

**PUBLIC SUMMARY OF FOURTH SURVEILLANCE VISIT OF SELANGOR FMU
FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION**

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Result of Surveillance Visit

The scope of the surveillance visit focused mainly on the verification of the corrective actions taken by the Selangor State Forestry Department in addressing the outstanding Minor Corrective Action Request (CAR). In addition, the surveillance visit also assessed the overall forest management practices within the Permanent Forest Estate (PFE), including conducting random visits to Forest Checking Station(s) to ensure that these practices are conducted in compliance with the requirements of the *MC&I*(2001).

As a result of the Fourth Surveillance Visit, the remaining outstanding Minor CAR i.e. SEL-015 relating to planning for harvesting and replanting of forest plantation area was maintained as, although the Selangor FMU has made progress, it has yet to fully address the Minor CAR raised. In addition, two new Minor CARs i.e. Minor CAR SEL-016 relating to a lack of mid-term review on the 10-year Forest Management Plan and Minor CAR SEL-017 relating to inadequate implementation of RIL guidelines for harvesting of peat swamp forest were raised.

As no new Major CAR was raised, SGS has recommended that the *Certificate for Forest Management* issued to the Selangor FMU be maintained. However, the Selangor FMU is required to take the necessary actions to address the Minor CARs before the next surveillance visit.

A summary of the CARs is as shown in **Table 1**.

Note: For general information on the FMU and the assessment process under the MTCC scheme, please refer to the “Public Summary of Assessment of Selangor FMU for Forest Management Certification”.

Table 1: Summary of Corrective Action Requests (CARs) and Closed-out Details

| CAR No. | Criterion | Indicator | Status of CAR | Nature of CAR | Close-Out Details |
|---------|---------------------------|---|---------------|--|---|
| SEL-015 | 3: Flow of Forest Produce | 3.3: Existence and implementation of: (a) forest management plans, and (b) forest harvesting (operational) plans 3.4: Existence of long-term projections, strategies and plans for production, including the use of tree plantations | Minor | Inadequate holistic planning for harvesting and re-planting of forest plantation area. | It was observed during the visit that Selangor Forestry Department as the manager of the resource has been communicating with the PKPS for the submission of the plan. Up to the time of preparation of the report of this surveillance visit, PKPS has informed Selangor Forestry Department that two of the companies entrusted in managing the plantation areas had submitted their plans and the remaining companies have been given a three month deadline to submit their plans. In view that progress has been made, the auditors agreed to maintain this Minor CAR so as to ensure full compliance by the next surveillance visit. Minor CAR SEL-015 remains outstanding. |
| SEL-016 | 3: Flow of Forest Produce | 3.3: Existence and implementation of: (a) forest management plans, and (b) forest harvesting (operational) plans | Minor (New) | Lack of a mid-term review of the 10-year Forest Management Plan (FMP) to take into account the gazettment of 104,000 ha of Permanent Forest Estate as Heritage Park. | New Minor CAR raised during the Fourth Surveillance Visit. |
| SEL-017 | 3: Flow of Forest Produce | 3.7: Availability and implementation of guidelines for reduced / low impact logging to minimise damage to residual stand. | Minor (New) | Inadequate compliance to RIL guidelines for harvesting of peatswamp forest. | New Minor CAR raised during the Fourth Surveillance Visit. |