

BAF GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

As follow up of last GC Meeting in Sorong, BAF Governance Committee convened its 6th GC Meeting on **16 July 2019** in Jakarta that was attended by 6 GC members dan 1 approved GC alternate, SCAC members, administrator and observers. On the absent of GC Chairman, GC members elected Mr. Yulianus Thebu as alternative Chairman to lead meeting.



Pertemuan GC ke-6 dipimpin oleh Bp. Yulianus Thebu

The main agenda of the GC meeting was to discuss the proposed changes to the BAF Operation Manual, including GC and advisory committees' membership, as well as pre-requisites for BAF endowment contributions by potential donors. To ensure the effectiveness of the review, GC members appointed Ms. Heather D'Agnes as GC representative to oversee and discuss the detail changes and agreed that the approval of the BAF Operation Manual revision would be scheduled at the next GC meeting.

At this meeting, the Administrator presented the achievements of BAF cycle-1 against the BAF strategic plan and the progress of cycle-2 implementation, as well as requested GC directions on presented challenges. GC members appreciated the works of BAF grantees in the field as well as the Administrator's efforts to manage and convey the first cycle achievements. On the other hand, the Administrator was also expected to continue to build BAF grantees' grant management capacity, especially on financial administration.

And as a follow-up to the previous GC mandate, Administrator also shared the highlight of the development of BAF Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) Plan and BAF Communication Strategy. Further discussion Proposed revision to the MEL Plan draft will be circulated by email to GC members for further review.

Complementing the training on gender justice perspective that was delivered by Kapal Perempuan to BAF grantees and administrators, the 6th GC meeting concluded with a briefing session of gender mainstreaming on natural resource management, aimed to build GC understanding and perspectives on gender, especially in decision making on grant funding.



Participants of 6th GC Meeting in Jakarta

MEETING OF BAF ADMINISTRATOR DAN UNIPA

As a follow-up to the BAF SCAC, LRC and Administrator meeting with UNIPA on June 26, 2019, a meeting was held between UNIPA's Deputy Rector IV Planning & Cooperation, Mr. Alexander Yaku and KEHATI as Administrator BAF on **July 15, 2019** in Jakarta.



Meeting of Administrator BAF and UNIPA in Jakarta

At this meeting, UNIPA clarified that collaboration between BAF and UNIPA would be managed by an internal board, under the supervision of UNIPA Deputy Rector IV. The Board will consist of 2 to 3 people, and KEHATI proposed Mrs. Fitri to be included in the board. As soon as it is determined, UNIPA will submit an internal board appointment letter to KEHATI as the basis for grant agreement.

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR RAJA AMPAT TOUR GUIDE

In order to develop human resources capacity of tour guide in Raja Ampat Regency, the Association of Indonesian Guides (HPI) Raja Ampat through the BAF Grant conducted English Language Training to improve tour guides' foreign language proficiency, especially Papuan tour guides from Raja Ampat district.

In the cycle-2 grant, HPI Raja Ampat sent six tour guides to English Village LC, in Kediri to learn English Language for two months, from July to August 2019.

Five of the six tour guides sent to study in an English village of Kediri are Papuan guides. Four people were native children of Raja Ampat regency, namely (i) Simson Dimalauw and (ii) Yopi Dimalauw, the representatives of the kawe

tribe, (iii) Usal Mambraku, the representative of Arborek village, (iv) Saharudin Rumberak representing Misool, and (v) Fallan Ahoren representing the HPI Management of West Papua.

The following is the link to Teropong News:



<https://www.teropongnews.com/tingkatkan-kualitas-berbahasa-inggris-di-raja-ampat-hpi-utamakan-oap/>

USAID FIELD MONITORING

Considering USAID funding support to Blue Abadi Fund (BAF) program, on July 21-25 2019, the USAID team conducted field visits to several BAF partners to ensure the implementation and achievements of the program at the site/grassroot level. The field visit routes covered Manokwari, Tambraw, Sorong, and Sawandarek, Raja Ampat. The USAID monitoring team consists of Ahmad Hafizh Adyas (Marine Program Specialist), Nathan Olah (Office Director & Supervisory Contracting/Agreement Officer) and Samantha Martin (Editor/Writer). KEHATI as BAF Administrator and CI Indonesia also accompanied and facilitated meetings and

discussions with 9 grantees from a total of 23 cycle-1 grantees.



Discussion meeting with YNP, YMB and KPSR in Sorong

In addition to getting updates on field activities from meetings with BAF grantees, the USAID Team also had the opportunity to participate in grantees' field activities, namely turtle patrols and coral reef monitoring. The patrol that was carried out by the UNIPA team specifically monitor the Leatherback turtles in Jeen Womom Coastal Park, Tambrauw. During this patrol, the USAID team witnessed Ridley turtle turtles lay eggs and saw a Leatherback turtle rising to the beach, but descended back to the sea because of the presence of deer/wild boar hunters who turned on the white lights that made the leatherback turtles disturbed and rescinded to its lay eggs. By dawn, the USAID team had the opportunity to release the leatherback hatchlings at the Batu Rumah post that had

hatched the day before and had to be released immediately.

Furthermore, the USAID team also monitored the location of coral transplantation carried out by the Raja Ampat SEA Center Foundation in Kampung Sawandarek, Raja Ampat District. Out of 500m2 coral reef garden area, most of fragments (approximately 2,000 fragments) have grown well. This can be observed from the growth of acrophora hard corals around 20cm (planted in May 2018), the growth of naturally soft corals, as well as numerous fish (such as black tip sharks, napoleon, bat fish, clown fish and barracuda hordes) and turtles live around the coral transplant area.



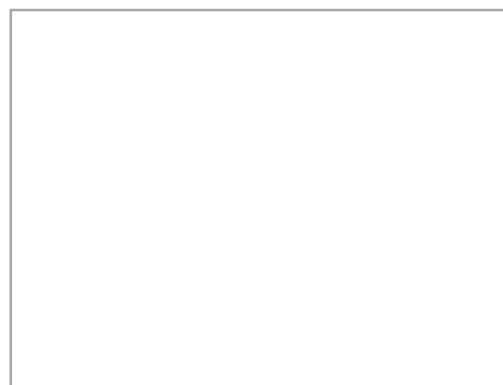
Participate with UNIPA patrol team of Leatherback turtle at Pos Batu Rumah, Tambraw

SALTED FISH PRODUCTION BY MAIDO FA FISHERMEN GROUP

Kofiau KKPD is a part of the Raja Ampat MPA, which has a high potential for fish resources. However, limited market access and transportation has caused this potential to be overlooked. The community generally sold fish to collectors from Sorong at very cheap prices.

In an effort to increase the fish selling value, Maido Fa Fishermen Group, which consists of fishermen from 5 villages in Kofiau, tried to make salted fish that is expected to provide economic benefits to the community. To increase market acceptance, Maido Fa Fishermen Group has complied standardized food in the form of P-IRT permission (Home Industry Food) and MUI Halal certificate. Furthermore, through the BAF program, Maido

Fa Fishermen Group seeks to improve the quality and competitiveness of their salted fish by (1) fish sorting treatment, and (2) fish packing in vacuum packs.



Hasil pengemasan ikan asin

In July 2019, the Maido Fa Fishermen Group succeeded in producing and selling 75 packs of salted fish in 1 kg packaging at a price of Rp.

70,000/pack and ½ Kg at a price of Rp. 35,000/pack.