

MRPP / REDD has its focus in the allocated 24000 ha plot which is part of the Lalan FMU. The FMU Lalan again is part of the Merang Peatdome ecosystem with an approximate area of 240.000 ha in total. A project based approach is used.

It is envisaged to analyse and view historical and present land use scenarios, to identify leading drivers of the land use change during a period of between 10 to 30 years at the project site. The analysis results within the context of Lalan FMU area will be used for future projections with regard to the rate and location of future deforestation and forest degradation at project site, the Lalan FMU and could be even used for the region.

The project site presently selected is approximately 24.000 hectare within the Merang peat swamp forest area. This specific and selected area is used for developing and testing a set of methodologies, technologies on forest and carbon monitoring, forest rehabilitation and integrated community development.

The Merang Kepayang Peat Swamp Forest area was selected as it is a promising location for such a pilot project due to the relatively intact forest cover in some parts and the large below ground carbon storage in the peat, as well as the connections to the neighbouring protected areas of Sembilang National Park and Berbak National Park.

All relevant lessons learned, reports, research results, papers, photos etc will be published in the MRPP website. This is part of MRPP approach to Knowledge Management. Knowledge management provides the umbrella for all activities what data collection, processing and interpretation for good information is concerned. Communication and visibility are also covered under this umbrella function. And finally the knowledge gained and transferred to partners and a wider audience can make a major impact for future development and changes.

## The Launch of MRPP website

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