOG TRACKING SYSTEM

Presentation Outline :

Your assessment of Japan's efforts to supply legality verified wood

RECENT DEVELOPMENT IN ILLEGAL LOGGING COUNTER MEASURES IN SARAWAK.

- **State-Wide Deployment of Log Tracking System (LOTS)**

This has been made possible by the State Government's establishment of ForestNet, a Wide Area Network (WAN) used exclusively by the forestry agencies for enforcement and for timber royalty collection. ForestNet comprising 44 sites located throughout Sarawak was deployed in December 2008 while LOTS was 'operationalized' in 26 of these sites in January 2009.

- **Hyper-spectral (Airborne Tactical)**

Sarawak with the support of Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment, Malaysia has embarked on a venture through the use of advance technology by setting up an operational hyperspectral sensing facility at Forest Department Sarawak. The development of the ILD tool was aimed at improving the efficiency of the enforcement in monitoring illegal logging in Sarawak. ILD complements the airborne hyperspectral imaging dataset that could directly be utilized by the field enforcement officers to areas where illegal activities were detected from airborne hyperspectral imagery.

- **Implementation of Inter-Agency Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for Enforcement with effect from 1st January 2010**

Wherein, 4 government agencies are entrusted to carry out complimentary roles in enforcement of forestry laws, rules and regulations. The inter-agency SOP provides for improved work flow, elements of check-and-balance and elimination of overlapping jurisdictions.

- Joint Operations with Other Enforcement Agencies**
 Joint operations with the Police Department (especially Marine Police and Field Force), Malaysian Anti Corruption Commission (MACC), Health Department and local authorities have been stepped up since last year. In 2010, a total of 355 such joint operations (sorties) were reported by SFC alone.
- Establishment of new and additional Forest Checking Station.**
 This forms part of the strategic logistic plan to be implemented over the period 2010-2014. This calls for the setting of at least 20 new Forest Checking Station at Strategic location throughout Sarawak.

Challenges in combating illegal logging around the world

Profile

Name	SEMILAN RIPOT
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Brief Personal history	<p><u>TERTIARY EDUCATION HAVING</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diploma in Forestry (Malaysian Agriculture University, (UPM), Sarawak) Bachelor Science (Forestry) (Malaysian Agriculture University (UPM) Serdang) <p><u>JOB EXPERIENCE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joined the Forestry Department, Sarawak as Executive Forester (G3) and assigned as head of Infrastructure and Mapping Unit in Reforestation and Rehabilitation Branch in year 1990 Assigned as Officer-in-charge at Niah Forest Research Station and responsible for the overall implementation of the Reforestation project in Northern Region, Sarawak in Year 1990-1998 Assigned to Assist Deputy Director of Forest Department , Sarawak in Monitoring Plantation Development Unit and Forest Plantation head in Reforestation and Rehabilitation Branch, Forest Department Sarawak in year 1998-2003

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• As Assistant Manager Land Use Administration, Resource Inventories , Timber Supply and Environmental in Sarawak Forestry Corporation, Sarawak in year 2003-2008• As Revenue Manager at SF&C Division of Sarawak Forestry Corporation. (Directly accountable to the General Manager of SF&C Division in managing and establish of procedure related to revenue collection. Also responsible for management of Log Scaling, Log Tracking System (LOTS) and Royalty Billing System (RBS) of Sarawak Forestry in year 2009 until Now.
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