

Chief Executive's Notes



As you are fully aware, ISP's Virtual Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on the 12th of September 2020 at ISP's Headquarters. We have sent the Notice and Annual Report 2019 to members on the 29th of July 2020. In line with Article 17(c) of the ISP Articles of Association, all ISP

Branch AGM must be held two (2) two months before ISP's AGM. Thus, all Branch AGM must be held on or before 11th of July 2020.

To date, the 19 Branches have held their AGM's according to schedule. Congratulations to all the Branch Chairmen and Committee members for conducting your AGM according to schedule and also abiding to government's Movement Control Order SOPs. Majority of the Branches conducted their AGM, physically and a few virtually.

Besides AGM, we were able to have an EGM for the Kelantan Branch which was suspended for almost 4 years. ISP Vice Chairman, Tn Hj Mohamad Fadzil Hitam and I were there to witness the formation of new office bearer committee, headed by Chairman, En Suhaimi Harun. I have attended the AGM of Selangor/ Wilayah Persekutuan, Sabah-North East and North Johore/Pahang Tenggara Branch. Despite the successful Branch AGMs and EGM, one of the noticeable features was the poor attendance by the members. The turn-out was rather discouraging based on the attendance lists. On average, we had 20-30 members for each Branch. The other element which I noticed is that there are still many defaulters in each Branch. The Secretariat had sent reminders to these defaulters to settle their dues. Member's failure to settle their dues will impact our

financial strength. In addition, to keep the Branch Active and vibrant, more activities need to be carried out. Every member must take AGM seriously. This is the avenue or platform to discuss matters affecting the Branch. Some matters of interest to the members include:

- i) Financial statements of the Branch
- ii) Current and future activities of the Branch
- iii) Voting on resolutions
- iv) FISP Award
- v) ISP's latest Policies and Programmes
- vi) Payment of subscription and defaulters
- vii) Provide the members the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to the committee.

Therefore, I urge each and every member to take ownership of their Branches and play an effective role to achieve goals. To ensure healthy organic growth, the Branch must meet members expectations, engage with them and take care of them. We must grow our membership and retain them with good proposition values. It is time for us to think big, think bold and be inclusive and adventurous. It is time for us to adapt to the fast-changing world to be innovative, creative and inclusive to bring on board new members. I therefore urge you to accord membership growth and retention as your top priority. We must strive to extend our reach and enhance the quality and impact of our activity and services to members. The years ahead is full of uncertainties and challenges in the face of Covid-19 pandemic but we are confident that we can walk the journey together and lead the change.

Once again, thank you to all Branch Chairmen and members for your co-operation and support to ISP and ISPM.

Rajindran Iruasan

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BRANCH ACTIVITIES



ISP CENTRAL PERAK

On the 4th of July 2020, the Central Perak Branch held its AGM at First Coffee House, Ipoh, Perak. It was chaired by Mr Jayaraman (Branch Chairman). The committee discussed on the current achievements and future programmes of the branch.



ISP NORTH JOHORE/PAHANG TENGGARA

On the 11th of July 2020, the AGM was held at S. T. Rhodes Club, Johor Labis Estate, Cha'ah, Johor. It was chaired by Mr Wee Kow Ngoh (Branch Chairman). ISP CE, Mr Rajindran was quoted saying "This was a successful AGM as many of the members were present to support the Branch and its activities".



ISP LOWER PERAK

The AGM was held on the 26th of June 2020 via virtual and physical meeting. Mr Gopala Krishnan (Branch Chairman) successfully chaired the meeting. At the end of the AGM, he thanked the branch committee and members for their continuous support.



ISP SOUTH JOHORE/SINGAPORE/RHIO

The AGM was held on the 8th of July 2020 in Orchard Golf & Country Club, Kota Tinggi, Johor at 3pm. It was chaired by En Mohd Roslan (Branch Chairman). A product talk by Behn Meyer was prepared for the attendees and the AGM ended with a High-tea session.



ISP CENTRAL TERENGGANU

The Central Terengganu Branch held its AGM on the 5th of July 2020 at Hotel UiTM, Dungun Terengganu. It was chaired by En Mohd Zukri (Branch Chairman). The committee discussed on the current achievements and future programmes of the branch.



ISP SABAH-LAHAD DATU

On the 10th of July 2020, The Lahad Datu Branch held its AGM via a virtual meeting through the Zoom application. It was the first time for the Branch to have its AGM online. Despite the new method, the AGM was conducted successfully by En Mohd Karim (Branch Chairman).



ISP SABAH-TAWAU

The Branch AGM was held on the 11th of July 2020 at Theobroma Room, Hotel Emas, Tawau. Mr Anthony S. L. Tsen (Branch Chairman) successfully chaired the meeting.



ISP NORTH SARAWAK

The AGM was held on the 4th of July 2020 at Hotel Nur, Miri, Sarawak. It was chaired by Mr Napoleon (Branch Chairman). The committee also prepared a talk on "ALTACOR 35 WG Moth Pest Solution" by FMC Chemical (Malaysia) for the attendees.



ISP CENTRAL SARAWAK

The AGM was held on the 11th of July 2020 at Kingwood Hotel, Sibul, Sarawak. It was chaired by Mr Ling Chia Yi (Branch Chairman). The committee discussed on the current achievements and future programmes of the branch. There was also a talk presented by FMC for the attendees.



ISP NORTH PERAK

On the 10th of July 2020, The branch held its virtual AGM through the Zoom application. It was the first time the Branch held its AGM online. The AGM, chaired by Mr Govindasamy (Branch Chairman) was a success. The AGM was a success thanks to the cooperation and support from committee and members.



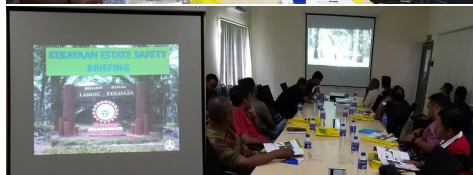
ISP SOUTH TERENGGANU/ EAST PAHANG

On the 11th of July 2020, The STEP Branch held its AGM at The Grand Darul Makmur Hotel, Kuantan, Pahang. It was chaired by En Nik Rauzi (Branch Chairman). The committee also prepared 2 talks. The first talk was presented by TMAB and the second by FGV Agri Services Sdn Bhd.



ISP WEST PAHANG

On the 11th of July 2020, The West Pahang Branch held its AGM at Hotel Sri Malaysia, Pahang. It was chaired by En Mohd Sahir (Branch Chairman). The committee also prepared a talk by G-Planters for the attendees.



ISP CENTRAL JOHORE

On the 18th of July 2020, The Central Johore Branch held its AGM at Ladang Kekayaan Paloh. It was chaired by En Mazalan (Branch Chairman) and the committee discussed their achievements and future plans.



ISP SOUTH SARAWAK

On the 7th of March 2020, The South Sarawak Branch held its AGM at Hotel Grand Continental Kuching. It was chaired by En Haziri (Branch Chairman). The committee also prepared a talk by FMC for the attendees.



ISP KELANTAN

On the 18th of July, The Kelantan Branch held its Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) where the new office Bearers team was formed. ISP CE, Mr Rajindran and Vice Chairman, Tn Hj Mohamad Fadzil Hitam were present at the EGM. The Branch Chairman En Suhaimi Harun welcomed the new committee members.



ISP SABAH-NORTH EAST

On the 14 of March 2020, The Sabah-North East Branch held its AGM at Sabah Hotel, Sandakan. It was chaired by Mr Alan Khoo (Branch Chairman). ISP CE, Mr Rajindran was present at the meeting. The committee discussed their achievements and future plans.

Short Story: The Biodiesel Test Car Story...

Just a few days back, I saw two Mazda CX-5 car models at the traffic light beside my car with familiar logos and a slogan reading "Kenderaan Ujikaji Biodiesel Sawit" or Palm Oil Biodiesel Test Car. It made me curious. Why was an import car testing biodiesel? Later the next morning an article came out in The Star Newspaper quoting "Indonesia Produces Maiden Batch Of Biodiesel Made of 100% Palm Oil" (16 July 2020). I knew just then, I must run my fingers on the keyboard and do some reading on the state of biodiesel in Malaysia.

That is how I discovered that, Malaysian Palm Oil Board (MPOB) and Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association (JAMA) in collaboration with automotive experts from Mazda Malaysia, the Malaysian Institute of Robotics and IoT Automotive, with support from Road Transport Department and the Environment Department were using the cars to test the B20 biodiesel (a mix of 20% palm biodiesel and 80% petroleum diesel) on diesel engines that are Euro 5-compliant (European exhaust emission standards which sets limits on emissions of unhealthy pollutants from the exhaust system of motor vehicles). Through the success of these tests by MPOB and their partners, the B20 will be replacing the B10 biodiesel which are currently being sold in the market gradually by June 2021. From the public point of view, biodiesel may not be a priority as many vehicles on the road uses petrol (Gasoline powered vehicles are the most common, accounting for over 80% of new car sales in 2018) but this should not prevent us from addressing the concerns towards depletion of fossil fuels (a big economy contributor) and the rise in environmental issues. The government in its initiative to develop sustainable energy is committed to reduce the Green House Gases (GHG) from petroleum diesel usage and the reliance to fossil fuel. Good news is, the B30 biodiesel is already being tested here in Malaysia, a step closer to producing B100 (100% palm biodiesel). So, the next time I see these test cars, I might want to check the fumes coming out of their exhaust pipes. At least, to my naked eye, clean fumes should be colourless and odourless.

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Do you write?

Submit your short article or experience in the plantation industry together with photos to the email below!!

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ISP HQ ACTIVITIES



Malaysian Cocoa Board (MCB), invited ISP to visit the Cocoa Plantation on the 5th of August 2020. MCB is seeking the help of ISP to encourage plantation companies to grow cocoa. Tuan Hj Mohamad Fadzil Hitam (Vice-Chairman of ISP), Mr Rajindran (Chief Executive of ISP), En Sabre, En Suhaimi (ISP Kelantan Branch Chairman) and committee members from West Pahang represented ISP.



On the 29th of July 2020, The ISP team headed by Datuk Hj Daud Amatzin (Chairman of ISP), Tuan Hj Mohamad Fadzil Hitam (Vice-Chairman of ISP), Mr Rajindran (Chief Executive of ISP) and two Board Members (En Sahir and En Sabre) paid a courtesy call to the Secretary General of MPIC, Tuan Ravi Muthayah. Datuk Daud briefed Tuan Ravi on ISP's role and its activities and he was very pleased with the briefing and was supportive of ISP and ISPM efforts in the Plantation Industry. Datuk Daud also presented the ISP Coffee Table book to Tuan Ravi as a token of appreciation.



On the 23rd of July 2020, The Chairman of ISP Datuk Hj Daud Amatzin, Vice-Chairman of ISP Hj Mohamad Fadzil Hitam and Mr Rajindran (Chief Executive of ISP) had a meeting with En. Mohd Sarian Md Sahid (Head of Upstream Division, FGV) and Senior Management Team of FGV to finalise the MOC between FGV Plantations and ISP and discussed membership/training.



ISP EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

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- Broaden your career opportunities from skill worker to knowledge worker.
- Improve your chances of career progression uplifting your career path.
- Show your personal commitment and passion towards work.
- Help you to build a network in the industry with professionals and associates.
- Feel empowered and create personal/job satisfaction throughout your career.



Note: Old syllabus will be phased out in year 2022

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