SECTION1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

This Environmental Scoping Information (ESI) has been prepared to further elaborate and corroborate the formulation of the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the "Proposed Oil Palm Plantation Development on 8,094.43 Hectares (20,001 Acres) Land on PT4951 - PT4955 and PT4987 - PT4991 in Mukim Tembeling, District of Jerantut, Pahang Darul Makmur." (Henceforth referred to as 'the Project'). In general, this ESI aims to present key background information pertaining to the nature and extent of the Project, scope of works for the EIA study, and Schedule and methods for assessment of impact, mitigation measures and monitoring programs, including description of data to be collected, amongst others.

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1.3 LEGAL REQUIREMENT

1.3.1 Prescribed Activity Subject to Section 34A, Environmental Quality Act, 1974

According to subparagraph 34A (1) of the Environmental Quality (Prescribed Activities) (Environmental Impact Assessment) Order, 2015, this Project falls as listed below:

Second Schedule, subparagraphs 3(1) and (4):

"Activity 1(a) Agriculture: Land development schemes covering an area of 500 hectares or more to bring forest into agricultural production"

First Schedule, subparagraphs 3(1) and (4):

"Activity 13 Development in Slope Area: Development or land clearing less than 50 per cent of an area with slope greater than or equal to 25° but less than 35°.

Thus, an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) study must be carried out by the Project Proponent. The EIA report must be submitted to the Director General of the Department of Environment (DOE), Ministry of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment & Climate Change (MESTECC) Malaysia for approval.

1.3.2 Other Legislation/Policies/Guidelines Requirements

Besides the above EIA requirement, there are also other legislation/policies/guidelines requirements that may be relevant to this project as listed below:

Table 1.3.1 Other Relevant Legislation/Policies/Guidelines Requirements

No.	Other Relevant Legal Requirement
1	Environmental Quality Act 1974 (Act 127)
2	Pesticides Act 1974 (Act 149)
3	Local Government Act 1976 (Act 171)
4	Disease-Bearing Insect Act 1975 (Act 154)
5	Prevention & Control of Infectious Disease Act 1988 (Act 324)
6	Factories and Machinery Act 1967 (Act 139)
7	Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management Act 2007 (Act 672)
8	Wildlife Conservation Act 2010
9	National Physical Plan
10	Malaysia's National Policy on Biological Diversity
11	National Climate Change Policy
12	National Policy on the Environment
13	Laporan Kawasan Sensitif Alam Sekitar – JAS 1993
14	Kawasan Sensitif Alam Sekitar: Peranan dan Sumbangan Perancangan Guna
	Tanah - JPBD 1998
15	Pendekatan dan Garis Panduan Umum Perancangan Kawasan Sensitif Alam
	Sekitar - JPBD 1998
16	Garis Panduan Pemuliharaan Sensitif Alam Sekitar (JPBD, 2004)
17	Town and Country Planning Act 1976 (Act 172) (Incorporating amendments
	up to 1st January 2016)
18	Land Conservation Act (Act 385) (Incorporating amendments up to 1st
	January 2006)
19	National Land Code (Act 56 of 1965)
20	National Forestry Act 1984

1.3.3 Conformance of the Project to Government's Development Plans

According to the letter from Jabatan Perancangan Bandar dan Desa (JPBD) Negeri Pahang Darul Makmur (**Appendix 1**), the project area lies in the zoning of forestry as referred to Rancangan Tempatan Daerah (RTD) Jerantut (Pengubahan) 2020 on the Pelan Subjek Cadangan Guna Tanah, Blok Perancangan (4) Daerah Jerantut (**Appendix 2**).