WORKSHOP ON CASH CROPPING WITH DURIAN CULTIVATION SPEAKER : MR.VINCENT CHOW KOK KOW

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UGUST

VENUE :

OBJECTIVE

SELANGOR FRUIT VALLEY KM 7, Jalan Batang

Berjuntai – Rawang 45600 Bestari Jaya, Selangor Darul Ehsan

The Workshop on Cash cropping has been planned to assist durian growers as well as those interested in backyard and hobby gardening. With the current high price placed on tropical fruits, it would make economic sense to ride on the increasing demand for local short-term species like papaya, banana, pineapple and other tropical fruits.

Durians grown from seeds are known to have a long juvenile period and grafting has been able to shorten this period of waiting to 5-6 years when the trees begin fruiting. However, the owner or investor still has to bear the costs of maintenance and care of the young durian plants during the non-productive years, even when the maturity has been shortened. Moreover, as durians trees are planted at wide spacing, e.g. 12m x 12m, the space in-between the rows would be left vacant and weed control would require both financial and labour inputs. A better approach would be better to grow cash crops on the available space of the inter-rows as long as time and the absence of shading factor permit. Hence, it could be possible , to a certain extent, to derive some income from cash cropping to help lessen the maintenance costs of the young grafted durian seedlings for at least 3-4 years. If the venture is well-managed, there could be some profit for the project owner.

The workshop is to assist owners of young durian orchards to how best to harness the available land and time to grow short term tropical fruits or a mix of these with a fruit vegetable. All factors of growth, problems and solution for the duration of the cash crop will be covered. There will be ample opportunities for all to be in active discussion with our invited speaker, Mr. Vincent Chow, the well-known American trained consultant Agriculturist and Horticulturist. Topics covered will include from planning, land preparation to harvesting .The importance of post-harvest technology that will dictate the final grade reaching the buyer/ middleman as well as the price offered will also be discussed.

HOW YOU WILL BENEFIT?

- You will know when and how to apply each of the principles in the various steps of the utilization of available land of your durian farm.
- You will cut out the guesswork and optimize on the application of more current methods and approaches based on scientific principles.
- As durian is a high investment crop, early income nor profitability cannot ensue unless the trees mature. Planting cash crop could allow some cash flow during the juvenility of the durian trees.
- You will learn to select the right crop based on your soil type and market demand and avoid making mistakes that would increase the drain on your financé during the early years of investment.
- You will learn the methods of growing some selected cash crops and success or failure are hinged on the right application of the knowledge related to each cash crop species. Generalization or guess-work could often spell doom for the over-confident.

REGISTRATION FEE

□ MEMBER □ NON-MEMBER

RM750 (Inclusive of 6% SST) RM850 (Inclusive of 6% SST)

SUMMARY

- You will be updating your own knowledge on the better way to utilize available land space to generate some income, especially on your young durian farm as well as the empty space behind your property, be it your house or farm.
- You will eliminate mere guesswork and apply a more scientific approach in most of your daily management tasks. You will also learn how to nudge your cash crop to perform better and convince yourself that you can grow almost any cropafter the course if you follow the course diligently.

VHAT DAYS IN	YOU W	ILL COVER ING (CASH CROPPING) WORKSHOP
D	DAY 1	
	0745 – 0830	REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST
	0830 – 1030	 Definition of cash cropping - Vegetable vs Tropical fruits Comparisons, pros - cons of each group Available choice of mono- species or mixed species cropping. Criteria of selection of crop. Important human, physical, financial market, P n D factors. Supporting infrastructure on the farm
		 Utilising available space to conduct cash cropping Approaches Size of plantable areas Labour needs Determine time available for crop maturity period. Short, Middle and Long-term crops. Pros and cons of some crop species:
	1030 – 1045	TEA BREAK
	1045 – 1230	Establishing of banana i. Selection of variety/cultivar ii. Criteria iii. Planting materials and planting density iv. Field preparation, planting distance and holing. v. Handling of planting materials a. TC plantlets b. Suckers
	1230 - 1400	LUNCH BREAK
	1400 - 1530	vi. Care and maintenance vii. Fertilising and Pest management viii. Flowering and bagging
	1530 – 1600	TEA BREAK
	1600 - 1630	ix. Sucker managementx. Harvesting and handling of harvested bunchesxi. Post harvest management
	1630 – 1700	Q&A SESSION
C	DAY 2	
	0730 - 0800	BREAKFAST
	0800 – 1000	BUDGET PREPARATION for cash cropping: A hands-on exercise - the approach in preparing a cash crop budget Group exercise, each group selecting a different crop from list of crops given Papaya, Banana, Pineapple, pumpkin, guava
	1000 - 1030	TEA BREAK & GROUP PHOTOGRAPH
	1030 – 1230	Discussion on prepared budget. Crop harvest and income projection. Briefing for Field Trip
	1230 - 1400	LUNCH BREAK
	1400 - 1600	Field trip: Farm of SELANGOR FRUIT VALLEY GROUP PHOTOGRAPH

- Learn to handle common pest and disease problems of the selected cash crops. Every day the field planted young plants are exposed and attacked by a host of pests and disease. Learn what they are and learn how to control them. Every plant lost to pests will be costly as the potential income of each crop is similarly lost.
- Knowledge learnt cannot be taken away and it will boost your own confidence in the management of cash crops while waiting for the durians to mature.

TARGET AUDIENCE

 This programmed is designed for plantation general managers, managers, executives and staff, durian growers and anyone who needs to update on the knowledge of growing cash crops.
 Hobby and backyard gardeners, and anyone interested are welcome.



• Lectures, discussion, experiments and field trip.

ABOUT YOUR FACILITATOR VINCENT CHOW KOK KOW



Started life as an Agriculture Science teacher after undergoing training at MPTI (1967-68) and College of Agriculture Serdang (1972). Promoted to Federal School Inspector in Agriculture in 1981. While in service, was awarded a PSC Scholarship under the World Bank to further his studies in USA. Graduated with honors (Gamma Sigma Delta) from Lousiana State University (LSU) with a Bachelor in Agriculture (minoring in Animal Science) He went on to complete his Masters of Science in Horticulture at LSU in 1987. He returned to report back at the Ministry of Education as a federal inspector of Agricultural education in 1988 but resigned to join Eastern Plantation Agency or EPA, (a subsidiary of Johor State Economic Development Corp) to set-up the REM Experimental Farm at Ladang REM, Kota Tinggi. There he was Head of Research in Tropical fruits, Ornamentals, vegetables and hydroponics on a 2800-acre farm. He left in 1995 to run his own consultancy in Landscape re-establishment, Environmental Rehabilitation, Farm and Plantation development and conservation of Damaged environments.He served as the Scientific Advisor to the Johor National Parks Corp from 2002-2004 and set-up the Kuala Marong Kelah fish Sanctuary which is a top tourist attraction of Endau Rompin Johor National Park. Conducted a 3 years fish survey of Upper Sg.Endau with the Johor National Parks and co-authoured a book Freshwater fishes or Sg.Endau with Dr. Zakaria Ismail (UM), and Dr. WW Lum. In 2008, he set up the Panti Bird Sanctuary at the Panti Forest Reserve with the Dept. of Forestry and is today one of the top 10 birding sites in south East Asia.From 2009-2012, he was a guest Horticulturist of the Agriculture Bureau of Quangzhou and trained farmers from cooperatives in the Johor chapter of Malaysian Nature Society. He is still working as a registered specialist ecologist consultant with the Department of Environment, Malaysian and has conducted over 70 Environmental Impact

Assessments and Ecological Studies. (Ecolgy, Fauna and flora). He was a member of the team that conducted the forest assessment based on MC&I Forest Plantation.v2 as the Malaysian standard for forest plantation management certification under the MTCS. for the Dept. of Forestry, Johor in 2007. He has also conducted a detailed fish survey as part of the study on the Integrated River Basin Management of Sungai Skudai in 2018-19 for the Dept. of Drainage and Irrigation. He is presently a consulting expert to several durian farms in Malaysia. He is currently also a member of the MPOCC Technical Team, MSPO scheme as well as the International Tropical Ecology and the Incorporated Society of Planters, Malaysia (membership no .15910).

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