

# BERITA ISP

FOR MEMBERS

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### Chief Executive's Notes

#### **ISP IS YOURS**

2024 ushers in promise and hope for the plantation sector and the Malaysian economy. The price of crude palm oil (CPO) is still encouraging, between RM3,800 to RM4,000 per tonne. This figure represents a decrease compared to the same period in the previous year. The CPO price in 2023 was RM3,589.09 per tonne, as compared to RM5,087.50 per tonne in 2022.

As ISP members, it is of utmost importance that we are dedicated, committed, and skilled in every aspect of our working lives. Everyone has a role in shaping the future of ISP. ISP was set up to take care of planters' interests and welfare. We believe ISP members have benefited over the years. That is the reason the number of members has grown significantly to 7,260. We are proud to inform the members that FGV Holdings has registered 862 new members in 2024. It is a historic milestone in the ISP chapter. We are also delighted to note that a total of 60 members have rejoined ISP. Albeit, there is an increase in membership, we still have members who have not paid their membership subscription for 2024, despite reminders. We are appealing to defaulters to settle the dues as soon as possible to avoid being classified as defaulters or struck-off members.

As you are aware, ISP's AGM will be held on July 14, 2024, at the Pullman Hotel Miri, Sarawak. ISP branches are expected to hold their AGM two (2) months prior to the ISP's AGM. We are pleased to note that many branches have held their AGM from January to March 2024. We hope the rest will conduct their AGM before the due date. Based on the agenda of the AGM, we are certain some of the key matters have been deliberated at the AGM, namely past-year performance, membership benefits, and subscription. In addition, the AGM should be a platform for members to formulate the branch programmes and activities for 2024.

One of the most anticipated events for the year is NATSEM 2024. To date, we have secured some good sponsorship, and all 46 exhibition booths have been taken up. The number of registered participants is encouraging. As of March 31, 2024, almost 300 participants have registered for this seminar, and we hope to reach our target of 500 paid members by June 2024. We sincerely hope members will register soon and also share the NATSEM 2024 'Announcement' with their contacts. The branch chairmen can also play a role in promoting and registering their members for this ISP's signature event.

Finally, we would like to thank all ISP members for their cooperation and support. We would like to wish all Muslim members,

Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri, Maaf Zahir & Batin

Rajindran Irusan



OPPORTUNITIES & STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE THE PROFITABILITY OF THE OIL PALM BUSINESS



### TRAINING AND SEMINAR

16 January 2024

Mr. Amitkumar Yadav, Director of Market Development & Innovation in Asia Pacific Region from Omya India Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Muhammad Farouk bin Roslan, Technical Sales Manager (Environment Solutions) from Omya Malaysia Sdn. Bhd. visited ISP to discuss about training and NATSEM 2024.





#### ISP CENTRAL SARAWAK BRANCH AGM

20 January 2024

ISP Central Sarawak branch led by Mr. Ling Chia Yi successfully held the Annual General Meeting (AGM) at Kingwood Hotel, Sibu, Sarawak.

## METHODIST PILLEY INSTITUTE LAUNCHES CERTIFICATE OF PLANTATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

26 January 2024

The Methodist Pilley Institute (MPI) has partnered with the Incorporated Society of Planters (ISP) to initiate the Certificate of Plantation Management (CPM) programme in Sibu, Bintulu and Kuching. The CPM programme, a result of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between MPI and ISP in March 2023, aims to enhance the performance and efficiency of plantation management in Sarawak. Present at the press conference



were chairman of Technical Education Scheme (TES) of ISP, Mohd Sabre Salim; CEO of SOPPOA, Dr Felix Moh; and chairman of ISP Central Sarawak Branch, Ling Chia Yi.



### **MEETING WITH GENTING PLANTATIONS** 13 February 2024

ISP Chief Executive met En. Abdul Rahim, Senior Vice President, Mr. Narayanan, Senior Vice President, Plantation Advisory and En. Sazale, Vice President of Genting Plantations to discuss multiple matters related to ISP.

### E-PLANTER

### **A Digital Transformation**

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### ISP NORTH WEST MALAYSIA BRANCH AGM

17 February 2024

ISP North West Malaysia branch led by En. Mohd Faizal Halim successfully held the Annual General Meeting (AGM) at Park Avenue Hotel, Sg. Petani, Kedah. Nexus presented a talk on Product & Weed Management



### **MEETING WITH FGV HOLDINGS**

22 February 2024

ISP Chief Executive, Mr. Rajindran met Dato' Mohd Hairul Abdul Hamid, Group Chief Financial Officer, FGV Holdings to discuss Key Note Address / sponsorship of NATSEM 2024.

### **CPM PROGRAMME (CPM69)**

23 February 2024

ISP had organised a Certificate in Plantation Management programme (CPM69) on 23 - 24 February 2024 in Bintulu, Sarawak. This programme covered Module 2: Supervisory and Leadership.





### **PBTM**

1 March 2024

The Planters' Benevolent Trust of Malaysian (PBTM) meeting was held at ISP HQ. ISP Board of Director, Mr. M R Chandran presented the ISP Coffee Table book to Mr. Au Yong Siew Fah, Executive Director of Hap Seng Plantations and Mr. Joseph Tek, Chief Executive of Malaysian Palm Oil Association (MPOA) who are Trustees of PBTM.



ISP Chief Executive, Mr. Rajindran received a token appreciation from Bursa Malaysia Derivatives (BMD) as Supporter of the 35<sup>th</sup> Palm & Lauric Oils Price Outlook Conference & Exhibition (POC2024) Shangri-La Hotel, Kuala Lumpur. ISP Chairman, Datuk Daud Amatzin attended this conference too.

### ISP IS A SUPPORTER OF POC2024

5 March 2024



ISP Chairman, Datuk Daud Amatzin, ISP Board of Director, Mr. M R Chandran and ISP Chief Executive, Mr. Rajindran attended the POC2024 lunch.



## MEETING WITH UPSTREAM MALAYSIA, SIME DARBY PLANTATION 7 March 2024

ISP Chairman, Datuk Daud Amatzin, ISP Vice-chairman, Tn. Hj. Mohammad Fadzil Hitam, ISP Negeri Sembilan Chairman, En. Nor Arizal Abdul Azmi and ISP Chief Executive, Mr. Rajindran met Tn. Hj. Jeffry Faizal Kamaruddin, Chief Operating Officer (COO) Upstream Malaysia, Sime Darby Plantation at Carey Island.

### **CPM PROGRAMME (CPM69) - DAY 2**

8 March 2024

ISP had organised an on-going Certificate in Plantation Management programme (CPM69) in Bintulu, Sarawak. The second day programme was conducted by Prof Dr Uma Rani Sinniah.





### ISP LAHAD DATU BRANCH AGM

9 March 2024

ISP Lahad Datu Branch led by Mr. Poh Weng Hong successfully held the Annual General Meeting (AGM) cum Talk. The Talk on Engano 211 were presented by Mr. Airik Bismil and Mohd Ezwan from Agri Biotech marketing. Dr. Hj. Mohd Azizan, Chief Executive Office of DAB group of companies presented on Occupational Health and Chemical Hazards awareness in Plantations. 60 members attended the AGM.



### ISP SABAH-TAWAU BRANCH AGM CUM TALKS

10 March 2024

The ISP Sabah-Tawau Branch led by Mr. Anthony Tsen Sui Lin successfully held 2024 AGM cum 3 Talks and Presentations at Hotel Emas followed by lunch. Exhibitions and Road-shows by Yanmar and Landini 4WD & 6WD Agri Farm Tractors, and EON MOTORS' Double Cabin 4WD. 66 ISP members and invited guests attended the function.

# TRAINING ON YIELD AND PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT THROUGH APPLIED MECHANISATION – 2nd series

13 March 2024

ISPM had organised a training on Yield and Productivity Improvement through Applied Mechanisation. The training was conducted by Tn. Hj. Rahmat Kamisan.













### TRAINING SCHEDULE

To register and view schedule of ISP trainings, please scan here or visit www.training.isp.org.my



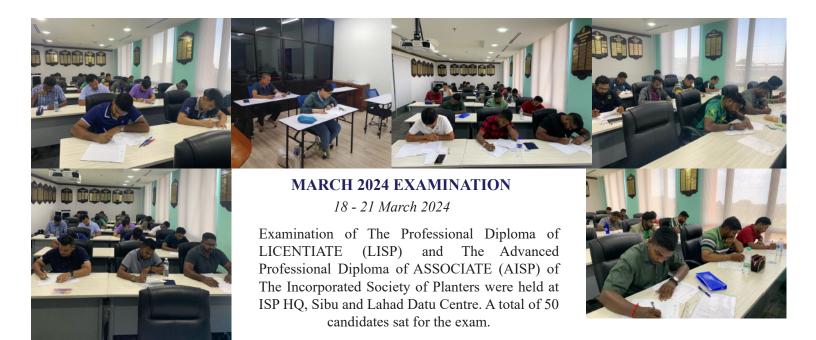






### ISP NORTH SARAWAK BRANCH AGM 16 March 2024

ISP North Sarawak Branch led by En. Hasin Mut successfully held the Annual General Meeting (AGM) at ParkCity Everly Hotel Bintulu, Sarawak. There were three Talks on New Harvesting Tools by QP Resources Sdn. Bhd., Goodyear Tyre Service Training by Mindulu Tyre Sdn. Bhd. and Drone Technology in Oil Palm Plantation by PTT Corp. 41 members attended the AGM.





The Planters' Benevolent Trust of Malaysia (PBTM) was set up with the objective of helping planters who have fallen on hard times. To this end, The Planters' Benevolent Trust of Malaysia (Registered Trustees) was established in 1971, under Trustees (Incorporation) Ordinance, 1952 with the OBJECTIVE of relieving necessitous persons who are or have been employed in an executive or managerial capacity in an enterprise within the Malaysian plantation industry and the wives, widows and children of such persons.

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21 March 2024

The ISP North Perak Branch led by Mr. Govindasamy Munisamy had conducted 2024 AGM at Legend Inn Taiping, Perak. ICP Agro Solutions Sdn Bhd was invited to do a presentation on their products.



### ISP SABAH-TAWAU CHAIRMAN ATTENDED THE MEETING WITH DEPUTY MINISTER

23 March 2024

Deputy Minister of Plantation and Commodities of Malaysia, YB Datuk Chan Foong Hin visited Teck Guan Palm Oil Mill in Tawau and interacted with Oil Palm Plantation Operators. Discussed various problems and

constraints faced by the Oil Palm Industry. ISP was invited and represented by ISP Sabah Tawau Branch Chairman, Mr. Anthony Tsen Sui Lin.

### MEETING WITH PLANTATION DIVISION, FGV HOLDINGS 27 March 2024

ISP Chief Executive, Mr. Rajindran met En. Borhan Bachi, Group Director, Plantation Division to discuss about NATSEM 2024 panellist/training.

### **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

**CONFERENCES & SEMINARS** 

**RESOURCE CENTRE** 

**PARTICIPATION AT BRANCH** 

**EDUCATION FUND & EXCELLENCE AWARD** 

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

**TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHEME (TES)** 

**PUBLICATIONS** 

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### ISP SELANGOR/WILAYAH BRANCH AGM 2024 AND *BERBUKA PUASA*

30 March 2024

The ISP Selangor/Wilayah Branch led by Dr. Ramesh Veloo successfully held 2024 AGM and *Berbuka Puasa* at Kelab Shah Alam, Selangor. There were three talks by IRGA Sdn. Bhd. / Kingoya Technologies Sdn. Bhd., Agricultural Chemicals (M) Sdn. Bhd. and Guthrie Agri-Bio Sdn. Bhd. ISP Vice-chairman, Tn. Hj. Fadzil Hitam officiated the AGM.







ISP WEST PAHANG BERBUKA PUASA

31 March 2024

ISP West Pahang branch led by Tn. Sahir Yacob held *Berbuka Puasa* function at Restoran Sri Kunyit in Dsaji, Kuala Lumpur. Discussed plans for the upcoming AGM which is schedulled after Raya. ISP Vice-Chairman, Tn. Hj. Fadzil Hitam and ISP Board of Director En. Sabre Salim were present.

### DONATION TO ISP EDUCATION FUND

ISP members are encouraged to contribute any amount to the ISP EDUCATION FUND to provide scholarships for more students.

**BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:** 

THE INCORPORATED SOCIETY OF PLANTERS CURRENT ACCOUNT NO. 8881023043391
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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

TN. HJ. FADZIL HITAM

(ISP VICE-CHAIRMAN & ISPM CHAIRMAN)

ON YOUR APPOINTMENT AS

INDEPENDENT NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
OF FGV HOLDINGS BERHAD

# CONGRATULATIONS



### TO ALL NEWLY REGISTERED ISP MEMBERS

A SPECIAL MEETING WAS HELD ON 19 MARCH 2024 WITH **862** NEWLY REGISTERED MEMBERS FROM FGV HOLDINGS BERHAD

ISP CHAIRMAN, DATUK HJ. DAUD AMATZIN, ISP VICE-CHAIRMAN, TN. HJ. FADZIL HITAM AND ISP CHIEF EXECUTIVE, MR. RAJINDRAN BRIEFED THE MEMBERS ON ISP'S ROLES AND ACTIVITIES.

ISP IS THANKFUL TO THE GROUP CEO OF FGV HOLDINGS BERHAD, DATO' MOHD NAZRUL IZAM MANSOR FOR THE SUPPORT TO ISP

### **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**

On the demise of ISP member-in-benefit, the next of kin will be entitled to receive an **Immediate Relief Fund (IRF) of RM5,000** 



### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Renew your membership today to continue your access to ISP programmes and networking events.

Members are encouraged to pay their subscription fee by any mode of payments as stated below. Members are required to email the payment slip to isphq@isp.org.my or Whatsapp to 011-16383266 for the Secretariat's issuance of an official receipt.

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BANK : AMBANK (M) BERHAD / AMBANK ISLAMIC BERHAD

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### **ISP MEMBERSHIP REJOIN**

As per ISP Board of Directors meeting on 10 December 2022, it was decided amnesty of RM200 (annual subscription members fee) and RM100 (registration fee) will be given for those who wish to rejoin and also retaining old membership number.

### SUBMISSION OF RESEARCH ARTICLES FOR THE PLANTER MAGAZINE

The Planter is published by ISP Management (M) Sdn Bhd on behalf of The Incorporated Society of Planters (ISP). ISP welcomes submission of research articles for *The Planter* magazine. The article can relate to various aspects of agriculture and plantation e.g. health, environmental, social and governance (ESG), biological, chemical and engineering sciences and human resource management. Original manuscripts are peer-reviewed by a suitable reviewer. The manuscript will be evaluated based on its appropriateness for *The Planter*, contribution to the discipline, cogency of analysis, conceptual breadth, clarity of presentation and technical adequacy.

There are no fees for manuscript submission (to date) and accepted technical scientific articles will be given an honorarium according to the Committee's fair judgement.

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