

Environmental Impact Management



Plantations

Section A : Legal position

Establishment of oil palm plantation is subjected to Environmental Quality (Prescribed Activities) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Order 2015¹ EIA was enforced in April 1988. Approval of the EIA is required prior to the commencement of land opening or clearing and the EIA approval will normally come with a set of Conditions of Approval (Jadual Pematuhan) by Dept. of Environment. For more information on the procedure of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), please refer to Section C

Section B : Environmental Impact Assessment

A study to identify, predict, evaluate and communicate environmental impacts of a proposed project or new developments

Peninsular Malaysia (Department of Environment)

1. List of prescribed activities requiring EIA
<https://www.doe.gov.my/en/environmental-quality-prescribed-activitiesenvironmental-impact-assessment-order-2015-2/>
Eg.: New oil palm plantations which involve conversion of forest comes under First Schedule 1(a) – page 18 or Second Schedule 1(a) – page 24 depending on the project size.
2. List of registered EIA consultants
<http://bp.doe.gov.my/eia/wwwweia/>
3. EIA: The procedure and requirements in Malaysia
<https://enviro2.doe.gov.my/ekmc/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/FA-EIA-GUIDELINE-IN-MALAYSIA-1.pdf>

Sabah (Environment Protection Department)

1. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Guidelines for Oil Palm Plantation Development
https://epd.sabah.gov.my/v3/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/EIA_Guidelines_OPP.pdf
2. List of prescribed activities requiring proposal for mitigation measures report, pg. 30.
<https://sagc.sabah.gov.my/sites/default/files/law/EnvironmentProtection2002%28PrescribedActivities%28EnvironmentalImpactAssessment2005%29%29.pdf>
3. List of registered EIA consultants with Environment Protection Department (EPD)
<https://epd.sabah.gov.my/v3/e-services/consultants/>

Sarawak (Natural Resources and Environment Board)

1. List of prescribed activities requiring EIA
https://events.development.asia/system/files/materials/2006/11/2006_11-mal-sarawak-environment-ordinance-prescribed-activities-order-1994.pdf
2. List of registered EIA consultants with Natural Resources and Environment Board (NREB)
<https://www.scribd.com/document/627222081/NREB-Registered-EIA-Consultant-31Oct2021>

¹ https://eswis.doe.gov.my/helpDocs/No.4%20-%202015/Perintah-Kualiti-Alam-Sekeliling-Aktiviti-Yang-Ditetapkan-Eia-2015_EN.pdf

Section C : Other Good Reference Materials

1. Environmental Requirement: A Guide for Investor

<https://enviro2.doe.gov.my/ekmc/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/1403056822A%20Guide%20For%20Investors%20-%202010.pdf>

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